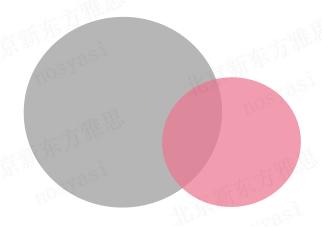


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# 国际教育



# Part 1

Introduction and interview (4 – 5 minutes)

# 超高频话题

# 学习/工作 Study or work

# Study (for Students)

What's your subject? / What do you study?

Why did you choose this subject?

What skills do you think help you study?

Do you prefer to study alone or with others?

Do you prefer studying in the morning or the afternoon?

Who do you think helps you the most in your study?

Do you have a study routine?

Do you find it difficult to balance life and study?

Do you think what you are studying now will be helpful in your future job?

What would you like to do after graduation?

#### Work

Do you work or are you a student?

What job do you do?

Why did you choose that work?

Do you prefer working in the morning or the evening?

What kind of technology do you use for your job?

Who helps you the most at work?

What kind of hi-tech products have you used?

Do you think you will do a job that involves a lot of social activities in the future? For example, talking with a lot of people.

Would you like to work with a lot of people?

How do you manage your time at work?

Do you see yourself continuing to do this job in the future?

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Can you give me an example of a good thing about the job you are doing?

# 住所 Accommodation

Do you live in a house or a flat?

Do you have a favourite room?

(Similar to above) Which room do you like the most? (Why?)

(Similar to above) Which is the most comfortable room?

What did you do to make your room more comfortable?

What kind of home would you like to live in?

What objects do you like in your home?

What are the benefits of living there?(new)

Do you know any of your neighbours? (new)

#### 家乡 Hometown

What's your hometown?

(Similar to above) Where are you from?

Tell me something about your hometown.

What's the weather like in your hometown?

Where did you grow up?

Would you like to move back to your hometown?

Do you think of your hometown as a liveable city? /Do you think your hometown is a liveable city?

Are there any places in your hometown that are suitable for travelling?

Is there anything famous in your hometown?

What's the most impressive thing about /in your hometown?

Do you like to travel alone (in your city)?

Are there any historical stories in your hometown?

Do you know much about the history of your hometown?

Did you learn anything about the history of your hometown in school?



# Part 1

# 上季保留话题 15 个

# 地理 Geography

Do you like geography?

Have you ever studied geography at school?

Are you good at reading a map?

Would you visit a country because of its geographical location?

#### 社交媒体 Social Media

Do you (or your friends) like using social media?

How often do you use social media?

Do you think (or your friends) use too much social media?

Would you like to work in social media?

What's the most popular social media in China?

#### 解谜游戏 Puzzles

Did you do puzzles in your childhood?

When do you do puzzles, during your trip or when you feel bored?

Do you like doing word or number puzzles? Which is more difficult for you?

Do you think it's good for old people to do puzzles?

# 写字 Writing

Do you write a lot?

What do you like to write?

Do you think the things you write would change?

Do you prefer typing or handwriting something?

# 名字 Names

Does your name have any special meaning?

Does anyone in your family have the same name as you?

What name would you choose to give a child?

Are there any differences between how Chinese people name their children now and in the past?

What is/are the popular name(s) in China?



# 小吃 Snacks

What snacks do you like to eat?

Did you often eat snacks when you were young?

When do you usually eat snacks now?

Do you think it's healthy for you to eat snacks?

# 天气 Weather

Do you prefer cold or hot weather?

What's the weather like where you live?

Do you prefer dry or wet weather?

Do you get in the habit of checking the weather forecast? (when /and how often?)

# 公共交通 Public Transportation

Do you often take public transport?

What kind of public transport do you usually take?

When do you usually take public transport in your everyday life or when you are traveling?

Do most people like taking public transport in your country?

Did you take public transport when you were a kid?

#### 生日 Birthday

What do you usually do on your birthdays?

What did you do on your birthdays when you were young?

Do you think it's important for you to celebrate your birthday?

What birthdays do you think are the most important in China?

# 科技 Technology

What technology do you often use, computers or cell phones?

What are the benefits of using technology?

Do you like to use new technology?

What electronic devices have you bought lately?

Is technology important in your life?

#### 做饭/家务 Cooking / Housework

Do you like cooking?



Who usually does the cooking in your home?

Do you often do housework at home?

Do you want to learn how to cook well?

