Part 1: MAY to AUGUST 2022

Do you work or study?

Work:

What job do you do?

What do you like most about your job?

Do you work better in the morning or the afternoon?

Does your job require the use of technology?

Study

What subject do you study?

What do you like most about your studies?

Do prefer to study in the morning or the evening?

Does your study require the use of technology?

Your home:

Do you live in a house or an apartment?

Which room do you spend most of the time in?

How long have you lived there?

Is your home near any shops or other facilities?

Your hometown or place you grew up in

Is your hometown a big city or a small place?

What do you like most about your hometown?

Is there anything you dislike about it?

How do you think it can be improved?

The area you live in

Do you like the area that you live in?

What are some changes in the area recently?

Where do you like to go in your area?

Are there any famous people in your area?

Advertisements

Do you see a lot of advertising?

Are there any types of advertising you like?

What kind of advertising do you dislike most?

Have you ever bought something because of an advertisement?

BOOKS AND READING HABITS

Do you often read books? When?

Are your reading habits now different than before?

Have you ever read a novel that has been adapted into a film?

Which do you prefer, reading books or watching movies?

Boredom

How often do you feel bored?

What kind of things make you feel bored?

What will you do when you feel bored?

When you were young, what would you do if you felt bored?

Evening time

What do you usually do in the evening?

Do you prefer studying in the morning or the evening?

What time do you usually sleep?

Do you ever find it difficult to get to sleep?

Collecting things

Do you collect things?

Are there any things you have kept from childhood?

Where do you usually keep things you value?

What sort of things to people collect in your country?

Computers

How often do you use a computer?

When was the first time you used a computer?

What would your life be like without computers?

Is there anything that you find difficult about using a computer?

Meeting places

Where is your favorite place to meet your friends?

Where did you meet friends when you were a child?

Are there any differences between where you meet friends and your family members?

Where do friends usually meet in your country?

Old buildings

Does your city or town have many old buildings?

Do you prefer living in an old building or a modern one?

Are there any old buildings you want to see in the future?

Are there any old buildings you want to see overseas?

Memory

Do you have a good memory?

Do you do anything to help you remember things?

Are you good at remembering people's names?

Have you ever forgotten something that was important?

Sitting down

Where is your favorite place to sit?

Do you usually sit down for a long time?

Have you ever had to sit for too long?

When you were a child, how often did you sit on the floor?

SPORTS

What sports do you like?

Where did you learn how to do it?

Did you do some sports when you were young?

Do you think students need more exercise?

Talent

Do you have a talent or something you are good at?

Was it mastered recently or when you were young?

Do you think your talent can be useful for your career?

Do you think anyone in your family has the same talent?

Watches

Do you usually wear a watch?

Have you ever got a watch as a gift?

Would you like to wear an expensive watch?

Do most people in your country wear a watch?

Part 2 &3: MAY to AUGUST 2022

PEOPLE

Describe a neighbor you find interesting

You should say:

Who he or she is

How you know him or her

What you do together

and explain why you are interested in him or her

Part 3:

Do you think people are usually familiar with their neighbors?

How can people improve their relationships with their neighbors?

What are some common problems with neighbors?

What are the best ways to resolve problems with neighbors?

Describe a family member who you want to work with in the future

You should say:

Who he or she is

Whether you worked together before

What kind of work you would like to do with him or her

and explain how you feel about this family member

Part 3:

What kinds of family businesses are common in China?

Is it good to work with family members?

Why do some people want to have a family business?

What benefits are there when working for big companies?

Describe someone you really like to spend time with

You should say:

Who this person is

How you knew him/her

What you usually do together and explain why you like to spend time with him/her

PART THREE

Where do young people like to meet in your country? What sort of topics are popular with young people? Is it common to talk with strangers in your country? what are the best ways to meet new people?

PLACES

Describe a river or lake in your country You should say: Where it is located How big or long it is What it looks like and explain how important it is

Part 3:

How can a river or lake benefit local people?

Do you think rivers or lakes attract tourists?

How important is it to protect fresh water areas?

What are the best ways to protect fresh water areas?

THINGS

Describe a traditional product in your country

You should say:

What it is

How you know about this product

What it is made of

and explain how you feel about it

Part 3:

What are some traditional products in your country?

Do you think traditional products are important for a country?

Are traditional products more important or new high-tech ones?

Why is it important for children to learn about traditional products?

Describe something you lost in a public place

You should say:

What you lost

Where you lost it

Whether you found it or not

and explain how you felt when you lost it

Part 3:

What are some common things that people lose?

What are the best ways to find things that are lost?

What sort of people lose things more easily?

Do people usually give items they find to the police?

Describe something that helps you save a lot of time

You should say:

What the thing is

How it helps you save time

How often you use it

and explain how you feel about using it

Part 3:

What are some common things that help people save time?

How busy our people in your country?

Do you think people will be busier in the future?

Does technology make us less busy or busier?

Describe a time you used your phone to do something important

You should say

What happened

When it happened,

How important using the phone was

And explain how you felt about the experience

PART 3

What are the most common uses for cell phones in your country?

Do young people and old people use their phones differently?

Are there any places where people are not allowed to use their phones?

Do you think people are going to use their phones more or less in the future?

ACTIVITIES

Describe a time when you helped a child

You should say:

When it was

How you helped him or her

Why you helped him or her

and how you felt about it

Part 3:

Is it considered important to help children in your country?

What are some of the main ways to help children?

What can schools do to develop students' awareness of volunteering?

Who benefits more from the volunteer services, the volunteers or the people helped?

Describe something you do to keep fit and healthy

You should say:

What it is

When you do it

Who you do it with

and explain why you think this is important

Part 3:

What do people in your country usually do to stay fit and healthy?

Are there differences in the ways that children and old people keep healthy?

How can parents help and guide their kids to keep healthy?

Do you think celebrities can help build health awareness?

Describe an entertainment activity that did not cost much money

You should say:

When the activity was

Where you that it

How much you spent

and explain how you felt when you were doing this activity

Part 3:

How do people like to spend their leisure time in your country?

Are there differences in the ways that adults and children spend their leisure time?

How does technology affect the way people spend their leisure time?

Is it easy to find a lot of free activities in your country?

Describe something you do to help you concentrate

You should say:

What it is

How often you do it

When you started doing it

And explain why it helped you concentrate

PART 3

Is it important for children to learn how to concentrate?

Who is the best person to teach children to concentrate?

What kinds of jobs require high concentration at work?

What sort of things distract people at work?

Do you think it is possible for people to do more than one thing at a time?

What can employers do to help their employees concentrate?

EXPERIENCES

Describe a difficult decision that you had to make

You should say:

What the decision was

When you made your decision

How long it took to make the decision

and explain why it was difficult to make

Part 3:

What are some of the major decisions that young people have to make?

Is it easier to make a decision by yourself or after a group discussion?

Why are many young people unwilling to follow their parents' advice?

What are some jobs that involve giving advice to others?

Describe a time when you were busy

You should say:

Why you were busy

When it was

Where you were

and explain how you felt at this time

Part 3:

What are some reasons why people are often busy?

Are there any advantages of being busy?

Are people in your country becoming busier?

What are some ways to release pressure when busy?

Describe a time when you were stuck in a traffic jam

You should say:

When it happened

Where you got stuck

What you did while you awaiting

and explain

How you felt in the traffic jam

PART 3

What do you think are the main causes of traffic jams?

What are the best ways to reduce traffic jams?

Do you think self driving cars would reduce traffic jams?

What are some problems that might occur with self driving cars?

Describe an occasion when someone gave you positive

advice or suggestions about your work/study

You should say

- · Who the person is
- · What he/she said

· How the advice/suggestion affected you

And explain how you felt about the advice/suggestions

Part 3:

When should parents encourage their children?

Should parents always encourage their children?

Do you think negative feedback is more important than positive feedback?

What are the best ways to give negative feedback?

Part 1: January to April 2022

Art

Do you like drawing?

Do you like to go to art galleries?

Do you want to learn more about art?

Did you learn to draw when you were a child?

Cinemas

How often do you go to the Cinema?

Did you go to the cinema often when you were a child?

Do you prefer watching movies at home or the cinema?

Do you still enjoy watching the same types of movies you loved as a child?

Daily routines

Do you get up at the same time every day?

Are there any things you do every day?

What is your favourite time of the day?

Would you like to change anything about your daily routine?

Dreams

How often do you dream?

Do you share your dreams with others?

Are you interested in other people's dreams?

Do you think dreams have special meanings?

Hometown

Where is your hometown?

Do you know a lot about the history of your hometown?

What is your hometown most famous for?

Will you live in your hometown in the future?

Losing and finding things

Have you ever lost anything?

Have you ever found something somebody else lost?

What would you do if you lost something?

What types of things do people often lose?

Mirrors

How often do you look at yourself in the mirror?

Have you ever bought clothes without looking in a mirror?

Do you usually take a mirror with you when you go out?

Does your home have a lot of mirrors in it?

Mobile phones

How often do you use your mobile phone?

What do you use your mobile phone for?

Does your phone have a lot of apps on it?

When will you buy your next mobile phone?

Street markets

Do you like going to street markets?

What sort of things do you buy at street markets?

Would you like to go to a street market in another country?

Are street markets popular in your country?

Sports

Do you like watching sports programs on TV?

Do you like to watch live sports matches?

Did you play any sports when you were a child?

What kinds of sports are most popular in your country?

Study [workers will do the work questions below]

Do you study better in the morning or afternoon?

Who helps you the most with your study?

Do you prefer studying by yourself or with others?

When will you finish your study?

Taking Photos

Do you like taking photos?

Do you like taking selfies?

How often do you take photos?

Do you want to improve your photography skills?

Time management

Is it easy for you to manage your time?

How do you usually organise your time?

What do you find hardest about making plans?

Do you use any kind of technology to help you manage your time?

Websites

What kinds of websites do you like to visit?

What is your favourite website?

Would you like to try any new websites in the future?

What kinds of websites are popular in your country?

Work [students will do the study questions above]

Do you work better in the morning or afternoon?

Who helps you the most with your job?

Do you prefer working by yourself or with others?

Would you like to do a different job in the future?

Part 2 & 3 **Jan to April** 2022

PEOPLE

Describe a person who you follow on social media

You should say:

- · Who he or she is
- · you knew him or her
- · What he or she posts on social media

And explain why you follow him or her on social media

- 1. What can people do on social media in your country?
- 2. Do older people and younger people use social media differently?
- 3. Do young people spend much time on social media?
- 4. Are traditional media like television and newspapers still popular in your country?

Describe a person you met recently and want to know more about

You should say:

- · Who he or she is
- · When you met him or her
- · Why you want to know more about him or her

And explain how you feel about him or her

- 1. How do people make friends in your country?
- 2. In what situations do people often make friends?
- 3. Is it important to have the same hobbies and interests as friends?
- 4. What qualities make true friends?

Describe a person who contributes to the society

You should say:

- · Who this person is
- · How you know him or her
- \cdot What type of work he or she does

And explain Why you think he or she contributes to the society

- 1. What jobs are well-paid in your country??
- 2. How have working conditions changed in your country?
- 3. What are the impacts of the covid epidemic on the work environment?
- 4. Do you think younger people should be paid the same as older people?

Describe someone you really like to spend time with

You should say:

- · Who this person is
- · How you know him or her
- · What you usually do together

And explain why you like to spend time with him or her

- 1. What kinds of people are easy to get along with?
- 2. What kinds of people are difficult to get along with?
- 3. Do people have enough time for socialising nowadays?
- 4. IS technology making it easier to keep in touch with friends and family?

PLACES

Describe a house or an apartment you would like to live in

You should say:

- · What it is like
- · Where it would be
- · Why you would like to live in this house or apartment

And how you feel about this house or apartment

- 1. What are the differences between apartments and houses in your country?
- 2. What kinds of housing are the most popular in your country?
- 3. What are the differences between housing that young people and old people like?
- 4. Do people usually rent or buy a house?

Describe a time you visited a new place

You should say:

- · Where the new place is
- · When you went there
- \cdot Why you went there

And explain how you feel about the place

- 1. What are the most popular places to visit in your country?
- 2. Are there are a lot of new places to visit?
- 3. How do young and old people react differently to new places?
- 4. Why do some people want to work or study overseas?

Describe a city that you think is very interesting

You should say:

- · Where it is
- · What it is famous for
- · How you know about this city

And explain why think it is very interesting

- 1. What advantages can tourism bring to a city?
- 2. Why do young people like to live in cities?
- 3. Do most elderly people like to live in the city or the countryside?
- 4. Do you think tourism has negative effects on local people?

THINGS

Describe a special cake you received from others

You should say:

- · When it happened
- · Where it happened
- · Who you got the cake from

And explain why it was a special cake

- 1. What types of desserts are popular in your country?
- 2. What food in your country is eaten at special times or on special occasions?
- 3. Why are some people willing to spend a lot of money on meals on special days?
- 4. Do you think it's good to communicate when eating with your family?

Describe an item of clothing that someone gave you

You should say:

- · What the clothing was
- · Who gave it to you

· When you got it

And explain why this person gave you the clothing

- 1. What kinds of clothing do people in your country wear to work?
- 2. What kinds of clothing do people in your country wear after work?
- 3. What are the advantages and disadvantages of wearing uniforms at school?
- 4. Why do people from different countries wear different clothing?

Describe a toy you liked in your childhood

You should say:

- · What kind of toy it is
- · When you received it
- · How you played with it

and how you felt about it

- 1. Do you think parents should buy lots of toys for their children?
- 2. What's the difference between the children's toys now and in the past?
- 3. Should advertising aimed at children be prohibited?
- 4. do advertisements influence children?

Describe something that you can't live without (not a computer or phone)

You should say:

- What it is
- · What you do with it
- · How it helps you in your life

And explain Why you can't live without it

- 1. Why are children attracted to new things (such as electronic gadgets)?
- 2. Why do some adults hate to throw out old things (such as clothes)?
- 3. Has the way people buy things changed?
- 4. What do you think influences people to buy new things?

