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Part B

Question:

Your friend lives in a small flat in a high-rise building in a busy area of Hong Kong. Your friend wants to get a dog as a pet. You strongly disagree with the idea. You think it will be bad for your friend and for the animal.

Write a letter to your friend and support your arguments with reasons.

Dear Amy,

I hope this letter finds you in good health and spirit. I am doing well here and hope you and your family are also doing well. I am really sorry for the late reply due to my busy schedule. In the last letter, you mentioned that you wanted to get a dog as your pet which I think is not a good idea. I know dogs are known as the most loyal pets on the earth and it is a good pet to have around but right now I don't think it's a good time for you to get a dog.

The main reason is your busy schedule. Right now, you have been focusing more on your career, so you don't have enough time even for yourself. When you have a pet, you need to give them proper care and your time. You need to feed them on time and be with them. But most of the time you are not at your home and your family is also not there with you so I don't think you can give proper care and love to your dog right now.

Secondly, having a pet in Hong Kong is really expensive. It is very difficult to have a pet in Hong Kong since you need to go through lots of registration processes. The expenses of dogs are also very high. You need to give them vaccination time-to-time, feed them, walk them and so on. To be honest, the expenses for dogs outweigh our own expenses in Hong Kong. If anything happens to them, you will be in a stressful situation. They need more care, attention love and time which I don't think you will be able to manage right now considering your busy schedule.

Lastly, you should reconsider you plan to have a dog as your pet given your tiny house in a high-rise building in the busy area of Hong Kong. Busy areas of Hong Kong are mostly noisy and dogs are likely to prefer a quiet area. Your house rent might increase suddenly any time, so you need to be prepared for that too. Once you get a pet, you can't leave them in a halfway. Having a dog as your pet will add more responsibilities, so you need to be prepared and careful about that too.

In conclusion, I am just giving you my advice as your good friend. You are more capable to make your own decision whether or not it is a right time for you to get a dog as your pet. You can have them once you are fully settled. I hope this would help you to change or rethink your decision but this is only my opinion. Let me know what you think.

Best wishes,

Chris