

American Dream

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In America, there is a more desired lifestyle that most people aspire to live, American Dream. Great attention is centered on the homeownership and upper mobility aspects of what people call "American Dream." Many individuals in America believe that this lifestyle is attainable, through hard work and determination. From my point of view, over the years, the insight of the American dream has reformed considerably. Today, the American dream involves the set of expectations that focus on making money and owning property. This study is about the changing perception of the American dream. It seeks to explain the past and present events that affected a substantial change in housing in the American Dream.

My personal interest of this topic is that I intend to study about the changing perception of the American dream. It also intends to show the past and present events that affected a substantial change in housing in the American Dream.

My own knowledge at this moment of the topic is that some aspects in American dream such as personal independence, finding happiness, home ownership, fulfilling one's potential and freedom of movement has not changed, but remains the same in the past and the present. However, today, most people in America believes that American dream is all about accumulating wealth, getting access to credit, attaining recognition and becoming famous. People are nowadays working extremely hard with the intention of acquiring the material things, fame and attaining the highest rank in the society. Some publics would do anything with the intention of accumulating wealth of become famous, without considering the consequence of the aftermath of the action they take in the process of getting fame and making money. In the past the American dream was centered on middle-class value, family, community and getting married. Today, the American dream is centered on consumption, fame, making more money, independence, and progressing professionally. Due to these revolutions in American dream, many people have

concentrated on their own wellbeing without putting much emphasis on the general public.

Change in American dream has created a group of people in America who do not obey the rule of law, but instead they do anything they feel it is right in order to realize their personal goals.

On the issue of housing in the American Dream, it is true that people has changed their perception on the issue of homeownership. In the past, people in America always dreamt of owning a home, despite what it would take. They considered a home to be the most treasured asset in their life. This led people to go for mortgages and loans in order to buy home (dream home) in their preferred places. Today, although owning a home remain one of the greatest dreams of many people in America, other factors such as a financial crisis, has led people to change their perception on home ownership. Nowadays, people prefer saving their earning, buy what they can afford and live debt-free life. Unlike in the past, some people have accepted to stay in rental houses until they are able to raise the total amount required to buy a home.

I want to find out whether, over the years, the idea of American dream has changed. I want to ascertain whether some aspects that formed the American dream in the past have been substituted by other different.

I intend to develop the topic from the basis of the knowledge I have concerning the topic. In organizing the topic, I intend to first concentrate on finding out the changing perception of the American dream, and then focus on revealing the past and present events that affect a substantial change in housing in the American Dream.

My thesis is the idea of the American dream has changed drastically, over the years. By contrasting and comparing the events of the past and present, there are incidents that caused a significant change in housing and other components in the American Dream.

In this dynamic work, people continue to develop aspiration of new things every day. Today, unlike in the past, people always dream of accumulating much wealth, occupying the highest rank in the society, and becoming famous. The issue of home ownership in the American dream has also increased significantly; no much emphasis unlike in the past.