Describe something that was broken in your home and then repaired

You should say:

- · What it is
- · How it was broken
- · How you got it repaired

And how you felt about it

- 1. What kinds of household items often stop working?
- 2. Is the quality of products worse than before?
- 3. What kinds of things do people like to repair by themselves?
- 4. Why do people like to get their mobile phones repaired in specialized stores?

Describe something you received for free

You should say:

- · What it was
- · Who you received it from
- · Where you received it

And how you felt about it

- 1. Is it good or bad for people to have free education?
- 2. Is higher education expensive in your country?
- 3. What free gifts do companies usually give to their customers?
- 4. Why do customers like to receive free gifts from companies?

Describe a story someone told you

You should say:

- · What the story was about
- · Who told you this story
- · Why you remember it

And explain how you feel about it

- 1. Do young children like the same stories as older children?
- 2. How has technology changed storytelling?
- 3. Should parents tell their children stories?
- 4. Why do children like stories?

Describe a gift you would like to buy for your friend

You should say:

- · What gift you would like to buy
- · Who you would like to give it to
- · Why you would like to buy a gift for him or her

And explain why you would choose that gift

- 1. When do people normally send gifts to others?
- 2. Do people give gifts on traditional festivals in your country?
- 3. Why is it hard to choose a gift for some people?
- 4. Will people feel happy when receiving an expensive gift?

ACTIVITIES

Describe a time when you organized a happy event successfully

You should say:

- · What the event was
- · How you prepared for it
- · Who helped you to organize it

And explain why you think it was a successful

- 1. On what occasions do people need to be organized?
- 2. Does everything need to be well prepared?
- 3. Do people need others' help when organizing things?
- 4. How can parents help children to be organized?

Describe a long walk you went on

You should say:

- · When this happened
- · Where you walked
- · Who you were with

And explain how you felt about this long walk

- 1. What are the benefits of going on walks?
- 2. What outdoor activities do people like in your country?
- 3. What are the differences between the outdoor activities children did in the past and now?
- 4. Do women have more leisure time than men in your country?

Describe a skill that you learned from an older person

You should say:

- · What the skill is
- · Who you learned it from
- · How you learned it

And explain why you learned it

- 1. What can children learn from their parents?
- 2. What skills can young people learn from other older people?
- 3. What kind of help do you think older people need?
- 4. Do you think young people can teach older people?

Describe a thing you did to learn another language

You should say:

- · What language you learned
- · What you did
- · How it helped you learn the language

And how you felt about it

- 1. What difficulties do people face when learning a language?
- 2. Which is better, to study alone or to study in a group?
- 3. What's the best way to learn a language?
- 4. Do you think learning a language is important?

EXPERIENCES

Describe an ambition that you haven't achieved

You should say:

- · What it is
- · Why you haven't achieved it
- · What you will do

And how you feel about it

- 1. What ambitions do children usually have?
- 2. Why are some people very ambitious in their work?
- 3. Why don't some people have dreams?
- 4. How do people balance work and life?

Describe an interesting song you listened to

You should say:

- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ What the song is
- · Who sings the song
- · Whether the song is popular

And explain why you think it is interesting

- 1. What kinds of music do young people like?
- 2. What kinds of people like traditional music?
- 3. Are live music concerts popular in your country?
- 4. Are many music competitions popular in your country?

Describe an interesting conversation you had

You should say:

- · Who you spoke with
- · Where you were
- · What the conversation was about

And explain why you think it was interesting

- 1. What can make a conversation interesting?
- 2. What types of people are interesting to talk to?
- 3. What are the best ways to learn conversation skills?
- 4. In what industries do you think communication is a necessary skill?

Describe a course that impressed you a lot

You should say:

- · What the course was about
- · Where you took the course
- · What you did during the course

And explain why it impressed you a lot

- 1. What types of courses are most popular in your country
- 2. Why do some people have better memory than others?
- 3. Which can help people remember things better, words or photos?
- 4. Can technology help people remember things better? How?

Describe a rule that you don't like

You should say:

- What it is
- · Why you don't like it
- · How others feel about the rule

And explain whether you always follow the rule

- 1. Do most people in your country like following rules?
- 2. What are some reasons why some people don't like following rules
- 3. What rules should children follow' at home?
- 4. How should parents punish the children if they don't follow their rules?

Part 1: September to December 2021

Apps and applications

- 1) What apps have you recently used?
- 2) What kinds of apps are you usually interested in?
- 3) What was the first app you used?
- 4) What kinds of apps would you like to use in the future?

Colors

- 1) What's your favorite color?
- 2) What colors do you dislike?
- 3) What colors do your friends like most?
- 4) Are there any colors you would not paint the walls of your home?

Getting lost

- 1) Have you ever lost your way?
- 2) How do you find your way when you are lost?
- 3) Can you read a map when you get lost?
- 4) Have you ever helped someone who got lost?

Handwriting

- 1) Do you like writing by hand?
- 2) How often do you write with a pen?

- 3) Do you prefer to handwrite or type?
- 4) Is your handwriting easy to read?

Headphones

- 1) Do you use headphones?
- 2) What type of headphones do you use?
- 3) When do you wear headphones?
- 4) In what situations would you not use headphones?

Holidays

- 1) Where did you go for your last holiday?
- 2) Who do you like to go with on holidays?
- 3) Which public holiday do you like best?
- 4) What do you do on holidays?

Pets and Animals

- 1) What is your favorite animal?
- 2) Have you ever had a pet before?
- 3) Would you like to have a pet in the future?
- 4) What is the most popular animal in your country?

Public gardens and parks

- 1) Do you like to go to public gardens or parks?
- 2) What do you like to do when visiting a park?
- 3) How are the parks today different from those you visited as a child?
- 4) Are there enough parks where you live?

Science

- 1) Do you like learning about science?
- 2) Did you study science at school?

- 3) What kind of science classes did you take at school?
- 4) Do you think science is important?

Shoes

- 1) Do you like buying shoes?
- 2) Have you ever bought shoes online?
- 3) How much money do you usually spend on shoes?
- 4) Do you prefer wearing fashionable shoes or comfortable shoes?

Weather

- 1) What kind of weather do you like most?
- 2) What's the weather like in your hometown?
- 3) Do you like the weather in your hometown?
- 4) Do you prefer dry or wet weather?

Part 2 & 3 September to December 2021

PEOPLE

Describe a person who solved a problem in a smart way

You should say:

Who this person is

What the problem was

How he/she solved it

And explain why you think he/she did it in a smart way

- 1) Do you think children are born smart or do they learn to become smart?
- 2) What are some ways to know whether someone is smart?

- 3) Why are some people well-rounded and others only good at one thing?
- 4) Why does modern society need talents of all kinds?

Describe a creative person whose work you admire

You should say:

Who he/she is

How you knew him/her

What creative things he/she has done

And explain why you think he/she is creative

- 1) Do you think you are a creative person?
- 2) Is it good for children to learn arts?
- 3) What kinds of jobs require people to be creative?
- 4) Do you think leaders need to have creative ability?

Describe a businessman you admire

You should say:

Who this person is

How you know about this person

What kind of business this person does

And explain why you admire this person

- 1) What types of businesses are most successful in your country?
- 2) What kinds of qualities do people need to run their own business?
- 3) What do you think are the key factors that contribute to the success of a business?
- 4) Do you think most people would like to run their own business?

Describe a foreign person who you think is interesting

You should say:

Who the person is

How you know him/her

What kinds of person he/she is

And explain why you think he/she is interesting

- 1) Is having foreign friends a good way to know about other countries?
- 2) Is it important to know the culture and language of a country before going there?
- 3) What are the advantages of working in international companies?
- 4) What abilities do people need to have when working in an international company?

Describe a famous athlete you know

You should say:

Who he/she is

How you know about him/her

What he/she has achieved

And explain why he/she is famous

- 1) What kinds of athletes are famous in your country?
- 2) What kinds of sports do people in your country like?
- 3) What characteristics do you think an athlete should have?
- 4) Why are there so few top athletes?

Describe a time you were friendly to someone you did not like

You should say:

When and where it happened

Who he/she was

Why you did not like this person

And explain why you were friendly to him/her on that occasion

- 1) What kinds of people are usually friendly?
- 2) Why are people sometimes friendly to a person they don't like?
- 3) What are the differences between being friendly and being polite?
- 4) What do you think of the people who are always straightforward?

Describe the teacher who impressed you most at primary school

You should say:

Who he/she is

How you knew him/her

Why he/she impressed you the most

And explain how you feel about him/her

- 1) What types of teachers do most students like?
- 2) Is it common to keep in touch with teachers in your country?
- 3) Do you think most people miss their childhood?
- 4) What are some reasons why children might be happier than adults?

Describe a time when you felt proud of a family member

You should say:

When it happened

Who the person is

What the person did

And explain why you felt proud of him/her

- 1) When do parents feel proud of their children?
- 2) Should parents reward their children whenever they achieve something?
- 3) What are the potential drawbacks of rewarding children to often?
- 4) How important is it for parents to let their children know they are proud of them?

PLACES

Describe a place you visited on vacation

You should say:

Where it is

When you went there

What you did there

And explain why you went there

- 1) What are some popular attractions that people like to visit in your country?
- 2) Do old people and young people choose different places to go on vacation?
- 3) What should people think about when making travel plans?
- 4) How do people find out about new places to visit?

Describe a café you like to visit

You should say:

Where it is

What kinds of food and drinks it serves

What does it look like

And explain why you like to go there

- 1) What kind of people like to go to cafés?
- 2) Why do many young people like studying in a café instead of at home?
- 3) Do old people like to drink coffee?
- 4) Do most people in your country like to drink coffee?

Describe a time when you moved to a new school/workplace

You should say:

When you moved

Where you moved

Why you moved

And how you felt about it

- 1) What are some reasons why people move to a new home?
- 2) What problems will people often face after moving to a new home?
- 3) How do people solve these problems?
- 4) Do the advantages of living in the same place outweigh the disadvantages?

THINGS

Describe an exciting book that you enjoyed

You should say:

When you read it

What kind of book it is

What it is about

And explain why you think it is exciting

- 1) What kind of books are popular in your country?
- 2) Do you think most people prefer books or movies?
- 3) Do boys and girls like the same kinds of books?
- 4) Are books becoming more or less popular in your country?

Describe an item that you spent more on than you expected

You should say:

What it is

How much you spent on it

Why you bought it

And explain why you think you spent more than expected

- 1) What items do young people spend most of their money on?
- 2) Do young people have more money to spend than in the past?
- 3) Do people in your country often buy things that they don't need?
- 4) Do you think it is important to save money?

ACTIVITIES

Describe a habit your friend has that you want to develop

You should say:

Who your friend is

What habit he/she has

When you noticed this habit

And explain why you want to develop this habit

- 1) What habits should children have?
- 2) What should parents do to teach their children good habits?
- 3) What influences do children with bad habits have on other children?
- 4) Why do some habits change when people get older?

Describe a bicycle or car trip you would like to go on

You should say:

Who you would like to go with

Where you would like to go

When you would like to go

And explain why you would like to go by bicycle or car

- 1) Do people in your country prefer to travel by bike or car?
- 2) Is riding bicycles becoming more popular or less popular?
- 3) Do you think people need to drive cars less to protect the environment?
- 4) How are the transportation systems in urban areas and rural areas different?

Describe a skill that was difficult for you to learn

You should say:

When you learned it

Why you learned it

How you learned it

And explain how you felt when you learned it

- 1) What skills do students need to master?
- 2) Is it hard for students to learn new skills?

3) Is it hard for old people to learn new skills?

Is a good teacher very important for students' learning experience?

Describe a skill that you are interested to learn or improve

You should say:

What it is

How you will learn or improve it

Why you are interested in it

And explain how you feel about learning it

- 1) What type of skills are young people most interested in developing?
- 2) Is it the government's responsibility to assist people to learn?
- 3) What are the differences between education in the past and now?
- 4) What are the advantages and disadvantages of distance learning?

Describe an activity you did that wasted a lot of time

You should say:

What you did

When you did it

Why you did it

And explain why it wasted a lot of time

- 1) What activities do people do in your country that take a lot of time?
- 2) What are some ways to decrease the amount of time of doing something?
- 3) What kinds of things make people feel pressured?
- 4) Why do some people refuse to abide by rules?

Describe a difficult thing you did

You should say:

What it was

How you did/completed it

Why it was difficult

And explain how you felt about doing it

- 1) What are some challenges that children often face?
- 2) What are some ways that parents can encourage their children?
- 3) What challenges do many adults face today?
- 4) What kinds of jobs require people to be confident?

EXPERIENCES

Describe a time when you got up early

You should say:

When it was

What you did

Why you got up early

And explain how you felt about it

- 1) Why do people get up early?
- 2) What kinds of occasions need people to arrive early?
- 3) Why do some people like to stay up late?
- 4) What are some reasons why people have trouble sleeping?

Describe a difficult decision that you had to make

You should say:

What the decision was

When you made your decision

How long it took to make the decision

And explain why it was difficult to make

- 1) What are some of the major decisions that young people have to make?
- 2) Is it easier to make a decision by yourself or after a group discussion?
- 3) Why are many young people unwilling to follow their parents' advice?
- 4) What are some jobs that involve giving advice to others?

Describe a time when you waited for something special

You should say:

What you waited for

Where you waited

Why it was special

And explain how you felt while you were waiting

- 1) On what occasions do people usually need to wait?
- 2) Who behaves better when waiting, children or adults?
- 3) Compared to the past, are people less patient now?
- 4) What can people do to avoid being bored while waiting?

Describe a time you received good service

You should say:

What the service was

When you received it

Who you were with

And how you felt about it

- 1) How important is good customer service in your country?
- 2) What types of people provide good customer service?
- 3) What kind of jobs involve providing service to others?
- 4) Should companies react quickly when customers have difficulties?

Describe a time when you gave advice to someone

You should say:

When it was

Who you gave the advice

What the advice was

And explain why you gave the advice

- 1) What types of advice do young people often need?
- 2) Is it good to ask for advice from strangers online?
- 3) What jobs often involve giving advice to others?
- 4) What are the problems that might occur if you ask too many people for advice?

PDF May to September 2021

Part 1 May – August 2021

Work [students will do the study questions below]

Do you like your job?

Why did you choose to do that type of work?

Do you work better in the mornings or in the afternoons?

