ANGLEŠČINA TEME - USTNI DEL

**Advertising, getting the message across**

Advertising is a business of making money by introducing and encouraging people to buy new products or use services. Nowadays advertising is very modern. We can see adverts on TV, in newspapers, on Radio… Companies advertise all sorts of things: food, cosmetics, computers, cars and so on. Advertising is good because it tells us about new products. I cannot go shopping everyday so I watch television, read newspaper to have information about new products. In this case, advertising is helpful because both buyers and sellers have benefits. Buyers can enjoy the products and sellers have money. Moreover, advertising is interesting. It attracts not only adults but also children. Children have fun while they are watching adverts about toys and so on.. so they insist that their parents  buy them whatever they want.  On the other hand, advertising is bad, because you can spend lots of money for things you actually don't need. I think that some things should not be advertised, for example things which aren't good for health, like cigarettes or alcohol. I am against advertising things, which are not as they seem on TV. But I really like watching adverts on TV, especially if they are funny, because I like funny adverts.

 **Animals, nature**

Animals are living in almost every area in the world. Natural areas are not identical; each area is actually different from the other one. Because of that, animals and their structures are not the same. We know wild animals and domestic animals (or pets). Wild animals generally live in forests. Most known are elephant, lion, bear, tiger,… Wild animals provide stability to different natural processes of nature. Wild animals can be found in all ecosystems, deserts, rainforests, plains and other areas. Some animals live in the houses. These are calles domestic animals. They have been kept by humans as a work animal, food source or pet. Most known are cow, horse, goat, sheep, dog, cat, …These animals are very usefull to us. For example, cow gives us milk, dogs are really faithfull animals, sheep gives us wool… I think that pets are very important in our lives. Pets need love and carrying people, good food and always fresh water. Pets can also entertain old people, who spend most of the time at home. They can go out for walk with them and they are simply not alone.

I disagree with the idea that animals have been created to serve human beings. Nature is the world around us. Nature can bring a lot of beauty into our lives. Nature has a way of affecting our moods and it can force us to change our plans. Nature is responsible for the sun, clouds, rain, and snow. When it is sunny and bright outside, we feel cheerful inside. Nature includes planets, stars, moons, and galaxies as well as living matter such as plants and animals. I really like spend the time in nature, especially when it is sunny outside. If it is rainy I feel sad, because I can't spent the time outside and it is also cold.

 **The arts**

Art is defined as the expression or application of human creative skill and imagination. Art has been a part of our life for as long as humanity has existed. Art is one of the things that separates us from animals.  When somebody says the word art I think about pictures, sculptures, music, films, dance and architecture. I also think art is an act of expressing feelings, thoughts, and observations. Art is a form of self-expression. Types of art are: plastic arts (literature: poetry, creative writing), performing arts (dance, acting, singing, music) and practical arts ([architecture](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Architecture), [filming](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Movie), [fashion](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fashion), [photography](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Photography), [video games](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Video_games)). So,  Art includes [drawing](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Drawing),[painting](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Painting), [sculpting](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sculpting), [photography](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Photography), [performanceart](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Performing_arts), [dance](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dance), [music](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Music), [poetry](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Poetry) and theatre.

 **Changing lives, lifestyle**

Lifestyle is individual expression of life / the way a person or a group lives.

Many lifestyles can contain subclasses and subcultures. There are a lot of

lifestyles: vegetarianism, veganism, feminism, nationalism, moralism (those are based on political and social issues), marriage, single, living apart together (based upon living arrangements) and sexual lifestyles: free love, monogamy, open marriage

transvestism…

Lifestyle has changed through the past. In the past people had to work for 12

hours per day, now working time is shorter and most of the credit goes to syndicates who were fighting for workers rights. I think that lifestyle depends from culture to culture. For example in India people don’t eat cows.

