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Good morning everyone. Today, I am going to talk about tattoo. Tattoo is an ink design inserted into the skin, commonly via a needle. It has been used ornamentally and religiously by humans for thousands of years. In the late 18<sup>th</sup> and early 19<sup>th</sup> centuries, tattoos were as much about self-expression as they were about having a unique way to identify a sailor's body should he be lost at sea or impressed by the British navy. And a well-known Chinese legend claimed the mother of Yue Fei tattooed the words "Repay the Country with Pure Loyalty" down her son's back before he left to join the army.

However, tattooing is an unhealthy behaviour. First, stabbed with a needle on human body will destroy your skin and nerve cells. Some people even contracted some terrible diseases like HIV if the process is not handled with care. So, before you get a tattoo, make sure the tattooist disinfect all the apparatus and is experienced with good reputation in the tattoo industry.

Nowadays, people usually think tattoo is a symbol of something bad because most of the people who got tattoo is dreadful especially in Hong Kong, but we can't judge a person by the appearance.

You gonna think twice before getting a tattoo. Just imagine how painful it will be when a needle gets in and out through your skin for ten thousand times. The most important thing is that your skin will never be the same again. You can never totally erase the tattoo even by laser treatment. The skin will never be the same.

I think some of you may want to get this because you think that is cool, but you really need to think twice because you can never change especially if you are going to have a tattoo with the design of your lover's name unless you are pretty sure that you have found your Mr or Miss Right or you may regret just in case your relationship doesn't last long.

I am happy to share with you all today. Have a good day. Thank you.