

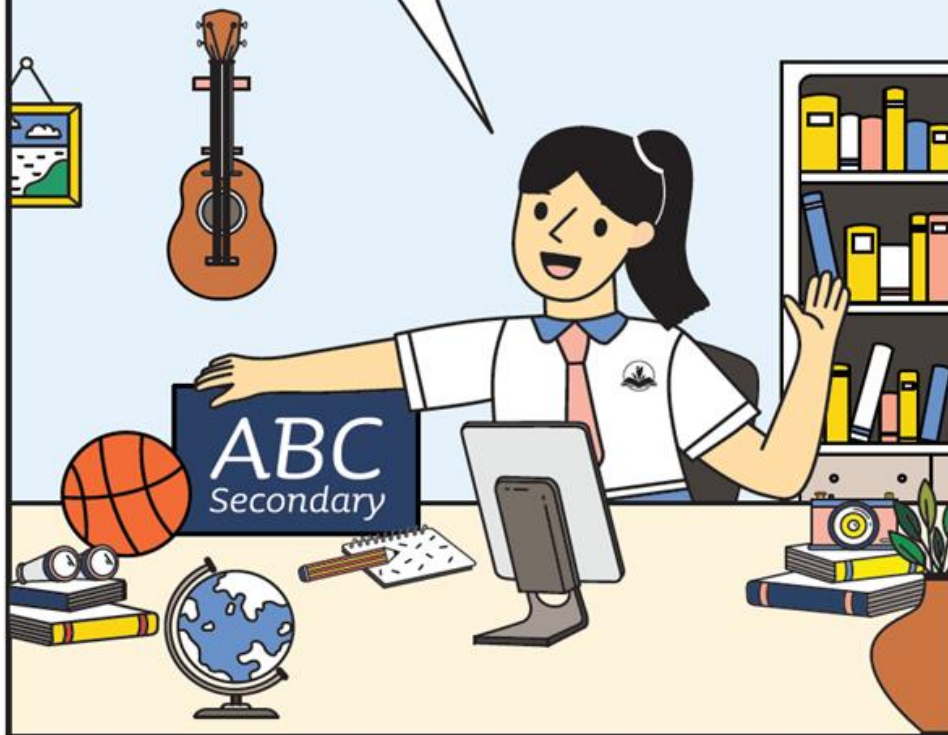


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Hi! I'm Sylvia!

It's nice to meet you! I'm excited to share with you my experience with Student-Initiated Learning, or SIL for short.

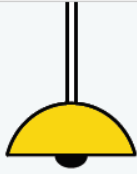


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Let's Get Started!



@ YSS, it is known as "Beyond our Classrooms"



What is SIL?

As part of Home-Based Learning (HBL), you are going to embark on 'Student-Initiated Learning' or SIL for short. So what exactly is SIL?

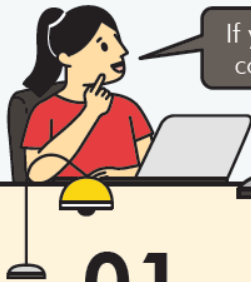


SIL is

- ✓ an opportunity for you to learn to be an **independent, passionate and lifelong learner**
- ✓ a dedicated time during HBL for you to **explore personal interests**, both within and outside of curriculum



If you are still wondering what your SIL journey could look like, here's a sneak peek at mine!



01

Getting Started

- Choose from a range of electives presented to you.
- Get ready for the live and recorded *Beyond Our Classrooms* lessons on the scheduled dates. **Be on time** for the lessons!

SIL is not...

- a time for you to catch up on school work
- an activity that others ask you to do
- an activity that is graded
- an activity that you need to spend a long time planning for



02

Embarking on your journey

- Explore and learn!
- Do your reflection after every lesson.



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Sharing your Journey

- Don't forget to share your journey with everyone





What should I do for SIL?



I want to learn _____,
by the end of Term 2/3 .

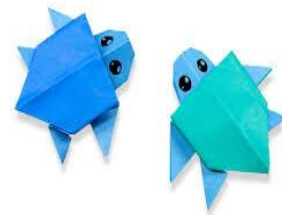
Here are some examples:



