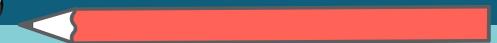
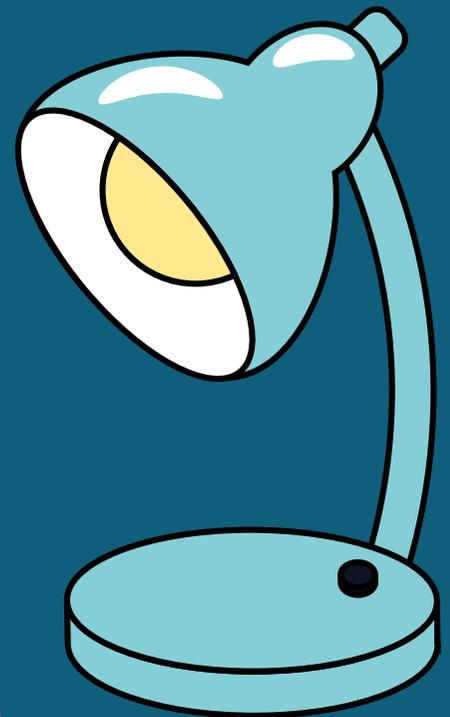


YOUTH BLOGS



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My experience during lockdown hasn't been too traumatic. I'm lucky enough to say that no one that I've cared about has fallen ill but...many people have not been able to say the same. In addition, my overall attitude towards my neighbours has definitely changed during quarantine. I've been able to talk to my new neighbours and help everyone out, even if it's by small conversation across the balcony.

I've also been able to spend more time conversing with myself. I've been staying inside most of the time so I have been able to spend more time with myself. Meditation, dancing and working have taken up a lot of my time. Through this time at home I've been able to focus on being a better version of myself and I've also become more introspective about my next steps in life and how I want to grow.

As this is my last year in highschool I definitely have fears over what I'm going to do next. Before lockdown came in to place I felt that a lot of students and even teachers didn't take it too seriously. But before school ended I've been able to work hard and gain a place as a Google apprentice during my gap year. As my next steps have been more or less secured I've been lucky enough to focus on myself.

The time that I've spent being able to look inwards has been pretty interesting to say the least. When it comes to how I want to grow and differentiate myself in the marketing industry I've taken up coding and photo editing to help strengthen my abilities to be both knowledgeable and versatile.

I've managed to take a role of managing an Instagram page and post my edits on the story. Without the time available to myself and not spending so much time in the brick and mortar of school I definitely wouldn't be able to spend time thinking of the edits I want to do and negotiate different things.

In terms of my overall experience of quarantine. It is simple to say it has been interesting. I can't say I've been able to spend a lot of time with myself without stressing about how I'm going back to the busy world the next day or week. I feel like this quarantine has given a lot of people to re-evaluate their lifestyles and also their work life balance. To summarise, lockdown has been a William Shakespeare play in the making filled with a lot of twists and turns.

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