

Lesson 9 Justice with Michael Sandel: What's the Right Thing To Do?

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[Jigsaw Reading]

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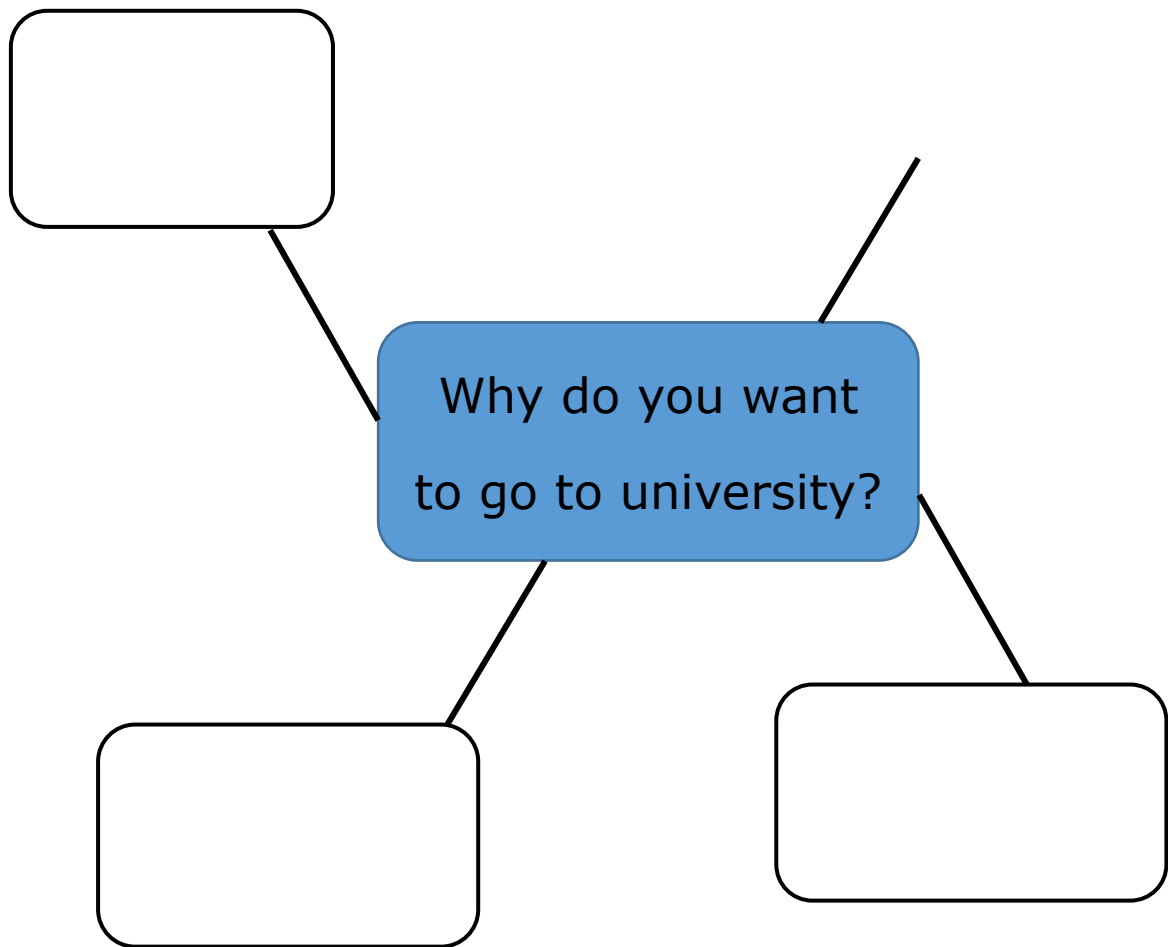
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How about students from other countries?

Mariko Ono (Tokyo, Japan): Hi, I'm Mariko. I attend one of the best universities in Japan. When I was in high school, I worked very hard to get into this university. Now that I'm here, I'm enjoying my life. I have a part-time job. I use money from the job to travel, party, and have fun. I'm taking the minimum number of credits to graduate. Making friends, traveling, enjoying life – these are the things that matter most to me right now. I know that when I graduate, I will get a job and work very hard. So now I want to have a good time!



Lee Jin (Seoul, Korea): Hello. My name is Jin. For me, I want to do well at my university so I can get a good job after I graduate. To do that, I must get good grades. My life is miserable. I have no social life. No friends. Nothing except my studies. I study all of the time, including weekends and holidays. But I have to work hard. I must do well. I must get a good job when I finish my university studies. This is all I care about. Getting a good job is my goal.



Zhijun Chu (Taipei, Taiwan): I'm Zhijun. I don't have much time to talk. I'm very very busy. Work, work, work. Study, study, study. This is my life. This has been my life since I entered this university three years ago. But I'm not complaining. I'm not here to make friends and go to parties. I study really hard and have three different part-time jobs for a reason. I'm saving money so that I can start my own company when I graduate. My family is proud of me. I'm doing this for them. I want to succeed in order to honor my parents.



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Giving your opinions	Agreeing	Disagreeing	Checking what the partner said	Repeating / Paraphrasing what I said
Personally I think...	Good Point.	I see your point, but...	Sorry?	What I mean is...
In my opinion,...	Exactly.	Yes, but on the other hand...	You mean...	As I said, ...
	Absolutely.	Yes, but don't you think...?	You're saying...	

Studying -	Getting a good job	Working for a part-time job
Traveling	Meeting people	Joining a circle
Finding a boyfriend/girlfriend	Getting good grades	Starting own company

Priorities	Reasons
Top Priority:	
Second Priority:	
Third Priority:	