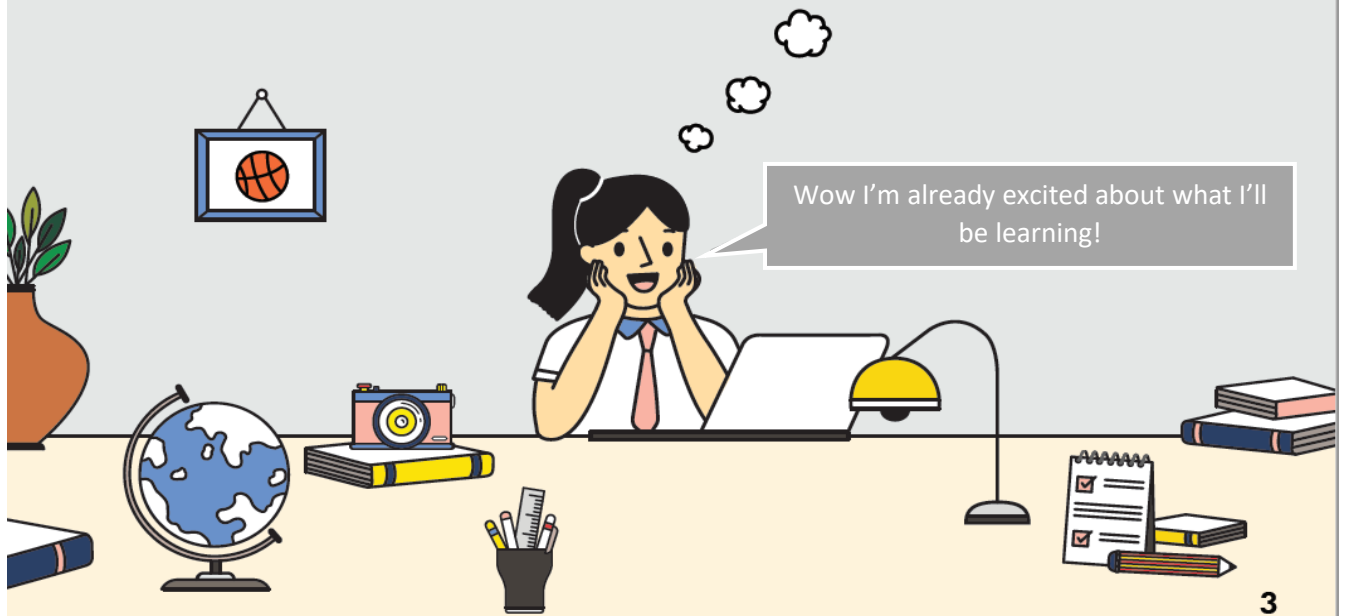
I want to learn to draw cartoon and doodle in term 2!



I want to learn the various Asian languages by going to the recommended online sites in module 2!



I want to appreciate the art by learning about the various origami that people in Asia make!



Things to remember for SIL:

01

Keep it safe



- ✓ Consider the possible risks in what you plan to do.

Make safety your priority!



NO SHARP OBJECTS

AVOID RISKY ACTIVITIES



02

Keep it simple



- ✓ Follow the guidelines and instructions provided in the lessons
- ✓ Ask your FTs/ the teacher IC questions if you have any doubts during the zoom sessions or anytime later.

Build up a task progressively over the weeks

Week 1

Introduction to the lesson on puppetry

Week 2

Basic Puppetry Lesson 1

Week 3

Basic Puppetry Lesson 2

Week 4

Simple Puppetry Performance



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Keep it stress-free



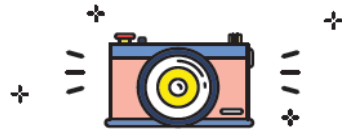
- ✓ Choose a topic that you enjoy!
- ✓ Have fun during the learning process and feel free to tweak your plan as you go along!



Sharing your journey



Here are some suggestions for how you can share your learning!



Snap a picture of something you created, or a moment you want to remember!



Start a learning journal!



Create a PowerPoint presentation of what you have learnt.



Create a short video or social media post to share your learning with family and friends!



Create a poster using "Canva" to provide information about the product or your journey.



FAQs



Answering some of your questions on SIL.



Felicia

Hey Sylvia, my friends and I love playing online games together. Are we able to use SIL time for this?

Hmm I don't think that's a good idea, Felicia. SIL is intended for you to learn something that you're interested in. Why not make use of this opportunity to explore something new?



Ganesh

Hi Sylvia, I was wondering if I could do my SIL activity with my classmates?

Hi Ganesh. Yes you can! For example if you learn a new language and both you and your friend want to work together on it, you may create a video of the conversation between the 2 of you!



Christopher

Hi Sylvia, there are so many ways to share my SIL learning. How should I decide?

Hi Christopher! Remember, keep it simple! Your sharing shouldn't become a burden or take up a lot of time. Your sharing should also be fun, so you can choose a mode of sharing that you enjoy.



Hi Sylvia, how much do I need to share about what I've learnt with my peers, as I'm still a beginner. I'm worried that I will make a fool of myself.



Afiqah



Don't worry Afiqah, it's not necessary to perform or to showcase your new skillset. You should just share as much as you're comfortable with. For example, you can share with your teachers what you have read or videos you watched as part of your SIL learning.



Ways to showcase your product:

1. Create a poster or infographics using Canva.

What is Canva? Canva is a great site to design your posters and infographics.

All you have to do is to start off by registering for an account at Canva.com. Then design the posters using the following steps! It's as easy as 1-2-3

How to design your posters

1. Choose a poster template from our library.
2. Customize your design by changing the text, fonts, colors, and images.
3. Click on download and save on your computer.
4. Submit your poster online through SLS function.

For more information on using Canva, click below:

- a. <https://www.canva.com/learn/a-step-by-step-guide-to-designing-from-scratch/>
- b. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zJSgUx5K6V0>

** You can also create a video using Canva

2. Create a Video using Biteable

5. What is biteable? It is a great site to create your video. It is easy to create various videos using this!
 - a. All you have to do is to sign up at biteable.com. It's Free!
 - b. Choose a template that you find suitable.
 - c. Then choose from the thousands of images and video to make your best video.
 - d. Make your video interesting by adding the various animation, footage, and effects.
 - e. Within minutes, you are ready to share!
 - f. Get the link and share it with your teacher in the SLS submission!

** Watermark will remain if you are using the free account.