Card №23. Youth and society

1. What social issues
are important for young
people nowadays?

Youth is a very important period in the life of men. This is the time when a person discovers the world and tries to determine the place in the universe. Young people face lots of problems which are very important for them. One of the major problems is generation gap or misunderstanding between the young and the old. Young people want to be independent while parents try to control and limit them. As a result, the young protest and shock their parents with their dress, language, behaviour.

Another problem is drug addiction as well as alcohol abuse and smoking. They ruin young people's health and all their life.

Young people can also have problems concerning communication, problems with friends. Today young people can choose between traditional and new ways of communication. The Internet gives a great opportunity of communication. But some young people abuse it and can spend hours in social networks. Such young people do not eat, sleep, work or learn properly. They start ignoring their family and friends. And it is a great problem of the present and future.

It may seem that young people are all aggressive and in trouble. But that's not true. Many of them practice sports, visit art schools and attend various study groups. They do their best at school, find some kind of work in the end and get married in their early twenties. They get on well with their parents and enjoy family life.

2. Are you a member of any youth organization?

Yes, I am a member of the Belarusian Republican Youth Union. / No, I'm not a member of any organization.

k me questions about the activities of the BRSM in Belarus?

What is the aim of your organization? What activities do you do in your organization? What events have you taken part in?

hat youth organizations will you recommend young people to join?

When you come out of your comfort zone, you can express yourself in front of the whole world, and there is no better stage to express yourself as some youth organization. So join one, for example, the Belarusian Republican Youth Union and you'll have a lot of opportunities to express yourself.

you had power to solve a single problem in today's world, what would it be?

I would give everyone an extreme sense of empathy. If everyone could easily imagine other people's situations, then many of the world's problems would simply vanish.