

Lesson 32: Materialistic Nature

Hi! Welcome to the Article Discussion lesson!

Today's topic is about "**Materialistic Nature**"

Have fun in learning English!

Activity 1 | Vocabulary and Expressions

Directions: Listen and repeat.

Vocabulary

- **crave for/after**- to have a very strong desire for something
- **penetration**- the act or process of making a way into or through something
- **amenity** - a feature that makes a place pleasant, comfortable, or easy to live in
- **adorn** - to make something or someone look more attractive by decorating it or them with something
- **moderation** - the quality of being reasonable and not being extreme

Activity 2 | Article

Directions: Read the article aloud with your teacher.

Materialistic Nature

Humans are materialistic in nature. We ourselves can prove this statement. We never settle for what we have, we always crave for what is beyond our reach. As each day passes, we are exposed to things we never thought we would need. However, marketing drives us want to buy these things.

It truly is our nature to want more. Our ancestors who did inventions made penetrations, and discovered places in order to find a sustainable resource to support our growing needs and proved to us that our lives will never be complete without these amenities which were discovered. But that's not something to regret for. What we need is to practice moderation in all things. We should not be adorned with all those luxuries, after all we cannot take them with us when we die. Still, we think it's ok to have them as we work hard for it.

What then is wrong is running on the lives of others, putting their lives at risk just for the sole purpose of getting whatever we want. We needn't to be thieves or robbers just for the sake of these desires.

Activity 3 | Question and Answer

Directions: Answer these questions about the article.

1. According to the article, what is the nature of human?
2. Why shouldn't we adorn the luxuries we have?
3. What is wrong about acquiring these things?

Activity 4 | Summary

Directions: Make a summary of this article, focusing on the main topic. After that, your teacher will give you an example of the summary.

Activity 5 | Thoughts

Directions: Exchanging thoughts about this article. Give your opinion about the article first, and your teacher will give his/her opinion next.

Activity 6 | Free Conversation

Directions: Answer these questions related to the topic of the article. Have a free conversation about it with your teacher.

1. Would you consider yourself as a materialistic person?
2. Do you believe that we are materialistic in nature?
3. How can we control getting hooked up with the material things?
4. What are some situations where people become materialistic?
5. Would you say being materialistic is a bad thing? Why?