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Moving away from home can change your life a lot. You can move away from home to study. There may be pressure from your parents, teachers or friends to make a decision. It is normal to have mixed feelings about leaving home. It can be exciting to make new friends,

have new experiences, be more independent and become more confident. You may also be feeling scared, homesick or lonely.

**Culture, habits, good manners**

Culture is a word for people's 'way of life', meaning the way they do things. Different groups of people may have different cultures. A culture is passed on to the next generation by learning. Culture is seen in people's writing, religion, music, clothes, cooking and in what they do. Cultures are what make countries unique. Each [country](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Country) has different cultural activities and cultural rituals. Culture is more than just material goods, that is things the culture uses and produces. Culture is also the beliefs and values of the people in that country. Culture also includes the way people think about and understand the world and their own lives. A habit is a routine of [behavior](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Behavior) that is repeated almost every day. For example, my habit is that I wake up every day and then I have a breafast. Good manners mean acting appropriate in a way that is socially acceptable and respectful. Excellent manners can help you to have better relationships with people you know, and those you will meet. Some good manners are: hold doors open for other people, speak politely, say "please" and "thank you," when you need to….

**Culture shock**

Culture shock can be described as feelings of people experience after leaving their own culture to live or work in another unfamiliar environment. When you move to a new place, you're bound to face a lot of changes. That can be exciting and stimulating, but it can also be overwhelming. You may feel sad, anxious, frustrated, and want to go home. It's natural to have difficulty accepting a new culture. People from other cultures may have grown up with values and beliefs that are different from yours.  You may see unfamiliar clothes, weather, and food as well as different people, schools, and values. Feeling which are common: not wanting to be around people, [sadness](http://teenshealth.org/teen/your_mind/feeling_sad/depression.html), homesickness, feeling left out,… You can find help in family and friends, **counselors, new friends…** Rather than giving up your culture, you can fit in, keep your mind open to new things.

**Elections, government, politics**

An election is an event in which one or more people make a choice, such as selecting representatives.To elect means "to choose or make a decision.

A government is the system by which a [state](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/State_%28polity%29) or community is governed.

Politics is the practice and theory of influencing other people on an individual level.

In my opinion it is not very interesting topic, but anyway politics is very important thing in our life. Politicians suggest new laws, they talk about problems in some countrys. In the past women were not at the same level in the politics as men. But nowadays we can see in the some countries are women presidents. I think that is right, because women are more considerate persons than men. What is a good politician like? In my opinion he/she must be selfconfident, very talkative and hardworking.

**Endangered species**

An endangered species is a population of organisms, which is facing high risk of becoming extinct. There are a lot of endangered species in the world right now. They are moving towards being extinct slowly. Endangered species usually have a small population size. What causes risks: work of humans, habitat loss, hunting, disease and climate change…. Many nations have [laws](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Law) that protect endangered species; for example, forbidding [hunting](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hunting)…Most known endangered species are: african penguin, asian elephant, giant panda, snow leopard, tiger, fishing cat….We can help this animals that we provide: clean air and water, food, medicines, buliding materials…I for example can help that I recycle, use less energy, ….

**City life vs. living in the country**

Many people decide between living in the country or in the city. Both choices have many advantages and disadvantages. Which lifestyle they prefer depends on them. Mostly they choose from factors like transport accessability, pollution, crime, work, people and many other. There are many different reasons to choose a living place. Some people like fresh air, less pollution, natural and peaceful places, while others want a convenient life - city life.

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I prefer living in the country, because there is more peaceful and quiet and I also like fresh air. But in the country is less entertainment and that's the only thing that's bother me.

**Jobs, work, career**

Choosing the right job can be a very difficult thing. Nowadays employment is a very big problem in our society. Many more pepole are unemployed because there are not enough jobs. Back in the old days, there was a job waiting for you as soon as you finished high school, but nowadays having an education does not mean anything. You have to be very hardworking and patient to get a job. But sometimes this is not enough, so you have to have connections to get a job.

Money is really important thing in our modern world. When students are applying

for college, they often ask themselves where will they earn a lot of money.