Will you keep doing this job for a long time?

Study [workers will do the work questions above]

What are you studying?

Do you like your studies?

Do you study better in the mornings or in the afternoons?

Are you looking forward to working?

Home

Which part of your home do you like the most?

What do you usually do at home?

Are the transport facilities to your home very good?

Do you plan to live there for a long time?

The area you live in

Do you like the area that you live in?

What are some changes in the area recently?

Do you know any famous people in your area?

Where do you like to go in that area?

Hometown or place you grew up in

Is your hometown a big city or a small place?

What do you like most about your hometown?

Is there anything you dislike about it?

How do you think it can be improved?

Advertisements

Do you see a lot of advertising?

Are there any types of advertising you like?

Have you ever bought something because of an advertisement?

Do you watch advertisements from the beginning to the end?

Barbecues

How often do you have a barbecue?

Would you prefer to have a barbecue with your family or your friends?

Did you have barbecues when you were a child?

Do people in your country like to have barbecues?

Car trips

Do you like to travel by car?

How often do you travel by car?

Where is the longest journey you have traveled by car?

Do you like to sit in the front or back when traveling by car?

Environmental protection

Do you do anything to protect the environment?

Will you do anything in the future to protect the environment?

Did you learn about environmental protection at school?

Would you like to work in a company related to environmental protection?

Flowers

What kinds of flowers do you like?

Have you planted any flowers?

Have you ever sent flowers to anyone?

Are there any flowers that have special meanings in your country?

Home country

Which part of your country do you live in?

Which part of your country do you like to visit most?

Do you know the history of your country well?

What country will you live in, in the future?

Museum

How often do you visit a museum?

When was the last time you visited a museum?

Do you think museums are important?

Are there many museums in your country?

Name

Is it easy for you to remember people's names?

Do you do anything to help you remember people's names?

How do you feel when people can't remember your name?

Do any names have special meanings in your country?

Primary School

Did you like your primary school?

What was your favorite subject at primary school?

What did you dislike most about your primary school?

How did you travel to your primary school?

Relax

What do you do to relax?

Do you think doing exercise is a good way to relax?

Do you think vacations are a good way for you to relax?

Do you feel you need more time to relax?

Sky and stars

Do you like to look at the sky?

Can you see the moon and stars at night where you live?

Do you prefer the sky in the morning or the sky at night?

Are there any good places to look at the sky where you live?

Special costumes or clothes

Do you like to wear special costumes or clothes?

Did you wear any special costumes when you were young?

When was your last time to wear special costumes?

Do you ever buy special costumes?

Wallets

Do you usually carry a wallet?

Have you ever lost your wallet?

Have you ever sent a wallet to someone as a gift?

Do most of your friends use wallet?

Weekends

What do you usually do on weekends?

Did you do anything special last weekend?

What will you do next weekend?

What do other people in your country usually do on weekends?

Wild animals

Do you like to watch TV programs about wild animals?

Did you learn anything about wild animals at school?

Do you have a favorite wild animal?

What wild animals are common in your country?

Part 2 May – August 2021

PEOPLE

Describe your favorite singer or actor

You should say:

- · who he or she is
- \cdot what his or her personality is like
- · how you know about this person

and explain why he or she is your favorite.

Describe a famous person you are interested in

You should say:

- · who he or she is
- · how you knew about him or her
- · what he or she is like

and explain why you are interested in him or her.

Describe a person who you think wears unusual clothes

You should say:

- · who this person is
- \cdot how you knew this person
- · what his or her clothes are like and explain why you think the clothing is unusual.

PLACES

Describe a town or city that you would like to live in

You should say:

- · where it is
- · how you know about it
- · what it is famous for

and explain why you would like to live there.

Describe a part of a city or town you enjoy spending time in

You should say:

- · where it is
- · what it is like
- · what you do there

and explain why you enjoy spending time there.

Describe a tall building in your city you like

You should say:

- · where it is
- · what it is used for
- · what it looks like

and explain why you like it.

Describe a home that you like to visit but do not want to live in

You should say:

- · where it is
- · what it is like
- · why you like to visit it and explain why you would not like to live there.

THINGS

Describe a time when your computer broke down.

You should say:

- · when it was
- · what you were doing
- · what you did about it

and explain how you felt about it

Describe a puzzle you have completed (jigsaw, crossword)

You should say:

- · what it is like
- · how easy or difficult it is
- · how long it takes you to solve

and explain how you feel about it.

Describe something interesting you saw on social media

You should say:

- · when it was
- · where you saw it
- · what you saw

and explain why you think it was interesting.

Describe a movie that you like

You should say:

- · when you watched it
- \cdot where you watched it
- · what it was about

and explain why you like it.

Describe a film that made you laugh

You should say:

- · what it is
- · when you watched it
- \cdot who you watched it with

and explain why it made you laugh.

Describe a company that employs many people

You should say:

- · what it does
- · how many people it employs
- \cdot what kind of people work there

and explain how you feel about it.

Describe a piece of local news that you were interested in

You should say:

· what it was about

- · where you saw or heard it
- · who was involved

and explain why you were interested in it.

Describe a kind of weather you like

You should say:

- · what it is
- · where you go in this weather
- · what you do in this weather

and explain why you like it.

Describe something important that has been kept in your family for a long time

You should say:

- · what it is
- · when your family had it
- \cdot how your family got it

and explain why it is important to your family.

ACTIVITIES

Describe an art or craft activity that you did at school

You should say:

- · what you made
- · how you made it
- · what it looked like

and explain how you felt about the activity.

Describe a time when you worked in a group

You should say:

· when it was

- · what you did
- \cdot who you worked with

and explain why you worked in the group.

Describe a natural talent you want to improve

You should say:

- · what it is
- · when you discovered it
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ how you want to improve it

and explain why you want to improve it.

Describe a tradition in your country

You should say:

- · what it is
- · who take part in it
- · what activities there are

and explain how you feel about it.

Describe a time when you encouraged someone to do something that he or she didn't want to do.

You should say:

- · who he or she is
- \cdot what you encouraged him or her to do
- · how he or she reacted

and explain why you encouraged him or her to do it.

Describe an event you attended in which you didn't like the music played.

You should say:

- · what the event was
- · where you were
- · what the music was like

and explain why you did not enjoy the music.

EXPERIENCES

Describe an occasion when you were not allowed to use your mobile phone

You should say:

- · when it was
- · where it was
- \cdot why you were not allowed to use it

and explain how you felt about not using it.

Describe an argument two of your friends had

You should say:

- · when it happened
- · what it was about
- · how it was solved

and explain how you felt about it.

Describe a plan in your life (not related to work or study)

You should say:

- · what it is
- · why you have it
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ what you need to do

and explain how you would feel if it is successful.

Describe a time you saw many people smiling

You should say:

- · when it happened
- · who you were with
- · what happened

and explain why many people were smiling.

Describe a time you had to wait in line for a long time

You should say:

- · when it was
- · where you were
- · why you were there and explain how you felt about it.

Describe an occasion when you lost your way

You should say:

- · where you were
- · what happened
- how you felt and explain how you found your way.

Part 3 May – August 2021

Ambitions

What kinds of ambitions do people have?

Why should parents encourage children to have ambitions?

Should parents interfere with children's ambitions?

Is there any difference between children's ambitions and those of grown-ups?

Arguments

What do family members usually have arguments about?

Is it easier for you to have arguments with your family or with your friends?

What are the best ways to avoid arguments?

What causes arguments between countries?

Boredom

When do people feel bored?

What can people do when they feel bored?

Why do people get bored with daily routines?

Are younger people more likely to feel bored than old people?

Clothes

Do you think what people wear can influence their mood?

Do you think it is a good idea to buy clothes online?

What kind of clothes do people wear for work?

What are the differences between clothes worn by old people and those by young people?

Cities

Why do more and more people live in the city?

How does this affect the environment and nature?

What are some factors that attract people to move to cities?

Do you think old people like to live in cities?

Companies

Should big companies be punished more seriously if they break the law?

Should big companies donate more to charities?

What are the good things about working for a big company?

What are the differences between big companies and small companies?

Conversations

Do people communicate more when they talk face to face?

What do young people have conversations about?

Do people have conversations more or less than they did in the past?

How important is it to be good at communication at work?

Decisions

What decisions do people make every day?

Why do people make decisions?

Can children make decisions on their own?

When do people change their decisions?

Encouraging others

How can managers encourage their employees?

When should parents encourage their children?

What kind of encouragement should parents give?

Do you think some people are better than others at motivating others?

Getting lost

What are some reasons why people get lost

Why do some people get lost more easily than others?

How can people find their way when they are lost?

Do you think it is important to do some preparation before you travel to new places?

Handcrafts

What traditional handcrafts are popular in your country?

What do young people think of traditional handcrafts?

Do people in your country send handcrafts as gifts?

What are the benefits of making handcrafts?

Helping each other

How do people usually help each other?

How is online help different from real-life help?

Should schools be responsible for teaching students how to cooperate?

What are the differences between help from friends and help from family?

Humour

Do people like to watch comedy TV shows?

Why do people of all ages like cartoons?

Why do some people like to make others laugh?

Should teachers tell jokes in class?

Jobs

What kind of jobs are most popular with young people in your country?

What should people consider when choosing jobs?

Do children like to choose the same profession as their parents?

Do you think many people regret their career choices when they become older?

Movies

Are films a waste of money?

Are movie stars important to a movie?

Are foreign movies popular in your country?

Is it important that a country has its own movies?

Music

What kind of music do people like at different ages?

What kind of music is popular in your country now and what kind will be in the future?

Do Chinese parents require their children to learn to play musical instruments?

Why do some people like to listen to live music while others prefer CDs?

Music concerts

Why do many young people spend a lot of money on music concerts?

Do you think older people like the same music as young people?

Do you think music concerts are suitable for old people to attend?

Why do shopping malls often have background music?

Remembering things

What kinds of things do people forget easily?

What kinds of people are more forgetful?

How can people improve their memory?

Can technology be used to help us remember to do things?

News

Where do people get the news in your country?

What kind of news do people like to read?

How can companies tell the public its news?

What do you think of the news on social media?

Phones

How do young and old people use mobile phones differently?

What positive and negative impact do mobile phones have on friendship?

Is it a waste of time to take pictures with mobile phones?

Do you think it is necessary to have laws on the use of mobile phones?

Plans

What sort of plans do young people often have to make?

Should parents make plans for their children?

When should children start to make plans for themselves?

What plans do countries need to make?

Promises

What kinds of promises do people often make?

Do parents in your country make promises to their children?

Why do some people fail to keep their promises?

Do you think older people keep their promises more than younger people do?

Public places

What public places are common in cities in your country?

Do cities need to have more public places than towns?

What public places do old people usually go to?

Do you think there will be more outdoor public places in the future?

Puzzles

What kind of puzzles are popular in your country?

Should parents encourage their children to play with puzzles?

What kinds of puzzles improve people's intelligence?

Why do people enjoy solving puzzles?

Physical work

What kinds of jobs need a lot of physical work?

What is the difference between the payment for physical work and that for mental work?

Will physical workers receive higher salaries in the future?

Do you think machines could replace human workers in the future?

School rules

What kinds of rules do schools in your country have?

What can teachers do to make students obey rules?

What should parents do to educate children about the laws of your country?

Does your country have any laws you do not agree with?

Sea

What are the advantages and disadvantages of vacations to the seaside?

Why do people like spending time on the sea?

Do children like the sea more than adults?

What types of job positions can be found on or near the sea?

Sharing

Do you like to share?

What are the consequences if children do not like to share?

How do you feel about sharing accommodation with others on campus?

How could parents and teachers teach young children to share?

Shopping

How often do people in your country go shopping?

Why is online shopping popular?

How should sellers set prices for their products?

Do you think online shopping will replace shopping in stores?

Smiling

Do you think people who like to smile are more friendly?

Why do most people smile in photographs?

Do women smile more than men?

Do people smile more when they are younger or older?

Social media

Why do people like to use social media?

What kinds of things are popular on social media?

What are the advantages and disadvantages of using social media?

What do you think of making friends on social network?

Talent

What types of talent do children often have?

What are the best ways to cultivate talent in children?

Is it possible for us to know whether children who are 3 or 4 years old will become musicians and painters when they grow up?

Why do people like to watch talent shows on television?

Tall buildings

What are the disadvantages of living in tall buildings?

Do you think there will be more tall buildings in the future?

Why aren't there many tall buildings in the countryside?

Why do some people like to live in tall buildings nowadays?

Valuable items

What things do families keep for a long time?

What's the difference between things valued by people in the past and today?

What kinds of things are kept in museums?

What is the influence of technology on museums?

Waiting in line

Do people in your country often wait in line?

Why do some people jump the queue?

Who do people react when someone jumps the queue?

Do you think the development of technology has reduced the time people spend on waiting?

Weather

What do people wear in different weather?

How does the weather influence people's life?

Why are weather forecasts often unreliable?

Are there any festivals about seasons in your country?

Working in foreign countries

What kind of work can young people do in foreign countries?

Is it good for young people to have the experience of living in other countries?

Why are some people unwilling to work in other countries?

What's the difference between working in an international company and working in a domestic one?

PART 1 JAN -APRIL 2021: Speaking Questions

Home country

Which part of your country do you live in?

What makes you feel proud of your country?

Do you know the history of your country well?

Will you live in your country or abroad in the future?

The area you live in

Do you like the area that you live in?

What are some changes in the area recently?

Where do you like to go in your area?

Are there any famous people in your area?

Window view

What scenery can you see from the window of your home?

Is it important for you to have a good view from your window?

Do you like to sit by the window when you take an aeroplane?

What sort of view would you like your house to have in the future?

Celebrities

What kinds of celebrities do you like?

Have you ever seen a celebrity in real life?

Would you like to be a famous celebrity?

What kind of people are celebrities in your country?

Resting

How often do you take a rest?

What do you usually do when you are resting?

How often do you take a nap?

How do you feel after taking a nap?

Reading

Do you like reading?

Do you like to read at home or in other places?

In what kind of places do you think it is difficult to read?

Do you like to read by yourself or with other people?

Farming

Have you ever visited a farm?

What kind of farms do you like?

Do you think farming is important?

