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### CANCEL HOMEWORK

In recent discussions of homework, a controversial issue has been whether homework should be eliminated overall, or should it stay the same. Denise Pope draws attention to this issue in their article "Does Homework Work When Kids Are Learning all Day at Home?". On the one hand, some argue that a lot of homework is beneficial. From this perspective, they think that kids learn the material better by coming home to spend a long time on homework. On the other hand, however, others argue that less homework is better for us and the way we learn. According to this view, spending less time on homework can make us process the information better. In sum then, the issue is whether more or the same amount of homework at night or less time and less homework. My own view is that homework is beneficial and can help you to know the information better, but too much homework just causes stress and takes time away from your sleep.

Teachers should limit homework because of the stress it causes students. Sometimes when I am trying to do a hard or not necessary assignment it makes me so mad sometimes I just can't comprehend what I'm trying to do. Too much homework is not good and won't benefit you, it will only cause stress. The more homework I receive, the less care I have to do the assignment. Denise Pope tells us, "Having too much homework is certainly part of the problem when it comes to student stress levels"(Pope). If the homework will help me towards the test, then it is beneficial to do. Studying is beneficial to process the information. Studying our material will help us on the test and remember what it is we are learning. If we're just getting piles of homework every night then studying will be the last thing students want to do. I feel like if teachers cut down on homework, it will make students focus more on studying the material.

When teachers assign homework to us, they need to consider the amount of time it will take students. Teachers need to consider that students have a life outside of school. In my own experience, I have after-school activities and usually don't get home till 8. After I get home I have to eat and shower and thinking about doing 2 hours of homework stresses me out. It makes me lose sleep, and time to myself. I also want time to spend with my family at night. In the article, Denise tells us, "If teachers are gonna assign homework, consider how much time the assignment should take and recommend an appropriate cut-off time for students without penalty"(Pope). I think that this is a good idea. If we have a bunch of math homework questions, she gives us 30 minutes and how much we get done, we don't get penalized for the ones we don't get done. My teacher lets us not do the ones we need help on and she goes over them in class. I think that is a good way to solve the issue because we can go over all the stuff we are struggling with.

In conclusion, all students should agree with limiting homework. It will reduce stress, improve grades, increase rates of studying better, more sleep, and time to spend with family. If I am staying up till 12 every night trying to complete useless homework, I don't see any way that it is benefiting me, only doing the opposite. I think that the majority of students will agree with my statement above and can relate. I hope that all teachers will soon agree with me and put themselves in students' shoes.

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