

Motion: THBT fairytales do more harm than good

Team: Affirmative

Negative point:

My first point is that principally fairytales teach children morality. Children need to be taught how to behave and do the right thing so they can grow up to be good people in society. A child isn't born knowing manners or right from wrong, so it is the parent's job to teach them. Fairytales teach children positive values by showing good role models who are rewarded by the narrative. For example, Cinderella works hard, doesn't complain, and is always kind, which brings her the reward of marrying a prince. In comparison, if you are cruel to people, these stories show that you will start to be punished by life at some point. It is also important to note that these morals are best taught through fairy tales because this format holds a child's attention due to being an entertaining story rather than a boring lecture. In a world without fairytales, we lose an important mechanism to teach kids right from wrong.

Why is this point not good?

Reasons why it's not true:

(aka why fairytales don't teach children how to do the right thing or provide good role models)

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Why it's not important:

(aka even if fairy tales could teach this, why it could be done another way, why fairytales are bad)

Motion: THW abolish the death penalty

Team: Negative

Affirmative point:

My second point is that the death penalty does not stop people from committing crime. If you want to steal, you will do it because you want that new iPhone. If you want to murder somebody, you probably will do it no matter the consequence. People will always ignore the law because they see the risk as being worth it for the reward, which is why we see so many people smuggling drugs into countries like Indonesia where there is the death penalty. The death penalty isn't a deterrent and most people don't change their behaviour when it exists so we should just get rid of it because it doesn't work.

Why is this point not good?

Reasons why it's not true:

(aka why the death penalty does work)

1.

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Why it's not important:

(aka even if it doesn't stop everybody, why we still need to have the death penalty)

Motion: THW ban cosmetic companies from targeting their products at children

Team: Affirmative

Negative point:

My third point is that cosmetics are really good for self-expression which is essential for young adults as they grow up. Make-up is inherently made to be creative, it looks like bright lipstick, rainbow eyeshadow, and glitter. When you wear make-up, you want the world to know! Many Youtubers promoting these brands show off incredible looks by turning their face into a canvas, inspiring young viewers to be creative as well. Furthermore, advertising campaigns promote these products with positive messages about individuality and boldness which is beneficial for young women to hear. For example, Fenty Beauty empowers girls by showing make-up helps them take risks. Teens take advantage of the power of make-up and apply it to show personality and creativity. By not letting companies sell to them, we are discouraging young people from using make-up which robs them of their main opportunity \ self-expression.

Why is this point not good?

Reasons why it's not true:

(aka why make-up does not promote self-expression)

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Why it's not important:

(aka even if make-up allows for some creativity, it's still harmful)