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"Legalizing Marijuana"

Summary

I read some articles about legalizing marijuana. This is a big argument in the U.S. these days. Now, it's used for both recreationally and medicinally. Washington state is the first state that made it legal using marijuana in recreationally way. Marijuana had been prohibited for a long time, so still we don't really know how using marijuana will affect our health. Also, compared to other kind of addicts such as tobacco, alcohol, and drugs, there is less risks to be addicted with it. Therefore, the number of people who have tried marijuana is increasing every year. Now, people who have tried marijuana is majority and have not are minority. However, 15 years ago, it was opposite.

Reflection

When I came to the U.S., I was very surprised that marijuana is legal in some states. Still in Japan marijuana is considered a very dangerous drug, so these articles made me surprised that still we don't really know marijuana and some sick's relationship. However, it doesn't still mean that marijuana is harmless, so I'm scared of it.

① In my opinion, not much has changed since it was illegal. This new law hasn't really affected me much.

② I agree that legalizing marijuana has increased the number of people who have tried it. That's not bad, but now many young people have tried it or use it regularly. I'm not sure how I feel about that...

③ This is an interesting cultural difference.

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Summary: It's an article about a nerd that has been discovering the cities that would perfectly fit for nerds. Long time ago, back in the 80's, being a nerd is the most miserable thing because it was an embarrassment for kids to wear a glass and be such a geek. Yet, nowadays, being a nerd is such a trend and became mainstream.

I wear glasses + I'm not a nerd!

These days, nerds are cool with many TV channels have been showing the most popular TV shows themed comedy such as King of Nerds and the Big bang theory that are extremely popular. The best 10 cities for nerds are: Atlanta, portland, Seattle, Sacramento, Minneapolis, Boston, Las Vegas, Miami, san Jose, and Denver. This guy found

I would not have guessed this!

out that those are the best cities for nerds from his own experience. He knows that nerds love data, and other things that mostly connected with nerds' lifestyle. Also, this guy counted the number of annual comic books, video games, and sci-fi. The other factors come from where nerds gathers. Most of the nerds usually gather in the ~~convention~~ con, either it's a comic con or video games con, etc.

This show is pretty funny.

Reflection: This article makes a lot of sense since I saw a lot of nerds in downtown Seattle and about the place that the nerds usually gather. the convention is the place where they usually gathered. I saw a lot of ads about the event in Seattle about the comic con, and I assumed that Seattle is one of the city for nerds.

That's funny. I have a friend who is flying up to Seattle from Las Vegas to go to Comic Con.

I never thought of her as a nerd, but

maybe she is!!