

The Vows

1. **No Killing**
Buddhists try to care for all living beings and never to intentionally harm others or take a life
2. **No Stealing**
Buddhists respect property and never take what is not theirs or what has not been freely given to them
3. **No lying**
Buddhists try to speak honestly and kindly
4. **No taking intoxicants**
Buddhists refrain from alcohol, smoking, and drugs to keep their mind clear and focussed
5. **No sexual misconduct**
Buddhists are faithful to their partners and respect other people's relationships. Monks and nuns promise to follow a life of celibacy



Some Buddhists are lay Buddhists and others have taken ordination. From what you know of Buddhism, what do you think would be the good things (the positives) about being ordained; what things would be not so good (the minus points) and what would you find interesting?
Work in pairs to complete the PMI sheet:

Positives	Minuses	Interesting
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