

Item	Duration	Remarks/Details
Setting up Zoom and Welcome	10 min	
Introduction by ASRJC students	25 min	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Singapore culture</li> <li>• Education landscape in Singapore</li> <li>• Life as a student in ASRJC</li> </ul>
Introduction by NTT High School students	25 min	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vietnam culture</li> <li>• Education landscape in Vietnam</li> <li>• Life as a student in NTT High School</li> </ul>
STEM Sharing by ASRJC students & Project Showcase	20 min	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students' experiences in ASRJC STEM Co-Curricular activities (CCA)</li> <li>• Showcase one project and learning points from their science research project journey</li> </ul>
Science Research Sharing by NTT High School students & Project Showcase	20 min	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students' science research experiences in NTT High School</li> <li>• Showcase one project and learning points from their science research project journey</li> </ul>
Q&A Interactive Segment	20 min	

## **Segment 1: Welcoming the Guests**

Emcee: Good afternoon teachers and students, a warm welcome to our annual online exchange program between Nguyen Tat Thanh High School and Anderson Serangoon Junior College. My name is Ashok and I am honored to be your emcee for today's event. In this exchange, we will share about our countries and hopefully by the end of the exchange, we will learn new things and improve our cross-cultural understanding.

\*Show program outline slide\*

For the next two hours, this will be our program outline. Firstly there would be an introduction by ASRJC. [Read out the programme outline]

\*Show flow of events slide\*

These will be what my schoolmates will be sharing with you today. We will be presenting on Singapore culture, Singapore education system, life in ASRJC, and finally a project showcase. [Read out the flow of events]

Before we start our presentation, I kindly ask you to scan this QR code to ask about any questions you have on our sharing. Thank you.

Now, let us begin the first segment by introducing to you all about Singapore's culture. Yi Xuan, the floor is yours.

## **Segment 2: Singapore's culture**

\*Introduction to SG culture completes\*

Thank you Yi Xuan for sharing these wonderful traits of Singapore's culture. We hope that this presentation gave you an insight into our way of life here in Singapore. \*Add remark to one of the slides\* [Singapore is a multicultural and multireligious society where we all live harmoniously. With the many races and cultures, there are many places you can visit and foods that you can try. These foods are our national identity and if you come to Singapore, you should definitely try these wonderful dishes. ]

Next, it will be Jing Dong's turn to share about the education system here in Singapore! Jing Dong please.

\*Presentation of education system completes\*

Thank you Jing Dong for sharing about the Singapore education system. [Currently, we are pursuing our tertiary education which will last 2 years. After which, all male students will have to serve the compulsory National Service for another 2 years before moving on to university which will last for 4 years before finally entering the workforce.]

Speaking of tertiary education, now i will pass the time over to Shi Yi to share about her life in ASRJC, Shi Yi please.

*\*Presentation of life in ASRJC completes\**

Thank you Shi Yi for sharing her day in the life of an ASRJC student.

Now, let us hand over the time to Nguyen Tat Thanh High School for their presentation.

### **Segment 3: Introduction by Nguyen Tat Thanh High School**

Emcee: Thank you to Nguyen Tat Thanh High School for that insightful presentation about their school and country.

### **Segment 4: Co-curricular Activity Sharing ASRJC**

Now, let us move on to our next segment. Our next segment is the students' experiences in ASRJC STEM Co- Curricular activities (CCA).

Now, it will be Daryl's turn to share about our STEM CCA! Daryl please.

Emcee: Thank you to Daryl for sharing about our STEM CCA and the various opportunities to take part in competitions. We hope that you have gained a better understanding of the competitions that our students take part in.

### **Segment 5: Project showcase**

Emcee: Now, let Betrand and his team from ASRJC to begin the showcase of their project (recce bot) and learning points from their science research project journey

Emcee: Thank you to our presenters from the junior college in Singapore for sharing about the project. The science research project is very interesting and it will definitely motivate the J1s in STEM CCA to persevere and try their best in their upcoming competitions.

Emcee: Now, let us hand over the time to Nguyen Tat Thanh High School for their \_\_\_\_ sharing. Nguyen Tat Thanh High School please.

