

# Graffiti

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Graffiti is a popular culture of opposition, since it represents symbols, customs, traditions and beliefs of the poor.</li><li>2. It is the most accessible type of culture that overcomes barriers of race, generation and gender.</li><li>3. Graffiti artists express their feelings and ideas about everything in the world and want to attract public attention to their outlook through their works.</li><li>4. Since graffiti artists need appreciation of their masterpieces, most graffiti art is found on walls of public buildings.</li><li>5. Graffitists often produce beautiful and expressive pictures that people appreciate.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Graffiti is destructive, chaotic and repulsive, since some works contain offensive words and images.</li><li>2. Graffiti is often done without the permission of the property owners, sometimes creating a very unattractive atmosphere and ruining other people's properties.</li><li>3. There are a lot of other ways and places for artists to express their feelings and thoughts, for example, on canvases, sketchpads or on free Internet sites.</li><li>4. Graffiti can annoy people if they do not feel like admiring pictures in public places.</li></ol>

# Theatre

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<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Most performances are based on classical literature. Thus, people get the opportunity to see book characters on stage.</li><li>2. Visiting theatre performances, people have the chance to see film or TV stars in person.</li><li>3. Some people find it exciting to get dressed up and go to the theatre as it breaks the monotony of their life.</li><li>4. People who go to the theatre want to gain pleasure, intellectual enrichment and theatrical enjoyment.</li><li>5. Visiting the theatre is an escape from everyday life to a new reality. The theatrical performance is the combination of marvelous lighting and scenery, gorgeous costumes and live music, which creates an unforgettable atmosphere and affects the mood of the audience.</li><li>6. You have no distractions from the performance in the theatre as mobile phones are switched off, whereas watching films at home you can do several things simultaneously.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Visiting the theatre may be more expensive than the cinema, especially when it is the premier performance.</li><li>2. Some people do not like to be formally dressed while relaxing. They would rather go to the cinema where it is acceptable to wear casual clothes.</li><li>3. It is much more convenient to watch a performance on TV as you don't have to bother about tickets and transport.</li></ol>

# Music

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<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Music plays the most important part in entertainment as it helps us to break the monotony of life and enjoy ourselves.</li><li>2. For some people music is a kind of occupation, since they devote their lives to it and become professional musicians.</li><li>3. Music enriches our culture because it accumulates musical trends of different countries.</li><li>4. Music helps to work and do household duties. For example, for many centuries, mothers have been singing to their babies calming them down and, in the past, men used songs to make their hard work easier.</li><li>5. Music is a great way to relax, since it has a great ability to reduce stress level.</li><li>6. Music is a kind of art that develops our sense of beauty. Listening to classical music enriches our minds and souls.</li><li>7. Scientists claim that music improves people's mental abilities greatly.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Studies show that preference for heavy metal music can lead the young people to psychiatric disorders, drug addiction and suicide risks.</li><li>2. Rap music, which lyrics often involves references to street gangs, drugs and violence, may encourage aggressive behaviour of the young.</li><li>3. The fact that rap musicians have been arrested for violent crimes helps to glamorize their violent behaviour later.</li><li>4. Listening to loud music can result in headache and hearing loss.</li></ol>

# Rap and Heavy Metal Music

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Heavy Metal rises people's energy level and generates excitement because fast and rhythmic music increases the heart rate.</li><li>2. Music helps teens to make new friends, define a social setting comfortable for them and determine their personal identity.</li><li>3. Rap music is full of energy, danceable and written for energetic young people, who are restless, active and rebellious.</li><li>4. Rap with its Afro-American origin bridged the cultural divide and proved to be the biggest tool to the unification of the youth around the world.</li><li>5. Rap music discusses the daily problems of people in a conversational manner, in particular, the problems of drug abuse and poverty, prevalent in the society.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Some experts claim that rap and heavy metal music may lead to mental disorders, drug addiction and suicide risks.</li><li>2. Music can influence the way teens dress and determine the kind of friends they make.</li><li>3. Teenagers can follow the aggressive violent behavior of their favourite musicians, whose conduct can be glamorized.</li></ol>

