

# Don't Stay in School

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I wasn't taught how to get a job  
but I can remember dissecting a frog  
I wasn't taught how to pay tax  
but I know loads about Shakespeare's classics I was never taught how to vote  
they devoted that time to defining isotopes  
I wasn't taught how to look after my health  
but mitochondria is the powerhouse of the cell Never spent a lesson on current events  
instead I studied The Old American West  
I was never taught what laws there are.  
I was never taught what laws there are. Let me repeat - I was not taught the laws for the country  
I live in,  
but I know how Henry the VIII killed his women.  
Divorced beheaded died, divorced beheaded survived  
glad that's in my head instead of financial advice  
I was shown the wavelengths of different hues of light  
but I was never taught my human rights  
Apparently there's 30, do you know them? I don't  
Why the hell can't we both recite them by rote?! I know igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary  
rocks  
Yet I don't know squat about trading stocks  
Or how money works at all - where does it come from?  
How does the thing that motivates the world function? not taught how to budget and disburse  
my earnings  
I was too busy rehearsing cursive.  
Didn't learn how much it costs to raise a kid or what an affidavit is  
but I spent days on what the quadratic equation is  $negative\ b\ plus\ or\ minus\ the\ square\ root\ of\ b^2\ minus\ 4ac\ over\ 2a$   
That's insane, that's absolutely insane.  
They made me learn that over basic first aid  
How to recognise the most deadly Mental disorders // or  
diseases with preventable causes // How to buy a  
house with a mortgage // if I could afford it  
'cause abstract maths was deemed more important than advice that would literally save  
thousands of lives  
but it's cool, 'cause now I could tell you if the number of unnecessary deaths caused by that  
choice was prime. Never taught present day practical medicines,  
but I was told what the ancient hippocratic method is  
"I've got a headache, the pain is ceaseless  
what should I take?" umm... maybe try some leeches?" Could we discuss domestic abuse and  
get the facts  
or how to help my depressed friend with their mental state?"

Ummm... no but learn mental maths  
because "you won't have a calculator with you every day!" They say it's not the kids, the parents  
are the problem

Then if you taught the kids to parent that's the problem solved then!

All this advice about using a condom  
but none for when you actually have a kid when you want one I'm only fluent in this language,  
for serious?

The rest of the world speaks two, do you think I'm an idiot?

They chose the solar over the political system

So like a typical citizen now I don't know what I'm voting on which policies exist, or how to  
make them change

mais oui, je parle un peu de Francais

So at 18, I was expected to elect a representative

For a system I had never ever ever ever been presented with But I won't take it

I'll tell everyone my childhood was wasted

I'll share it everywhere how I was "educated"

And insist these pointless things

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