

Essay on Television

[Hints: Introduction, Communication, Recreation, Educative value, Games and sports, Other points, Abuses of television, Conclusion.]

Introduction: Television is one of the most important inventions of modern science. On the basis of experiments made by Paul Nipkow and John Baird television was invented in 1925. The word "television" comes from the Latin word 'tele' and 'vision'. 'Tele' means distance and 'vision' means to see. So, the word television means seeing from distance.

Communication: Television is the most modern means of communication, ideas, and thoughts. We hear the speeches of the world-famous personalities. It serves much more than a radio. It is like a stage where performers are seen and heard. It gives us news on national and international matters.

Recreation: Television is a source of recreation. After day's hard work we sit before a television set and hear music and songs. We enjoy drama, dance and many other things. We see the actors and actresses.

Educative value: Television has a great educative value. It teaches the illiterate and the students. We hear and enjoy debates, lectures on various important topics, discussions on science and speeches through television. It has broken the wall between the literate and the illiterate.

Games and sports: Nowadays people need not go to the stadium to enjoy a game. They sit before a television set and enjoy football, cricket, tennis, and other games and sports.

Other points: Television has made the world small. It has conquered time and distance. People need not spend huge money to go abroad. We get familiar with the customs and traditions, fashions and dresses and culture of the people of different parts of the world through the television. It conveys social, political, economic, cultural and religious news of home and abroad.

Abuses of television: There are many cases of abuse of television. Sometimes students prefer enjoying television to study. Young boys are fond of sitting before televisions in place of playing in the field. Thus, it hinders the growth of the young generation. Sometimes obscene films and almost naked dances are shown on the television which are very much harmful.

Conclusion: Television is the cornerstone of our development. It is an important medium of mass communication. It plays an important role in our day to day life. So, television programmes should be carefully produced.