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1 Today's Topic

It is important for high school students to be allowed to choose their own classes. In your opinion, is this statement true? Why or why not?

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2 Outline

Agree

- motivated
- success
- teachers have easier time
- example of magnet schools

Disagree

- need basics
- make bad choices
- need the structure

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3 Introduction

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4 Body

본론을 답변합니다. 2~3가지의 의견/예를 제시하여 자신의 주장을 입증합니다.

5 Conclusion

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Technology vs. Basic needs

* Today's Topic

Should a government spend more money on the development of technology or should more of its resources go to meeting the basic needs of its citizens? Explain your answer.

On the development of technology

- advanced
- economic growth
- efficiency

The basic needs of its citizens

- starving people
- illiterate people
- single parents
- immediate needs

* Vocabulary & Expressions

efficiency (= *competence, productivity*)

n. 능력

the ratio of the output to the input of any system

illiterate (= *uneducated, ignorant*)

a. 글자를 모르는

not able to read or write

immediate (= *actual, existing*)

a. 즉각의

of the present time and place

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Some people say that _____.

However, I strongly believe that _____.

because _____.

Body

First of all, _____. / Moreover, _____.

In specific, _____.

For example, _____.

Thus, _____.

Conclusion

In short, _____.

Lesson 02

The most important change in 20th century

* Today's Topic

Many changes took place during the twentieth century. What one change do you think is the most important of the twentieth century? Give specific examples and details to explain your opinion.

The invention of computers

- has advanced society-businesses
- impacted communication
- makes life easier
- everyone uses computers now

* Vocabulary & Expressions

take place

발생하다

invention (= creation, imagination)

n. 발명

the creation of something in the mind

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Can people learn about life from playing games?

* Today's Topic

"People can learn about life from playing games." Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Support your opinion with specific details and examples.

Agree

- follow rules
- share
- build relationships
- accept winning / losing
- healthy competition

Disagree

- game is just for fun
- game is not reality

* Vocabulary & Expressions

accept

vt. 받아들이다

consider or hold as true

reality (= *actuality, truth*)

n. 현실

the state of being actual or real

relationship (= *friendship, relevance*)

n. 관계

a relation between people

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Scientists vs. Artists

* Today's Topic

Both scientists and artists contribute in important ways to society. Whose contributions, the scientist's or the artist's, do you think are valued most by society? Why? Give specific details to support your answer.

Scientists

- make life better, longer
- convenient
- practical
- related to everyday things

Artists

- beautiful works
- expand mind

* Vocabulary & Expressions

contribute in

기여하다

be conducive to

practical (= *realistic, useful*)

a. 실용적인

concerned with actual use or practice

expand (= *enlarge, stretch*)

vt. 확장시키다

become larger in size or volume or quantity

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Special gifts

* Today's Topic

People receive gifts or presents often, but only a few of these gifts have special meaning. Why would people remember these special gifts? Explain your answer with specific examples and reasons.

Key Words

- surprises are memorable
- memories of a special event, people, emotions
- because of who gave it to you
- because the gift had an importance to you
- something you always wanted, but could never have / afford
- beautiful, valuable
- just so odd or silly you remember it

* Vocabulary & Expressions

meaning

n. 의미

the message that is intended or expressed or signified

memorable (= *noteworthy, significant*)

a. 기억할만한

worth remembering

valuable (= *worthful, precious*)

a. 소중한

having worth or merit or value

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Sports programs vs. Libraries

* Today's Topic

Universities must manage a large budget. They must spend money to support and maintain each program they believe to be important. Some people think the university should give the same amount of money to support students' sports programs as they give to support university libraries. Do you think that would be a good use of the university's money? Use detailed reasons and examples to support your view.

