

# BACKING IN ACTION



**Kaitlynn B.**  
11th Grade

Recently in class we have been writing college supplementary essays and I'm finding them super difficult. Usually I'm good at writing but doing creative writing is hard for me. Do you have any tips or advice for writing these essays?

Academics



**B Thomas H.** I really like "mind mapping" for creative brain storming and note taking: [gitmind.com/free-mind-map-software](http://gitmind.com/free-mind-map-software)

**P Kaitlynn B.** Okay! I will try it out with my next essay!!



**Claudia M.**  
College Senior

Hello again everyone! Just simply saying thank you for the stipend! I have put it away towards my MCAT savings! (I'll be applying to medical school soon) Hoping and praying for the best possible score!

Finances



**Claire M.**  
Backr

Hi @Toluwani, I heard from my computer scientist friend! She used to work for Meta and now works for Cruise, a self-driving company. If you're up for it she would be able to chat. She says she's usually free Mondays after 8 pm Eastern.

So, if you're up for it, let me know and you and I could video chat briefly in advance if it would be helpful to brainstorm what kind of questions you want to ask her? Or, if that all sounds like too much and you'd like to just interact by email or another way, let me know. Want to be sure you feel comfortable with it all.

Relationships



**P Toluwani A.** Thank you! I would love to meet with her on video chat! I can meet her time this Monday or the next week!

**Claire M.** Awesome!! I sent her a message with your availability and will let you know what I hear.



**Taylor H.**  
12th Grade

Hi Backrs,  
I recently received my cash investment for the month of April and I will be putting the money towards my \$650 deposit for Emory University ■■■ #GoEagles #SQUAAAAA

Finances



**Milagro H.**  
12th Grade

I want to create a resume that highlights my experiences and skills by the end of the school year in order to have it ready for college and scholarships.

Career



**P Milagro H.** I would appreciate a backr giving me an outline on how it should look

**B Yasmin A.** I definitely can support with this! Backrs resource library has an awesome outline: [myperfectresume.com/career-center/resues/how-to/2020-design](http://myperfectresume.com/career-center/resues/how-to/2020-design)



**Alexis S.**  
12th Grade

Hello everyone!! First, I want to apologize I've had a really rouch couple of months getting in college applications and worrying about my IB classes but now that's all done I have more time to interact here. Some of you know I was a quest bridge finalist and today I found out that I matched with STANFORD UNIVERSITY!!!! It's truly a blessing and I'm so excited to see how my life will go from here!

Academics



**Lizzie E.**  
Backr

I know you asked about study skills - I found this article with lots of ideas that may be helpful. Let me know which ones you try!

[learningcenter.unc.edu/tips-and-tools/studying-101-study-smarter-not-harder](http://learningcenter.unc.edu/tips-and-tools/studying-101-study-smarter-not-harder)

Sharing Resources



**P Sandy N.** Thank you Lizzie I will let you know which one I try and how it works for me!!



**Zytiera R.**  
College Sophomore

I have finally made a LinkedIn. For some reason it looks so bland to me. What are some things I can do and post to add more content to my page/ What do you post on your account?

Relationships



**B Danny S.** Welcome to LinkedIn!!! I'll check out your page and send ideas later, but we should be connected now =). This is awesome, Zytiera!

**B Grant G.** Connection request sent! Your profile looks great and I think you can adapt it down the road towards the sorts of positions/roles you pursue. Lots of fields use LinkedIn a little differently than others. Jump around to other connections and see how they look :)