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Education, apart from reading and writing, sets about to dampen a child's inquisitive, individual mind to that of a mass-produced product of the current education system.

Schools and colleges are no more than elaborate factories receiving the raw material of a young mind and then gradually attempting to mould them into exact copies of each other. You are filled with the ideas of others and conditioned into accepting blindly without question. We are taught to trust people of authority and to believe in their ideas not your own.

Before you leave school the school will inevitably tell you to commit the next 40 years of your life to a set career is right. Anyone who doesn't is in danger of becoming a reject of society. I believe to be a so-called 'reject' is better than being a sheep in a corrupt, greedy and violent society.

Religion is rammed down your throat at school from an early age. By the time you start to learn about others you already think Christianity is by far more superior than any others.

A pupil who is slightly individual spends most of its time being picked on by ego-trip teachers, who by their sly jokes and comments soon get quite a following of pupils.

Everybody should have a right to be educated, to be able to talk and communicate, to respect new ideas, and to learn and respect arts in all forms. The system denies us all this in their schools.

Headmasters are generally more concerned with the reputation of the school than getting to know its pupils, they make the surface seem clean and fresh, but the deeper you get the shittier and more stagnant it becomes.

People are taught to read and write. Very few read real literature and write down their feelings. Most people read pornography and write on walls. Something is wrong!!!