

Unit 9.2 TRAVEL AND TOURISM

Listening: Fill in the blanks (NO MORE THAN 2 WORDS)

DRAWBACKS OF TAKING A GAP YEAR



(1).....

Delayed academic or career progress

students
workers

disrupt their educational timeline

(2).....
(3).....
(4).....
(5).....



(6).....

Limit the ability to fully enjoy



(7).....

Accidents
Health issues
Unsafe environments

DELAYED ACADEMIC OR CAREER PROGRESS

One of the significant drawbacks of a gap year is the (1)..... delay in academic or career progress. For students, this break can disrupt their (2)....., leading to a postponed graduation or challenges in readjusting to academic routines upon their return. As a result, they can fall behind with their (3)..... when they return to school. Similarly, workers may experience a setback in their career advancement due to the gap in employment history and the need to rebuild (4)..... momentum.

FINANCIAL CONSTRAINTS

A gap year, especially if it involves (5)..... travel or pursuing unpaid opportunities, can put individuals under financial strain. Supporting oneself during the gap year without a regular income can be challenging and may require careful budgeting, (6)....., or financial support from other sources. Financial constraints can limit the ability to fully enjoy the gap year experience or cause stress and worry about future (7).....

EXPOSED TO DANGEROUS SITUATIONS

Depending on the activities and (8)..... chosen during the gap year, there is a possibility of being exposed to dangerous situations. Traveling to unfamiliar places or engaging in (9)..... activities can come with inherent risks, including accidents, health issues, or encountering unsafe environments. For example, a student who takes a gap year to work abroad may find themselves in a difficult work environment where they are expected to work long hours or do (10)..... demanding tasks. This can have a negative impact on their physical and mental health, leading to injury, or burnout. In some cases, students who travel or take a gap year may also be exposed to dangerous environments that (11)..... their health and safety. For example, they may be recruited for illegal or unsafe jobs, or be exposed to hazardous chemicals and (12) These situations can have serious long-term consequences, such as chronic health problems, injuries, or even death