Many countries now have people from different cultures and ethnic groups. What is the reason for this? Is it a positive or negative development?

It is a fact that many countries around the world have citizens from different cultures and ethnic groups. As far as I know, it is essentially caused by the progress of history and transmission of different cultures from generation to generation, with both positive and negative development.

An advantage of cultural diversity is to reflect the inclusive development of multiple cultures. It is universally acknowledged that culture is a set of distinctive spiritual, material, intellectual and emotional features of society or a social group. It encompasses, in addition to art and literature, lifestyles, ways of living together, value systems, traditions and beliefs. According to accepting different cultures and ethnic groups, I believe it illustrates a country’s respect for **her** people, which can strongly promote the solidarity of a country in a peaceful contemporary society.

Nevertheless, throughout history, a country with multiple cultures and ethnic groups would also be faced with the risk of social and political upheaval, especially when the country is under the poverty and social turmoil. The multi-cultural conflicts sometimes would undermine public security and economics, or even the country’s national unity and territorial integrity. Personally, I am so proud of my country that I believe in **her** power to cope with the problems of threatened insecurity and huge challenges. Basically, China was one of the earliest centres of human civilization, what’s more important is that it has one of the longest periods of mostly uninterrupted civilization and one of the world’s longest continuously used written languages systems, as well as its cultural diversity and inclusiveness.

To conclude, although multi-cultural country has threatened by many risks of insecurity and disadvantages throughout history, the benefits of multiple cultures and ethnic groups can outweigh the problems it brings along.