

# China's social credit system

B2/C1 level

Student's version



## TASK 1. Think and try to answer the questions below:

1. Have you ever heard about any social credit system? Do you know any country that has it?
2. How would you feel to be controlled and tracked all the time?
3. Do criminals and good citizens have the same rights in your country?
4. Do you know any way how to check if a person is trustworthy?

## TASK 2. Now watch the video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0cGB8dCDf3c> and answer the questions based on the video. If there is a need watch it twice.

1. What's the young girl's score?
2. Which activities are not considered good?
3. What privileges and discounts does she have for a good score?
4. Is it mandatory or optional?
5. How many points do you start with?
6. What do you lose point for?

7. What do the posters show?
8. Who is Joe?
9. What happened with Wang Wei Jun?
10. What does it mean to be blacklisted and discredited?
11. What information does come out from a person's image?

**TASK 3. Post watching questions:**

1. Can you see any similarities with Black Mirror TV series or any other TV series?
2. Do you think China's citizens have any choice of being tracked or not?
3. Do you think it would work in your country? Why/why not?
4. Is there any place where someone already tracks our activities?

#### TASK 4. VOCABULARY

Match the words with their definitions. Try to come up with examples how to use these words.

1. Counterfeit	A. <i>to follow a person or animal by looking for proof that they have been somewhere, or by using electronic equipment</i>
2. Mortgage	B. <i>careful and serious in your work, or done in a careful and determined way</i>
3. Credibility	C. <i>to believe someone or something to be, or think of him, her, or it as something</i>
4. To default	D. <i>to cause people to stop respecting someone or believing in an idea or person</i>
5. To track	E. <i>the action of walking across a street at a place where it is not allowed or without taking care to avoid the traffic</i>
6. Deed	F. <i>the fact that someone can be believed or trusted</i>
7. To consider	G. <i>an intentional act, especially a very bad or very good one</i>
8. Diligent	H. <i>an agreement that allows you to borrow money from a bank or similar organization, especially in order to buy a house, or the amount of money itself</i>
9. Jaywalking	I. <i>to fail to do something, such as pay a debt, that you legally have to do</i>
10. To discredit	J. <i>made to look like the original of something, usually for dishonest or illegal purposes</i>

## EXTRA TASK/ HOMEWORK

Look at the picture <https://i.redd.it/1v9lsrjsu831.jpg>, analyze it and summarize how does the social credit system work. What can people gain and lose points for? What are the rewards and punishments?