



# IT HAS TO BE SAID...

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"Excuse me...we're carrying out a survey for SOCIETY TODAY magazine. Can I ask you what in our society makes you particularly sad or angry?"



- "You certainly can! Look at these new shoes! I know people have got a right to walk their dogs here, but we've got a right to clean pavements, and I'm tired of having to wash my shoes every time I get home in spite of only having been round the corner for a newspaper. It's disgusting!" [1]

- "Yes. Discrimination. Of all kinds. Racism, of course, and sexual discrimination. They say they're working to achieve equal opportunities, but I still don't believe women are treated equally most of the time. And then there's discrimination against AIDS sufferers, those with HIV, the disabled. I mean, being blind or in a wheelchair doesn't mean you're less intelligent or hard-working, does it?" [2]

- "Yes. Televisions and computers! One of my regrets is not having been born into an age without them. Aren't there better things to do in life than look at screens all day? It's all so passive and unhealthy, to say the least. I suppose it's all part of today's obsession with technology and the visual." [3]

- "Crime and antisocial behaviour. This society of ours is full of it. From vandalism to pickpocketing and shoplifting to more serious offences such as domestic violence and muggings to huge problems like war crimes and terrorism. If you ask me, television's at least partly to blame, and I think most people would agree. Some evenings it seems there's nothing to watch unless guns and killing are what you want..." [4]

- "I think one of the saddest things, and not just in today's society, is drugs. Not only because of what, in more serious cases, drug addiction can do - break up families, turn addicts into criminals, damage minds and bodies and eventually kill - but also because of what it says about this world of ours. I mean, it must be a nasty place if people feel the need to escape from it in that way. As for those who push drugs, especially adults who give them to young children, there are few things that make me angrier." [5]

- "Human suffering in general, I think. From unemployment and homelessness in our own cities to the millions of people all over the world who live with poverty, hunger and disease. And so much of it is caused by governments who are more interested in oil, weapons and power than in their own people." [6]

- "They say 'love makes the world go round', but I think it's money that makes our world go round. I mean, as long as I've got enough to live on comfortably, isn't that enough? But the more this consumer society has, the more it wants." [7]

- "The thing that has always made me most sad and angry has become my whole life: I work for an organization that supports human rights. All over the world people are being treated unfairly, often by their own governments. Prisons are full of innocent people who should never have been put there. Others are tortured. Tribes are losing their lands and are in danger of being destroyed altogether. Many have no freedom of speech. And most of the world takes no notice of them. They'll never have a chance unless someone steps in to try to help." [8]

[9] – “One of the worst aspects of society must be the way we’re treating our planet. Politicians, industries, drivers, all of us. Everyone talks about recycling, but you might say we’re being selfish and stupid simply by buying things without really having thought about whether we need them or not. And most of us are guilty of that, it has to be said.”

[10] – “Even though all this technology has got its advantages, somehow I seem to remember having had an easier life without it! I just don’t seem to be able to keep up with developments. By the time I’ve learnt how to use the latest piece of technology it’s on its way out again. And the internet frightens me. I don’t just mean concrete fears – like abuse of the net and hackers and cyberterrorism and that sort of thing – but the general question of where it’s all taking us. The more technology we have, the less time we seem to have for each other.”

[11] – “I know it’s a bit of a cliché, but the whole globalization thing makes me rather sad. We all seem to be losing our sense of identity and culture. The more we work to create huge, international organizations, the fewer cultural contrasts are left for us all to enjoy. Nothing’s exotic any more.”



**achieve** [ə'tʃi:v] dosáhnout čeho, dokázat  
**addict** ['ædɪkt] toxikoman, narkoman; závislá osoba  
**addiction (to)** [ə'dɪkʃn] návyk (na)  
**adult** ['ædʌlt] dospělý člověk; dospělý  
**AIDS** [eɪdz] AIDS  
**antisocial** [ˌæntɪ'səʊʃl] protispolečenský, společensky škodlivý, asociální  
**aspect** [ˈæspekt] stránka věci; zřetel  
**blame** [bleɪm] vinit, dávat vinu; svádět  
**blind** [blaɪnd] slepý; oslepit  
**carry out** [ˌkæri 'aʊt] provést, vykonat  
**cliché** ['kli:ʃeɪ] kliše  
**criminal** ['krɪmɪnəl] zločinec; zločinný  
**cultural** ['kʌltʃrəl] kulturní  
**cyberterrorism** ['saɪbə,terəɪzɪzəm] počítačový terorismus  
**development** [dɪ'veləpmənt] vývoj, rozvoj  
**disabled** [dɪ'seɪbld] postižený  
**discrimination (against)** [dɪs,krɪmɪ'neɪʃn] diskriminace (koho)  
**disease** [dɪ'zi:z] choroba  
**disgust** [dɪs'gʌst] hnusit se; odpor  
**domestic** [də'mestɪk] domácí  
**drug** [drʌɡ] (gg) droga, lék; omámit  
**even though** ['i:vən ðəʊ] ačkoli, přestože

