A. Describe the Picture

Describe the picture briefly.

B. Self Expression

Use the following expressions to answer the questions.

Agree  
Disagree  
Not sure

Owning a car is more of a luxury than a need.

The kind of car a person owns shows his/her personality.
## C. Words and Expressions

Check the pronunciation, meaning and usage of the words with your tutor.

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<td>cult following</td>
<td>Pulp Fiction is one of the most remarkable movies of the 90s, that's why it has gained a strong cult following.</td>
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<td>curse</td>
<td>I think this house is cursed. We've experienced a lot of bad luck ever since we moved here.</td>
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<td>demise</td>
<td>The company's demise was unexpected.</td>
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<td>foreshadow</td>
<td>Their constant fighting over little things foreshadowed their divorce.</td>
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<td>reputation</td>
<td>One damaged product could ruin the entire company’s good reputation.</td>
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<td>take the cake</td>
<td>Of all the bad things you’ve done, stealing money from your mom takes the cake.</td>
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<td>wreak havoc</td>
<td>Your temper will wreak havoc on our customer satisfaction rate.</td>
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Do you believe in curses? In stories involving curses and bad luck, James Dean's car takes the cake.

James Dean has not only gained a cult following for being an actor, but also for the mystery surrounding his 1955 Porsche 550 Spyder. It is said that James Dean's colleague even forshadowed his demise in September 30, 1955 in the form of a warning. After James Dean's car crash, his car, which he named "Little Bastard" gained a reputation. Mechanics who have tried to repair the "Little Bastard" after the crash have suffered painful accidents. Even those who only owned parts of the car faced bad luck.

The car continued to wreak havoc to anyone that came near it until its alleged disappearance in 1960.

When you finish reading, summarize what the article says and explain it to your tutor.

1. Do you think car ownership should be restricted or controlled by the government?
2. How has the invention of car revolutionized businesses around the world?
3. How is a car more of a liability than an asset?
4. Which is better, a manual or automatic shift car?
5. Is it better to buy a brand new car or a second-hand car? Discuss.
E. **Listening**

Listen to what your tutor will say and propose a solution for the problem presented.

Tutor: Read the article for the student.
Student: Listen to your tutor and try not to look at the article below.

I followed your advice and bought a second-hand car; however, I don't really know much about extending the longevity of a used car. It was used by its original owner for three years before selling it to me. Could you give me an advice on how to better take care of a used car?

E. **Make a suggestion**

Propose a solution to the following problem.

Do you think there should be a law requiring everyone who wants to buy a car to study basic car repair and car maintenance? Why or why not?