How to find a great job? You must have a suitable education, you send your application form and If you have all the necessary qualifications, they will call you for an interview and decide if you are the right person for a job. Choosing the right job can be a very difficult thing. You have to know what salary the job offers. Employer is a person or organization that employs people. Employee is someone who is paid to work for someone else. We know full time jobs and part time job. Nowadays we also know teleworking – this is a very different type of work that we are used to. It means working from your home using the modern equipment such as telephones, computers…We also know freelance working – it means that you work for several different companies.

**Entertainment**

People can entertain with many things, for example: tv, radio, movies, films, music, theatre, concerts...

Young people go out with friends and have parties, they visit concerts. They also watch tv and use computers and mobile phones.

Old people are different. They spend most of the time at home. They hang out with their neighbours, play with their pets, and they also like go for a walk or hang out with their grandchildren.

For entertainment, I go out with my friends, go in a cinema when I have time and hang out with my family. I also spend a lot of time on my computer and mobile phone.

But most of all I like trips with my friends (example: holidays in the seaside).

Entertainment is very different like in the past. I think that young people want to experience so many things, it seems like they are in the rush

People are changing and also values in society. In the past people were entertaining with home parties on a farm in a village. But today people go in discos, bars, restaurantes, theatres…

**Environment, nature**

The environment is natural world in which people, animals and plants live together

and it is not result of human activity.
Nature discusses the Earth's wide variety of animals and plants and its endangered species.

Pollution is one of the greatest problem of our time. People care less for environment and more for the money, even one should be aware of the problem. The process of making air, water, soil dangerously dirty and not suitable for people to use.

Its causes are new technologies, chemicals, nuclear waste, oil, garbage, industrial discharge, cars, factoriest, airplanes, air conditioning, converters… Consequences are global warming, greenhouse effect, thin ozone layer, acid rain…

Solutions: natural energy, recycling, cleaning devices, catalytic, converters…

Animals and plants: are in danger, because the forests, rivers and lakes where they

live are disappearing.

Different types od pollution:
Air pollution: it can cause breathing problems and eye, throat and skin irritation

Rain forest: Rainforests help to control global warming because they absorb carbon dioxide. In recent years, large areas have been destroyed.

Acid rain is harmful to buildings, kills trees, pollutes water.

Recycling is the processing of used objects and materials so that they can be used again. Recycling saves energy.

Today we have environmental organisations like Greenpeace which take care of environment. They protect national parks and do recycling actions. The air could be cleaner if there were less cars; people should use bicyles more often or go on foot.

**Family matters**

Familiy is a group of people who are related to each other and live together. We know difference between traditional and modern family. Traditional family was large, there were many children. Father brought money home. Mother was the housewife, she took care of children, did the housework, cooked and kept the family together. Nowadays, modern family: Father works very long hours, Divorce rate is low. In modern family both parents works, usually long hours. Families are small and family members don't spend much time together. Life is fast and stressful. Very often is that couples live together, have children, but don't get married. Home is a place where you feel safe, warm, relaxed, loved, needed, respected, a place where you feel happy and a place that everbody needs.Family members are: mother, father, son, daughter, grandparents, other relatives(uncle, aunt, cousin, nephew). Problems in family life are divorces and separations, deaths, alcoholism, drugs

and career, which can become more important than the family.

**Family and relationships**

Za family poveš isto!

A relationship is: a connection between two or more things. The way two people or groups feel and behave towards each other.

 Different types of relationships:

· Between two persons: these can be between parents and children, two

lovers, husband and wife, brother and sister… Every relationship can have

ups and downs because people are not in the same mood every day. All

relationships are connected with feelings. Love is the most important in

relationships, because if there is love between two persons, almost everything

can be fixed.

· Between a human and an animal: this is usually very good relationship,

because animals help us relax and they make us happy when we are sad.

· Between a person and a thing: some things have special meanings in our

life because they were given by someone special or in a special occasion.

