

STREAMS AFTER 10TH

The gradual process of the ascent of a human being on the path towards a career begins right at the moment when they begin their education at the age of four. During this gradual process, all students come face to face with the choice that determines what career path they would walk on. They come face to face with the choice regarding what direction their career will take.

This moment of choosing, for students in India, comes **after the Class 10** examinations. This is the golden moment of reckoning when a student has to choose between the three streams in which they would further pursue a career – **Science, Commerce or Arts/Humanities.**

As soon as a student is promoted to Class 10, a sort of pressure builds up on his head, an indicator that he is now closer towards choosing his career path than ever before. This pressure usually stems from the student's own aims and ambitions as well as familial and peer influence.

The dilemma of **choosing a stream after Class 10** is quite a crucial decision in the life of a student. It is, more often than not, met with nerves and anxiety on the part of both the students as well as the parents.

The anxiety felt by students and parents alike at this point of time is not really out of place as the decision regarding the stream, once made, would be a hard one to turn around and begin all over. Also, this decision would also open up several

windows regarding the choice of careers, as well as close many others.

This section of our website offers students information and advice regarding **what stream to choose after class 10** and how to go about making this very important decision.

The three main streams that can be pursued after Class 10 are:

- Commerce
- Science
- Arts/Humanities

COMMERCE

The **commerce stream after completion of Class 10** is quite a popular choice in India, as most students feel that the stream **offers them a wide arena of career options** to pursue after class 12, that would bring them both success as well as financial security easily. However, what most students do not realize is that just as is the case with the science stream, a student also needs to have a certain aptitude for commerce to be completely successful in it. Some students may choose the Commerce stream for this reason. However, it is a fact that if they have a mind that is more suited to a career in the Humanities stream, or even the Science stream, they would find it hard to survive and perform well in Commerce.

The major subjects covered under the Commerce stream are:

- Accountancy
- Economics
- Business Studies
- Economics
- Mathematics
- Informatics Practices
- English

SCIENCE

Science can be defined as a systematic study and investigation of natural phenomena and occurrences by way of observation, theoretical explanation as well as experimentation. A scientific study of any phenomena involves careful observation, formulation of hypotheses, conducting experiments to test and prove the hypotheses and henceforth drawing conclusions that confirm or deny the hypothetical assumption. Such scientific studies help in the formulation of universal laws that help humans to know more about the world we live in and how various natural processes and phenomena occur.

Science is a vast field and concerns almost everything that our eyes can see or cannot see. Everything in the universe can be

studied under the field of science. Talking at a basic educational level, science can be divided into three broad subjects – Physics, Chemistry and Biology.

The major subjects covered under the Science stream are:

- Physics
- Chemistry
- Biology
- English
- Mathematics
- Biotechnology
- Computer Science

ARTS/HUMANITIES

Defining humanities is a difficult task. However, it can be said in a few words that it is an academic discipline which deals with the study of the 'Human Condition', utilizing methodologies that are usually analytical, critical or speculative.

The wide range of subjects that come under the umbrella term of Humanities range from history, languages, literature, law, philosophy, religion, performing arts, anthropology, communication, sociology, psychology and many more.

Choosing the Humanities stream after Class 10 would enable a student to choose a career from a range spanning a wide area. Subjects that are available for study in the CBSE class 11 syllabus are History, Geography, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, English, Hindi and Sanskrit.

The major subjects covered under the Arts stream are:

- History
- Geography
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- English
- Hindi
- Sanskrit