# 清晨时光 Morning Time

Do you often get up early?

What is your morning routine?

Do you like the morning or the evening?

Is breakfast important?

Do you like getting up early in the morning?

What do you usually do in the morning?

Are there any differences between what you do in the morning now and what you did in the past?

# 天赋 Talents

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

Do you think your talent can be useful for your future work? Why?

Is there anyone in your family that has the same talent?

#### 晚间时光 Evening Time

Do you like mornings or evenings?

What do you usually do in the evenings?

What did you do in the evening when you were younger/were a child? Why?

Are there any differences between what you do in the evenings now and what you did in the past?

# 唱歌 Singing

Do you like singing? (Why)?

Have you learned how to sing?

If possible, which person would you like to sing a song for?

Do you think singing can bring happiness to people?

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# Part 2 话题

# 人物题

# 上季保留6个

# 时尚人士

Describe a person who likes to wear fashionable clothes/dress well.

You should say:

who he/she is

what job he/she does

what kinds of clothes he/she usually wears

and explain how you feel about him/her.

#### Part 3 Questions:

Where do Chinese people normally buy clothes?

Do you think online shopping will replace brick-and-mortar shops in the future?

Why is fashion very important to some people?

Whether old people are as fashionable as young people?

Are women more fashionable than men?

What do you think of some young people who don't like fashion?

# 儿时朋友

Describe a memorable childhood friend.

You should say:

who this person is

how you met each other

what you did together

and explain why you liked him or her.

# Part 3 Questions:

**Friendship** 

Do you think people nowadays have long-term friendships?

Whether people often in contact with their old friends?

Is it important for a kid to have a close friend?

Do you still keep in touch with your friends form childhood? Why or why not?

How important is childhood friendship to children?





Do you think online communication through social media will replace face-to-face communication?

# 外国人

Describe a person you know who is from a different culture.

You should say:

who this person is

where he/she is from

how you know him/her

and explain why you liked him/her.

#### Part 3 Questions:

Where and how can we get to know people of different cultures better?

What are the advantages and disadvantages of cultural diversity?

How can traditional culture and other cultures coexist?

Do you think it's easier for people to learn about a different culture now?

How should we get along with people from different cultures?

# 种植物的人

Describe a person you know who enjoys growing plants.

You should say:

who this person is

what he/she grows

where he/she grows them

and explain why he/she enjoys growing plants.

possible follow-up question: Would you like to plant vegetables?

# Part 3 Questions:

What types of plants do people like (to keep)?

Are there many people growing their own vegetables now?

Do you think it's easy to grow plants in a city?

Do you think it's good for children to learn how to grow plant?

What do you think of the job of a farmer?

What are the differences between traditional and modern agriculture?





Describe a person who inspired you to do something interesting.

You should say:

who this person is

how you know him/her

what interesting thing he/she inspired you to do

and explain how he/she inspired you to do something interesting.

#### Part 3 Questions:

What qualities make a role model?

Why should children learn from role models?

Who can influence children more, teachers or parents?

What kind of international news inspires people?

# 知名人士

Version A: Describe a popular person you are interested in / you like the most.

You should say:

who this person is

how you know about this person

what this person did before being popular

and explain why you are interested in this person / why you like this person.

Version B: Describe a well-known person in your country.

You should say:

who this person is

how you know about this person

what this person did before being famous

and explain why this person is popular in your country.

# Part 3 Questions:

Being popular at school

Is it useful to be popular at school?

What kinds of things make a student popular at school?

What are the advantages and disadvantages of being popular at school?

Famous people and celebrities

What kinds of people do you think are famous (in China)?

Are scientists' famous people?



What kinds of people can become famous?

Are there any differences between famous people and celebrities?

Are there any differences between famous people in the past and nowadays?

Why do some famous people do something bad?

# Desire for fame

Why do you think many people/adults want to be famous?

What do you think are the disadvantages of being famous?

Many young children nowadays want to be famous in the future. what do you think?

#### <u>Bosses</u>

Who need to be more popular, a boss or an employee?

Is it good for a boss to be popular?





# 地点题

# 上季保留 4 个

# 运动场所

Describe a popular place for sports (e.g. a stadium) that you've been to.

You should say:

where it is

when you went there

what you did

and explain how you felt about this place.

#### Part 3 Questions:

Do young people like to do sports (in your country)?

Do you think young people should do sports everyday?

What are the benefits of sports for children?

