

SAMPLE : IELTS BAND 9 ESSAY

While some people love to tour foreign countries, others prefer vacationing tourist spots in their native countries before travelling abroad. Which would you prefer to do and why? Provide specific details and include examples to substantiate your choice.

International tourism has seen an exponential climb over the past couple of decades. Apart from other factors, dip in air travel fares has, in particular, facilitated ordinary working class people to tour more international travel destinations than ever before. In this essay, I shall elaborate on why travelling within the native country should initially be prioritised over international trips and substantiate my view by referring to sociological studies.

To start with, people's awareness and knowledge about their own culture and native has become increasingly hazy. Television shows, cultural objects and foreign brands are few of the major contributing factors for this situation. For instance, according to the Asian Culture Society, Japanese teenagers are more aware about American television series than the Japanese woodcuts from the 19th century. Therefore, the need for people to acquire more knowledge about their own country is more now than ever before. This is all the more reason for people to travel and explore their country before proceeding to experience countries abroad.

Furthermore, people who have explored the nooks and corners of their country of birth tend to reap high monetary benefits. For instance, according to the Korean Society for Entrepreneurship, about 40% of flourishing start-up companies are managed by people who had extensively travelled across Korea and explored the small windows of opportunities in developmentally neglected zones. This is largely because local travel opens their eyes to the real world and helps them connect with people – thereby opening up business avenues.

In conclusion, even though travel to international tourist destination seems exciting and attractive, there certainly are whys and wherefores behind choosing to explore one's own country initially, before moving on to travel foreign countries. Soon, when the hype encompassing foreign travel fades away, these reasons will begin to seem more evident and attractive.

My ambition is to focus on creating a low-cost yet robust computing device that can offer the full functionalities of a personal computer. This will work on open-source technology and will help everyone from students to farmers, and the biggest USP of the device would be that it would run on a solar-powered battery.

The process of learning is continuous, and I hope that I would also be able to work on a doctoral programme at the University of Melbourne. I hope I will get admission at the University of Melbourne and will be able to fulfil my dreams.