

## Model Students

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A 'Ten Model Students' competition has recently been held. The result was surprising. There were only six winners, all of whom were female students. Is it true that female students generally perform better than male students in the areas of academic performance, leadership skills, use of language to express themselves and knowledge of the world? In my opinion, both boys and girls have the qualities that would enable them to earn the title of 'model student'.

To begin with, I believe both male and female students possess knowledge of the world. The majority of students in Hong Kong read newspapers every day. Although female students may be more interested in entertainment news while male students may prefer news about sports, both female and male students read international news and know what is happening in the world. Thus, we cannot say that female students are better than male students by the criterion of knowledge of the world.

For academic performance, I think male and female students are good at different subjects. In general, male students are good at mathematics and science subjects while female students perform better in arts and humanity subjects such as Chinese Literature and History. Again, we cannot draw a conclusion that male students are weaker than female students in academic performance.

For leadership skills, it seems to me that male students perform better than female students. The reason is that male students are more decisive. Compared with girls, boys are more able to make decisions quickly and confidently. That is why boys are usually elected to be chairpersons of various school clubs in many co-educational schools.

Last but not least, in the area of use of language to express themselves, female students perform better than male students. This is because girls are generally more outgoing and sociable than boys. Girls are more eager to voice their opinions and share their feelings with others. Thus, their language skills are better.

All in all, I think both male and female students possess the qualities that are required for the title of 'model student'. I look forward to seeing both male and female winners in next year's competition.

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**Teacher's Feedback : A fluent piece of work with a nice arrangement of arguments.  
Well structured! (Miss Tse Kit Wan)**