**Fashion**

Fashion is a popular style, especially in clothing, footwear, accessories and make-up. Fashion plays an important role in an indivi­dual’s life because it is considered as a means of self-expression. Fashion trends keep changing and most fashion divas and models are the one who is making them. Young people are a major follower of fashion trends. Fashion trends also get influenced from Hollywood. Fashion can promote creativity, that it is very important in culture, society, and religion, and it can make you look and feel more professional. The media plays a significant role when it comes to fashion. For instance, an important part of fashion is [fashion journalism](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fashion_journalism). In this business you can find guidelines, and commentary can be found in on television and in magazines, newspapers, fashion websites… But fashion has many negative sides: promotes wasting money, many people want to look like ones in magazines but this is not possible, in school: if you don't have nice clothes as others they will make fun of you…Positive sides of fashion: shows identity of people, you can be creative, giving opportunities…

**Food, eating habits**

Food keeps us alive, strong and helps us grow. Many people nowadays do not take enough time for having a healthy meals, because they are too busy and for that reason they eat fast food, which is not very healthy. A lot of people do not eat enough fruits and vegetables but they often eat sweets (especially children). The important thing obout eating is when and how much to eat. The most helthy is to eat five times a day. The breakfast should be the biggest meal in a day. For dinner we shouldn't eat too much especially not food, which contains a lot of fat. The meal should contain the right amount of all nutrients. We can prepare food in different ways. We can eat it fresh or we can cook or bake it.

Fresh food is healthier than cooked and baked because it contains the biggest amount of vitamins and minerals. We can eat fresh fruits and some vegetables, but the rest of the food we have to cook or bake. Nowadays are even more often disease which are connected with unhealthy eating. These diseases are Anorexia, Bulimia and Compulsive eating. With teenagers is the most popular junk food. It is basically anything that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition. Hamburgers, crisps, chocolate, hot dogs and pizzas fall into this category. Side effect of junk food is that you are likely to gain weight. It can also affect on your's heart. I don't like junk food very much and try to take enough time to eat every day. Beside healthy food is for our health important that we are every day sport active too.

**Food: a part of a country’s culture**

Food is part of a country's culture. Each country is known for certain foods. For example, many people associate Italy with pizza and pasta. Many countries earn a lot with their traditional food, especially when tourists are in town.

**Health issues: (risks, dangers, eg. addictions)**

The ideal for women's bodies is a thin, fit and just look good. The media images of women offer us the »ideal«. These women seem perfect for most of the women.

We are told we must be sexually atractive to be successful and happy. A lot of women consider themselves »overweight«, but they are not. Because they want to look good, they don't eat and they become sick.. We know different eating disorders:

* Anorexia is an eating disorder where people starve themselves. It usually begins in young people around the onset of puberty. Individuals suffering from anorexia have extreme weight loss, they are very skinny but are convinced that they are overweight.
* Bulimia is a psychological eating disorder.

 What causes anorexia and bulimia?

* We are overloaded by images of thin celebrities – people who often weight farless than their healthy weight.
* Depression and being anxious.
* There is also evidence that eating disorder may run in family.

We also know addictions. An addiction is a condition of taking drugs, smoking, gambling, drinking… Youth is addicted of computers and television. I think we are all addicted about one thing.Maybe, I am addicted of computer sometimes. But this addiction in not so bad addiction of drugs and alcohol. If someone is addicted by this, he/she need to go on a rehabilitation. I think that to get rid of addiction is very hard.

**Housing, accommodation**

Housing is about types of residence where people live. Accommodation means making or becoming suitable. We know different types of accommodation: suburbs (parts of a town that are away from the town centre), holiday homes (homes that you live in when you are on holidays), flats (home that is on one floor of a larger building), semi-detached (two houses joind together), rented (you live in someon else's house and you pay money to the owner), apartment blocks (buildings that contain a number of separate blocks), terraced houses (houses that are joined together in a line). I don't like to live in any of these accommodations. When I go at the seaside I live in a holiday home, but I don't like it as much as I like my home.

