

Today, more and more people are getting greedy and selfish. Some people argue that it is better to give than to receive so that we can make the world a better place to live in. Write a one-sided argumentative essay expressing your views and justify your stance with three arguments. Write no less than 250 words.

Always give if you are able to

“It’s more blessed to give than receive” Act 20:35, quoted from Jesus by Paul. Recently, people have been more and more self-centered and greedy. Even if this is the trend and to be expected, I absolutely believe everyone should give if they are able to in order to make the world a better place for everyone.

Firstly, giving can make you happy, while it is also true for the receiving end. According to a survey conducted in 2002 by National Opinion Research Centre’s General Social Survey, 43% of people who gave blood 2 or 3 times during that year were very happy, as opposed to the 29% that did not give blood. Giving blood is a typical example of giving. This not only makes you happy but also saves lives at the same time. Another example is donating money to charities. When donating, you will have a sense of helping someone, even if you do not know who is the one being helped, nonetheless you will feel delighted.

Secondly, to make the world a better place, everyone needs to give, whether it is time or energy. You cannot just put no effort into a place that everyone lives in while receiving the effort everyone contributes. There is no such thing as free lunch. For instance, in society everyone has to follow the laws. If someone does not stick with it, does it make society a great place? When following laws, effort must be put in. Even if it is hard, it is necessary to improve the world. On the other hand, only receiving does not contribute to society. Although while giving, there must be a receiver. However, there is almost always a person in need to be the receiver. Therefore, giving to help others is better than just waiting and hoarding.

Thirdly, hoarding is an act of greed and can cost you. Greed might be a good thing in the short term, but in the long run, this ambitious mind will make you never be satisfied with what you already have. Even after achieving the goal, there is always another goal for you to achieve, leading to a vicious cycle of mindless aims. After some time, you might not even remember what you were looking for in the first place. For example, there can never be enough money for a person that is greedy. He will eventually find himself pointless, with no goals or aims in mind, only to make more and more money. He will later question himself, “ Why? ” . As mentioned before, hoarding is an act of greed. You should not hoard, but always give what you can give.

In summary, giving can make you and others happy simultaneously. Giving is also one of the requirements to make the world a better place while being greedy and hoarding can harm you

by leading you to an endless cycle. As a result, you should always give if you are given the opportunity, whereas you should not remain inactive and not giving.