### **Segment 6: Sharing by Nguyen Tat Thanh High School**

Emcee: Thank you to Nguyen Tat Thanh High School for sharing about \_\_\_\_\_. It's great to see the diversity of interests and passions among our students.

Emcee: Now, let us move on to our final segment for the program.

### **Segment 6: Q&A Interactive Segment between the Two Schools**

Please once again scan this qr code and ask any questions you have. You will now have 3 minutes to think of the questions and type them in.

Emcee: Thank you to both schools for an engaging and enlightening Q&A session. It was wonderful to see everyone participating actively and learning from one another.

[Let us have one final question]

Emcee: As we come to the end of our program, we would like to express our gratitude to Nguyen Tat Thanh High School for joining us in this online exchange program. We hope that this has been a valuable experience for everyone involved.

Emcee: And with that, we have come to the end of our program. Thank you once again to everyone for your participation and enthusiasm. Have a great day ahead! TẠM BIỆT(goodbye)

### **Famous attractions in SG to visit**

Hi, I'm Yi Xuan and I'll be introducing to you some of the well-known tourist attractions in Singapore.

First on the list is the Merlion, which is an iconic statue known for having the head of a lion and the body of a fish. The fish-like body represents Singapore's origins as a fishing village, known as Temasek

The head represents the city's original name of Singapura

Did you know? The statue faces east, which is believed to be an auspicious direction for prosperity, thus preserving this orientation even after relocation.

Next is Sentosa, an island resort, where many tourists and locals visit for fun. U can visit Universal Studios Singapore theme park to experience rides, shows and attractions in the 7 themed zones from the 28 options. Visiting S.E.A. Aquarium to view the large number of aquatic animals from different species. Riding a cable car to have a scenic look over Sentosa and Mount Faber. IFly Singapore allows indoor skydiving using the world's largest wind tunnel, giving a feeling of exhilaration.

Thirdly, Marina Bay Sands is an iconic integrated resort with many features, such as the shoppes for shopping to one's delight, restaurants owned by celebrity chefs, the perfect place to enjoy fine dining with delicious food. The ArtScience museum specialises in arts and sciences with the aim to educate the public in these areas. Sands theatre hosts performances that are entertaining and definitely worth watching. Sands SkyPark is built over 3 towers with an observation deck and rooftop infinity pools for a nice view of the cityscape from above.

Next, the Jewel Changi Airport showcases sparkling lifestyle gems the moment you arrive in Singapore by plane. There's a 40m high rain vortex, the world's largest indoor waterfall, which is the main attraction in the forest valley. There is also a Pokémon centre with official merchandise available for Pokémon enthusiasts. Violet Oon is a restaurant that specialises in serving Peranakan cuisine.

Many seats are available in the Esplanade to enjoy events from the performing arts - drama, musicals. There is also an esplanade mall to visit while waiting for the show to begin. You can even enjoy a guided tour around the esplanade to get a better understanding of the esplanade. Do you know? The esplanade is made of 2 rounded glass domes fitted with over 7000 triangular aluminium sunshades that give it a spiky appearance, so locals call it the 'Durian'

Gardens by the Bay is a sanctuary for nature-lovers with distinct areas. There's a 1.28 hectares flower dome found in the bay south gardens which is extremely big, so it's the largest greenhouse in the world. Cloud Forest is 35m tall and filled with mist and many plants, giving it a paradise-like vibe. Supertree grove is full of super trees that are vertical gardens as tall as 25 to 50m. U can visit the observatory at the top to view over Marina Bay in one glance. Did you know? The vegetation came from 5 continents like 1000 year old olive trees, magnolias and orchids

Last but not least, the Singapore Flyer. It is built similar to a Ferris wheel found at carnivals but the only difference is that you can ride one of the 28 capsules with a whole 360° view of the city for 30min. You can reach as high as 165m above ground. You can also enjoy a full butler sky dining experience with a 4-course meal and pilot flight experience for a simulator. Did you know? The Singapore Flyer is featured in The Amazing Race in 2010 and 2011.

Now, I will pass the time to Ying Xuan for the next part on different cultures found in Singapore.

### **Different cultures in Singapore (Ying Xuan)**

I'll be sharing about the different cultures in Singapore, mainly the Chinese, Malay, and Indian cultures. And for each of these cultures, I will talk about their ethnic areas in Singapore, their food, and festivals each of the cultures celebrate.