Have you ever done any farm work?

Singing

Do you like singing?

When do you sing?

Did you enjoy singing when you were younger?

Do people in your country like singing for entertainment?

Getting up early

How often do you get up early in the morning?

What do you usually do when you get up early?

Do you get up early on weekends?

Which day of the week do you like morning the most?

Being happy

What kind of things makes you feel happy?

Were you happy when you were a child?

Do you think you will be happier in the future?

How important is it for you to be happy?

Maths

Do you think maths is difficult?

Do you enjoy studying maths?

Will you study maths in the future?

How important is studying maths in your country?

TV programs

What kind of TV programs do you like?

Do you ever watch TV on your cellphone?

Do you like watching the same kind of program all the time?

Do you talk with your friends about TV programs?

Decorations in your home

What's the decoration like in your home?

What's your favorite color when decorating your home?

Will you redecorate your house in the future?

Do people in your country like redecorating their homes?

New Year

How do you usually celebrate New Year?

How did you celebrate the last New Year?

Do you have a favorite New Year celebration?

How important is celebrating New Year in your country?

Trees

What kind of trees do you like most?

Have you ever planted any trees?

Would you like to plant trees in the future?

What kind of trees are common in your country?

New activities

Do you like to try new activities?

When did you last do a new activity?

What activities would you like to try?

Do you like to try new activities alone or with friends?

Stages of life

Do you enjoy your current stage of life?

Were you happy when you were a child?

What is your plan for your next stage of life?

Which stage of your life do you think will be the most important?

Picnic

Did you ever go on a picnic when you were a child?

How often do you go on a picnic now?

Where do you go on a picnic?

Do most people in your country like going on picnics?

Furniture

Do you have a lot of furniture in your home?

Which furniture, in your home, do you like best?

When did you last buy furniture?

What kind of furniture would you like to buy in the future?

Concentration

When do you need to be focused?

What may distract you when you're trying to stay focused?

What do you do to help you concentrate?

Is it difficult for you to stay focused on something?

ARE YOU WORKING OR STUDYING?

Your Work:

What kind of work do you do?
Why did you choose to do this type of job?
Is there anything you do not like about your job?
Will you do this job for a long time?

Your Studies:

What kind of course do you study?
Why did you choose to do that course?
Is your course very interesting?
What will you do when you finish your studies?

Let's discuss where you live:

Do you live in a city or a town?

What is the best thing about where you live?

Do you know many people who live near you?

How do you think your city/town could be improved?

PART 2 &3 2021 Jan-April

Questions About People:

PEOPLE

DESCRIBE A POLITE PERSON YOU KNOW
You should say:
Who the person is
How you know this person
What this person is like
and explain why you think he or she is polite

[model answer here]

Part 3

- 1 How important is it to be polite in your culture?
- 2 What are some ways people show that they are polite in your culture?
- 3 Do you feel that people from cities are more polite than those from the countryside?
- 4 What do you think can make people more polite?

DESCRIBE AN ENERGETIC PERSON THAT YOU KNOW

You should say:

Who this person is

How you know this person

Why you think this person is energetic

and explain how you feel about this person

Part 3

- 1 What kinds of jobs need a lot of physical work?
- 2 Should jobs that require physical work be higher paid?
- 3 Will physical workers receive higher salaries in the future?
- 4.Do you think machines could replace all human workers in the future?

DESCRIBE AN OLD FRIEND THAT YOU GOT IN CONTACT WITH AGAIN

You should say:

Who he or she is

What he or she is like

How you got in contact

and explain how you felt about it

Part 3

- 1 What are some of the different ways friends are often reunited?
- 2 In what ways are social media useful for reuniting people?

- 3 Do people in your country like to keep in touch with their childhood friends?
- 4 What factors make it difficult to keep in touch with friends?

DESCRIBE A PERSON YOU KNOW WHO SHOWS HIS OR HER FEELINGS OPENLY

You should say:

Who this person is

How you knew this person

Why you think this person is open

and explain how you feel about this person

Part 3

- 1 Do people in your country usually show their feelings?
- 2 Do children show their feelings more than adults
- 3 What are some reasons why people might hide their feelings?
- 4 Do you think people these days show their feelings more than they did in the past?

Questions About PLACES:

DESCRIBE A SPECIAL HOTEL YOU HAVE STAYED IN

You should say:

Where it is

What it is like

Why you went there

And how you felt about it

PART 3

- 1 What are some of the reasons why people stay in hotels?
- 2 What can influence people's choices of hotels?
- 3 To what extent do the ratings of hotels influence people's choices?
- 4 What's the difference between the hotels in your country and those abroad?

Questions About Things:

DESCRIBE SOMETHING YOU BOUGHT THAT YOU FELT SATISFIED WITH

You should say:

What you bought

Where you bought it

What it is for

and explain why you felt satisfied with it

PART 3

- 1. How often do people in your country go shopping?
 - 2 Why is online shopping popular?
 - 3 What are the drawbacks with online shopping?
 - 4 Do you think online shopping will ever totally replace shopping in stores?

DESCRIBE A TIME WHEN YOU GOT CLOSE TO WILD ANIMALS

You should say:

Where it was

What the animals were doing

Who you were with

and describe your feeling when seeing the wild animals

PART 3

- 1. What wild animals are common in your country?
 - 2 Are zoos popular in your country?
 - 3 What are some of the reasons why people keep pets?
 - 4 What dangers do wild animals face in your country?

DESCRIBE A TOY YOU LIKED IN YOUR CHILDHOOD

You should say:

What kind of toy it is

When you received it

How you played with it

and how you felt about it

PART 3

1 How do advertisements influence children?

- 2 Should advertising aimed at children be prohibited?
- 3 What's the difference between toys nowadays and those in the past?
- 4 Do you think children these days have too many toys?

DESCRIBE AN ART EXHIBITION YOU HAVE SEEN

You should say:

When you went there

Where it was

What it was like

And explain how you felt about it

Part 3

- 1 Why do some people like to collect art?
- 2 Why is some artwork expensive?
- 3 Do you think artwork is a good investment?
 - 1. What problems might there be with collecting art?

DESCRIBE A PIECE OF INTERNATIONAL NEWS YOU RECENTLY HEARD

You should say:

What it was about

Where and when you heard it

What you were doing when you heard it and explain how you felt about it

PART 3

- 1 How do people in your country usually get news?
- 2 Which kind of news is more popular domestic news or international news?
- 3 Do you think children should learn about the news at school?
- 4 How is the news media changing recently?

DESCRIBE A PRIZE THAT YOU RECEIVED

You should say:

What it was

When you received it

What you did for it

and explain how you felt about it

Part 3

- 1 What kind of prizes do students get in your country?
- 2 What are the benefits of giving people prizes?
- 3 What are the best ways for companies to reward employees?
- 4 are there any kinds of drawbacks of giving prizes or rewards to people?

Questions about Activities:

DESCRIBE A TIME WHEN YOU GAVE ADVICE TO SOMEONE

You should say:

When it was

Who you gave the advice

What the advice was and explain why you gave the advice

PART 3

- 1. What types of advice do young people often need?
- 2. Is it good to ask for advice from strangers online?
- 3. What jobs often involve giving advice to others?
- 4. What are the problems might occur if you ask too many people for advice?

DESCRIBE AN UNFORGETTABLE BICYCLE TRIP YOU WENT ON

You should say:

When it was

Where you went

Who you were with

and explain why you think it was unforgettable

PART 3

- 1 Do you think cycling is a good way to get exercise?
- 2 Should children learn how to ride a bicycle at school?
- 3 Do people in your country often travel by bike?
- 4 Do you think cycling will be more popular in the future?

DESCRIBE A SHORT TRIP YOU OFTEN TAKE BUT DO NOT LIKE

You should say:

Where you go

When you go there

Why you go there

and explain why you do not like about the trip

Part 3

1 Do people in your country like travelling abroad?

- 2 Do older and younger people have different preferences about travelling abroad?
- 3 How much time do you think people should spend on a trip abroad?
- 4 Are gap years abroad popular for school leavers in your country?

DESCRIBE A TIME YOU MADE A PROMISE TO SOMEONE

You should say:

What the promise was

Who you make a promise to

Whether you kept the promise

and explain why you made it

PART 3

- 1 What kinds of promises do people often make?
- 2 How important to keep promises?
- 3 Why do people often fail to keep their promises?
- 4 Do you think people will be more trustworthy in the future?

DESCRIBE A SKILL THAT YOU THINK YOU CAN TEACH OTHER PEOPLE

You should say:

What it is

When you learned it

How you can teach others

and explain why people need this skill

Part 3

- 1 What qualities should teachers have?
- 2 Is it helpful if teachers use humour when they teach?
- 3 Which do you think is more important to teach, practical skills or academic skills?
- 4 Which age group is the best at learning new things?

DESCRIBE A TIME WHEN YOU TOLD YOUR FRIEND AN IMPORTANT TRUTH

You should say:

Who your friend is

What the truth was

What your friend's reaction was

and explain why you think it was important to tell your friend the truth

Part 3

1 In what situations is it important to tell the truth?

2 Are there any situations that justify not telling the truth?

3 What are some ways to tell when someone is not telling the truth?

4 What occupations might involve sometimes not telling the truth?

DESCRIBE A LIVE SPORT MATCH THAT YOU WATCHED

You should say:

What it was

When you watched it

What it was like

And how you felt about it

- 1. Do you prefer to watch sports live or on TV?
- 2. Why do some people like to watch live sports?
- 3. What kinds of sports do people in your country like to watch most?
- 4. Do you think sports competitions are good for students?

DESCRIBE THE TIME WHEN YOU FIRST TALKED IN A FOREIGN LANGUAGE

You should say:

Where you were

Who you were with

What you talked about

And explain how you felt about it

Part 3

- 1 At what age should children start learning a foreign language?
- 2 Which skill is more important, speaking or writing?
- 3 Does a person still need to learn other languages, if he or she is good at English?
- 4 Do you think minority languages will disappear?

DESCRIBE A TIME WHEN YOU SAW CHILDREN BEHAVE BADLY IN PUBLIC

You should say:

Where it was

What the children were doing

How others reacted to it

and explain how you felt about it

Part 3

- 1 What kinds of bad behavior do children usually have?
- 2How should parents stop their children from behaving badly in public?
- 3 Are parents these days stricter than those in the past?
- 4 Whose influence on children is more important, friends' or parents'?

Questions about Experiences:

DESCRIBE A TIME WHEN YOU ATE SOMETHING FOR THE FIRST TIME

You should say:

What you ate

When you ate it

Where you ate it

and how you felt about it

PART 3

- 1. What kind of foreign food is popular in your country?
 - 2 Do young people eat different kinds of food than old people?
- 2. Should teachers and parents teach children how to cook?
- 3. Why do people often prefer their local food to foreign food?

DESCRIBE YOUR FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

You should say:

When it was

Where you were

What happened

and explain how you felt during that day.

PART 3

- 1 Do you think most people enjoy the first day of school?
- 2 What are some common challenges that people face when starting school?
- 3 What are some ways to reduce these challenges?
- 4 Do you think students should be taken to school by their parents or go by themselves?

DESCRIBE A TIME YOU NEEDED TO USE YOUR IMAGINATION

You should say:

When it was

Why you needed to use imagination

How difficult or easy it was

And explain how you felt about it

Part 3

- 1 What school subjects are helpful for developing children's imagination?
- 2 Do you think reading novels helps develop children's imagination?
- 2 Do children have better imaginations than adults?
- 4 What kinds of jobs need imagination?

DESCRIBE A TIME WHEN YOU CHANGED YOUR OPINION

You should say:

When it was

What the original opinion was

Why you changed it

and explain how you felt about it

Part 3

- 1 Why do people often have differing opinions?
- 2 What might cause people to change their opinion?
- 3 Do you think people's opinions change as they get older?
- 4 Do you think people in the future will hold different opinions than now?

DESCRIBE A SHORT TERM JOB YOU WANT TO HAVE IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY

You should say:

What the job is

Where you want to do it

How you knew it

and explain why you want to do it

Part 3

- 1 What kind of work can young people do in foreign countries?
- 2 Is it good for young people to have the experience of living in other countries?
- 3 Why are some people unwilling to work in other countries?
- 4 Do you think more people will work abroad in the future?

DESCRIBE A CONVERSATION TOPIC THAT YOU WERE NOT INTERESTED IN

You should say:

Who you talked with

When you had the conversation

What the topic was and explain why you were not interested

Part 3

- 1 What topics do young people in your country like to talk about?
- 2 What's the difference between the topics now and those in the past?
- 3 What sort of topics should not be discussed with strangers?
- 4 What's the influence of modern technology on our communication?

DESCRIBE A TIME WHEN YOU RECEIVED GOOD NEWS

You should say:

What the news was

Who told you the news

When you knew it

And how you felt about it

Part 3

- 1 Where do people get the news in your country?
- 2 What kind of news do people like to read?
- 3 Is the news on social media reliable?
- 4 Should children learn about the news at school?

PART 1 Sept-Dec 2020

Let's talk about Newspapers and Magazines:

Do you prefer to read newspapers or magazines?

Do you prefer to read news online or in a newspaper?

Do people in your family often read newspapers?

Do you think it's important to read newspapers?

Let's discuss Animals

Have you ever kept pets?

Do you like to go to the zoo?

Have you ever seen any wild animals before?

What wild animals do you like most?

Let's now discuss movies

What's your favourite movie?

Do your friends like this movie?

Do you want to be a movie star?

What kinds of movie do you think young people like?

Let's talk about stages of life:

Do you enjoy your current stage of life?

In which stage of your life were you the happiest?

Which stage of your life do you think is the most important?

What's your plan for your next stage of life?

Let's discuss borrowing and lending

Have you borrowed books from others?

Have you ever borrowed money from others?

Do you like to lend things to others?

How do you feel when people don't return things, they borrowed from you?

Let's now discuss handwriting

Do you often write with a pen?

Can we tell someone's personality from his or her handwriting?

What's the difference of writing with a pen and typing on a computer?

Is your handwriting easy to read for other people?

Let's talk about staying up late:

Do you often stay up late?

What do you do when you stay up late?

When did you last stay up late?