Is it necessary to build public sports space?

What do you think of companies donating sports venues to poor children?

#### 熟人之家

Describe someone's home you often visit.

You should say:

whose home it is

how often do you go there

what is it like

and explain how you feel about his/her home.

# Part 3 Questions:

What are the differences between houses or buildings in the city and in the countryside?

Do you prefer to live in a city or in the countryside?

What (safety) risks are there in residential buildings in cities?

Is it expensive to decorate a house or an apartment in the place where you live?

How do people decorate their rooms?

What are the advantages and disadvantages of living in high-rise buildings?

What's your favourite type of house?





Do you like houses with plenty of natural lights?

# 向游客推荐的一个地方

Describe a place (you've been to) in your country or part of your country that you would like to recommend to visitors/travellers.

You should say:

what it is

where it is

what people can do there

and explain why you would like to recommend it to visitors/travellers.

#### Part 3 Questions:

Is it important to take photos while traveling?

Can you trust other people's travel journals on the Internet?

# 重要的河流或湖泊

Describe an important river or lake in your country.

You should say:

where it is

how big it is

what it looks like

and explain why it is important.

# Part 3 Questions:

Recreational Activities Near Water

Why do some people like to visit a river, lake, beach or other places with water?

What are some examples of sports that people do on or in water?

Can you suggest why some people choose to live near the sea?

Are boating activities very popular (or, common) in your country?

How can rivers or lakes benefit local people?

# 实物

# 上季保留5个

# 值得骄傲的照片

Describe a photo you took that you're proud of.

You should say:



when you took this photo

where you took this photo

what/who are in this photo

and explain why you are proud of this photo.

# Part 3 Questions:

Why do some people like to record important things in photos?

What can people learn from historical photographs?

Is taking photos the best way to remember something?

What do you think of beautiful selfies?

What do people usually photograph?

Which is better when it comes to recording the important family moment, using words or photos?

Which is better to keep history? Recording it in a photo or writing it down?

#### 漂亮物品

Describe an object that you think is beautiful.

you should say:

what it is

where you saw it

what it looks like

and explain why you think it is beautiful

# Part 3 Questions:

Do you think there are more beautiful things now than in the past? Why?

What beautiful scenic spots are there in your country?

Where do you think people usually come into contact with beautiful things?

Why do you think people create beautiful things?

What types of art do people like most, literature, music or painting?

What are the differences between traditional and modern artworks?

# 分享之物

Describe something you had and shared this with others.

You should say:

what it was

when it happened

who you shared it with



And explain how you felt about it.

#### Part 3 Questions:

Do you think kids like to share? Why?

Why do you think some children don't like sharing thing with others?

Why do you think sharing is important?

Is there anything that parents would ask children to share with others?

How can parents teach their kids to share?

What do you think are the benefits of sharing for children?

Why do you think sometimes business people do not like sharing?

# 一个传统物品

Describe a traditional product in your country.

You should say:

what it is

when do people need it

how you first knew it

and explain how you feel about it.

# Part 3 Questions:

**Traditional Objects** 

Would you say traditional products that are made in your country today are the same quality as the products that were produced in historical times?

What would you say are the differences between traditional products and modern ones that serve the same purpose?

Do you think it's important for (some) people to learn how to make traditional products in schools and/or at home?

#### **Traditions**

Do you think traditions should be (or, need to be) protected?

# 伟大发明

Version A: Describe an invention that changed people's lives.

You should say:

what it is

what it does

how popular it is among people of different ages

and explain why (or how) you think it changed people's lives

Version B: Describe an invention that you think changed the world in a good way.

You should say:



what it is

what influence it has for each age group

what the world was like before this invention

and explain why this invention changed the world in a good way

# Part 3 Questions:

Modern Technology

What are some common examples of home appliances?

Do you think these inventions tend to make people lazy?

Can you think of any other things, not yet invented, that might appear in people's home within the next 20 or 30 years?

What are some examples of electronic/electrical equipment that are used in schools?





# 虚物

# 上季保留6个

# 户外活动

Describe an outdoor activity you did in a new place (recently).

You should say:

what it is

when and where you did this

who did you do it with

and explain how you felt about this activity.

#### Part 3 Questions:

What outdoor activities are popular in China?

Are those people who like dangerous activities more likely to be successful?

Do you think people should change jobs when there are new opportunities?

Should young people try as many new activities as possible?

