

Memoirs of a Marina lad....

1992 - 1999



Instructions

Denrol Carayol

1. Born and raised in The Gambia - Gambian & Jamaican - MRC
2. Attended MIS from 1992 - 1999
3. Studied and taught in the US (1999 - 2008)
4. Taught Maths in the UK for a year
5. Taught at [Stockholm International School](#), Stockholm Sweden (2011 - 2016)
6. At the [International School of Dakar](#), Senegal : 2016 - Present (IB MYP Coordinator)
7. 3 Children



Denrol CARAYOL

Titles: MYP Coordinator

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1992 - 93

1. Why MIS? The Gambia government's role.....
2. Form 1 : In awe of Marina.....
3. High School as a part of Junior Section
4. Form 1 : Two classes Form 1A and Form1B
5. 1 Class of Form 2 and 1 Class of Form 3



1993 - 94

1. Form 2 : B -block is built and we move over
2. Staff Lounge in corner of B-block
3. New Staff Lounge, Library and Principal's section built



1994-95

1. Form 3 : Class names changed to Circle and Triangle
2. Our friends in Ndows take Grade 9 Exam
3. Choose our subjects : Sciences, Arts, etc, Marina plans to implement IGCSE in future
4. D - Block Built



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n, Antoinette LLOYD-Evans, Fat
al, Amadou Njie, Yassin George
Halimatou Tamedou, Omar Fiss
, Mr. Smith, Jojoh Faal, Elean
orge, Nna Ceesay Marenah, Ted
nneh, Denrol Carayol, Musa Jag
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1995 - 96

1. At MRC with Dr. Kebba Marenah
2. Form 4 : Under 1 Banner We Stand
3. Commercial Dances in Art Room



1996-97

1. C-block is built
2. Form 5 : Marina's first ever IGCSE cohort takes exams
3. Results are published in the Daily Observer
4. I leave for UK on holiday. First time ever on a plane.



MIS announces first every IGCSE results.

August 26th 1997 Daily Observer

Marina International releases results

This year for the first time, Marina International School entered students for the International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE). The 38 students in form 5 made 310 entries in 19 different subjects. The results were published by the University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate (UCEES) on Thursday, 21 August. They were as follows:

Grade A* - 2;	Grade A - 12;	Grade B - 28;	Grade C - 55;	Grade D - 60;	Grade E - 62;	Grade F - 62;	Grade G - 20;	Ungraded - 9
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The best IGCSE results this year were achieved by Omar Ali with Grade A* in Computer Studies and Mathematics; and Grade A in Additional Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry and Physics. Omar will now be going to study for the International Baccalaureate at Impington School, Cambridge, UK.

Other students who achieved "A"s are Manish Shrestha with grade A in Computer Studies, Mathematics and Additional Mathematics; Denrol Carayol

with Grade A in Chemistry; Fatou Lili Drammeh with Grade A in Sociology; Yassin George with Grade A in Chemistry; Jaygi Sillah with Grade A in Computer Studies; and Halimaton Tambadou with Grade A in Foreign Language French.

Students who achieved 5 or more IGCSE passes at Grade C or above were (number of passes A* to C in brackets):

Omar Ali (9); Denrol Carayol (9); Fatou Lili Drammeh (5); Yassin George (6); Musa Jagne (7); Tanya Mousa (5); Amadou M.B. Njie (5); Manish Shrestha (6) and Jaygi Sillah (5).

Of those who sat for IGCSE examinations, 27 qualified for the award of the International Certificate of Education (ICE). None were awarded ICE Distinction. Six were awarded ICE Merit, namely: Denrol Carayol, Fatou Lili Drammeh, Musa Jagne, Tanya Mousa, Amadou M.B. Njie and Jaygi Sillah. A further 21 students were awarded ICE pass.

Darwin Smith
Acting Deputy Head



Leaving after Form 5 ? Consider Schools that offer the IB Diploma Programme

1. Founded in 1968 by a group of educators in the International School of Geneva
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4. Allows for international movement
5. Promotes international understanding
6. Results are recognised by universities worldwide



Why study the DP?

