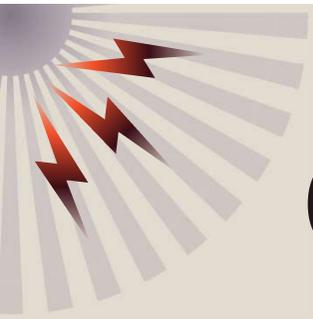




# Punk Movement

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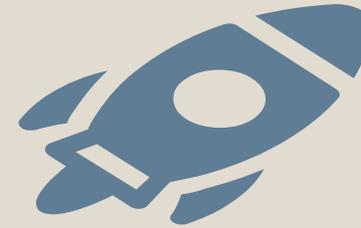
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# 01

## Why did the Punk movement appear

The background and origin



# Punk subculture

The punk subculture flourished in the UK throughout the 1980s, which is a famous movement at that time.



## What is subculture

Subculture denotes a close section of society. A subculture usually has its own values, needs, models, and institutions.



# Background

After world war 2, the British economy increased and had its decline in 1970, so the society at that time was unrest.



# The reasons cause the decline in economy



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## Yom Kippur War

It caused the oil crisis in the UK, so inflation became a serious problem at that time

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## Protesting and Strike

Many people lost their jobs, so they protested. Racism in the police force reached its peak

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## Immigration problem

Huge immigrants caused a high unemployment rate, so the economy became worse.

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## Rising of Feminism

Feminism also rose at that time, and women strived for their rights and fair treatments.

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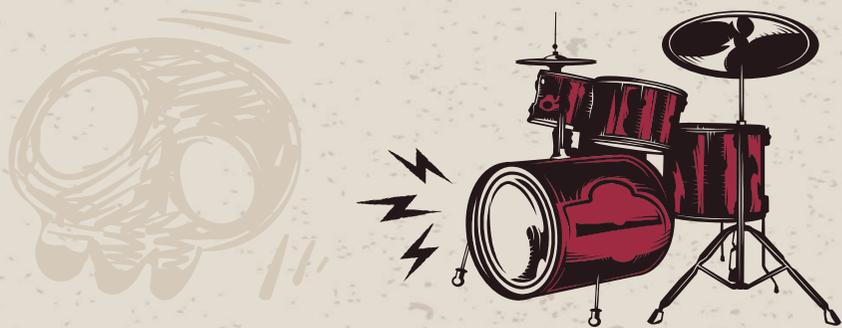
## The reasons cause Punk movement

In conclusion, the UK was not peaceful. Many revolutions or changes were prone to occur (Including the punk movement). This was the social environment at that time.



# The origin of Punk movement

The “Sex Pistols” was responsible for initiating the punk movement in the UK. It inspired many later punks and alternative rock musicians.



# The origin of Punk movement

Malcolm McLaren, the founder of Sex Pistols, led his band to become a famous band with lots of followers.

Their fashions and hairstyles significantly influenced the punk image. Besides, punk music is often associated with anarchism.



# The origin of Punk



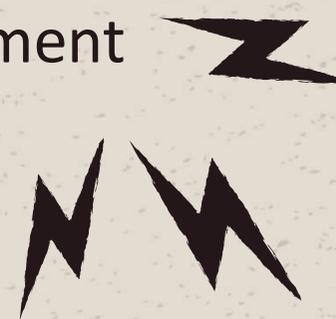
- The pursuit of complete freedom and unique punk music was fantastic in the world, and gradually it became a special music type.
- Since society was not peaceful at that time, the UK punk movement criticized the British government, which attracted many people to join.





# Therefore

The punk style became popular, and many people started to imitate it. The mania of people chasing punk music and style symbolizes the beginning of the Punk movement



