

What do I think now?

To be honest, I have not stayed in another country for a long time. Only a short period of time for travel. But as I talked to some foreigners and listened to how they talk about Taiwan and some international issues around the world, I noticed that there are too many people misleadingly brainwashed by the media. Their mindset and idea about an issue that the government wants them to think and believe. Unfortunately, the fastest way for me to engage the world is to read the news online as I do not have much time and chances to explore the world so as to broaden my perspective. Therefore, that is why we need to discuss social issues with classmates and teachers on a daily basis. By doing so, we can have the ability to think critically and in a completely different way. Moreover, we need to question our thoughts which may be wrong. Most importantly, we will not fall in to the zone where we may be misled by the government.

Taiwanese do easily brainwashed by our media. Many people believe what the government and media want us to believe, we do not have enough rationality and critical thinking to digest the message. That is why when a Taiwanese was asked why he or she thinks that way, they may not speak the reason clearly. After joining some lectures and discussions with classmates and teacher Rico, I found out how important it is to not just talk about social issues but also question our thoughts. Then, an issue can simply lead to plenty unsolved questions. Most interestingly, some classmates may support one idea, some may not. But somehow this is the moment we can learn from each other and to acquire the knowledge that we do not know, to understand the logic what we did not think before and to have a whole new perspective about the same issue.

After finishing the final presentation, I noticed that sometimes the law itself can not make the whole system right or perfect. Even with continuous upgrades and improvement, the laws cannot solve the problems comprehensively. There is always some thorny issue popping up which the law has its limit to control. Maybe that is why we need to notice the social issues and question the system instead of blindly settle while problems immerge. In the movie "on the basis of sex", I believe that they originally start with an idea or discussions with each other, and then they ask the court to change the law. We maybe do not have the ability to go through that step, but we can make more people concerned about the social issues more than they previously did. Then, the attention and questioning will snowball automatically. The society and government agency may notice the issue and we humans can all change and make progress together.

Nice reflection. I really like your introspective approach. i think you could have written more about your presentation as it relates to your idea about controversial issues and people being misled by the government and media. When your writing is larger, you need to be sure that the ideas are connected and not just stand alone ideas. The connection may seem obvious to you but as a writer, you must make those connections clear.

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