- Preparation for university
- Favoured by universities
- You will learn how to learn
- You will develop cultural competence

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Reasons
why the IB Diploma Programme (DP) is ideal preparation for university

- 1 It increases academic opportunity**
Research* shows that DP graduates are much more likely to be enrolled at top higher education institutions than entrants holding other qualifications.
- 2 IB students care about more than just results**
Through creativity, action, service (CAS) you learn outside the classroom and develop emotionally and ethically as well as intellectually.
- 3 It encourages you to become a confident and independent learner**
For example, the extended essay requires independent research through an in-depth study.
- 4 It's an international qualification**
The DP is recognized globally by universities and employers.
- 5 Graduates are globally minded**
Language classes encourage an international mindset, key for increasingly globalized societies.
- 6 The IB encourages critical thinking**
Learn how to analyse and evaluate issues, generate ideas and consider new perspectives.
- 7 DP students have proven time management skills**
Take good study habits and strong time management to further education and the working world.
- 8 It assesses more than examination techniques**
Learn to understand, not just memorise facts or topics and prepare for exams.
- 9 Subjects are not taught in isolation**
Theory of knowledge (TOK) classes encourage you to make connections between subjects.
- 10 It encourages breadth and depth of learning**
You are able to choose courses from six subject groups and study subjects at different levels.

*Based on IB research - www.ibo.org/research
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Form 6 - 1997/98

1. Personally not happy to come back home after my first summer holiday in the UK....
2. Made some very good non-Marina friends...
3. Marina plans to implement Cambridge A-level exams for end of Form 7



Form 7 - 1998/99

1. Meeting my significant other at the B-Block
2. Form 1 has a Square section (3 streams)
3. Looking to the future - Prospectus