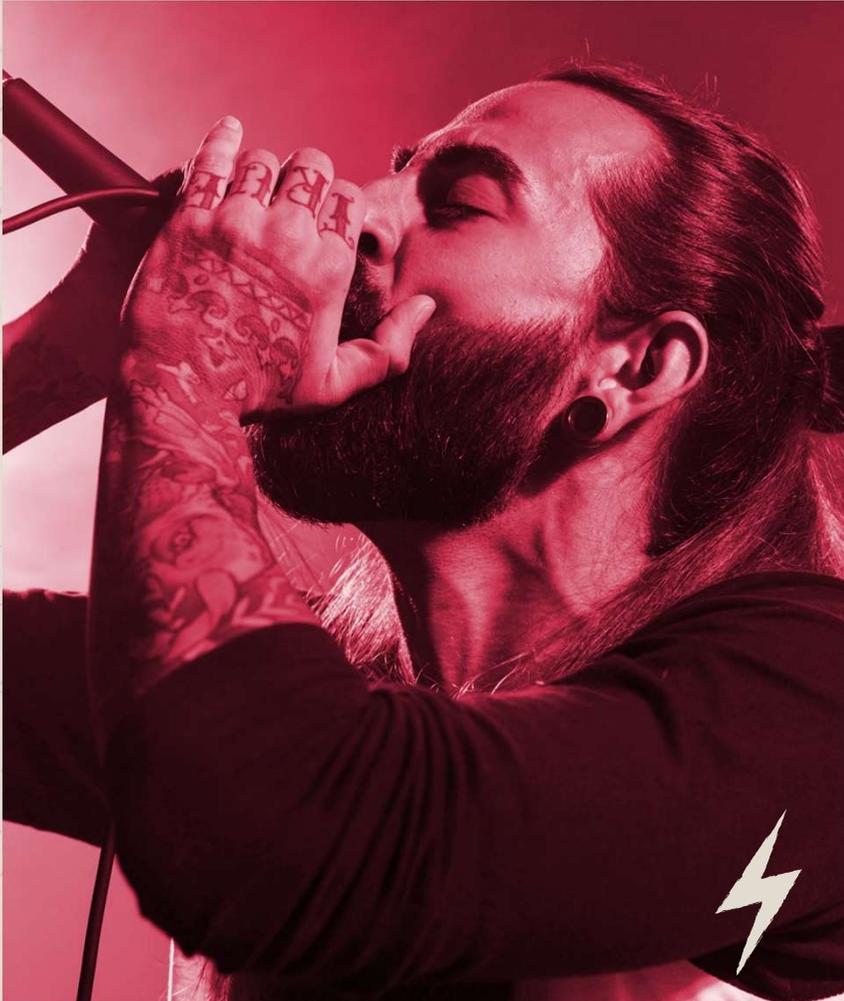


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## How Punk movement influences people?

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## Culture influences of Punk movement

Since the punk movement is against mainstream society in the UK, it impacts the values and opinions of young generations a lot.





## Culture influences

Bands created their own punk music, and people made their own clothes as a form of punk subcultural expression. It changed traditional British art, music and some philosophies.



Punk fashion was influenced by some other subcultures and art movements, such as glam rock, skinheads, rude boys, greasers and mods.



## Social influence



The ideology of the punk movement is anarchism, individualism, existentialism, anti-capitalism, anti-authoritarianism and anti-racism.

The famous sentence “do it yourself” is associated with them, and also represents the political demonstrations and social reflections of the punk movement.

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## Anarchism



The government didn't solve the economic problems. Unemployment makes most people mad at the government. For those teenagers who cannot see their prospects, the "no future" opinion encourages teenagers to protest.

## Individualism

Be yourselves!  
Don't let society define you!  
Every individual is unique!

Punks weren't afraid to speak their minds, they want to get rid of the past static impression of females and males.

