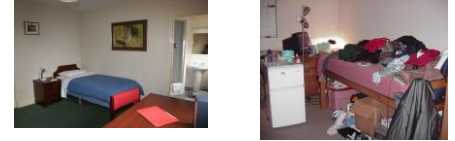


Confessions of a Messy Person



Discussion Questions (Before reading)

1. What does the title tell you about the text?
2. Which bedroom in the pictures looks like yours?
3. Is your bedroom neat or messy? Ask me if I am neat or messy?
4. What do you have on your **night table**?
5. Could you live with a very messy person (neat person)? Why or why not?
6. Can you think of any good reasons for being messy?

Main Idea

In the text “Confessions of a Messy Person,” Dorothy Nixon , describes how messy she is and gives four good reasons for being messy.

After Reading (Production Task)

1. What arguments does she give for being messy? Are they good arguments? Why or why not?
2. What are some disadvantages of being messy?

The Hugger Busker

Discussion Questions

1. What does the title tell you about the text? What is a **busker**? What is a **hug**?
2. Do you often give money to buskers?
3. Would you like to be an **actor**? Why or why not?
4. Have you ever acted in a **play**? Tell me about it.
5. How often do you give your mother a **hug**?
6. Look at the two pictures of Neufeld as an actor and now as a hugger busker. Why do you think he decided to become a **hugger busker**?

Main Idea

In the text “The Hugger Busker” Martin Neufeld is interviewed about his childhood personality, his acting career, and why he became the hugger busker.

After Reading (Production Task)

Role Play: The tutor will be the interviewer and the student will be Martin Neufled. After you could change roles.

Suggestions for questions

1. What do you do now?
2. Do you like to be a hugger busker? Why?
3. What do people do when they read your sign “free hugs”?
4. What was your personality like when you were a child?
5. When did you know you wanted to become an actor?
6. Is the life of an actor easy?
7. Did you like being in front of an audience?
8. What kind of roles did you get?