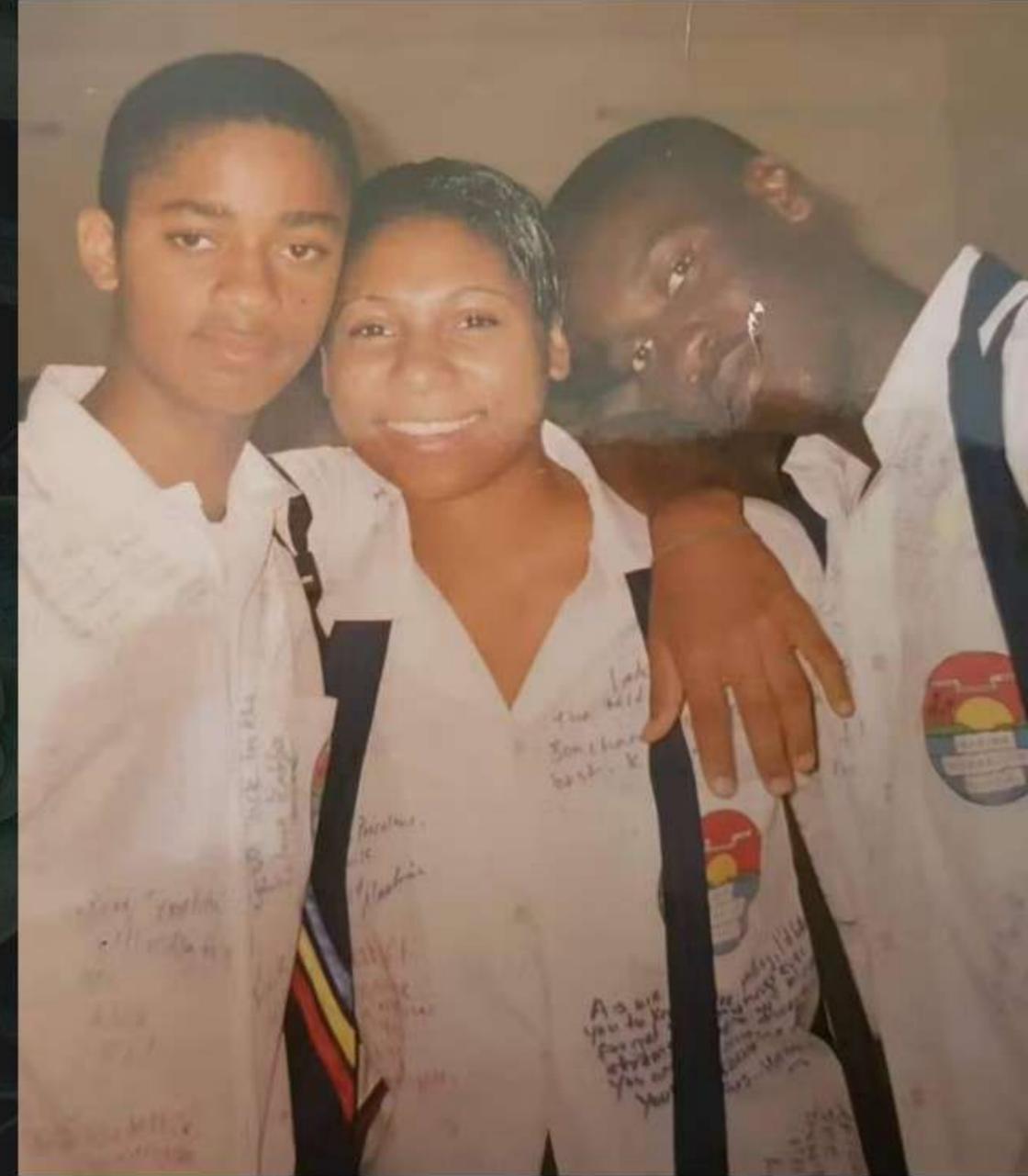


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