What are the bad effects of staying up late?

Let's discuss being tidy

Are you a tidy person?

How do you keep things tidy?

Do you think people should be tidy all the time?

Would you like your home to be tidier in the future?

Let's now discuss desserts

Do you like dessert?

Do you like eating cakes?

What desserts do people in your country like?

Have you ever made cakes?

Let's talk about friends:

What kinds of people do you like to make friends with?

Do you think you are a good friend for others?

What do you think makes good friends?

Do you keep in contact with friends from your childhood?

Let's discuss being gifts

What's the best present or gift you have ever received?

Do you give expensive gifts?

What do you give others as gifts?

What kinds of gifts are popular in your country?

Let's now discuss famous people

Have you ever met famous people?

What kind of famous person are you interested in?

If you have chance, which famous person you would like to visit?

Do you want to become famous?

Let's talk about your hometown

Do you like the area you live in?

What are some changes in the area recently?

Do you know some famous people in your area?

Where do you like to go in that area?

Let's discuss being gifts

What kind of plants do you like?

Do you have any plants at home?

What's the difference between buying plants and raising plants on your own?

Would you give a plant as a gift?

Let's now talk about discussions

What kinds of things do you like to talk about?

Have you changed the way you discuss things since when you were a child?

Do you change your opinions frequently?

Is it better to have friends who agree with your or those that are prepared to disagree?

Text Messages

How often do you send text messages?

Do you prefer sending or receiving messages?

Have you ever received a confusing text message?

In what circumstances is making a phone call better than sending a text message?

Sports

What sports did you do when you were a kid?

What's your favorite sport?

Do you watch sports matches on TV?

Are you a fan of any sports teams?

Recycle

Do you recycle anything?

Did you recycle when you were a kid?

Will you recycle in the future?

Is recycling common in your country?

Weekends

What do you usually do on weekends?

Did you do anything special last weekend?

What will you do next weekend?

What do other people in your hometown usually do on weekends?

Hurrying

How often are you in a hurry?

What kind of things would you never do in a hurry?

Do you usually leave home in a hurry?

Do you like to be in a hurry on your days off?

Clothes

What's your favorite color of clothes?

What kind of clothes do you usually wear?

Are there any types of clothes you don't like?

Do you wear the same style of clothes on weekdays and weekends?

Furniture

Do you have a lot of furniture in your home?

Is there anyone who bought furniture for you?

What kind of furniture would you like to buy?

Which furniture do you like best in your home?

List

Do you make a list when you shop?

Do you make a list for your work?

Why do some people not like making lists?

Change

What do you plan to change next year?

Do you like changes?

Are there any changes in your hometown?

Have you changed a lot since your childhood?

Picnic

Did you go on a picnic when you were a child?

How often do you go on a picnic now?

Where do you go on a picnic?

What is the difference between a picnic and cooking at home?

Handwriting

How often do you write with a pen or pencil?

When was the last time you write something by hand?

Is your handwriting easy for others to read?

Do you prefer to write by hand or on a computer?

PART 2 and 3 Sept-Dec 2020

Describe a person who taught you a skill

You should say:

Who this person was

What the skill was

How you learned it

And explain how you felt about this person

- 1. What skills should children learn before school?
- 2. What's the difference between the roles of teachers and parents in education?
- 3. How do adults learn a new skill?
- 4. Is the internet good for learning new skills?
- 5. Is it more important for students to be taught academic skills or so-called soft skills?
- 6. What skills does a good teacher need?

Describe an area of science (physics, biology, psychology, etc.) that interests you

You should say

What it is

When you knew it

How you learned it

And explain why you are interested

- 1. What's the best invention in the past one hundred years?
- 2. What's the influence of science on human life?
- 3. What can individuals do for scientific research?
- 4. What influence can international cooperation in science bring about?
- 5. Scientific progress does nothing but harm the environment, what's your view?

Describe a conversation topic that you were not interested in

You should say:

Who you talked with

When you had the conversation

What the topic was

And explain why you were not interested

1. What topics do young people in your country talk about?

What's the difference between the topics popular now and those in the past?

How do you know if others are not interested in your conversation?

What's the influence of modern technology, such as the internet and e-mails, on our communication?

- 2. Do you think men chat more than woman?
- 3. What are the main differences between spoken and written communication?
- 4. Do you think that people become better communicators as they get older?

Describe an ambition that you have had for a long time

You should say

What it is

What you did for it

When you can achieve it

And explain why you have this ambition

- 1. What kinds of ambitions do people have?
- 2. Why should parents encourage children to have ambitions?
- 3. Should parents interfere with children's ambitions?
- 4. Is there any difference between children's ambitions and those of grown-ups?
- 5. What are some ways that people can achieve their ambitions?
- 6. Are ambitious people always successful and what are some barriers to success?

Describe an old friend that you got in contact again

You should say

Who he or she is

What he or she is like

How you got in contact

and explain how you felt about it

- 1. What's the influence of social media on friendship?
- 2. Why do people lose contact with their friends after graduation?

- 3. Do people in your country like to make new friends?
- 4. Is it easy to make new friends?
- 5. Do you think old friends are more important to the old generation or the young generation?

Describe a person you know who shows his or her feelings openly

You should say:

Who this person is

How you know this person

Why you think this person is open

And explain how you feel about this person

- 1) Why is it difficult for people to express their feelings?
- 2) Who do you think talks more, children or grown-ups?
- 3) What's the difference between men and women in expressing their feelings?
- 4) Why do you think people these days are not as open as those in the past?

Describe an intelligent person you know

You should say:

Who this person is

How you know this person

What this person does that is intelligent

And explain why you think this person is intelligent

- 1) Are smart people happier than others?
- 2) Do you think smart people tend to be selfish?
- 3) Who plays a more important role in a child's development, teachers or parents?
- 4) Why are some children more intelligent than others?

Describe a family (not your own) which you like and are happy to know

You should say:

Who are they

Where they live

How you knew them

And explain why you like them

- 1) What makes a family happy?
- 2) What's the most important quality of parents?
- 3) How can new parents learn about parenting?
- 4) Do grandparents take care of grandchildren in your country?

Describe an old friend that you got in contact with again

You should say:

Who he or she is

What he or she is like

How you got in contact

And explain how you felt about it

- 1) What's the influence of social media on friendship?
- 2) Why do people lose contact with their friends after graduation?
- 3) Do people in your country like to make new friends?
- 4) Do you think old friends are more important to the old generation or the young generation?

Describe an event you experienced at which you didn't like the music played

You should say:

What the event was

Where you were

What the music was like

And explain why you did not enjoy the music

- 1) Why do many young people spend a lot of money on music concerts?
- 2) Do you think older people like the same music as young people?

- 3) Do you think music concerts are suitable for old people to attend?
- 4) Why do shopping malls often have background music?

Describe an occasion when you forgot something important

You should say:

What you forgot

When it was

Why you forgot it

And how you felt about it

- 1) What kinds of things do people forget easily?
- 2) What kinds of people are more forgetful?
- 3) How can people improve their memory?
- 4) Should people usecalendars to remind themselves of things?

Describe the time when you first talked in a foreign language

You should say:

Where you were

Who you were with

What you talked about

And explain how you felt about it

- 1) At what age should children start learning a foreign language?
- 2) Which skill is more important, speaking or writing?
- 3) Does a person still need to learn other languages, if he or she is good at English?
- 4) Do you think minority languages will disappear?

Describe a book you read that you found useful

You should say:

What it is

When you read it

Why you think it is useful

And explain how you felt about it

- 1) What are the types of books that young people like to read?
- 2) What's the difference between the reading habits of old people and young people?
- 3) What's the difference between paper books and e-books?
- 4) Do you agree that children should start reading from a young age?

Describe a time when you received good news

You should say:

What the news was

Who told you the news

When you knew it

And explain how you felt about it

- 1) Where do people get the news in your country?
- 2) What kind of news do people like to read?
- 3) How can companies tell the public its news?
- 4) What do you think of the news on social media?

Describe a conversation topic that you were not interested in

You should say:

Who you talked with

When you had the conversation

What the topic was

And explain why you were not interested

- 1) What topics do people in your country talk about?
- 2) What's the difference between the topics popular now and those in the past?
- 3) How do you know if others are not interested in your conversation?
- 4) What's the difference of modern technology, such as the internet and e-mails, on our communication?

Describe an expensive activity that you enjoy doing occasionally

You should say:

What it is

Who you do it with

Why it is expensive

And explain how you felt about it

- 1) What kinds of expensive things do people like to buy?
- 2) What's the difference between the shopping habits of women and men?
- 3) What are the advantages and disadvantages of being rich?
- 4) Is it worth buying expensive brands?

Describe an area of science (physics, biology, psychology.) that interests you

You should say:

What it is

What you know about it

what you'd be interested to learn about it

And explain why you are interested in it

- 1) What's the best invention in the past one hundred years?
- 2) What's the influence of science on human life?
- 3) What can individuals do for scientific research?
- 4) What influence can international cooperation in science bring about?

Describe a prize that you received

You should say:

What it was

When you received it

What you did to get it

And explain how you felt about it

- 1) What kind of prized do students get in your country?
- 2) Should students get the same prize in sports and academics?
- 3) Why should people be awarded prizes?
- 4) Are awards always good for the winner?

Describe a photograph of you that you like

You should say:

Where it was taken

When it was taken

Who took it

And explain how you feel about it

- 1) Why do people take photos?
- 2) What do people use to take photos these days, cameras or phones?
- 3) Is it difficult for people to learn how to take good photos?
- 4) Where do people keep their photos?

Describe a tradition in your country

You should say:

What it is

Who takes part in it

What activities there are

And how you feel about is

- 1) How do people value traditional festivals?
- 2) What's the difference between festivals now and those in the past?
- 3) Do you think western festival like Christmas are replacing traditional festivals in your country?
- 4) what are the benefits of celebrating traditional festivals?

Describe an ambition that you want to achieve

You should say:

What it is

What you need to do to achieve it

When you can achieve it

And explain why you have this ambition

- 1) What kinds of ambitions do people have?
- 2) Why should parents encourage children to have ambitions?
- 3) Should parents interfere with their children's ambitions?
- 4) Is there any difference between children's ambitions and those of grown-ups?

Describe a person who taught you a skill

You should say:

Who this person was

What the skill was

How you learned it

And explain how you felt about this person

- 1) What skills should children learn before school?
- 2) What's the difference between the roles of teachers and parents in education?
- 3) How do adults learn a new skill?
- 4) Is the internet good for learning new skills?

Describe an energetic person that you know

You should say:

Who this person is

How you knew this person

Why you think this person is energetic

And explain how you feel about this person

- 1) What kinds of jobs need a lot of physical work?
- 2) What's the difference between the payment for physical work and that for mental work?

- 3) Can physical workers receive higher salaries in the future?
- 4) Do you think machines could replace human workers in the future?

Describe something you enjoyed doing with a group of people

You should say:

What it was

Where you did it

Who you did it with

And why you think it was enjoyable

- 1) What kinds of jobs need people to work in a team?
- 2) What can parents do with their children to make them happy?
- 3) How can children improve their social skills?
- 4) What are the benefits of boys and girls playing together?

Describe a time when you saw children behave badly in public

You should say:

Where it was

What the children were doing

How others reacted to it

And explain how you felt about it

- 1) What bad behavior do children usually have?
- 2) How should parents stop their children from behaving badly in public?
- 3) Are parents these days stricter than those in the past?
- 4) Whose influence on children is more important, friends or parents?

Describe an indoor game you played as a child

You should say:

What you played

Who you played it with

Why you played it

And explain how you felt about it

- 1) What indoor games do children like to play nowadays?
- 2) What's the difference between the games children play now and those in the past?
- 3) Can children benefit from playing computer games?
- 4) What's the difference between boys' and girls' games?

Describe a line (or a few words) that you remember from a poem or song

You should say:

What it is

Which song or poem it is from

How you knew it

And explain how you feel about it

- 1) Are you good at memorizing things?
- 2) Do you think children would like the rhythm of songs or poems?
- 3) Do you think it is easier for children to learn a song or poem than adults?
- 4) What can people learn from songs or poems?

Describe a good decision you made recently

You should say:

What it was

When you made it

What the result was

And explain how you felt about it

- 1) What decisions do people make every day?
- 2) Why do people make decisions?
- 3) Can children make decisions on their own?
- 4) When do people change their decisions?

Describe a film that made you laugh

You should say:

What it is

When you watched it

Who you watched it with

And explain why it made you laugh

- 1) How popular are comedy movies in your country?
- 2) Why do people like to watch comedies?
- 3) Why do some people like to make others laugh?
- 4) Should teachers tell jokes in class?

PART 1 May -Aug. 2020

ARE YOU WORKING OR STUDYING?

Your Work:

Q1: What kind of work do you do?

Q2: Why did you choose to do this type of job?

Q3: Is there anything you do not like about your job?

Q4: Will you do this job for a long time?

Your Studies:

Q1: What kind of course do you study?

Q2: Why did you choose to do that course?

Q3: Is your course very interesting?

Q4: What will you do when you finish your studies?

Let's discuss where you live:

Q1: Do you live in a city or a town?

Q2: What is the best thing about where you live?

- Q3: Do you know many people who live near you?
- Q4: How do you think your city/town could be improved?

Let's talk about parks

- Q1: How often do you go to a park?
- Q2: What activities do you do in a park?
- Q3: Do you prefer small parks or big parks?
- Q4: Do people in your country like going to parks?

Now let's discuss breaks from work or study

- Q1: What do you usually do during a break?
- Q2: Do you prefer a long break or several short breaks?
- Q3: How often do you take a break?
- Q4: Why do you need to take a break?

Let's now discuss numbers and maths

- Q1: Are you good at maths?
- Q2: How often do you need to use maths?
- Q3: What is your favorite number?
- Q4: Are you good at remembering phone numbers?

Let's talk about science classes

- Q1: Do you like learning about science?
- Q2: Did you study science at school?
- Q3: What kind of science classes did you take at school?
- Q4: Do you think science is important?

Now let's discuss history

- Q1: Do you like learning about history?
- Q2: When was the last time you read about history?

- Q3: Did you like history when you were young?
- Q4: Have you ever been to any history museums?