**Immigration**

Immigration is the movement of people from one country to another.

Human migration has existed throughout human history. Tourists and shortterm

visitors are not considered immigrants.The European Union allows free migration between member states. Causes of immigration: escape from poverty, the availability of jobs, natural disasters, education, retirement, for cultural or health reasons, political reasons, evasion (avoiding arrest), personal reasons (because of relationships with some people)… Immigrants when leaving their country leave everything familiar: their family, friends, support network, and culture.

When they arrive in a new country they may have problems like: finding job, accomodation, new laws, different culture, racism, food, different climate…

**Language: learning a foreign language, European Day of Languages**

I guess we all know what would happened if nations spoke only their national language.

International communication would not be possible. It is quite hard to imagine such a

world. Therefore it is necessary to study foreign languages to communicate with the world. Unfortunately we do not have an universal language (except body language) that

everybody would understand and speak. I guess speaking foreign languages depends on the largeness of some nation, as well. Slovenes are obliged to speak at least English when we want to communicate to the world.

Reasons for learning a foreign language:

- ability to communicate with other people around the world

- getting to know other cultures

- travelling

- better job opportunities

- access to knowledge

- reading literature in original

- following the events, news, incidents in politics, economy, culture… around the world

Ways to learn it:

- in a school as a second language

- learning course (with teacher, native speaker…)

- selfeducation (books or CDs)

- informal forms (traveling, reading, listening to the music, hobbies, communication on

Internet, MSN, emailing…)

The European Day of Languages is 26 September. The Europian Day of Languages aims to:

* alert the public to the importance of language learning
* increase appreciation of all the languages spoken in Europe
* encourage lifelong language learning

**Modern living**

Modern lifestyles mean that many parents have little time for their children. Many children do not get as much attention from their parents as children did in the past. One common concern nowadays is how modern lifestyles can have a negative effect on family life. If we look at the past, the traditional family structure was the husband was the head of the family and his duty was to provide for his immediate family by going out to work. His wife’s role was to stay at home and bring up the children. In this situation we should note that the children frequently did not see much of their father during the working week. In the present day, that traditional structure has changed in many cultures. One reason for this is that it is more and more common for the wife to go out to work because it is now accepted that woman have as much right to work as men. A consequence of this is that many children do not see their mother as often as they would have done in the past. A second reason is that divorce has increased and in single-parent families children only ever see one parent.

**Money, money matters**

In the past: goods exchange

Nowadays: both coins and banknotes are used but they are being replaced by

credit cards which make paying easier and faster

Money has learned to control everyone's lives. People are tending to dream it, need it, think about it, and want it. They are never satisfied with money. They only want more of it. Years later, money will become even bigger issue to the point where everyone will be sick of it. Money became a high necessity among everyone.

Nowadays, you can't even survive without the money. With money, you can become successfull, and maybe you can even control the world. But money cannot buy love and friendship. Actually some people buy love and friendship but this cannot be true love. With the money people can afford luxury. For me, money is not the most important thing in my life. I think there are more important values in life, like family and friendship.

**Newspapers and magazines**

The newspaper is a necessity in modern life. It is now printed in almost all languages and in all countries of the world. It gives us news of what is happening in the world. They also give us information about the latest inventions, researches, new ideas… Moreover, newspapers help in developing reading habits. Newspapers are more popular for older people. You can read it whenever you have time.I like to read Žurnal sometimes or Večer, because I like being

informed.

Magazines are [publications](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Publication) that are [printed](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Printing) or [published electronically](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Electronic_publishing). A magazine has both advantages and disadvantages. The greatest advantage is that, by reading magazines, we come across very valuable or interesting information, such as hot news about celebrities or tips on beauty and related issues. A disadvantage is that magazines these days usually show indecent images or values in the form of pictures of actresses and models etc. A little kid reading a fashion magazine might come across a lot of material that would not be suitable for him to read.

