

## Education in Japan

Japan is not only known for its rapid economic development, but also for its educational success, starting from preschool. Children in kindergarten are taught social behaviour, such as saying thank you, helping others, and hygiene. When children start school at Grade 1, they continue to learn ethical behaviour. They nurture and care for animals and plants daily to develop love of life and the natural environment. From middle school, every student is required to join clubs to learn how to work in groups, create close relationships with friends and teachers, and practice communication and social skills.

[www.englishtreasure.asia](http://www.englishtreasure.asia)

Japanese education programs seek to teach students, not achieve grades. They aim to teach useful knowledge and provide a foundation for development rather than cram excessive information and unnecessary detail. The consequences of this holistic education are demonstrated by the cohesiveness of Japanese society. Children are also taught the importance of maintaining their own community environment, such as roads, markets, and parks. Education in Japan is highly effective because of the close association between family, school, and society.

[youtube.com/EnglishTreasure](https://youtube.com/EnglishTreasure)

Why are Japanese students required to join clubs?

[www.englishtreasure.asia](http://www.englishtreasure.asia)

What are examples of social behaviour?

[youtube.com/EnglishTreasure](https://youtube.com/EnglishTreasure)

What ideas from Japanese education do you think might help Vietnam's schools?