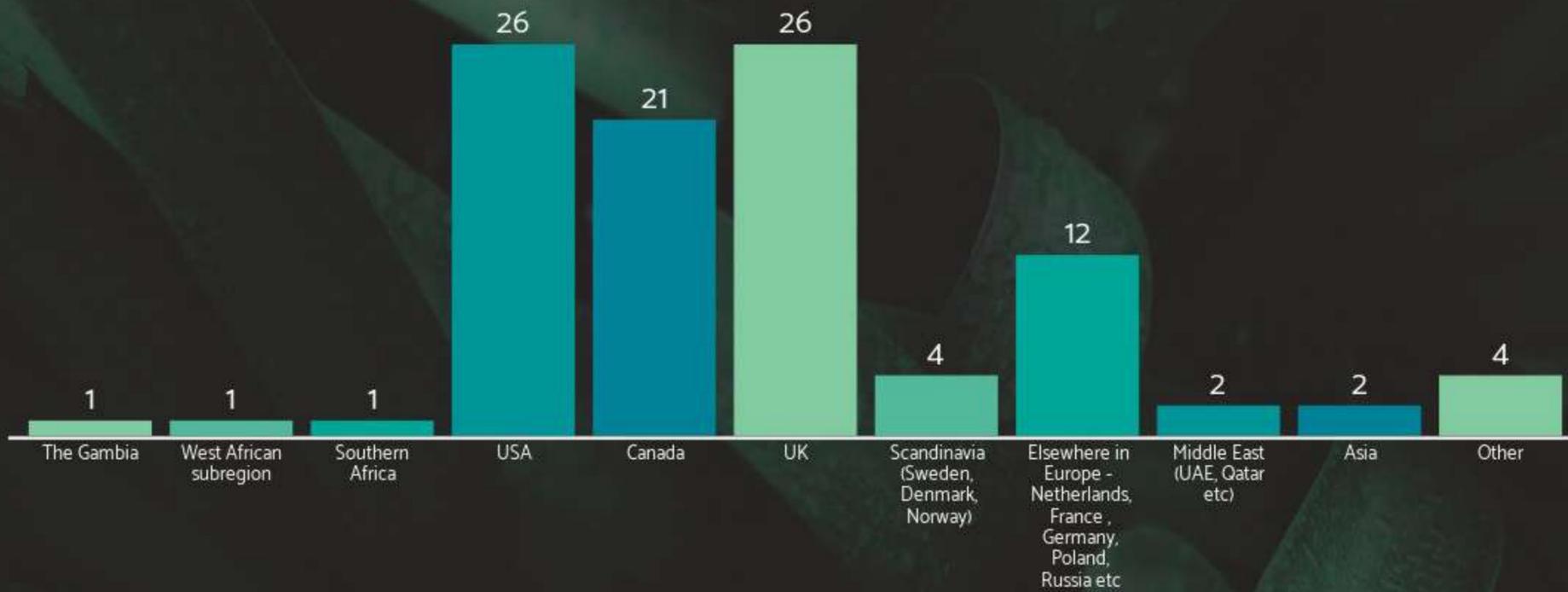
Form 7 - 1998/99