Agree

- sports is part of culture
- improves school spirit
- well-rounded students
- physical / emotional health
- brings in revenue

Disagree

- university is an academic institution
- school's reputation

* Vocabulary & Expressions

manage (= *control, administer*)

vt. 경영하다

handle effectively

budget (= *account, quantum*)

n. 예산

a sum of money allocated for a particular purpose

reputation (= *authority, stature*)

n. 평판

the state of being held in high esteem and honor

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Every students vs. Only best students

* Today's Topic

Some people believe that everyone should be able to go to a college or university. Others believe that only the best students should have a college or university education. Which do you agree with and why? Support your opinion with clear reasons and examples.

available to everyone

- equality
- educated citizens will be able to make better decisions
- basic freedom

Only best students

- competition
- some people need to work

* Vocabulary & Expressions

equality

n. 평등

the quality of being the same in quantity or measure or value or status

decision (= *conclusion, settlement*)

n. 결정

the act of making up your mind about something

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The high salary

* Today's Topic

Actors and athletes who are famous make millions of dollars every time they perform. In your opinion, is it fair for them to be making so much money? Explain with using specific details and examples.

Yes

- hard work
- give up private life
- talented
- entertain millions of people
- athletics are risky / great physical stress / short career
- only a few very successful entertainers and athletes

No

- other people work just as much
- what they do is not that great
- anyone can entertain with training

* Vocabulary & Expressions

give up

포기하다

risky (= *dangerous, insecure*)

a. 위험한

involving risk or danger

entertain (= *amuse, delight*)

vt. 즐겁게 하다

provide entertainment for

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The different customs

* Today's Topic

Moving to a different country will introduce a person to many new customs. If you moved to a different country, would you follow the customs you were raised with or the customs of the country where you moved? Why? Use details and clear reasons to support your answer.

New country's customs

- be accepted
- understand the culture

Own country's customs

- remember your native country / traditions
- share your traditions with new culture
- teach people

* Vocabulary & Expressions

custom

accepted or habitual practice

n. 관습

native (= *natural, original*)

belonging to one by birth

a. 본래의

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Lesson 10

Knowing how to read and write

* Today's Topic

Do you think that knowing how to read and write is more important today than in past years? Explain your reasoning with detailed examples and details.

Yes

- in the past, people were agricultural, now industrial
- used to be manual labor, but technology replaced that so jobs are more for educated
- higher emphasis now on education
- need job
- cannot get anywhere in life without it

No

- technology makes everything easier, encourages less reading, people can watch TV and play games
- access to more materials
- television, books on tape
- computers can do it for you
- most signs are pictures

* Vocabulary & Expressions

agricultural

relating to or used in or promoting agriculture or farming

a. 농업의

industrial

of or relating to or resulting from industry

a. 산업의

emphasis (= importance)

special importance or significance

n. 강조

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City vs. Country

* Today's Topic

For years, experts have questioned how the environment in which children are raised affects them. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? "Growing up in the countryside is a better environment for children than growing up in a city area." Use specific details and examples to develop your answer.

City

- diversity
- advanced in technology
- hospitals
- cultural opportunities
- transportation
- usually
- better education

Country

- open spaces
- fresh air
- get to know neighbors
- closer families
- create own adventures

* Vocabulary & Expressions

question (= *examine*)

vt. 연구하다

challenge the accuracy, probity, or propriety of

grow up

자라다

opportunity (= *chance, occasion*)

n. 기회

a possibility due to a favorable combination of circumstances

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Mathematics & Science vs. History & Literature

* Today's Topic

It is more important for students to study history and literature or to study mathematics and science? Give specific details and examples to support your answer.

Mathematics and science

- more important today
: technology
- function in society
- demand more careers in these fields
- necessary : almost every job uses these fields, basic living skills

History and literature

- people learn from history
- literature make people more sophisticated

* Vocabulary & Expressions

function

what something is used for

n. 기능

necessary

absolutely essential

a. 필요한

field (= *subject, discipline*)

a branch of knowledge

n. 분야

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For example, _____.

Thus, _____.

Conclusion

In conclusion, _____.

Activities to stay healthy

* Today's Topic

Being healthy is very important in today's world. What kinds of activities do you do in order to stay healthy? Explain your answer with specific examples and details.

Stay Healthy

- diet
- exercise
- supplements

* Vocabulary & Expressions

healthy (= *athletic, strong*)

a. 건강한

having or indicating good health in body or mind

supplements

n. 보조식품

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Apartment vs. House

* Today's Topic

Children should be raised in a house rather than in an apartment.