#### **Chinatown**

So first up, we have Chinese Culture.

Chinatown is a bustling and colorful district in Singapore that is steeped in history and culture. Its streets are lined with beautifully preserved traditional shophouses, decorated with many Chinese motifs and vibrant red lanterns.

Visitors can explore its many markets, where they can find a wide array of goods, from fresh produce and souvenirs to traditional Chinese medicine and tea. The neighborhood is also home to several beautiful temples and other historical landmarks, which offer insights into the rich cultural heritage of Singapore's Chinese community.

#### **Chinese Cuisine**

Chinese cuisine is one of the more popular and widely available types of food in Singapore, reflecting the country's rich Chinese heritage. From traditional hawker stalls to high-end restaurants, there is definitely no shortage of delicious Chinese dishes to sample in Singapore.

Some of the more popular Chinese dishes in Singapore include Hainanese chicken rice, which is a fragrant and flavorful dish of poached chicken served with rice cooked in chicken broth, and char kway teow, which is a stir-fried noodle dish with seafood, Chinese sausage, and bean sprouts, though the ingredients may differ from place to place.

#### **Chinese Festival**

Chinese New Year is one of the most significant cultural celebrations in Singapore, with the majority of the population being of Chinese descent. The festive season usually falls between late January to mid-February and lasts for 15 days.

During this period, Singapore is adorned with vibrant decorations, including red lanterns, banners, and flowers, to symbolize luck and prosperity. Families also spring clean their homes to sweep away any bad luck from the past year.

On the eve of Chinese New Year, families will gather for a reunion dinner, where traditional dishes are served. These include dishes such as fish, dumplings, and rice cakes. The following days are marked by visits to relatives and friends, exchanging of red packets filled with money, and participating in lion and dragon dances.

Overall, Chinese New Year in Singapore is a time for families to come together, exchange greetings, and enjoy traditional festivities that are deeply rooted in the country's rich cultural heritage.

### **Kampong Gelam**

Kampong Gelam is a historic district in Singapore that is known for its rich cultural heritage and vibrant atmosphere. The neighborhood was originally a Malay-Muslim village and was later designated as a cultural conservation area by the government in 1989.

Today, Kampong Gelam is a thriving hub of culture and commerce, with a mix of traditional and modern businesses, including shops selling traditional textiles, handmade crafts, and artisanal products.

One of the highlights of Kampong Gelam is the Sultan Mosque, a magnificent landmark that is a centerpiece of the neighborhood. The mosque's stunning golden dome and intricate architecture make it a popular destination for visitors and locals alike.

Visitors to Kampong Gelam can also explore the many art galleries and cultural institutions in the neighborhood, including the Malay Heritage Centre and the Aliwal Arts Centre, which offer a glimpse into the rich history and traditions of Singapore's Malay-Muslim community.

In Kampong Gelam, there is also the famous Haji Lane, which is home to live music bars, hip fashion outlets and boutiques.

### **Malay Food**

Malay food in Singapore is a delicious and vibrant cuisine that reflects the rich cultural heritage of the Malay community. It is a cuisine that is characterized by its bold flavors, aromatic spices, and use of fresh ingredients such as seafood, rice, and coconut milk. One of the highlights of

Malay cuisine in Singapore is the use of fragrant spices and herbs which add depth and complexity to the dishes.

Some of the popular Malay dishes in Singapore include nasi lemak, which uses coconut milk to make the rice, and satay, along with the peanut dipping sauce.

### **Hari Raya**

Hari Raya Aidilfitri is a significant religious holiday celebrated by Muslims worldwide. In Singapore, Hari Raya Aidilfitri is a time of joy and celebration, marking the end of the month-long fasting period of Ramadan.

The festivities begin with the sighting of the new moon, and the holiday typically lasts for three days. During this time, Muslims in Singapore visit family and friends to seek forgiveness, exchange greetings, and enjoy traditional festive foods.

Visitors to Singapore during Hari Raya can also experience the lively atmosphere of the Geylang Serai Bazaar, where vendors sell traditional Malay cuisine, snacks, and festive items. The bazaar is also home to a carnival with funfair rides and games for all ages.

