

## ENGLISH CONVERSATION CLASS ADVANCED LEVEL 05/05/2025-09/05/2025

**TOPIC:** Revitalized Neighbourhoods or Ghost Towns?

Watch the video and answer the questions: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fsf2fq-jvY8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fsf2fq-jvY8</a>

1. What was the main issue that sparked the protest in east London as discussed in the lesson?

- a) The opening of a new luxury hotel.
- b) The construction of a new shopping mall.
- c) The sale of overpriced cereal in a local store.
- d) The demolition of historical buildings.
- 2. What does the term 'gentrification' refer to?
- a) The process of creating new parks and green spaces in urban areas.
- b) The influx of tourists into a city, causing overcrowding.

c) The renovation and improvement of a neighbourhood, often leading to the displacement of lower-income residents.

d) The decline of industrial areas and the rise of technology sectors.

3. How does the video describe the impact of foreign investment on local communities?

- a) It always benefits the local economy and creates jobs.
- b) It often leads to higher property prices and displacement of residents.
- c) It ensures better infrastructure and public services.
- d) It has no significant impact on local communities.

4. What is a common sign of gentrification in a neighbourhood?

- a) Decrease in property values.
- b) Increase in crime rates.
- c) Rise in upmarket cultural establishments like specialty shops.
- d) Closure of all local businesses.

5. Which of the following is a potential consequence of gentrification mentioned in the video?

- a) A stronger sense of community among original residents.
- b) A cultural divide between new and existing residents.
- c) A decrease in private transportation options.
- d) A decline in tourism.

- 6. What does the term 'ghost town' imply in the context of gentrification?
- a) An area that has been completely abandoned by its residents.
- b) A neighbourhood with a high crime rate and unsafe conditions.
- c) A city that is heavily populated but lacks cultural activities.
- d) A thriving urban centre with diverse communities.

7. Which strategy is suggested as a solution to tackle the problems of gentrification?

- a) Encouraging unlimited foreign investment.
- b) Reducing property fees and taxes for developers.
- c) Launching community-led development strategies.
- d) Allowing unrestricted Airbnb growth.

8. Why might some tourists avoid revitalized areas according to the video?

- a) They are often too crowded and expensive.
- b) They lack modern amenities and conveniences.
- c) They are difficult to access by public transport.
- d) They have no historical or cultural significance.

9. What is a major concern for established working-class communities in gentrified neighbourhoods?

a) The availability of luxury goods and services.

- b) The potential loss of affordable housing and displacement.
- c) The increased access to educational facilities.
- d) The decline in public transport options.

10. What role do newcomers and residents play in the process of gentrification?

- a) Newcomers help preserve the cultural heritage of the area.
- b) Residents have no responsibility for the changes.

c) Both newcomers and residents contribute to the changes, intentionally or unintentionally.

d) Only newcomers are responsible for gentrification.