What do you think about this statement; is it true or false?

Give specific details and examples to support your opinion.

Apartment

- convenient
- safe
- good facilities

House

- luxury
- spacious
- privacy

* Vocabulary & Expressions

luxury (= bliss, splendor)

n. 사치, 호화

something that is an indulgence rather than a necessity

spacious (= broad, wide)

a. 넓은

very large in expanse or scope

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Business vs. Farming

* Today's Topic

A new research center is being built in your country, but it hasn't been decided if the research center will focus on business or agriculture (farming). Which type of research, business or agriculture would be most important for your country?

Support your answer with clear reasons and details.

Business

- business changing faster than agriculture
- need to stay competitive
- business can create a stable and prosperous economy

Farming

- food is essential for life
- improve people's diet

* Vocabulary & Expressions

farming (= agriculture)

n. 농사

the practice of cultivating the land or raising

stable (= constant, fixed)

a. 안정된

resistant to change of position or condition

prosperous (= thriving, opulent)

a. 번영하는

in fortunate circumstances financially; moderately rich

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because _____.

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For example, _____.

Thus, _____.

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In brief, _____.

Lesson 16

Improving your community

* Today's Topic

You want to spend several hours per month improving your community. How would you spend your time making your community a better place to live? Name one thing you would do, and use specific details to explain your decision.

Help Elderly

- yard work
- housework
- run errands
- spend time with them

Why

- makes community look nicer
- helps them out; they can't do it
- more sense of community
- makes them happy
- they are neglected and deserve more attention / respect

* Vocabulary & Expressions

errand

n. 심부름

a short trip that is taken in the performance of a necessary task or mission

neglect (= ignore, disregard)

vt. 무시하다

give little or no attention to

attention (= concentration)

n. 관심

a general interest that leads people to want to know more

Introduction

Body

Conclusion

The white lie

* Today's Topic

Some people strive to be honest at all times, while others are not bothered by telling lies. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? "There are times when it is better not to tell the truth." Use clear reasons and detailed examples to explain why you agree or disagree.

Disagree

- truth is always appropriate
- learn to live honestly
- morals

Agree

- partial truth is also truth
- depends on circumstances
 - use discretion
- say nothing

* Vocabulary & Expressions

strive (= *endeavor*)

vt. 노력하다

attempt by employing effort

bother (= *trouble*)

vt. 괴롭히다

take the trouble to do something; concern oneself

appropriate (= *suitable, proper*)

a. 적절한

suitable for a particular person or place or condition etc.

Introduction

Body

Conclusion

Member vs. Leader

* Today's Topic

Do you think that it is better to be the leader of a group or to be a member of a group? Give specific details to support your opinion.

Member

- less stress
- opinion heard but no decisions
- less responsibility

Leader

- more power gets
- to make decisions
- more freedom

* Vocabulary & Expressions

opinion (= *thought, idea*)

n. 의견

a personal belief or judgment that is not founded on proof or certainty

decision (= *determination, conclusion*)

n. 결정

the act of making up your mind about something

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Studying abroad

* Today's Topic

It is becoming more common for students to go to schools or universities that are outside of their home country. Why do students choose to study in foreign countries? What are the benefits of studying abroad? Provide details and details and examples to support your answer.

Key Words

- see another culture
- meet new people
- see new places
- experience new things
- learn from a different perspective
- learn things you wouldn't learn at home

* Vocabulary & Expressions

home country

모국

perspective (= *position, view*)

n. 인식

a way of regarding situations or topics etc.

Introduction

Body

Conclusion

Should all students be required to study physical education?

* Today's Topic

In your opinion, should all students be required to study physical education in high school? Why, or why not? Explain your position with specific details and examples.

Agree

- well-rounded
- some studies prove the fact that students who study music and art do better in other subjects
- it is a release for some students

Disagree

- if students hate it, they will not do well
- other things are more important
- it takes away from other academics

* Vocabulary & Expressions

prove (= ascertain, explain)

vt. 증명하다

be shown or be found to be

academic (= subject, discipline)

n. 학문

a branch of knowledge

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