1. SAT Exams - USA
2. Final Cambridge A-level exams
3. Moved to the USA (Mississippi for tertiary education)



Form 7 - 1998/1999 (Graduation)

Where are you looking to study in the future?



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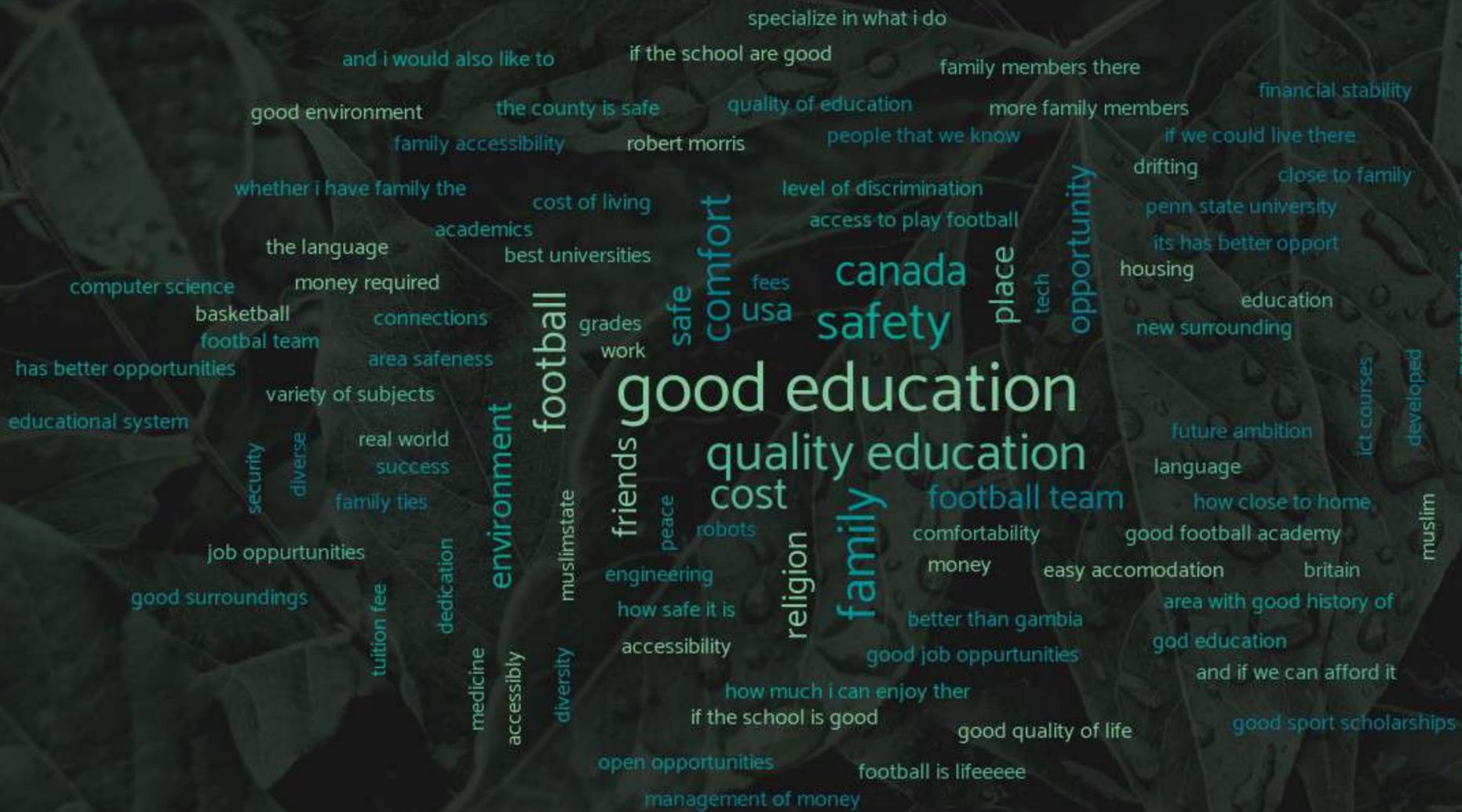


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What are some of the major deciding factors for where you would like to study?