People who work for newspapers and magazines: journalists, columnist, blogger, editor, copy editor, photographer, commentator, meteorologist

**Science and technology**

Science is a system of knowledge. What in certain circumstances define

science depends on some factors. Science’s only purpose is to gain knowledge. Sometimes that knowledge can eventually lead to important inventions.

We know two categories of science:

* Social science (psychology, sociology, geography, history)
* Natural science (biology, physics, mathematics, chemistry

Problems of modern science:

* They have to control over the environment
* New sources of energy – they are just trying to develop them.
* They still do not have medicine for a lot of diseases, for example for
* aids, diabetes …

Technology is the making, modification, usage, and knowledge of [tools](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tool),[machines](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Machine), techniques, [crafts](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Craft), [systems](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/System), and methods of organization, in order to solve a problem

Nowadays computers with internet are becoming more and more important in information system and the world is becoming more dependent on it. Many important aspects of life already revolve around computers and if computers anywhere suddenly stopped working, the modern world would be in chaos. Internet can link people with sources of information that are many miles away. We know: Mobile technology (today because od mobile technology almost everyone use mobile phones) and Medicine technology (today because od medicine technology there are cures for many diseases, but there still remain many incurable)

**Social matters, charities**

All human beings have needs. But unfortunatelly not all needs are satisfied. Even

more, some people do not have basic elements for survival. That is a problem

especially in poor countries, like Africa. Lack of food, money or medicine is not the

problem only in poor countries, it can happen in developed cities.

Without charity of some people and organizations poor people would not be able to

survive. There are a lot of good people that make a difference. Charity is an organization which raises money for help people who are ill or very poor. Its mission is to help people who suffer from hunger, poverty and disease. Most of the charities raise money, others collect clothes, food, medical supplies,

books … They give these items to people who need them the most.

We can help:

* We can make a donation.
* We can become a member of an organization and support its work.
* We can become a volunteer.

Some of the charity organization are: The Red Cross, UNICEF, Caritas Slovenia,…

**Sport, leisure activities, ‘Winning at all costs’**

Sport is very important in our lives. It helps us to not only gain good health but gives our lives interest, enthusiasm and excitement. And sport also provides an excellent way of managing our free time. We all require a break from anything we take part in, for example working, learning or simply sitting at home. A little bit of activity like sport is needed in our lives. Different persons like different kinds of sports. Sport is most popular among the young people. There are two kinds of sport – individual sports and group sports. Team sports usually contain at least two members in a team.  Team members set goals, make decisions, communicate, manage conflict, and solve problems. Most known team sports are football, hockey, basketball, volleyball, handball… An individual sport refers to a sport in which participants compete as individuals. The players can be trained to have an independent spirit. Individual sports seem to be more flexible and convenient to practice. Most known individual sports are boxing, golf, skiing, skateboarding, badminton, gymnastics…

My favorite sport is volleyball. Volleyball is a team sport in which two teams of six players are separated by a net. In sport, it is often said that “winning is everything”.  People need to focus on enjoyment, not only on winning. It's true, that winning keep you in busniss. But if you will do everything to win, you'll need to give up your friends, family and expecially leisure time. I don't think that this is worth it. You can also become sick if you train non-stop, without rest.

Leisure or free time is [time](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Time) spent away from [business](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Business), [work](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Employment), and [domestic chores](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Housekeeping). Here is no pressure of any type and we wish to enjoy it to the fullest. We should value our leisure, take it seriously and make the most of it. Holidays bring us more leisure than the working days. Obviously life is not worth living without leisure. We must have some time for our hobbies, which may be singing, dancing, gardening, painting, and sport of course. Some people want to relax after their day of work. These people may prefer to relax by watching movies, reading. Lots of people enjoy spending their free time outdoors. In my free time I like to chat with my friends, go out for drink and meet new people. When it's possible, I take vacations as much as possible.