# Hobby

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>1.</b> People who have hobbies are interesting, to deal with, since they have special knowledge and experience, which they can share with others.</li><li><b>2.</b> Hobbies help to relieve stress by keeping you engaged in something you enjoy and let you relax and get pleasure.</li><li><b>3.</b> Hobbies encourage you to become more patient in order to learn something new.</li><li><b>4.</b> Having a hobby facilitates making friends as you can meet people with the same interests.</li><li><b>5.</b> Hobbies help people to develop new skills and gain specialized knowledge.</li><li><b>6.</b> Hobby prevents bad habits and wasting time because you fill leisure with your favourite occupation.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>1.</b> Hobbies take a lot of time and energy.</li><li><b>2.</b> People sometimes have to spend a great deal of money on their hobby, since some objects, which people collect, can be very expensive (coins, stamps, antiquities).</li><li><b>3.</b> Some hobbies, including extreme sports, are considered to be very dangerous for human health.</li></ol>

# Reading

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. According to the latest studies, reading can slow down or prevent mental diseases, since it is an active mental process.</li><li>2. In our daily routine, reading makes us forget all our stress and gives complete relaxation to our mind just like yoga.</li><li>3. Reading expands your vocabulary, which enables you to express yourself clearly. This ability will help you in your personal and professional life.</li><li>4. Reading improves concentration, focus and memory. Books capture our memory better than pictures because we can feel exactly like the author when we read.</li><li>5. Reading for pleasure helps to break boredom and monotony of life and fill it with adventures, new worlds and countries.</li><li>6. Books make people more knowledgeable, more confident and creative, providing them with new ideas and developing their imagination.</li><li>7. Books teach us the principles of morality so that we can distinguish between right and wrong in our everyday life.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Modern young people find reading for pleasure less interesting than a wide range of entertaining activities they can do in their free time.</li><li>2. School literature lessons are boring for teenagers because school programme does not keep pace with life. Its difficult for students to understand the ideas of classical writers as they lived in a different time.</li><li>3. These days, teenagers" attention spans are really short, so they cannot follow the plot of the books.</li><li>4. Much of the teens" social life is conducted in smartphones, which leaves little time for reading.</li></ol>

# A Book vs a Film

A Book	
Advantages	Disadvantages
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Books give more details and usually reveal more characters than can be shown in the films.</li><li>2. Reading books can improve the reader's writing and reading skills.</li><li>3. Books develop people's imagination and creativity.</li><li>4. While reading books, people become more knowledgeable and confident.</li><li>5. Researchers have proven that children who read a lot do better at school and have good language skills.</li><li>6. Being active mental work, reading helps to develop brain activity and to stimulate the muscles of the eyes.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Reading the book, the person has to use his imagination to picture everything in his mind as books only show words.</li><li>2. Reading can take a lot of time depending on the speed of reading.</li></ol>

# A Book vs a Film

A Film	
Advantages	Disadvantages
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Films are the most exciting form of entertainment, since they bring the audience into the story in a very lively way.</li><li>2. Watching a film can save a lot of time order to learn the plot as it takes not more than two hours.</li><li>3. You can enjoy the film in the company of your friends, discussing scary or funny scenes.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. A film leaves little to viewers' imagination, since it gives a particular picture of the story, and people get details through listening and watching.</li><li>2. People can sometimes be disappointed by film versions that do not live up to their imagination.</li><li>3. Film producers have to cut away some details and shorten the story to squeeze it into two hours.</li></ol>

# Playing Computer Games

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Some computer games are good for memory, quick reaction and logic. For example, quest games teach young people to think and solve puzzles.</li><li>2. The children who play computer games spend a lot of time at home. Therefore, there are fewer possibilities to meet trouble outdoors.</li><li>3. According to the latest research, playing violent games helps to overcome stress and build teamwork and communication skills.</li><li>4. Children who play video games may be more technologically competent. This enables them to study better, since computers are often used as teaching tools at various lessons.</li><li>5. Some computer games also promote fine motor skills, which assist children in writing, cutting and other dexterity activities, based on manipulation of the fingers.</li><li>6. Computer gaming can enhance cooperation and develop teamwork skills. As a result, PC games can improve children's social abilities.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Playing computer games can be really addictive as teenagers find virtual reality more attractive than real life.</li><li>2. Since teens make new friends in the Internet and spend a lot of time chatting and exchanging ideas with them, they find it difficult to socialize with people in real life.</li><li>3. Young people become irresponsible and ignore their school studies and household chores because they spend a lot of time playing computer games.</li><li>4. Due to the fact that violent computer games promote violence and aggression as, entertainment, teenagers may think that aggressive behavior is normal in real life.</li><li>5. Playing computer games too much causes health problems, such as eyestrain, headaches and obesity.</li></ol>