131 responses



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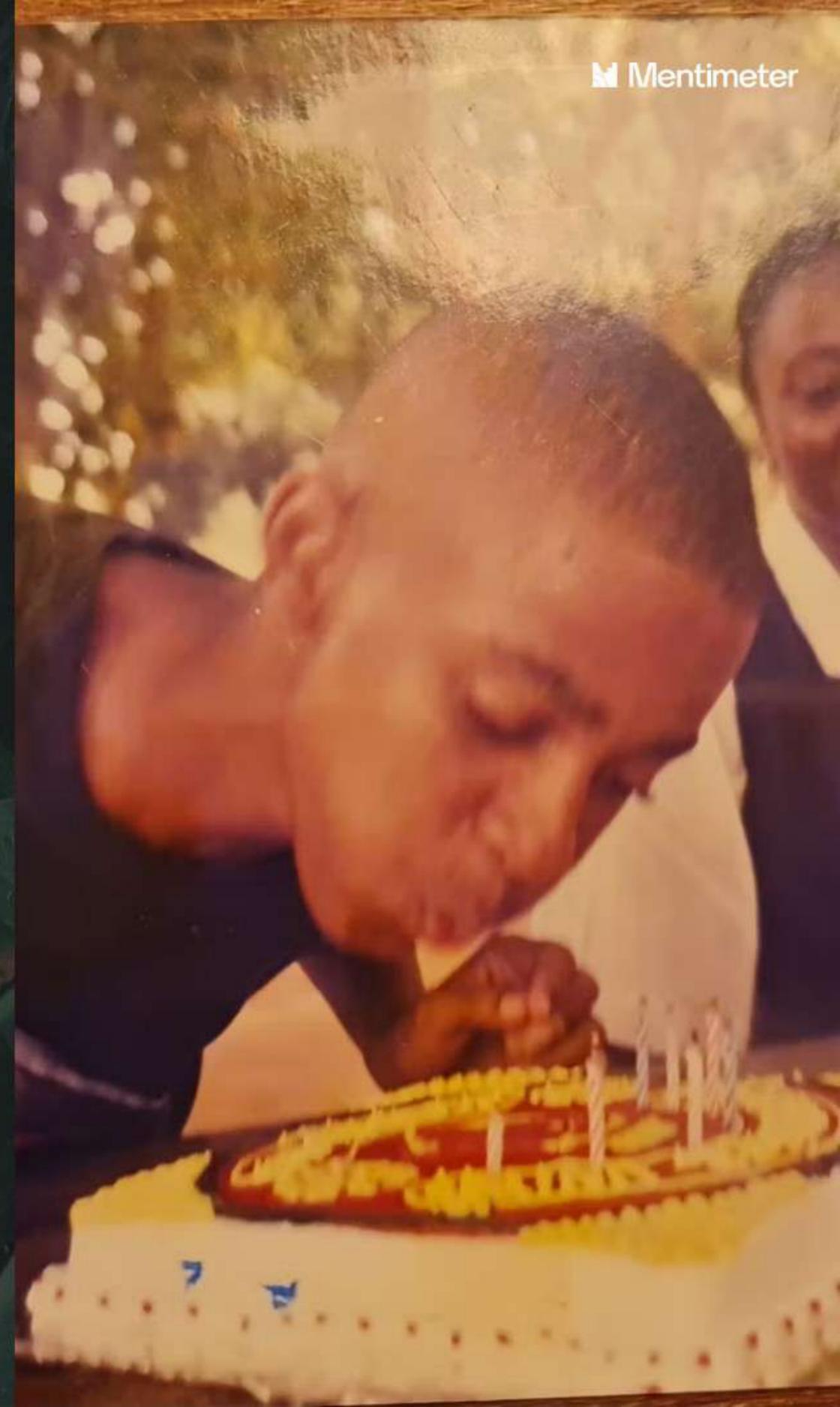
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What will matter....