**Superstitions, coincidences, the lottery**

Superstition is a kind of belief that some things bring good or bad luck. It is a belief, either cultural, personal or religious, usually founded on ignorance or fear. There are superstitions about almost everything, and the most people have superstitious beliefs.

The most common superstitions in Europe:

* it is unlucky if a black cat crosses your path
* when you see a chimney sweeper, (find a button on your clothes, hold it, make a wish and the wish will come true)
* it is good luck to find a fourleaf clover
* a horseshoe, hung above the doorway, will bring good luck to a home
* to break a mirror means 7 years bad luck
* Friday the thirteen is considered the unluckiest of days.

Superstitions in Slovenia:

* if you get up on the left side of the bed, you will have a bad day
* If it rains on your wedding day, your marriage will be showered with blessings
* When you find a ladybug, make a wish, and if the ladybug will fly away, your wish will come true
* You will have a bad day, if you step on the left leg, when you wake up.

I'm not really superstitious, but sometimes when I see a black cat near my car I'm afraid that this car may bring me bad luck this day.

The lottery is a type of gambling in which winners are chosen by drawing of lots. A lottery does not involve skills at all. Lots of lotteries today are usually in the form of tickets and the prize is often a large sum of cash. Lotery is a good thingm only if you are very lucky and you get more money than you paid. f you are lucky, you can win a fortune, but if you are unlucky, gambling can wreck/ruin/destroy your life.

I tryed gambling before, but I didn't get nothing. Sometimes my mum buys me tickets and I get some cash, but nothing enormous.

**Travelling, tourism**

We can travel by car, by bus, by train, by bicycle, by motorbike, by plane, by ship, by ferry.

The reasons for travelling are very different. Some people travelling for business, pleasure and some for holidays.

Travel means:

Travel is the movement of [people](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/People) between geographical [locations](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Location_%28geography%29). Travel is one of the most important processes in the modern world. It can be done by air, rails, roads or waterways. At the beginning the only way of travel was known by foot, animals, like horses, mules, and water. Beside walking, the bicycle is probably the cheapest way of transport. But it doesn't protect you from bad weather and you cannot carry a lot of

luggage with you. Trains are also used for massive public transportation.

Some people travelling for holiday. Holiday is a day of rest, when no work is done. You can go on holiday at the seaside. There can you stay in a hotel or in a private room. You can travel by camper and stay in a camp. Some people go on holiday in a mountain. There are no hotels.

Today even more people travel on holiday abroad. That is more expensive, but you can see new countries and meet new people. And so you can learn foreign languages, you can learn their history and culture. In our country we have public holiday.

A tourist is a person, who stays in a place he does not live in for more than 24 hours

and sleeps in a hotel, motel… Tourism has become a popular global leisure activity. In our country there is a lot of spa tourism. We have very good spas such as Radenci, Rogaška, Laško, Ptuj… We also have pretty good hiking tourism. All foreign tourists say that Slovenia is very beautiful, especially the Alps. They like our Triglav national park.

Good and bad points of tourism:

* Tourism gives employement to many people and brings a lot of money to the countries, which can use it to promote economic growth. This is especially important for poor, undeveloped countries.
* Tourism also allows many people to see a lot of new things and cultures, appreciate the variety and beauty of nature or just relax.
* On the other hand, massive tourism seriously damage the environment simply because there are too many people in one place.
* There is a lot of tourism crime

**Tourism vs. nature (environment)**

Negative effects of tourism include increased pollution (Pollution is one of the greatest problem of our time. People care less for environment and more for the money, even one should be aware of the problem. The process of making air, water, soil dangerously dirty and not suitable for people to use) and the stress placed on the native plants, animals and ecosystems. Tourists also spend significant amounts of fuel in their travels, in the form of taxis, boats and planes. Also tourism can cause the same forms of pollution as any other industry. Tourists also cause lots of noise that can disturb other people and animals.