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Abstract

*In Japan some people smoke cigarette, others don’t. It is said that smoking cigarette has some merits and demerits. Therefore it is controversial whether smoking is bad or not. However, in Japan, smoking a cigarette has more demerits than merits. Smoking a cigarette do damage to economy in Japan, so Japanese everybody should not smoke a cigarette.*

Recently, the number of people who smoke has been increasing in Japan. However, about 30 percent of Japanese men and about 8 percent of Japanese women are still smoking nowadays. While some people say that we should not smoke because smoking a cigarette do harm to people, others say that smoking a cigarette do good to people in some ways. Below, I’m going to discuss whether people should smoke a cigarette or not.

Generally speaking, smoking a cigarette bring many harms to humans. At first, the health hazards of smoking a cigarette are very huge. In Japan only, 130000 people die due to smoking a cigarette in one year. In addition, it is said that smoking a cigarette shorten women’s life by ten years and men’s life by eight years. Moreover, smoking increases lung cancer risk. Secondly, smoking a cigarette bring many harms to people not smoking too. Cigarette smoke contains harmful substances such as nicotine, tar and carbon monoxide and "Sidestream smoke" and "passive smoking" are serious problems now. To sum up these two points, smoking a cigarette has serious problems.

However, smoking a cigarette may be good for our humans because there is an aspect that Japan is saved by tobacco tax. In Japan about 60% of the price of tobacco is tax and this is the highest tax rate. It is a higher tax rate than alcohol such as beer. The total sum is said to be about 2 trillion yen. The tax may still save or protect someone. However, is it true?

In fact, it is said that the economic loss from smoking is 4 trillion yen for, by smoking cigarettes, medical expenses, fire extinguishing costs, cleaning costs and labor costs are incurred and the total cost is said to be about 4 trillion yen. The recent increase in non-smoking advertising has been behind economic losses. In fact, Japan has been raising tabaco tax from now on.

In conclusion, smoking a cigarette has more demerits than merits. Therefore, I encourage you not to smoke a cigarette. We should change this Japanese costom.

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