1. You and your parent's preference
2. Exam Results
3. Financial situation
4. Where you will find support
5. Other factors
6. The passport(s) you carry.

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How many passports do you carry?



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REPUBLIC OF GAMBIA



COMMUNAUTÉ ÉCONOMIQUE DES ÉTATS DE L'AFRIQUE DE L'OUEST (CEDEAO)

PASSPORT PASSEPORT



Considering the USA?

1. Good job opportunities after university available for US passport holders
2. Passport matters for non US passport holders- life after university
3. Job opportunities available but your status as an F1 student visa holder will have to be adjusted
4. Two years of OPT (Optional Practical Training) given
5. Very difficult to have an H1B work visa after OPT
6. Leaving the country to either renew your visa or risk going out of status (sans papier)

Consider the IUA (International University Alliance)

With an IB Diploma Certificate consider [IUA](#)
Schools when applying to the USA

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2023-24 SAT Test Dates and Score Release Schedule

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Score Release Date	Colleges Receive Scores By
August 26, 2023	August 11, 2023	September 8, 2023	September 18, 2023
October 7, 2023	September 22, 2023	October 20, 2023	October 30, 2023
November 4, 2023	October 20, 2023	November 17, 2023	November 27, 2023
December 2, 2023	November 17, 2023	December 15, 2023	December 25, 2023
March 9, 2024	TBD		
May 4, 2024	TBD		
June 1, 2024	TBD		

ISD's CEEB Code: 635920

ISD's Test Center Code: 79324

SAT DATES 2023-24

SAT registration deadlines

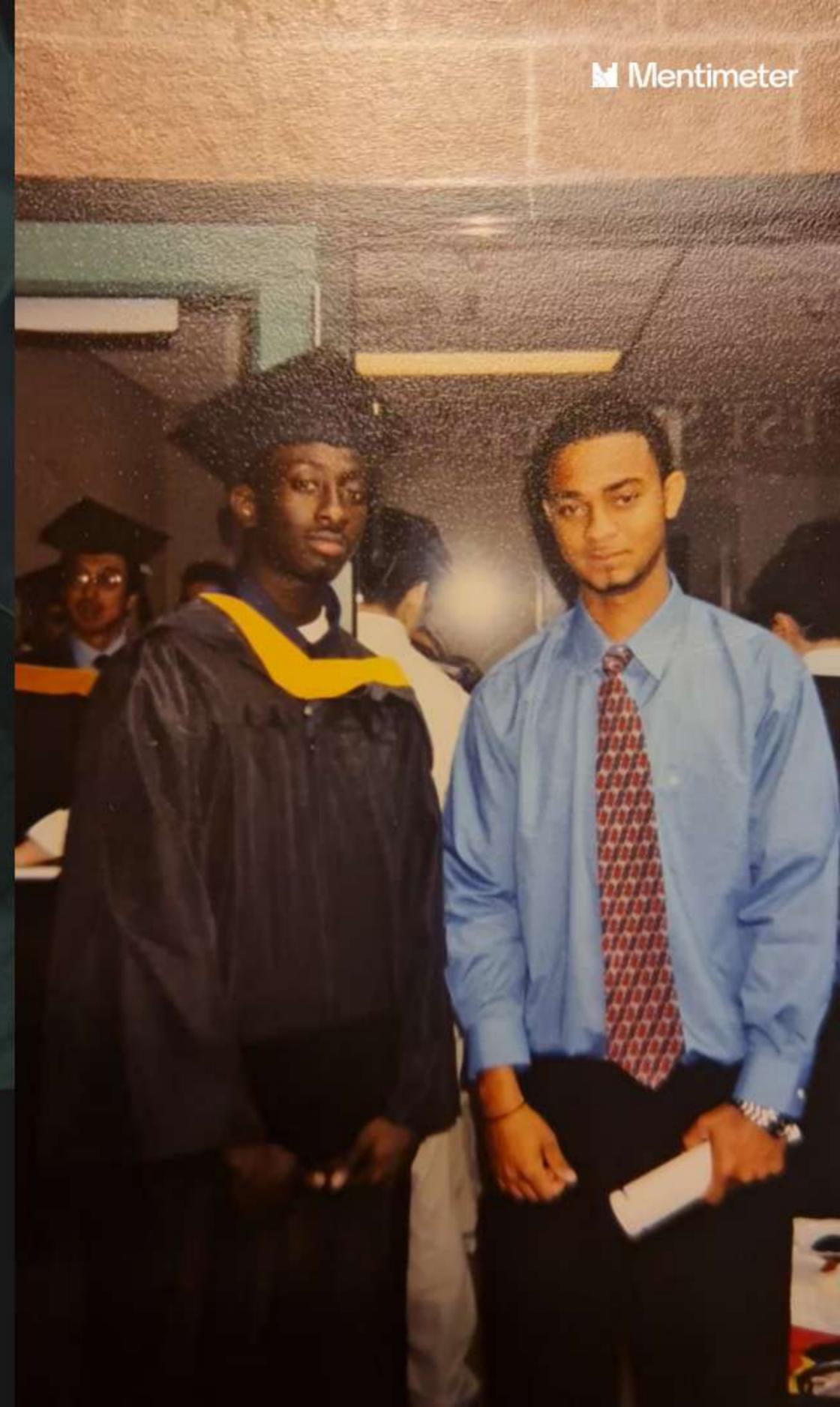
Considering Canada?

