Let's Jump Out of the World of Textbooks!

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My group discussed "How can school help students learn better?" For this question, we came up with three ideas.

First, the biggest problem is that textbooks are too boring. It's important to learn from textbooks but I believe it's also important to learn from practical experience. So I want to suggest that teachers create an opportunity for us to put what we have learned to practical use. For example, to improve our English speaking skills, talking with people who are from English speaking countries. Through these experiences, we also learn many things like differences in ways of thinking or cultural differences. It will help us acquire new values and expand our world. Many children do not know why they study or when they can put what they learn to good use. If you can actually work and realize that learning leads to familiar things and to achieving your dreams, it will encourage your motivation to learn. So not only studying from textbooks, but actually making use of your learning will make learning interesting.

Second, using a PC is a good way to make learning easier to understand. Now in Kumamoto prefecture, students have been give laptops. In addition to textbooks material, we can get more information by using pictures and videos. I have an idea to use our computers effectively. First, teachers give us a theme, and we research it by using our PCs and make presentations. By making a presentation in front of everyone, we will deepen our understanding and strengthen our ability to express our opinions. But when we use the internet for our studies, we have to be careful about the credibility of the information we use. We need to compare some websites and find out if it is reliable. So I also believe that it will help us acquire media literacy.

I have often wondered why I have to study and when my current studies will be useful to me. So technology will motivate us to study if we actually experience it and find that it can help us learn. I think studying or learning from textbooks is boring that why many people hate it. Therefore, it is important to sometimes jump out of the world of textbooks to actually experience learning it and feeling it with your skin. It will make your learning interesting. I think studying is often boring and many people hate it. On the other hand, studying is essential if you want to go to high school or college, or if you want to make your dreams come true. I think that not only the support of the teachers but also our own feelings are important. I realized that it was important to devise ways to study while having fun.