

# A year out

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You've just finished your A levels and you've got a place at university, but you'd really like a break from the academic world. Why not think about taking a year out? While most students go straight from school to university, more and more young people today are choosing to spend a year at the university of life+ first. There are lots of things to choose from. You could work in a bank or do community work. You might even do something adventurous, such as joining an expedition to the Amazon rain forest. The experience will broaden your horizons and teach you new skills. It may also give you the chance to earn some money , which will be very helpful when you eventually start your studies. If you're interested in taking a year out, you must make sure that the university will hold your place for you till next year. Most are quite happy to do this, as they find that year-out students are more mature, confident, and independent. But don't forget: it's a year out not a year off. your university will want to know what you're going to do. They won't be very pleased if you just want to do nothing for a year .so what would you do with a year out?