Let's talk about scenery

- Q1: Is there good scenery in the area you live in?
- Q2: Do you like to take photos of scenery?
- Q3: What scenic places are there in your country?
- Q4: When you travel, do you like to stay in hotels with scenic views?

Now let's discuss cakes and desserts

- Q1: Do you like to eat dessert?
- Q2: Have you ever made any cakes?
- Q3: Do you like eating cake?
- Q4: What desserts do people in your country like?

Let's talk about art

- Q1: Do you like art?
- Q2: Have you ever visited an art gallery?
- Q3: Is there any artwork on the wall in your home?
- Q4: Have you ever had any art classes?

Let's now discuss pens and pencils

- Q1: Do you usually use a pen or a pencil?
- Q2: When was the last time you bought a pen or pencil?
- Q3: Have you ever received a pen or pencil as a gift?
- Q4: Do people in your country prefer to use pens or pencils?

Now let's discuss spending time by yourself

- Q1: How often do you spend time by yourself?
- Q2: What did you do last time you were by yourself?

- Q3: Do you like spending a lot of time by yourself?
- Q4: When do you usually spend time by yourself?

Let's talk about laughing

- Q1: How often do you laugh?
- Q2: Do you like to watch funny movies or TV shows?
- Q3: Are you the kind of person who makes other people laugh? Q4: Do you think it is important to laugh with friends?

Let's now discuss water sports

- Q1: What water sports do you like doing?
- Q2: What kind of water sports do you want to try?
- Q3: Have you ever done any dangerous water sports?
- Q4: Are water sports popular in China?

Let's talk about running

- Q1: How often do you run?
- Q2: Where do you usually go running?
- Q3: Did you like running when you were a child?
- Q4: Do you think running is a good way to stay healthy?

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Describe a person you read about in a book.

You should say:

what book you read

who the person is

what the book says about the person

and explain what sort of person this is.

Describe someone who you have lived with before.

You should say:

who this person is

when you lived with this person

why you lived with this person

and explain how you felt about living with this person.

Describe an interesting neighbor.

You should say:

who this person is

how you know this person

how often you see this person

and explain why you feel this person is interesting.

Describe a creative person that you admire.

You should say:

who this person is

how you got to know this person

why you think he or she is creative

and explain why you admire this person.

Describe a new friend you made recently.

You should say:

when it happened

who the friend is

how you met

and explain how you feel about your friend.

PLACES

Describe a place where there are many decorations.

You should say:

what place it is

where it is located

what decorations it has

and explain how you feel about this place.

Describe a lively place.

You should say:
where this place is
who you went there with
what you did there
and explain why you think it was lively.

Describe a place you visited that is affected by pollution.

You should say:

where it is

when you visited this place

what kinds of pollution you saw there

and explain how this place is affected by pollution.

Describe a city you went to recently.

You should say

where it is

when you went there

why you went there

and explain how you felt about it.

Describe a tall building you like or dislike.

You should say:

where it is

what it is used for

what it looks like

and explain why you like or dislike it.

Describe a method that helps you memorise things.

You should say:

what this method is

when you started to use it

how you use this method

and explain why it helps you memorise things.

Describe a book that you would like to read again.

You should say:

what book it is

what it is about

when you read it for the first time

and explain why you would like to read it again.

Describe an advertisement you have seen recently.

You should say:

when where you saw it

where you saw it

what was advertised

and explain how you felt about it.

Describe a technology product you used before.

You should say:

what it is

when you got it

when you use it

and explain why you like it or not.

Describe an art or craft activity you did at school.

You should say:
when you did this activity
what this activity was
how you did it
and explain how you felt about this activity.

Describe the weather that you do not like most.

You should say:

what sort of weather it is

when it normally occurs

why you do not like it

and explain how this type of weather makes you feel.

Describe a time when you were misunderstood.

You should say:

when it was

who misunderstood you

why you were misunderstood

and explain how you felt about it.

Describe a time you needed to use imagination.

You should say:

what the situation was

why you needed to use imagination

what you imagined

and explain how you felt about it.

Describe a time when you felt nervous.

You should say:
when this happened
who you were with

what you were doing

and explain why you felt nervous.

Describe a time someone or something made a lot of noise.

You should say:

when this happened

who the person was

what kinds of noise it was

and explain what you did when you heard noise.

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Describe a family member you spend a lot of time with

You should say:

Who this person is

What kind of person he/she is

What you usually do together

And explain why you spend a lot of time with him/her

PART 3: [model answers here]

Let's talk more about families living together

Q1: What are the benefits of younger and older generations living together?

Q2: What are the disadvantages of younger and older generations living together?

Q3: Do people in your country prefer to get help from family members of friends?

Q4: Is it important to visit family members often?

Describe a person in the news who you want to meet

You should say:

Who this person is

How you know about him/her

What he/she is like

And explain why you want to meet him/her

PART 3:

Let's talk more about people in the news

Q1: What kinds of people, in your country, are usually in the news?

Q2: Are stories about celebrities in the news always true?

Q3: Why is the news often about famous people?

Q4: Could superstars bring positive influence to the public?

Describe a person who taught you something

You should say:

Who this person is

What he/she is like

What he/she taught you

And explain how you felt about him/her

Let's talk more about learning

Q1: What qualities do you think a good teacher should have?

Q2: Do you think young people learn faster than old people?

Q3: What do you think is the best age for children to go to school?

Q4: Do people in your country prefer to study alone or in groups?

Describe a time when you helped someone

You should say:

Why you helped

How you helped

Where you helped him/her

And explain how you felt about it

PART 3:

Let's talk more about children and help

Q1: What kind of help should parents give to their children?

Q2: Should parents help their children with their homework every day?

Q3: Should parents give their teenage children dating advice? Q4: Can children provide any kind of help to parents

Describe a time when someone apologized to you

You should say:

- When it was
- Who this person is
- Why he or she apologized to you

And explain how you felt about it

PART 3:

Let's talk more about apologizing

- Q1: On what types of occasions do people usually apologize to others?
- Q2: Do people in your country like to apologize?
- Q3: Do you think people should apologize for anything wrong they do?
- Q4: Why do some people refuse to apologize to others?

Describe a piece of important news you got by text message or email

You should say:

- What it was
- When you got it
- Who you got it from

And explain how you felt about it

PART 3:

Let's talk more about messages

- Q1: Do you think traditional letters are a good way to send messages?
- Q2: In what situations is it better to make a phone call than send a message to someone?
- Q3: In your country do people prefer to send email or text messages?
- Q4: Is technology having a negative impact on communication among people?

Describe a team that you were a member of

You should say:

- What the team was
- Why you joined it
- What you did in it

And explain how you felt about being a member

Let's talk more about teams

- Q1: What are some reasons why people join teams?
- Q2: What causes disagreements within a team?
- Q3: Do you think it is good for children to join a team?
- Q4: What skills do team leaders require in the workplace?

Describe an important journey that was delayed

You should say:

- What the purpose of the journey was
- Why it was important
- How it was delayed

And explain how you felt about it

PART 3:

Let's talk more about travelling

- Q1: How do people usually travel long distances in your country?Q2: In what ways can traffic conditions in a city be improved?
- Q3: Do you think people will still drive a car if public transportation is free?
- Q4: How can transportation in rural areas of your country be improved?

Describe an occasion when you could not use your mobile phone

You should say:

- When it was
- Where it was
- Why you could not use your mobile phone

And explain how you felt about it

Let's talk more about mobile phones

Q1: Is it necessary to have laws on the use of mobile phones?

Q2: Should young children have mobile phones?

Q3: Do people in your country prefer to use a computer or a mobile phone?

Q4: Do you think mobile phones could totally replace computers in the future?

Describe an occasion when the weather prevented a planned activity

You should say:

- When it was
- Why it prevented your activity
- What you did instead

And explain how you felt about it

PART 3:

Let's talk more about the weather

Q1: Can the weather have any impact on people's daily activities?

Q2: Why do people do different kinds of sports in different seasons?

Q3: What kind of weather do people in your country like most?Q4: Is the weather in your country changing?

Describe a change that could improve your local area

You should say:

- What it is
- How the change can be made
- What problems it might bring

And explain how you feel the area will benefit

Let's talk more about local areas

- Q1: What are some of the main problems in local areas?
- Q2: What are the best solutions to these problems?
- Q3: Do people in your country like joining social groups in their community?
- Q4: What are the benefits of living in a friendly community?

Describe a time when you were excited

You should say:

- When it was
- Where you were
- Who you were with

And explain why you were excited

PART 3:

Let's talk about celebrations

- Q1: What personal events do people usually celebrate?
- Q2: How do people celebrate their personal events?
- Q3: Do you think it is necessary to spend a lot of money on celebrations?
- Q4: Do you think the government wastes too much money on celebrations?

Describe a crowded place you went to

You should say:

- Where you went
- Who you went there with
- Why you went there

And explain how you felt about this place

Let's talk more about crowded places

- Q1: Do people in your country like to go to crowded places?
- Q2: How can the problem of traffic congestion be solved?
- Q3: Why do people still like to live in big cities?
- Q4: Do you think cities will be even larger in the future?

Describe a difficult challenge you met

You should say:

- What the challenge was
- When you met it
- How you responded to it

And explain why you think it was difficult

PART 3:

Let's talk more about challenges

- Q1: Do you think parents should give kids challenges?
- Q2: What challenges do you think children might benefit from most?
- Q3: What is the most challenging thing for adults?
- Q4: Do you think it's beneficial for senior citizens to have challenges?

Describe a new skill you learned recently that you think is important

You should say:

- What it is
- How difficult it was to learn
- How you learned it

And explain why you think it is important

Let's talk more about skills

- Q1: What skills are important for people these days?
- Q2: What is the difference between skills required in the past and those at present?
- Q3: Do you think teamwork and communication skills are important?
- Q4: What kind of skills might become more important in the future?

Describe a uniform (in a school or company) you have worn

You should say:

- Why you wore the uniform
- What it looked like
- Who bought it for you

And explain how you felt about wearing it

PART 3:

Let's talk more about uniforms

- Q1: Do you think students should wear school uniforms?
- Q2: What types of occupations should wear a uniform?
- Q3: Should companies ask for employees' opinions about the design of uniforms?
- Q4: Do you think it is becoming more popular for people to wear uniforms?

Describe a live performance you have seen

You should say:

- What it was
- When you saw it
- Who you were with

And explain why you watched it

Let's talk more about live performances

- Q1: What's the difference between watching a performance live and watching it on TV?
- Q2: Do people in your country prefer live music concerts or live sports?
- Q3: Should the government provide money to promote traditional performances?
- Q4: Do you think learning drama or dancing is helpful for children?

Describe an article on health you have read

You should say:

- What it was about
- Where you read it
- Why you read it

And explain how you felt about it

PART 3:

Let's talk more about health

- Q1: Do you think people in your country are generally healthy?
- Q2: What can governments do to improve people's health?
- Q3: What activities can schools organize for children to keep fit?
- Q4: Do you think people are healthier now than in the past?

Describe a time you saw an interesting animal

You should say:

- What it looked like
- Where you saw it
- What it was doing

And explain why you think it was interesting

Let's about pets

Q1: Do people in your country like taking care of pets?

Q2: Do you think it is safe for animals to live in cities?

Q3: What problems are caused by keeping pets?

Q4: Is keeping pets becoming more popular?

Describe something you bought that was difficult to use at first

You should say:

- What it was
- Where you bought it
- Why it was difficult to use at first

And explain how you felt about it

PART 3:

Let's talk more about products

Q1: What kinds of products are most popular in your country?Q2: What kinds of products do young people think are useful but old people may not?

Q3: Are people, in your country, buying more products than in the past?

Q4: What problems is consumerism causing nowadays?

Describe a job that you would not like to do in the future

You should say:

- What it is
- How you know about it
- Why you think it is undesirable

And explain why you would not like to do it

Let's talk more about jobs

- Q1: What kind of jobs do young people like doing in your country?
- Q2: Do people in your country prefer physical work or mental work?
- Q3: What factors should people take into consideration when choosing jobs?
- Q4: Do people in your country like to work in other countries?

Describe a successful small company you know about

You should say:

- What sort of company it is
- How you know about it
- Why you think it is successful

And explain how you feel about it

PART 3:

Let's talk more about companies

- Q1: What types of companies are most common in your country?
- Q2: What are the important factors in making a company successful?
- Q3: What kinds of qualities should a successful businessman have?
- Q4: What kinds of new businesses are emerging in your country?

Describe an ideal house or apartment that you want to live in

You should say:

- Where it is
- What it is like
- Who you would like to live there with

And explain why you think it is ideal

PART 3:

Let's talk more about homes

Q1: Do people in your country prefer to live in a house or an apartment?

Q2: Is the cost of housing rising in your country?

Q3: Why do many people like to live in cities?

Q4: Do you think living in the countryside will be more popular in the future?

I also recommend you look at questions from 2019 September to December for part 1 and part 2&3 as it is highly likely these questions are still in the test! These are below:

PART 1 IELTS speaking test questions 2019

1. A Work: let's talk about what you are doing:

What sort of work do you do?

Do you like your job?

Do you work harder in the mornings or in the afternoons?

Do you miss being a student?

B.Studies: let's talk about what you are doing:

- What are you studying?
- Do you enjoy studying?
- Do you prefer to study in the mornings or in the afternoons?
- Are you looking forward to working?

Now let's discuss your Home/Accommodation

• Do you live in a house or an apartment?

- What are the differences regarding where you are living now and where you have lived in the past?
- Which room does your family spend most of the time in?
- How long have you lived there?

Let's talk about your Hometown

- What is the name of your hometown?
- Is it a big city or a small place?
- How long have you been living there?
- Is there anything you dislike about your hometown?

Let's talk about teachers

- What kinds of teachers do you like?
- Did you have a favorite teacher at high school?
- What's the difference between young and old teachers?
- Do you want to be a teacher in the future?

Now let's talk about friends

- What sort of people do you think make good friends?
- Do you keep in contact with friends from your childhood?
- Do you think you are a good friend to others?
- Do you prefer to have a lot of friends or just a few close ones?

