

Student Life

Student Life refers to the part of life that a student spends studying in schools, colleges and universities. Like all other phases of life, student life has its own peculiar joys and sorrows, its own responsibilities and worries.

Responsible: A student carries immense responsibilities on his shoulders. At first sight, he seems to have a free and easy time, because he is not called upon to earn. The students have to depend on their guardians. Students know how hard it is for the guardians to pay for their educational expenses, and no wonder many of them have to combine earning with learning.

Idealism: Student life is also marked by a deep idealism. As pointed out before, in youth men are away from the hard struggle of life; they do not know how ideals fly away at the touch of reality. They have hope and courage, and they want to make the world better. Whenever there is a famine or a flood, it is easy to enlist the services of students. They are here, there and everywhere, trying to do their little bit for suffering humanity.

Team spirit: An important feature of student life is the sense of team-spirit. Students are young men and women full of high spirits. They organize socials, musical soirees, dramas, cultural festivals and sports and games. If we go to the football ground, we find that the majority of players and spectators are students. Men work by themselves and look to their own interests. But students are always for their class, their school or college and their team. It is this loyalty that makes all their ventures enjoyable. If we go to see a students match, the shouts and cries of the enthusiastic spectators are often more interesting than the skill of the players.

Limited period: Student life is a period of preparation. Students may join politics, they may take part in sports and games or they may engage themselves in other extra academic activities but they must know that all these are not ends in themselves but part of a training that will fit them for the greater work of life. They must not lose themselves in these other activities in which they can take part in a spirit of detachment. These may be good in their own way, but these must not be allowed to absorb all their energies.