

What are some of the advantages and disadvantages of Shawn's modern lifestyle and Mbalou's more traditional ways?

This diagram is a wonderful and useful tool for Reel Lives. It asks the pupils to do more than just *accept* what they have seen or learnt about life in Sierra Leone, it invites them to take actually *analyse* their understanding. This particular example shows one way of focusing on the advantages and disadvantages of a lifestyle like Mbalou's.

The diagram can then be altered to look at the advantages and disadvantages of a lifestyle like Shawn's. You can also adapt the diagram to look at other aspects of the DVD – the food, the weather or anything that you want your class to focus on or that can be compared to the UK! Just keep adding extra circles!

