

About me

My name is Rebecca Varga. I live in Kőszeg. It is a small town in the western part of Hungary, near to the border of Austria and it is called the jewellery box of Hungary. I go to secondary grammar school in this town and I belong to the class 11. D. I live in a family house at the foot of the mountain with my parents, two of my grandparents and my elder brother. He is 20 years old. He goes to university in Wiener Neustadt. Unfortunately, he can come home only at weekends. My mother works in the Chamber of Commerce and Industry. My father runs his own business, a printing factory. My grandmother is already retired, so she stays at home and helps with the house-holding. My grandfather is retired, too, but he is the president of the civilian police in Vas County.



At school I study some subjects in English, for example physics, chemistry, geography and maths. Besides this I learn German, too, as a second language and I try to learn Italian on my own. I like languages and I want to learn some others. I am keen on watching films in English and it is a very good practice. Moreover, I have a feeling of success because I can understand more and more from the films. I'm interested in almost all kinds of movies but horror films are not my cup of tea.

I love sports and my passion is listening to music. If I could do I would listen to music every moment of the day. As far as the sport is concerned, I try to do something at least 3 times a week apart from the P.E. lessons. I also like making new friends. This year and the year before there was an international camp in Kőszeg which offered a good opportunity to have a blink in other cultures and in these camps it is possible to make friends for a lifetime. I met a lot of interesting and kind people. I have kept in touch with some of them since the camp ended. I hope I can take part in this Comenius Project, too and make new friendships.

Everybody asks me about my future plans. They are curious about what I would like to be when I become an adult. I don't know it exactly yet, but I have some ideas. One of the possibilities is that I will be a teacher because I am fond of kids and I always played „school game” when I belonged to the nursery-school. If I choose this option, I would be an English, Italian and maybe a math (or other natural-scientific subject) teacher. Hopefully I can fulfil my dreams. For this there are my parents who always support me.

Isolation

Isolation can be understood in different ways. First of all one could define it based on the areal situation. For example in Africa and in the rainforests of South-America there are settlements which are totally cut from each other and civilization and they live in medieval circumstances. They are isolated due to their geographic position, political situation or traditional causes (by that I mean they are not willing to get in touch with people who come from other communities or objects which are made with new technologies in modern world due to their bringing-up). In these areas the diseases spread faster because they don't have the registered daily calorie intake and they don't have access to clean water, so their resistivity is very weak. Another reason is that they lack of sexual education and essential vaccines, so they can easily get STDs (Sexually Transmitted Disease) and other infectious diseases. In spite of the fact that the volunteer doctors go in quest of these areas and try to help these people, the infant mortality is very high and the life expectancy is much lower than in developed countries due to the very bad circumstances.

Secondly we can speak about isolation in case of some minorities which live in countries whose traditions, language and culture are different. In our country this is getting increasingly significant problem, because one of the minorities hardly fit in the Hungarian community and they can't adapt to the national laws and regulations. It leads to the isolation of this community (with more and more members). On the other hand, members of this ethnicity who want to live an everyday life and try to break out, find themselves in a difficult situation, since they have to face a distance-keeping general attitude from the society according to prejudices regarding their origin and the criticism from their closer environment because of their steps towards a common, usual life without poverty. Education could be a possible solution for this urgent, but long-lasting problem.

Furthermore, we can mention a third kind of isolation. This exists in case of small community, for example in a class at school. Children can be very rude and they can easily ostracize others. It can have a lot of causes, for example from outlook or attribute or just because jealousy. Unfortunately, this can lead to sad future for those kids because they can easily lose self-confidence and later they cannot make normal relationships.

Another aspect of isolation is in case of handicapped citizens. In the less-developed societies people don't count them as sterling beings. They clog to the periphery of society.

In addition prisoners live in isolated communities. After the punishment ends they can hardly fit to the society.

Old citizens due to their age, way of thinking and social situation can be isolated.

There is a way of isolation which is voluntary, such as in religion (hermit) or in politics (in case of countries). One example for it is the so called 'splendid isolation'. It is a conception of policy used by Britain during the late 19th century. Its goal was to maintain the balance of power. In case of a person (same for reasons of policy) who goes to voluntary exile.

In today's world the biggest problem is the cutting down of the personal connections due to the internet. (Social networks, eg: Facebook, Twitter, Iwiw etc.)

As we can see above the isolation has a lot of ways which we can denominate and this list is not complete at all.

As a consequence, we can say that for this word the loneliness can be a synonym, so we can cite a raw from the lyrics of the 90s' hit „Lemon tree” from Fools Garden band: „Isolation is not good for me...”, because humans are social-beings, no one would ever feel well alone. The isolation is good for only one reason: when we want to protect ourselves from our surrounding or our surrounding from ourselves.