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Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

People in the past are more interested in improving their neighborhood (the area where they live) than now.

Agree:

1. 现在的人在家时间更少
2. 现在的人对陌生人没有过去那么信任
3. 现在的人搬家频率更高

Disagree:

1. 过去的人更关注自家的物质条件
2. 现在的人没有过去那么忙碌
3. 看上去现在的人更冷漠，但是实际上是在用一个更合理的方式去改进（让步）

Sample: agree

开头段:

In modern life, there are increasing kind of activities in many communities which are designed to enrich the living quality of residents. Simultaneously, many committees of owners run their legal power to color the community materially and mentally. But that doesn't necessarily mean the people care more about their neighborhood. Rather, today's people have no interest in that actually.

举例论证:

Firstly, the people today spend less time in their dwelling place, which make it meaningless to improve the neighborhood. My aunt, who served for a large company as the market manager, have to spent not only 8 hours per days in her office, but extra time after work on client activities. Hardly does she see her neighbors, let alone caring the improvement of surrounding. There are large number of people whose houses are just the place where they take a rest, thereby making it explainable that the facilities and activities in communities exist in name only.

对比论证:

Aside from the busy work, population mobility is another reason to this phenomenon. Centuries ago, people lived in certain place for generations. As a consequence of poor traffic system, most of them never stepped out of their village in whole life. It is reasonable that they had close relations to where they live and who they lived around. However, today's people have more choices to work or live in various cities and nations and they are surely dying for a better living condition by changing work or living place frequently. How does it make any sense to improve the neighborhood if we just live there for months?

并列论证:

Also, the housing structure is a factor that decreases the enthusiasm of improving. Modern people prefer more private space, which makes those commercial flats with two or less families per floor sought after. Contrary to the past when people share the common kitchen and toilet, most public areas are replaced by the parts of private apartment. Besides, every family keep the neighbors out of the door while they are using the security door to prevent potential criminals. The distance of two families may be not just few feet but their hearts are just spread away by the cold doors. The overprotected measures truly makes their life more secure but less connected with neighbors. Thus, the so-called community is just an address.

让步论证:

It seems that people now always spare no efforts to safeguard their own rights in the community, which makes others believe that they are interested in improving. But asking for benefit doesn't equal to making commitment. What they do is just for themselves rather than for the whole community. They care more whether they are bothered by noise than how much trouble they bring to others. I would argue their behaviors is just for themselves, of which improving the neighborhoods is just an excuse.

结尾段:

Therefore, the busy work, frequent moving and people's selfishness are all consistent with the modern life, thereby making it normal that people have no interest in improving the place where they lived.