



It is not surprising to see on TV a person establishing **foundation** and other **charitable institution** to help the poor. Nonetheless, it is very alarming to see on media the war, robbery, **deception** and immorality. If you are to weigh, good is **outweighed** by evil. Is it a sign that people these days are losing the **basic sense of morality**?

High school students in some schools try **premarital sex**, smoking, drinking because of **peer pressure**. It feels like their moral values are gradually **deteriorating**. Is it because of irresponsible mass media? Or, parents' neglected duty? Whatever the reason is, one thing is certain—the youth in our society today is undergoing **moral bankruptcy**.

VOCABULARY WORDS

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LET'S TALK

Tell whether you are in favor or against the following points. Justify it.

- 1. Morality is variable. What is moral in other country might be immoral in other country.**
- 2. The sense of basic morality is a thing for the old people. Young people should not consider morality at all.**
- 3. To say that someone is moral is hypocrisy after all. Who else is not corrupted by media these days?**
- 4. Media is the focal point of the deteriorating morality in today's society. Government should regulate media.**
- 5. To be moral and immoral is a person's prerogative. Pointing a finger at another person is just a defense mechanism.**