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If you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid."-
Einstein
Education shouldn't force kids to adapt around it, but rather adapt around the kids. School subjects are
well stuck into the ground, and this the problem. Nothing will change this way.
First of all, don't tell kids what they MUST LEARN; teach them WHY TO LEARN.
Second of all, treat kids as individuals not as students who are exactly like everybody else–if you apply
the latter, you'll lose a possible Shakespeare or Tesla.
If you start with these hypotheses, people won't be confused about what they want to do in life. I, for
one, have dreams and I work on them, but school doesn't really help. I am a drummer, I write and I love
films-but the only art thought in our schools is inadequately turned into something academic. You are
encouraged to express your opinion in a way that doesn't offend anybody and sticks to the standards,
which is madness!
Let schools teach kids what they love and teach them to be individuals–that is the utopia which I root
for.