I'd like to discuss movies

- What's your favorite movie?
- Do your friends like this movie?
- What kinds of movies do you think young people like?
- Do you want to be a movie star?

Let's talk about animals

- Have you ever kept any pets?
- Do you like to go to the zoo?
- Have you ever seen any animals in the wild before?
- What wild animal do you like most?

I'd like to discuss languages

- What languages can you speak?
- Do you think it's difficult to learn a new language?
- Will you learn other languages in the future?
- Why do you learn English?

Let's talk about voices

- Has your voice ever changed?
- Do you enjoy recording your voice and listening to it?
- Do you like the sound of your own voice?
- Does your voice sound similar to your parents'?

Now let's talk about jeans

- Do you like wearing jeans?
- How often do you wear jeans?
- Did you wear jeans when you were a child?
- Why do you think jeans are popular?

Let's talk about haircuts

- Do you like having your hair cut?
- How long have you had your current haircut?

- Have you ever had an unhappy haircut experience?
- How often do you have a haircut?

Now let's talk about walking

- Do you walk a lot?
- Do you walk more often than in the past?
- Where do you usually take a walk?
- Do you think people will walk more in the future?

Let's talk about concentration

- What do you do to help yourself concentrate?
- When do you need to be focused?
- What may distract you when you're trying to stay focused?
- Is it difficult for you to stay focused on something?

Let's talk about the Countryside

- How often do you go to the countryside?
- When was the last time you went to the countryside?
- Would you like to live in the countryside in the future?
- Do people in your country like to live in the countryside?

Tiredness

- What things make you tired?
- What do you do when you feel tired?
- Who do you prefer to talk to when you feel mentally tired your friends or your families?
- Do you want to talk to strangers when you feel mentally tired?

Sun

- Do you like sunshine?
- What do you do on sunny days?
- Have you ever used sunscreen?
- What activities are not suitable on a sunny day?

Amusement park

- Do you like amusement parks?
- How often do you go to amusement parks?
- What do you usually do at amusement parks?
- Do you think the amusement park is important?

Forest

- When was the last time you went to a forest?
- Do you like going to a forest if you are free?
- What do people generally do in a forest?
- Do you think forests are important to us?

Eating

- How often do you eat with your family?
- Do you like eating healthy food?
- Do you eat out a lot?
- Do you prefer eating at home or at a restaurant?

Makeup

- Do you often wear makeup?
- What does wearing makeup mean to you?
- Do you give makeup as gifts?
- What do you think when you see a man wearing makeup?

Island

- How often do you go to an island?
- What do you like to do when you are on an island?
- Are there many islands in your country?
- Do you want to live on an island if you have a chance?

Trust

- Who do you trust most?
- Have you ever lost trust in some people?
- What kinds of people do you trust?
- Do you trust artificial intelligence?

Shopping

- Do you like going shopping?
- Do you shop online?
- Does shopping take you a lot of time?
- What's the best part about shopping?

Perfume

- Do you like perfume?
- Do you use perfume?
- Would you ever give perfume as a gift?
- Is wearing perfume popular in your country?

Reading

- How often do you read?
- What kinds of book do you like to read?

- What was your favourite book or story when you were a child?
- Do you like E-books?

Apps

- What apps do you often use on your phone or computer?
- Do you often use apps on your mobile phone?
- Do you want to develop an app yourself?
- What kinds of apps are popular in your country?

Sport

- Do you prefer watching or playing sports?
- What's the most common sport in your country?
- Do you think it is difficult to learn a new sport?
- Are there many celebrity athletes in your country?

Time Management

- How do you organize you time?
- Do you make plans every day?
- Would you say you manage your time well?
- Are you ever late for anything?

Travel

- Do you like travelling?
- Where would you like to travel for a vacation?
- Who do you often spend holidays with?
- Do you prefer traveling alone or in a group?

Litter/ Rubbish

- Do you think it's important to keep our cities clean?
- What do you do when you see rubbish on the street?
- Do you ever throw litter on the ground?
- Do you think plastic bags are a serious environmental problem?

Smiling

- Do you like to smile?
- How often do you smile?
- Do you smile when you are having your picture taken?
- When do people smile to others in your country?

Cities

- Do you like the city you are living in now?
- Which city have you been to recently?
- Which city do you want to go to next?
- What kinds of city do you like?

Weather/ Season

- Which season do you like best?
- What's the weather like in your city?
- Does the weather in your country change often?
- Do you like it when it's raining?

Drinking water

- Do you like to drink water?
- Do you prefer to drink bottled water or tap water?
- Do you drink much water every day?
- Do you prefer to drink hot water or cool cold water?

Visiting relatives

- Do you visit your relatives often?
- When was the last time you visited them?
- What do you do when you visit them?
- Do you prefer visiting your relatives, or your friends?

I'd like to ask you some questions about medicine

- Did you take any kind of medicine when you were a child?
- Do you take any kind of medicine now?
- Would you buy medicine online?
- What do you think of herbal medicine?

Now let's talk about Foreign food

- Have you ever tried foreign food?
- Do you like to try new food?
- What kinds of new food have you tried recently?
- What kinds of foreign food are popular in your country?

Let's move on to the topic of transportation

- What is the most popular means of transportation in your hometown?
- Can you compare the advantages of planes and trains?
- How often do you take buses?
- Is driving to work popular in your country?

Now let's discuss sports

- Do you like to watch sports on TV?
- Do you play any sports?

- Do you have a favorite sports star?
- What kinds of sports are popular in China?

I'd like to ask you a few questions about plants

- Do you keep plants at home?
- Did you grow any plants when you were young?
- Do you know anything about growing plants?
- Do Chinese people send plants as gifts?

Let's discuss letters

- Do you write many letters?
- Do you prefer to write letters by hand or to use a computer?
- What do you usually write about?
- Who do you usually write to?

Now let's talk about music

- When do you listen to music?
- How much time do you spend listening to music every day?
- What kinds of music do you like to listen to?
- What is your favorite kind of music?

Let's move on to the topic of being bored

- What will you do when you feel bored?
- When you were young, what would you do if you felt bored?
- What kinds of things are boring to you?
- Do you think young people are more likely to get bored?

Let's discuss saving money

- Did you save money when you were young?
- Have you ever given money to other children?
- Do you think parents should teach children to save money?
- Do parents give children pocket money in China?

Now let's talk about maps

- Do you often use maps?
- Who taught you how to use a map?
- Do you prefer electronic maps or paper maps?
- When did you last use a map?

Let's discuss watches

- How often do you wear a watch?
- What was your first watch like?
- What kinds of watches do you like to wear?
- Do people still wear watches in your country?

Now I'd like to ask you about gifts

- How often do you buy others gifts?
- Do you like to send expensive gifts?
- What kinds of gifts are popular in your country?
- Why do people send gifts?

Let's talk about rainy days

- Does it rain much in your country?
- Is there any part of your country where it doesn't rain much?
- When does it rain most in your hometown?
- In which season does it rain most in other parts of your country?

Now I'd like to ask you questions about cities

- Do you like the city you are living in now?
- Which city have you been to recently?
- Do you prefer the city or the countryside?
- What kind of cities do you like?

Let's talk about colours

- What's your favorite color?
- Do you like dark colors?
- Are there any colors you dislike?
- Do you usually wear clothes in your favorite color?

Let's discuss cooking

- Have you ever cooked?
- Do you like cooking?
- Do you want to learn how to cook?
- Is it difficult to cook Chinese food for you?

Now let's move on to talk about drinking water

- How often do you drink water?
- What kinds of water do you like to drink?
- Do you drink bottled water or water from water machines?
- Do you feel you drink enough water?

Now I'd like to talk about holidays

- What kinds of places do you like to go on holidays?
- Who would like to go on holiday with?

• Where do plan to go for holidays in the future?

Let's discuss morning routines

- What do you do in the mornings?
- Is breakfast important?
- What is your morning routine?
- Do you like to get up early in the morning?

Let's talk about movies

- Do you watch movies?
- How often do you watch movies?
- What kind of movies do you like?
- Do you prefer to go to a movie alone or with others?

Now let's talk about paintings

- What do you know about paintings?
- Have you learned drawing or painting?
- Is it important to hang pictures at home?
- What kind of paintings do you like?

Let's move on to the topic of parks and gardens

- Are public parks very important in your country?
- Do you think there are enough public gardens or parks in your hometown?
- What do you think are the benefits of having gardens in the city?
- Why do people who live in cities like public gardens?

Let's talk about photos

- Do you like to take photos?
- Do you prefer to take photos yourself or to have other people take photos?
- How often do you take photos?
- In what situations do you take photos?

Now let's discuss shoes

- How often do you buy shoes?
- Have you ever bought shoes online?
- Do you know anyone who likes to buy a lot of shoes?
- What's your favorite type of shoes?

Let's talk about sunglasses

- Do you like to wear sunglasses?
- Where can you buy sunglasses?
- Do people in your country wear sunglasses?
- Do you think people should wear sunglasses when they are in the sun?

Let's move on to the topic of weather

- Do you prefer dry or wet weather?
- What kind of weather do you like most?
- What's your favorite season?
- What kind of weather is typical in your hometown?

PART 2 &3 IELTS speaking test questions 2019

Describe a person who is good at his or her job

- Who this person is
- What his or her job is
- How he or she likes the job

And explain why this person is good at the job

Let's talk more about job performance.

- 1. How can people improve their job performance?
- 2. What skill set should a manager have?
- 3. Do you think what people learn in university is going to help them in their future job?
- 4. How well do young people usually perform on their first jobs?

Describe a person who often travels by plane

You should say:

- Who he or she is
- Where he or she goes
- Why he or she travels by plane
- And explain how he or she feels about it

Let's talk about travelling by planes more generally.

- 1. What are the advantages of travelling by plane?
- 2. Why do some people prefer to travel by train?
- 3. What are the disadvantages of living near an airport?
- 4. How is working at an airport different from working in other places?

Describe something useful you borrowed

- What it was
- When you borrowed it
- Who you borrowed it from
- And explain why you borrowed it

Let's talk more about borrowing things in general.

- 1. What kinds of things do people borrow from each other?
- 2. What are the things that people don't choose to lend to others?
- 3. Do you think people will share more in the future?

Describe a leisure activity you do with your family

- You should say:
- What it is
- When you do it
- How you do it
- And explain how you feel about it

Let's talk about leisure activities in general.

- 1. What leisure activities are popular in China?
- 2. What leisure activities are becoming more popular in China?
- 3. Do people have enough time for leisure activities?

Describe an experience when you played an indoor game with others

- What you played
- Who you played it with
- Why you played it

• And explain how you felt about it

Let's talk about indoor games.

- 1. What indoor games do children like to play nowadays?
- 2. What indoor games are becoming more popular in China?
- 3. Do people prefer to play indoor games or outdoor games?

Describe a time you were sleepy but had to stay awake

You should say:

- When it happened
- Why you were sleepy
- Why you had to stay awake
- And explain how you stayed awake

Let's talk more about sleep.

- 1. What kind of people lack sleep?
- 2. Why do people feel sleepy a lot nowadays?
- 3. How do people keep awake when they are tired?
- 4. What occasions do people need to keep awake even though they feel tired?

Describe an occasion when you celebrated an achievement

- What you achieved
- How you celebrated it
- Who you celebrated it with
- And explain how you felt about it

I'd like to talk some more about achievement.

- 1. How do Chinese people celebrate their family events?
- 2. Why is it important for sports fans to celebrate when their favorite team wins?
- 3. Do people prefer winning in a team or on their own?

Describe advice you received on choosing a course or job

- You should say:
- What it was
- When you received it
- Who you received it from
- And explain how you felt about it

Let's talk more about decisions.

- 1. What are the most popular university courses to study?
- 2. Why do young people find it hard to make career choices?
- 3. Who is the best person to advise young people on choices for study or careers?

Describe an experience when you got bored when you were with others

You should say:

- When it was
- Who you were with
- What they did
- And explain why you were bored

Let's talk more about experiences.

1. Why do people get bored?

- 2. Why are people less interested in reading books nowadays?
- 3. Are all boring jobs going to be done by robots in the future?

Describe a time you enjoyed a free day off work or school

You should say:

- Where you were
- What you did
- Who you were with
- And explain how you felt about it

Let's talk more about free time.

- 1. Do people nowadays have more free time than in the past?
- 2. What do people like to do when they have free time in your country?
- 3. Do you think most people are able to manage their free time well?
- 4. What's the difference between the things people did in their free time in the past and the things they do nowadays?

Describe a special day that you remember well

You should say:

- Where you were
- Who you were with
- What you did
- And explain why you remember it well

Let's talk more about special occasions.

- 1. What sort of special occasions are common in your country?
- 2. Do people spend too much money on their birthday parties or weddings?

3. How much do you think people should spend on their birthday parties and weddings?

Describe a time when you met someone for the first time

You should say:

- Where you met him or her
- When you met him or her
- What you talked about
- And explain how you felt about it

Let's talk more about friends and friendship.

- 1. Do you think it's strange to make friends online?
- 2. Why do some people have few friends?
- 3. Which is more important, new friendships or maintaining old ones?
- 4. How do companies welcome their new employees in your country?

Describe a place (not your home) where you read and write

You should say:

- Where it is
- What it is like
- How often you go there
- And explain how you feel about this place

Let's talk more about reading and writing.

- 1. Which do you think is a more important skill, reading or writing?
- 2. Who needs to have good writing skills?
- 3. Do you think people get more information from words or pictures?

Describe a school you went to in your childhood

You should say:

- Where it was
- What it was like
- What you learned there
- And explain how you felt about going there

Let's talk more about education.

- 1. What's the difference between current teachers and those in the past?
- 2. What's the difference between being taught by teachers and by AI?
- 3. Are there any differences between private schools and public schools?
- 4. Are there any differences between international schools and local schools?

Describe a place you remember well that is full of colors

You should say:

- Where it is
- What it is like
- What it is used for
- And explain why you remember it well

Let's talk more about colours.

- 1. Is the color of clothing important for most people in your country?
- 2. Should text-books be colorful?
- 3. What colors do people often choose when decorating their houses?

Describe a beautiful sky you enjoyed seeing

You should say:

- Where you saw it
- Who you saw it with
- What you saw
- And explain how you felt about it

Let's talk about the sky more.

