

Model Essay

6. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

Young people nowadays do not give enough time to helping their communities.

Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.

Young people nowadays are credited more than they can handle, both as future of the world and the benchmark of social morals. They are overwhelmed by huge expectations to engage in numerous tasks from their parents and the society as a whole; therefore, time is almost never enough for them. Helping the communities, among all the things is no exception.

To begin with, **time is indeed far from sufficient for youth to engage in this kind of activities.** The youth today are faced with an amount of pressure unseen by any previous generations. From the primary school children to the working population, it is the learning and working that justifies their full time, especially in countries that prioritizes academic improvement. **This is an idea that is instilled in their mind and ingrained with each passing day.** Just take the young people around me for example. The competition for good schools, good internships and good jobs **deprives** those young people of spare time and energy. Besides, teachers in school and parents at home constantly give them an impression that an outstanding performance outweighs anything else and only in **excelling** others in academic study can they embrace a bright future and promising career. No wonder the importance of study dies hard and naturally other activities, ranging from **helping the lonely aged to cleaning the road**, are considered a distraction from their major task. In this case, time has been devoted to academic study, leaving no chance for the community activities.

At a deeper level, the concept or awareness of devotion may be lacking in the young' s mind. Brought up and considered as the prince or princess of their family, young people have already taken it for granted that contribution, either to their little family or the community, is not a necessary in their life. This is partly because the parents misinterpret it in a way that children can get whatever they demand without consideration of others, let alone some return to the world they live in. Also, the education system and society play no favorable role in molding a contributing atmosphere. My friend, Jerry, is a typical example. Jerry is the only child in his family and is spoiled by his parents. Rarely does jerry do the house hold chores like cooking and cleaning,

and he will not even appear in the dining room until the meal is ready. Under such a circumstance, Jerry has no idea about doing other's a favor in the community. Even worse is that Jerry is negatively influenced by the news that someone who helped an injured old lady was treated as the one hurting this lady. Such kind of news keeps Jerry away from the idea of helping strangers in his life.

In conclusion, young people do not give enough time to helping their communities **as a result of the limited time and the lack of awareness.**

万能理由

- 效率便捷 (time, efficiency, convenience)
- 知识经验(knowledge, experience, awareness)
- 经济成本(money, cost)
- 环境健康(environment, health)
- 必要可行(necessity, feasibility)

时间对比类话题

- Life: 生活条件改善（有更多的时间进行精神文化生活），生活压力增大（父母没时间陪孩子，人际关系等）
- Education: 受教育人数增加，教学内容的变化（对于事物的认识）
- Culture: 传统文化（如上述从前的尊师重教），政策变化
- Technology（时过境迁的物质改变）
- Environment（健康, 环境变好了，生活质量）