4th Form Arts Mr Imed Bahri Space Tourism Advantages and Drawbacks



Space tourism: Will it bring positive or negative effects on the world's development? Give your own opinion. Use example based on your experience.

It is undeniable that there are countries with technological advances which are working to be successful on space exploration. For them, this will be another form of recreation. Although I tend to believe that space tourism could have beneficial outcomes, I also think that it might affect people negatively.

There are obvious major positive impacts that outer-space recreation can produce. Firstly, in order to come up with space tourism, exploring and unraveling the hidden mysteries of the space is needed. This drastically broadens and enriches humans' technical awareness and constructive knowledge of the space. Secondly, exploration of the outside-earth will give every person a one of a kind experience. Travelers, for example, commonly go overseas by ship or airplane, however, if they would bravely try space exploration, they will be travelling by another means of transportation, called spaceship. Thus, they will encounter a rare and probably nerve-wracking experience. Finally, this type of tourism will surely increase employment, and thus, national revenues.

On the other hand, space tourism might cause undesirable outcomes. Since there are a lot to know and study to become successful with this kind of activity, therefore, a large amount of funds will be needed. Meanwhile, there are also some other significant needs that the government should support such as health care. In line with this, instead of funding for the space exploration, the state should focus on financing more important needs of a country. Furthermore, not everyone can take advantage on this sumptuous recreation. As a result, only wealthy people will be able to experience this expensive activity. Another harmful effect is, spaceships will automatically produce emissions that are pernicious to both humans and the environment. To end, no doubt, space-tourism has advantages but there are also disadvantages which are needed to be reconsidered.

- We can't consider a millionaire's expensive **space flight** as tourism because ordinary people can't afford it.
- **Space tourism** will create another separation between the haves and the have-nots.
- It's an amazing adventure of discovering.
- Space tourism takes much money that could be used to solve more serious problems on Earth.
- It helps to exploit the energy resources of space to solve our energy problems on Earth.
- It will give birth to new industries and business such as **spacecraft** (**spaceship**) producing and **space station** building.
- It's very dangerous
- It's an enjoyable experience to see the earth from the space; what we see is one Earth for all people regardless to race or religion.
- It's boring.
- Living in "WEIGHTLESSNESS" and "ZERO GRAVITY" for a few days seems exciting.
- It's harmful to the environment; thousands of **rocket launches** will cause much damage.