**eventually** [ɪ'ventʃʊəli] nakonec, časem  
**exotic** [ɪg'zɒtɪk] exotický, cizokrajný  
**globalization** [gləʊbəlaɪ'zeɪʃn] globalizace  
**hacker** ['hækə] hacker  
**homelessness** ['həʊmləsnes] bezdomovectví  
**human** ['hju:mən] lidský; člověk  
**identity** [aɪ'dentəti] totožnost, identita  
**innocent** [ɪ'nɒsənt] nevinný  
**keep up** [ki:p 'ʌp] držet krok  
**mind** [maɪnd] mysl  
**mugging** ['mʌɡɪŋ] přepadení  
**nasty** ['nɒ:sti] ošklivý  
**net** [net] síť; internet  
**obsession** [əb'seɪʃn] posedlost  
**offence** [ə'fens] přešůpek, zločin; urážka  
**organization** [ˌɔ:gənaɪ'zeɪʃn] organizace  
**particularly** [pə'tɪkjələli] obzvláště  
**passive** ['pæsɪv] pasivní; trpný rod  
**pickpocket** ['pɪk,pɒkɪt] kapsář zloděj  
**pickpocketing** ['pɪk,pɒkɪtɪŋ] kapsářství  
**planet** ['plænɪt] planeta  
**politician** [ˌpɒlə'tɪʃn] politik  
**poverty** ['pɒvəti] chudoba, bída  
**prison** ['prɪzn] vězení  
**push** [pʊʃ] tlačit, strkat; nezákonně

prodávat slang.  
**racism** ['reɪsɪzəm] rasismus  
**recycle** [ri:'saɪkl] recyklovat  
**right** [raɪt] právo  
**screen** [skri:n] obrazovka; plátno v kině  
**sexual** ['seksʃʊəl] sexuální; pohlavní  
**shoplifting** [ʃɒp'lɪftɪŋ] krádež v obchodě  
**society** [sə'saɪəti] společnost  
**sufferer** ['sʌfərə] kdo něčím trpí  
**survey** ['sɜ:veɪ] průzkum, studie  
**take notice** [ˌteɪk 'nəʊtɪs] všimnout si  
**technology** [tek'nɒlədʒɪ] technika; technologie  
**terrorism** ['terəɪzɪzəm] terorismus  
**torture** ['tɔ:tʃə] mučit; mučení, muka  
**treat** [tri:t] zacházet s, jednat s jak; léčit  
**tribe** [traɪb] kmen domorodý  
**unemployment** [ˌʌnɪm'plɔɪmənt] nezaměstnanost  
**unfair** [ˌʌn'feə] nespravedlivý, nečestný  
**unhealthy** [ˌʌn'helθɪ] nezdравý  
**vandalism** ['vændəlɪzɪzəm] vandalismus  
**violence** ['vaɪələns] násilí  
**visual** ['vɪʒʊəl] vizuální, zrakový  
**weapon** ['wepən] zbraň  
**wheelchair** ['wi:l'tʃeə] invalidní vozík

**in spite of only having been round the corner for a newspaper** i když jsem si jenom byl za rohem pro noviny  
**being blind or in a wheelchair doesn't mean...** to, že je člověk slepý nebo na invalidním vozíku, ještě neznámá, že...  
**One of my regrets is not having been born into an age without them.** Jedna z věcí, kterých lituji, je to, že jsem se nenarodila do doby, kdy žádné nebyly.  
**obsession with the visual** posedlost vizuálním

**television's at least partly to blame** na vině je alespoň částně televize  
**love makes the world go round** láska otáčí světem  
**as long as I've got enough to live on comfortably** pokud mám dost peněz na to, abych z nich pohodlně vyžil  
**unless someone steps in to try to help** pokud se do toho někdo nevloží a nepokusí se pomoci  
**it's on its way out again** už to zase vybíhá

<b>PŘEDLOŽKY</b>	<b>blame sth on sb</b> svádět co na koho	kriminace koho	<b>obsession with</b> posedlost čím
<b>addiction to</b> návyk na		<b>disgusted by</b> zhnusen čím	<b>right to</b> právo na
<b>blame for</b> vinit za; vina za	<b>discrimination against</b> dis-	<b>in general</b> obecně	<b>take notice of</b> všimnout si čeho

**TREAT**  
**treat sb + příslovce** = zacházet s kým jak  
**treat sb like sth** = zacházet s někým jako s něčím  
*They didn't treat him very well there.*  
Moc dobře tam s ním nezacházeli.  
*Don't treat me like a fool.*  
Nezacházej se mnou jako s bláznem.

**RIGHT**  
**right to sth** právo na něco      **right to do sth** právo něco udělat  
*We've got a right to clean pavements.* Máme právo na čisté chodníky.  
*We've got a right to walk on clean pavements.* Máme právo chodit po čistých chodnících.  
**human rights** lidská práva      **animal rights** práva zvířat