- 1. What kind of people are interested in stars?
- 2. Should children know a lot about stars and planets?
- 3. Is technology helpful for star watching?

Describe a picture or photograph you like in your room

You should say:

- What is in it
- Where it is
- How you got it
- And explain why you like it

Let's talk about photography.

- 1. What are the advantages of taking photos with smartphones?
- 2. Do you think photographers are artists?
- 3. What are the benefits of children learning to paint?
- 4. Can anyone become a famous artist through hard work?

Describe a popular product (e.g. food, handicraft) made in your region

- What it is
- What it looks like
- How it is made
- And explain why it is popular

Let's talk more about popular products.

- 1. What sort of food is popular throughout the world?
- 2. Why do people buy imported products?
- 3. What sort of products does your country export?

Describe a gift that took you a lot of time to prepare

You should say:

- What it was
- Who you gave it to
- How you prepared it
- And explain why you spent a lot of time preparing it

Let's talk more about gifts.

- 1. How do people usually choose gifts?
- 2. Why do some people find it hard to choose gifts?
- 3. Do you think practical gifts are always better than other ones like cards and flowers?
- 4. Do people give the same gifts as they did in the past?

Describe a toy you liked in your childhood

You should say:

• What kind of toy it is

- When you received it
- How you played with it
- And explain how you felt about it

Let's talk about toys more.

- 1. Why do advertisements influence children?
- 2. Should advertising aimed at kids be prohibited?
- 3. Do you think parents should buy more toys for their kids or spend more time with them?
- 4. What's the difference between the toys kids play with now and those they played in the past?

Describe a film you would like to share with your friends

You should say:

- When you watched it
- Where you watched it
- Whether you like it or not
- And explain why you want to share it with friends

Let's talk about films more.

- 1. What kinds of films are popular in your country?
- 2. What kinds of films do young people not like to watch?
- 3. Do fewer people choose to watch movies in cinema than people did in the past?
- 4. Do you think cinemas will disappear in the future?

Describe a time when you did not tell a friend the truth

You should say:

When it was

- Where it happened
- Why you did not tell the truth
- And explain how you felt about it

Let's talk more about telling the truth.

- 1. Do you think mutual trust between friends is important?
- 2. Do you think people need to tell the truth all the time?
- 3. Why do children tell lies?
- 4. What should parents do it their children tell lies?

Describe a female leader you would like to meet.

You should say:

- Who she is
- What she does
- What she is like
- · And explain why you would like to meet her

Part3

- 1. Do women have more responsibility for taking care of children?
- 2. Do you think there is equality in the workplace for men and women nowadays?

Describe an important technological product you bought.

- What it is
- How you use it
- Why you bought it

· And explain why you think it is important

Part3

- 1. What do you think is the most important equipment in the workplace?
- 2. Which technological product do you think is most useful at home?
- 3. Do you think there will be no teachers to teach in schools in the future?
- 4. Do you think some technological products make people lazier? Why?

Describe a product or application which is based on artificial intelligence

You should say:

- What it is
- What it is used for
- How it is used
- And explain what you think of it

Part3

- 1. How will artificial intelligence affect our lives?
- 2. Will artificial intelligence have emotions in the future?

Describe a piece of software you use often

- What it is
- What it is used for
- How do you know about it
- And explain why you use it

Part3

- 1. What are the advantages of using instant messengers?
- 2. Will instant messengers replace Email?

Describe a TV program you liked when you were little.

You should say:

- What it was;
- When you watched it;
- How you knew it;
- And explain why you liked it.

Part 3

- 1. What's the difference between children's games nowadays and the past one?
- 2. What are the advantages of the children's games nowadays?

Describe a city you once went to with your family.

You should say:

- What the city was
- Why you went there
- What the city was like
- And explain how you felt about it

Part3

- 1. What kind of city do you like?
- 2. What are the advantages of living in a city?

3. Why do many people nowadays prefer living in suburbs?

Describe a place where you read and write

You should say:

- Where it is;
- How often you go there;
- Who you go there with;
- And explain how you feel about this place.

Part 3

- 1. Which is more important, reading or writing?
- 2. Who needs to have good writing skills?
- 3. Where can people get more information, words or pictures?

Describe a school you went to in your childhood.

You should say:

- Where it was;
- What it was like;
- What you learned there;
- And how you felt about it.

Part 3

- 1. What's the difference between the teachers nowadays and those in the past?
- 2. What's the difference between being taught by teachers and being taught by AI?
- 3. What's the difference between private schools and public schools?

Describe a time when you taught an older person something new.

You should say:

- When happened
- Who you taught
- Why you taught this person
- And explain how you felt about it

Part3

- 1. Do you think old people know more things than young people? Is it easy for old people to use new technology?
- 2. Why do some old people refuse to use new technology?
- 3. What are the advantages and disadvantages for old people to use a smart phone?

Describe a time that you visited a park.

You should say:

- When you visited it;
- Who you went there with;
- What you did there;
- And how you felt about it.

Part 3

- 1. Why should we keep parks clean?
- 2. Why is it necessary to have parks?
- 3. Why is walking dogs prohibited in some parks?
- 4. Why is walking on grass forbidden?

Describe an interesting conversation you had with a stranger.

You should say:

- Who this person was;
- What the conversation was about;
- Why you had this conversation;
- And how you felt about it.

Part 3

- 1. What's the difference between face to face conversation and phone conversation?
- 2. Which one do you prefer? Face to face or phone conversation?
- 3. Are there any disadvantages of face to face conversation?

Describe a time when you heard a stranger talking on the phone in a public place.

You should say:

- Where you were
- When it was
- What the stranger was talking about
- And explain how you felt about it

Part 3

- 1. Should people be banned from talking aloud in public places?
- 2. Is it bad to talk on the phone in public places?
- 3. Why do you think some people talk aloud on public transport?
- 4. Why do some people always break rules in public places?

Describe something you do to help you concentrate

- -What it is
- -How often you do it
- -When you started doing it
- And explain why it helped you concentrate

Now let's talk a bit more about concentration

- 1. Is it important for children to learn how to concentrate?
- 2. Who is the best person to teach children to concentrate?
- 3. What kinds of jobs require high concentration at work?
- 4. What sort of things distract people at work?
- 5. Do you think it is possible for people to do more than one thing at a time?
- 6. What can employers do to help their employees concentrate?

Describe an important decision made with the help of other people

You should say:

- When it happened
- Who helped you to make the decision
- What the decision was

And explain how you felt about it

Now let's talk a bit more about advice

- 1. What sort of major decisions do young people need to make?
- 2. When young people need to make a decision, should they listen to some advice?
- 3. Should we trust the advice given by strangers when making decisions?
- 4. Who makes worse decisions, men or women?
- 5. Why do some people not like making decisions?
- 6. Do you think it is advisable to listen to others' advice when making decisions?

DESCRIBE A TIME WHEN YOU HAD TO TAKE SOME MEDICINE

You should say:

- When it happened
- Who gave it to you
- Why you had it

And explain how you felt about it

Now let's talk a bit more about medicine.

- 1. Where can people get medicine in your country?
- 2. Do people buy medicine online?
- 3. Should medicine be free for those who cannot afford it?
- 4. Why do some people dislike taking medicine?
- 5. Is herbal medicine popular in your country?
- 6. Do you think some people take too much medicine?

DESCRIBE A HAPPY EXPERIENCE YOU HAD BEFORE

You should say:

- Where you were
- Who you were with
- What you did

And explain why you felt happy

Now let's talk a bit more about being happy

- 1. What sort of things make people happy?
- 2. Do you think money is the most important thing to be happy?
- 3. Are children generally happier than adults?

- 4. Is it important for people to be happy with their jobs?
- 5. Is job satisfaction more important than a high salary?
- 6. What can lead to job satisfaction?

DESCRIBE SOMETHING IMPORTANT THAT YOU LOST IN THE PAST

You should say:

- When this happened
- Where you lost it
- What it was

And explain why it was important

Now let's talk a bit more about important things.

- 1. What are some common things people lose?
- 2. What kinds of people lose things often?
- 3. What can we do to prevent losing important things?
- 4. Can technology help to prevent us losing things?
- 5. Do you think people should have insurance to cover lost items?
- 6. What should someone do if they find something valuable on the street?

DESCRIBE AN INTERESTING ANIMAL

You should say:

- What it looks like
- When you saw it for the first time
- Where it lives

And explain why it is interesting

Now let's talk a bit more about animals some more.

- 1. What types of animals are most common in your country?
- 2. Are their more or fewer wild animals than in the past?
- 3. What should we do to protect endangered animals?
- 4. Should experiments be conducted on animals?
- 5. Why do some people refuse to eat animals?
- 6. What will happen when some species of animals disappear from earth?

Describe a time that you were shopping in a street market

You should say:

- When it was
- Where you were
- What you bought

And describe how you felt about the shopping experience

Now let's talk a bit more about shopping

- 1. Where do most people in your country like to go shopping?
- 2. Why do some people prefer street markets over shopping malls?
- 3. Do you think the goods sold at discount stores are good value?
- 4. Do people in your country like shopping in big malls?
- 5. Why do some people like to buy expensive goods?
- 6. Are famous brand name products always good quality?

DESCRIBE A COMPETITION YOU WANT TO TAKE PART IN

You should say:

- What the competition is
- How you know about it
- What you need to prepare for it

And explain why you want to attend it

Now let's talk a bit more about competitions

- 1. What kinds of competitions are popular in your hometown?
- 2. What factors can lead to success in competitions?
- 3. Why are there many competition programs on TV nowadays?
- 4. Do you think competition is important in the work place?
- 5. What kinds of jobs or work should not involve competition?
- 6. What do you think about those people who win a competition?

DESCRIBE A CHILDHOOD FRIEND OF YOURS

You should say:

- · When you met him/her
- · Where you met him/her
- · What you did with your friend

How you felt about the friend

Now let's discuss friendship in general.

- 1. Is it important to have friends during children?
- 2. Do you think teenagers should have lots of friends or just a few good friends?
- 3. What are some reasons why some teenagers don't have any friends?
- 4. What can parents do to get their teenage children to socialise more?
- 5. Are teenagers influenced more by their peers or their parents?
- 6. Is it good to keep in touch with friends from childhood?

Describe a person who helps to protect the environment

- · Who this person is
- · How this person protects the environment
- · What difficulty this person has faced

And explain how you feel about this person

Let's talk some more about.

- 1. What environmental problems does your country have?
- 2. How can we protect the environment?
- 3. Is it important to teach students about environmental protection at school?
- 4. Do you think it is necessary to make environmental protection a government priority?
- 5. What is your understanding of global warming?
- 6. What are some ways to address global warming?

Describe something that was given to you that you really needed

You should say:

- · What it is
- · Who gave it to you
- · Why you need it

And explain how you felt about it

Now let's talk a bit more about acquiring goods

- 1. What types of things do young people like to buy?
- 2. Do you think people buy things that are not necessary?
- 3. What are the benefits of advertising?
- 4. Do you think people like to see ads on TV?
- 5. What should parent do when their children ask for things their friends have?
- 6. Is consumerism important to a country?

Describe a time that you wore a type of clothes for a special occasion

You should say:

- · What the occasion was
- · What you wore
- · Where you brought the clothes

And describe what other people at the occasion thought of your clothes

Now let's talk a bit more about a clothing

- 1. Does personality affect what clothing people choose what to wear?
- 2. When should people wear formal clothes?
- 3. Do people wear formal clothes more often than before?
- 4. What clothes do university students wear for their graduation ceremonies?
- 5. Where can you buy formal clothes in China?
- 6. How popular is buying clothes online in China?

DESCRIBE SOMETHING INTERESTING THAT YOUR FRIEND HAS DONE BUT YOU HAVEN'T

You should say:

- · What it was
- · Where your friend did it
- · When your friend did it

And explain why it was interesting

Now let's talk a bit more about friends

- 1. Are people influenced more by their friends or their parents?
- 2. Are people influenced by famous people?
- 3. Do you think it's better to have lots of friends or just a few close ones?

- 4. Is it possible to make true friendships online?
- 5. What can we you learn from our close friends?
- 6. Do teenagers learn more from their friends or their parents?

DESCRIBE AN INTERESTING TALK OR LECTURE YOU HAVE HEARD

You should say:

- · When you heard it
- · Where you heard it
- · What it was about

And explain why you think it was interesting

Now let's talk a bit more about speeches

- 1. What kinds of people get invited to give speeches?
- 2. What is required to be a good public speaker?
- 3. Why do people feel nervous when it comes to public speaking?
- 4. Are there any ways to feel less nervous?
- 5. Do you think all people feel nervous when giving speeches?
- 6. How important is body language when giving speeches?

DESCRIBE A GAME THAT YOU PLAYED IN YOUR CHILDHOOD

You should say:

- · What the game was
- · When you played it
- · Who you played it with

And explain how you felt about the game

Let's talk about games

- 1. What kinds of games do children play these days?
- 2. Why do people play different kinds of games after they grow up?
- 3. Do you think winning is the most important goal when playing games? Now let's talk more about games
- 4. Do parents in your country encourage their children to play games?
- 5. What kinds of games do children play at school?
- 6. What games are most popular with adults?

DESCRIBE A QUIET PLACE YOU FOUND

You should say:

- -where it is
- -when you found it
- -how often you go there
- and how you felt about the place

Let's talk some more about quiet places

- 1. Is it hard to find quiet places in cities?
- 2. Is it always quiet in the countryside?
- 3. Do older people tend to live in quieter places than young people? Now let's move on to talk about noise.
- 4. What sort of annoying noises do neighbours make?
- 5. How would you deal with noisy neighbours?
- 6. Do you think there should be more laws to control the amount of noise people can make?

Describe a building you like

- · Where it is
- · What it is used for

· What it looks like

And explain why you like or dislike it

Now let's talk a bit more about old buildings

- 1. How do people in your country feel about old buildings?
- 2. Do old people and young people in your country have the same attitudes towards old buildings?
- 3. Is it important to preserve old buildings?
- 4. What are some ways to preserve old buildings?
- 5. How do old buildings affect the appearance of a place?
- 6. Should there be laws to control the design of buildings.