

Meeting with my Mentor

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In the first week after Term One ended, I was informed that I was going to meet my mentor. At first, I was a bit nervous because I had never had a mentor before and this was going to be my first time.

When my friend Ruth and I arrived at the KF office, Joanna and Catherine – our mentors walked in. They were so beautiful and had very wonderful personalities. Their demeanor reassured me that this was going to be a fun afternoon and all my earlier nervousness seemed to just disappear. I was excited.

They took us to a nearby mall for a snack as we got acquainted. Our short trip to the mall was filled with much conversation on different things. They asked questions about our backgrounds, our families, siblings and our future aspirations. We also took turns to ask them questions on where they worked and the countries where they hailed from.

The conversation switched to fun things about favorite colors, movies, musicians etc.



Despite the very glaring age gap, they made us so comfortable. Lost in the conversation, before long we were heading back to the office. On our way there, they encouraged us to work hard and focus on our studies. They emphasised the importance of knowing one self and while accepting one's flaws, leveraging on one's strengths. We said our good byes for that day. Joanna and Catherine paid us a further three visits while we were in school and our friendship bond grew. Our mentors possessed the quality of passing across important life lessons in the most fun way. They taught some social etiquette tips and how to be a lady.

We are really grateful for our mentors and we look forward to more times together.