

#### American Academy Larnaca











Founded in 1956 by HRH The Duke of Edinburgh, educationalist Kurt Hahn and adventurer Lord John Hunt, the Award was based on the principle that

#### There's more in you than you think



Today, more than 1.3 million young people take part,

supported by 180,000+ volunteers,

in 130+ countries & territories around the world



#### Every day there are...

1,800+ new participants enrolled in the Award

Each year...

200,000 volunteers give up their time

And since 1956 millions of young people

have had their lives changed by the Award

In fact the Award not only changes the lives of young people, but also their communities and the adults that support them.



97% PARTICIPANTS
98% AWARD LEADERS
RECOMMEND
THE AWARD



91% FOUND THE AWARD

FUN
AND
LIFT

FOUND THE AWARD

9 out 10
AWARD LEADERS
BENEFIT
FROM BEING
INVOLVED



And that not all learning happens in the classroom. In fact, some of life's biggest lessons can happen in the least likely locations



# The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award

#### Four sections:

- ✓ Service
- ✓ Physical Recreation
- √ Skills
- ✓ Adventurous Journey

#### Service

Participants volunteer in their communities, make a positive contribution to society and demonstrate social responsibility.

For example,

Community work
Youth work
Community education and health education
Environmental service
Charity work
Emergency service support

#### Physical Recreation

Encourages young people to improve their fitness, performance and enjoy healthy lifestyles for good mental and physical wellbeing.

For example,

Ball sports
Athletics
Water sports
Winter sports
Martial arts
Animal sports
Fitness activities
Adventure sports

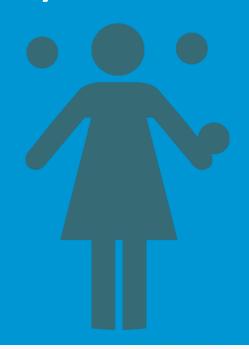


#### Skills

Enables participants to develop their talents, broaden their abilities, increase their self-confidence and improve their employability.

For example,

Music
Sports related
ICT & Computer Science
Arts & crafts
Nature & environment
Communication – e.g. film and photography



#### Adventurous Journey

Young people discover a spirit of adventure and gain a deeper understanding of the environment and the great outdoors.

For example,

- Expedition: a focus on the journey
- Exploration: a purpose with a journey



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The Adventurous Journey



# where are the maps?!



#### Follow the leader!



### The Journey has just started





# Getting ready to set off...



#### Walking towards our destination...



## Having the appropriate clothing..



#### Can't really do without them ...





#### Getting closer to nature





#### Learning our history and culture



# Day 1





#### Panayia Stazousa







## Early in the morning... still well off!



## The journey...



# Taking a break for water, rest & of course music



#### A little tired, but we can still go more...















## Arrival @ camping place







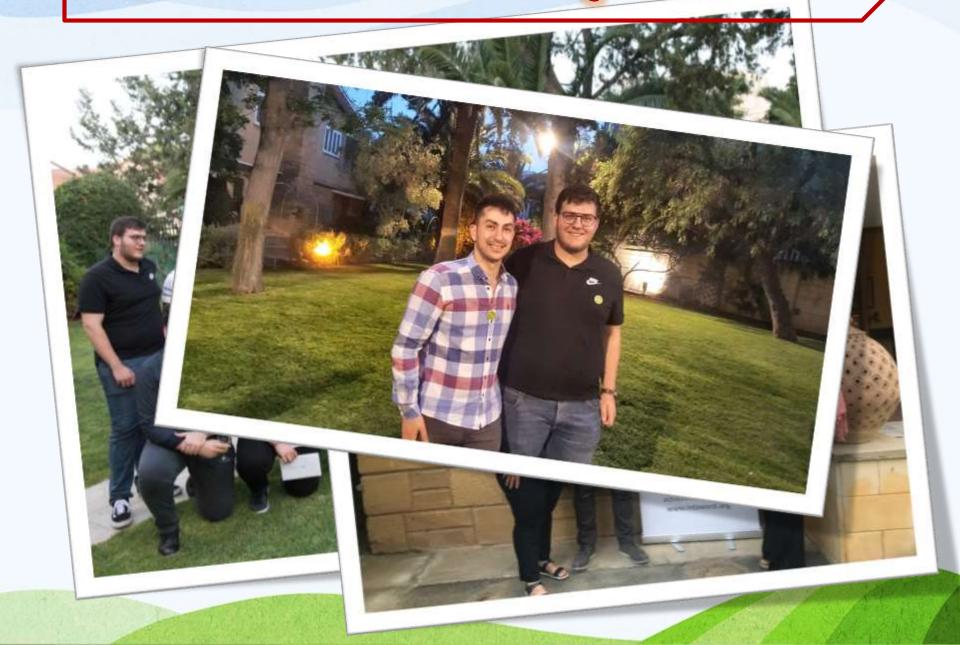
#### And after a long day of walking...



#### ... ready to leave.



#### Gold Award Ceremony in Nicosia



# THANKS!

Any questions?