Lastly, we have Indian culture.

### **Little India**

Little India is a vibrant and bustling neighborhood in Singapore that is home to the city's Indian community. The neighborhood is known for its colorful and ornate buildings, bustling markets, and delicious Indian cuisine.

Visitors to Little India can explore the neighborhood's many shops and markets, which offer a wide array of goods, from traditional Indian clothing and jewelry to spices, sweets, and souvenirs. One of the highlights of Little India is the famous Mustafa Centre, a massive shopping mall that is open 24 hours a day and offers a staggering range of products at affordable prices.

Little India is also home to several beautifully ornate Hindu temples, such as the Sri Veeramakaliamman Temple, which offer a glimpse into the rich religious and cultural heritage of Singapore's Indian community.

### **Indian cuisine**

Indian food in Singapore, like Malay food, is characterized by its diverse range of spices, herbs, and ingredients, resulting in a wide variety of unique and delicious dishes.



Visitors to Singapore can find a plethora of Indian restaurants, ranging from casual street-side stalls to high-end dining establishments. Some of the most popular Indian dishes in Singapore include nasi biryani, masala thosai, and prata.

### **Indian Festival**

Deepavali, also known as Diwali, is a major Hindu festival celebrated by Hindus worldwide, of course, Singapore's Indian community is not an exception. It is a festival of lights, symbolizing the victory of light over darkness and good over evil.

In Singapore, Deepavali is a public holiday, and the celebrations typically last for five days. During this time, people will decorate their homes with colorful lights, lamps, and rangoli designs, and prepare traditional Indian sweets and savory snacks.

One of the highlights of Deepavali in Singapore is the annual street light-up along Little India at Serangoon Road. The light-up features colorful and intricate decorations, including bright arches and dazzling lights, creating a festive and joyful atmosphere.

People during the festival can also visit the vibrant and bustling markets in Little India, where they can find a wide array of festive goods, including traditional Indian clothing, jewelry, and decorations.

Now I'll hand over the time to Jing Dong to tell us about the education system in Singapore.

### **Life in student in ASRJC:**

slide 1: hi guys i'm shi yi! and today I will be sharing to you about my life in asrjc!

slide 2: okay before I start, let me introduce to y'all the history behind the school. prior to the merger, our jc first exist as two separate jcs, serangoon jc and anderson jc  
back in 1988, serangoon jc was still located in hougang and then it relocated to its former campus at upper serangoon road  
in 2019, due to the low birth rate in singapore, serangoon jc and anderson jc merged to form anderson serangoon jc which is our jc now

slide 2: there are a lot of subjects offered in anderson serangoon jc, which include the 3 sciences, chemistry biology, physics, and then we also have math further math, geography, history, literature, art and economics, which is the study of the behaviour of the market  
It is also compulsory to take general paper, which is basically English but requires us to be aware of the issues happening around the world, and project work, which requires us to work in

groups to come up with solutions to tackle the various problems in the world. This year, our school also offers computing as a new subject, which is basically coding and our school also offer mtl, which is mother tongue language, and literature.

The subjects are also offered in 3 diff levels, h1, which is the easiest and least in depth, h2 which is slightly more advanced and h3 which is very difficult and advanced. Personally, I take biology, chemistry, math and econs and I also have a stronger interest towards biology, chemistry and math so i decided to take these 3 subjects as h2 while econs as h1, and I really enjoyed learning these subjects, particularly biology as I am always interested in the study of humans and cells and would want to take up a job in the biology sector in the future cause is very cool

slide 3: as mentioned earlier, we also attend co-curricular activities, or we call them ccas, where we have some time off from studies to have fun and do something we like. Here in asrjc, we have 31 ccas in total, ranging from sports to performing arts and clubs and societies. (point out to the pics) Of course, my cca is STEM, where we do science related activities! We will share more about it later on!

slide 4: play video

slide 5: Overall, I enjoy my days in the school as I get to learn new things which I am interested in and also spend some time having fun with my friends. Although I have a busy schedule, I still managed to balance between work and rest, which is very important. The teachers here are also very understanding and patient towards us and always guide us along the way, which makes learning much more fun and fulfilling. I also hope that you enjoy your time in school as much as me :)

I will now pass the time back to Ashok