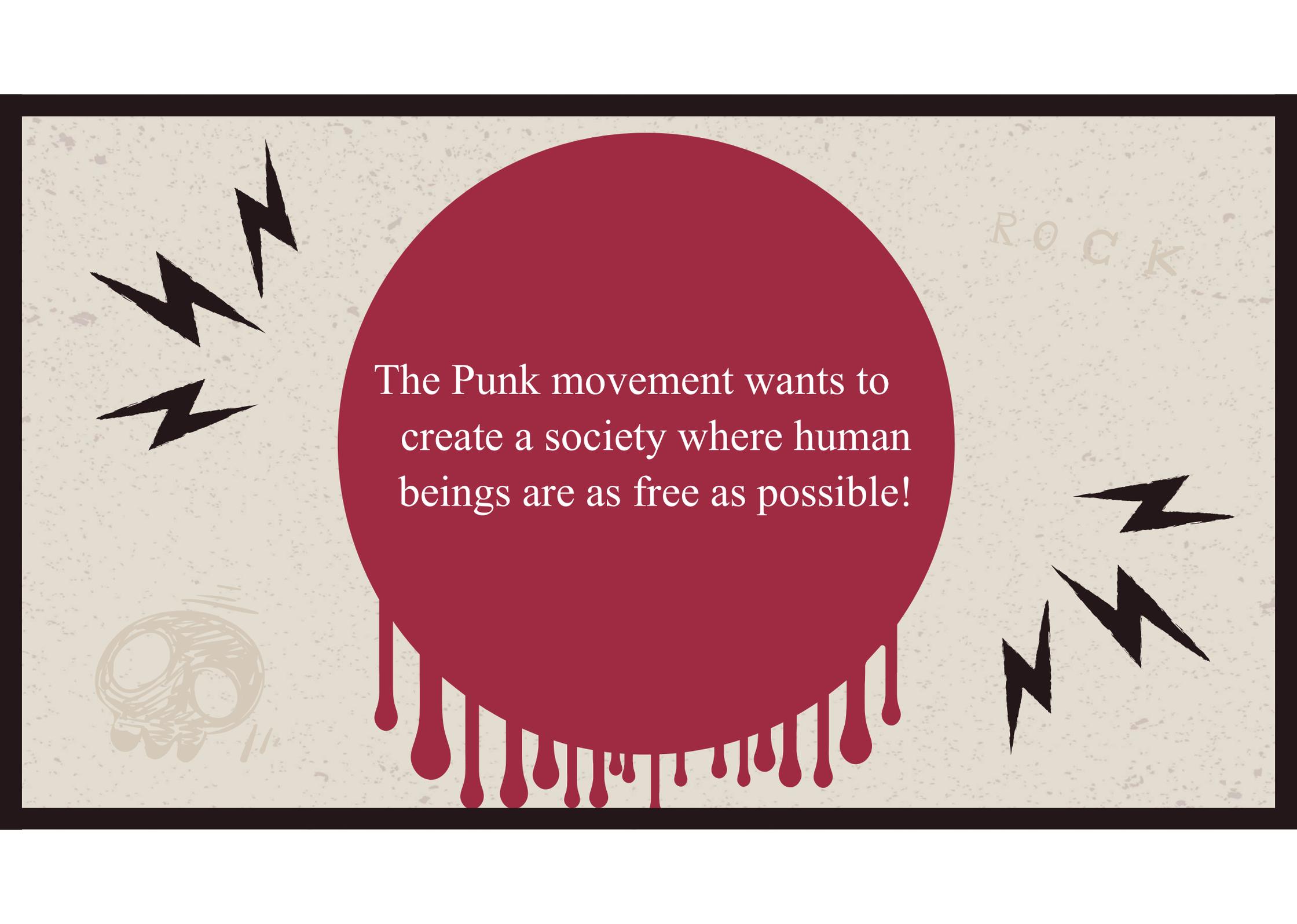


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## Female influence

Because of the punk movement and its individualism, women are encouraged to escape from conventional stereotypes. The Punk movement helps the rise of feminism.





The Punk movement wants to  
create a society where human  
beings are as free as possible!

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03: Later development of the Punk  
movement



## What happens to the Punk movement later

As a political movement, the punk movement no longer exists (the ideas of existentialism, anti-capitalism, anti-authoritarianism, anti-racism, etc. don't take a long-term effect).

The punk movement doesn't fulfill its original political goals anymore.



## Later development

However, its styles of art and music keep influencing people until now.

- The rock style of music.
- The various clothing of both boys and girls.
- The values of society change a lot.





## Three aspects



### Music

It rejected the musical complexities of prog rock and instead used basic instruments and simple melodies.



### Values

The idea of individualism are been strengthened. People can point out the flaws of different parties.

### Clothing

Most punk clothes come from leather. People wear metal ornaments or rags. Clothing can reflect the punk category, show their personality is very rebellious, and protest all unhappy things.





# 04: A similar movement in China

## “杀马特” subculture in China

- “杀马特” subculture developed in China throughout 2008. It is an imitation of European rock. The Chinese young people like the style of punk, so they dress like punks (hair, clothes).





## What is “杀马特”?

The word “杀马特” comes from the English word “smart”. The abbreviation of “smart” is “SMT”, which meets the first pronunciation of each character in “杀马特” (Sha, Ma, Te) “. “杀马特” is a homonym of the word “smart”.

## Why it occurs?

China has been urbanized since 2000. Many children didn't receive adequate education at that time. Therefore, most of them could only do low-salary jobs. To express dissatisfaction with the society and future, they joined the "SMT" subculture. They thought that other people would notice their presence by wearing abnormal clothes and hair.



# Why it occurs

The development of the internet also plays an important role in spreading of the "SMT" subculture. Chinese young people can see different subcultures from all around the world, so the "SMT" subculture actually is a symbol of subculture exchange.



# Development?

Unfortunately, "SMT" culture didn't last for many years. In fact, it almost disappeared in 2013.



## The reasons why it disappeared

### The values of Chinese

“SMT” subculture fight against our conservative values. Most Chinese people think that wearing such abnormal clothes and hair is unacceptable.



### The lack of participants

The members of the “SMT” subculture were mainly teenagers from rural areas, and there was no famous band such as the “ Sex Pistols” that is willing to spread the “SMT” subculture.



# Conclusion

- Many Chinese people said that the “SMT” subculture reflected the terrible values of Chinese teenagers.
- Compare with the Punk movement, we can easily find out that the primary cause is that both UK and Chinese teenagers cannot find their futures. Both two subcultures reflect teenagers’ dissatisfaction with societies during the period of economic downturn.



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THANK YOU