1. Very good education for reasonable prices
2. Right to work once you've completed studies
3. Diverse populations in multicultural cities e.g Toronto



Consider: Life After University.....

1. Will you be able to stay and work if you so choose to?
2. Will your degree be recognised elsewhere if you choose to move later on in life? Law & Medicine
3. Consider Nation Building - Africa at large - Tech growth



Considering the UK?

- UK is no longer a part of the EU (EU passport holders)
- Good , quality education at excellent universities
- Consider applying for scholarships on an African passport first.
- Look to Scotland in the UK as well

Considering the Netherlands?

1. An excellent education at an affordable price
2. There are no Dutch language requirements for university entry. English suffices
3. Housing can be difficult to find in cities like Amsterdam



MIS family as your strength.....

Considering Sweden?

1. Free education for EU citizens
2. Swedish language requirements apply for undergraduate degrees
3. Housing can be difficult to find in Stockholm, Malmö and Gothenberg

University Timeline



**KARLSTAD
UNIVERSITY**



Think about where you would like to go

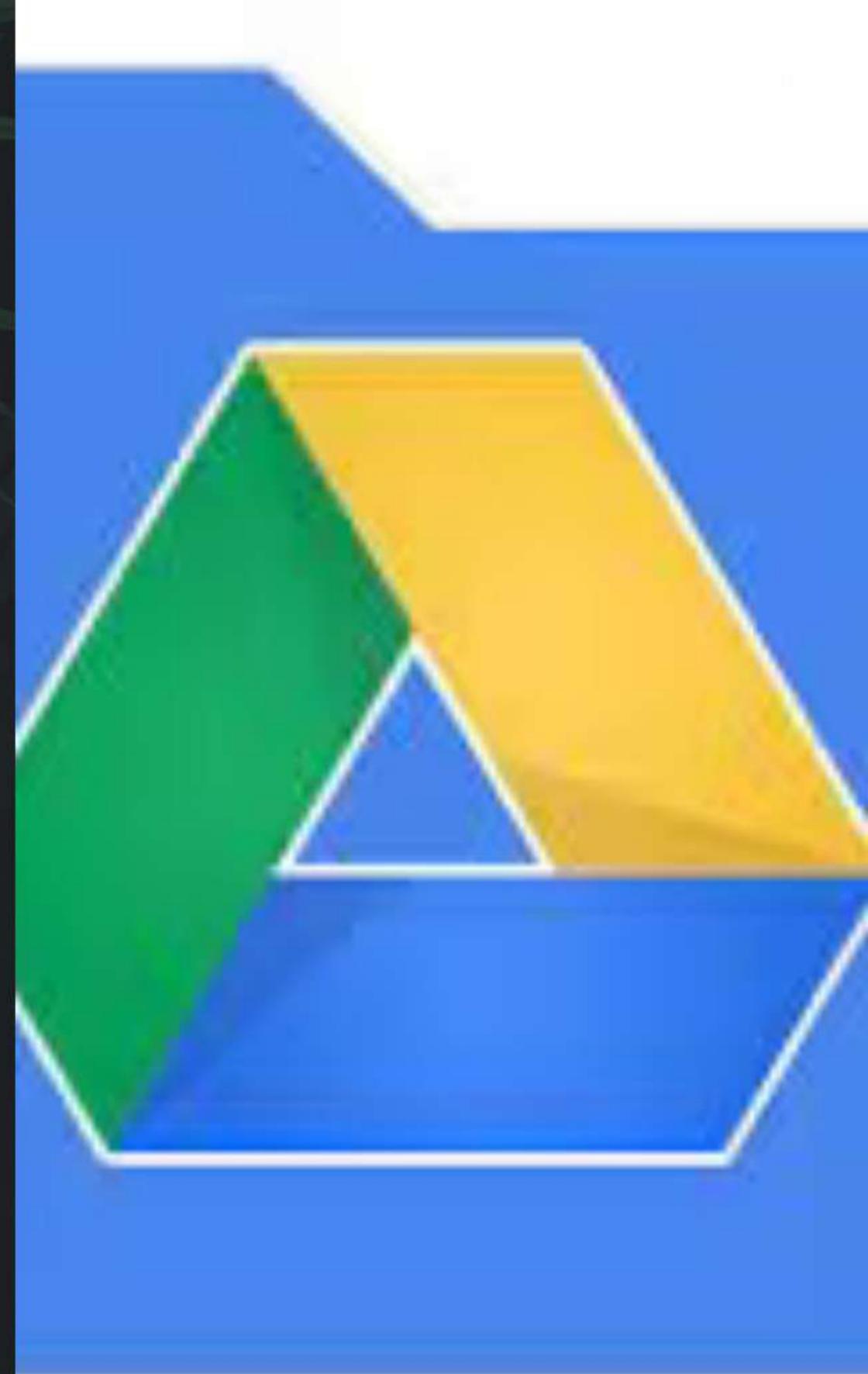
Have conversations with parents. What criteria would you use to select universities?

Where would you like to go to study? What countries?



Tip: Google Folder

1. Create a university google folder and store all university information on it
2. Essay drafts
3. University research
4. Organisational spreadsheet of university research
5. Everything related to university



What research do you conduct on universities?

1. University fairs (in person and virtual)
2. University visits
3. Professionals you meet through friends and family
4. University websites
5. Presentations

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Organizing Information



Create a spreadsheet that you can use as you research schools



Open up Excel and begin to make a list of criteria across the top

Sample – Create Your Own Now!

University	Deadline/type	Program of study	Cost	Essay requirement	How to Apply	Number of students	Location/ climate	Required FR housing	Pros	Cons
A	EA - Nov. 1; Reg-Jan 15	English literature	55,000/yr total	2 plus supplements	Common App	30,000	US - Boston	No	close to family	expensive
B	ED - Nov. 1; EA - Nov. 15; Reg. - Jan 3	Humanities	60,000/yr total	2 plus supplements	On univ website	50,000	US - Texas	Yes	friends go there	no family or relatives nearby
C	Reg - Nov. 1	English literature	30,000/yr total	on univ website/application	On univ website	70,000	US - WA	Yes	love program and internship	too cold in winter; very competitive
D	Jan. 26	English literature	40,000	UCAS essay	UCAS	3000	England	No	program; family; city	weather

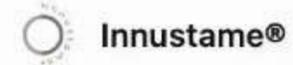
Other Places

1. Czech Republic - Masters programmes in English
2. UAE - For Communications Degree
3. Hong Kong
4. Continental Europe - Erasmus programme for EU citizens





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From MIS.....



Kids from MIS.....



University of The Gambia

1. The Gambia as Kartong to Koina
2. Consider one or two courses (if possible) before you leave
3. Enrichment