What are the differences between the outdoor activities that young people like to do and the ones that old people like to do?

Is it important for children to try new things?

Why some people don't want to change?

# 喜爱节目

Describe a program you like to watch

You should say:

what kind of program it is

what it is about

how often do you watch it

and explain why you like to watch it.

#### Part 3 Questions:

What kinds of programs do Chinese people enjoy watching?

Do people in your country like to watch foreign TV programs?

Compared with taking children to zoos, are there any benefits of watching animal-related videos?



Do Chinese teachers (usually) play videos in class?

# 喜欢的英语课

Describe an impressive English lesson you enjoyed.

You should say:

what it was about

when you had it

what you did

and explain why you enjoyed it.

#### Part 3 Questions:

What are the advantages of being an English teacher?

What are the advantages of learning a second language?

Why do people learn foreign language?

What makes a good foreign language teacher?

Do you think grammar is important when learning foreign language?

Is it interesting to be a foreign language teaceher?

# 想再看的电影

Describe a movie you want to watch again.

You should say:

what it is

when you first watched it

where you first watched it

and explain why you want to watch it again.

# Part 3 Questions:

Do people in your country still like to go to a cinema?

Where do people watch movies?

Should actors be paid more?

What makes an actor a famous movie star?

Are actors or actresses important to a movie?

Why are there fewer people going to the cinema to watch movies nowadays?

Why don't Chinese people enjoy having popcorn?





Who is more important? An actor or a director?

# 有趣小说

describe an interesting novel you've read.

You should say:

what it is about

when you read it

who wrote this novel

and explain why you think it's interesting.

# Part 3 Questions:

What kinds of novels/films are popular in China?

What kinds of elements can determine the success of a film?

What are the differences between paper books and e-books?

How does technology help people tell stories?

Why are mystery novels so popular nowadays?

What kinds of novels are suitable for a film adaptation?

# 学习到的重要事情

Describe an important thing you learned (not at school)

You should say:

what it was

when and where you learned it

how you learned it

and explain why it was important.

# Part 3 Questions:

What can children learn from parents?

Do you think some children are well-behaved because they are influenced by their parents?

Is it necessary for adults to learn new things?

How can people learn new things?



# 事件题

# 上季保留6个

#### 受到表扬

Describe a time you received positive feedback.

You should say:

when and where it happened

who gave you the feedback

why he/she gave you the positive feedback

and explain how you felt about it.

# Part 3 Questions:

Do you think children need encouragement as they grow up?

Which kind of feedback do people tend to believe, positive or negative feedback?

Do you think public recognition is important people nowadays?

Do you think those who have received public recognition should take on more social responsibilities?

#### 信息搜索

Describe a time when you searched for information.

You should say:

when it happened

what information you were looking for

where you searched

and explain how you felt about it.

#### Part 3 Questions:

Will libraries be replaced by the internet?

What are the differences between e-libraries and physical libraries? Which type is more popular?

What are the ways of getting information nowadays?

How can people check whether a piece of information is correct or not?

Do people trust information online?

Do you think disadvantaged people will search for some information online?

#### 决心等待

Describe a time when you decided to wait for something.

You should say:



when it happened

what you waited for

why you made the decision

and explain how you felt about the decision.

# Part 3 Questions:

What do people normally wait for?

What do people usually do while waiting?

Is being patient good for people? Why?

Do you think being patient is essential? Why?

Are people less patient now than people in the past?

# 克服困难终成功

Describe a time when you overcame difficulties in doing something and succeeded.

You should say:

what the difficult task was

how you overcame difficulties

whether got help

and explain how your felt when you succeed

# Part 3 Questions:

Should people set goals for themselves?

How do you define success?

How do we judge whether young people are successful?

Are successful people lonely?

# 收钱

Describe a time when you received money as a gift.

You should say:

when it happened

who gave you money

why he/she gave you money

and explain how you used the money.

# Part 3 Questions:

Why do people rarely use cash now?

When do children begin to comprehend the value of money?





Should parents reward children with money (after doing some housework)?

Is it good and necessary to teach children to save money?

When do children start to become interested in money?

Do people in your country prefer to use cash or credit card?

What are the advantages and disadvantages of using credit cards?

Do you think credit cards are as important as cash?

# 塑料废品

Describe a time when you saw a lot of plastic waste (e.g. in a park, on the beach, etc.)

You should say:

when and when you saw it

why there was a lot of plastic waste

what you did do after you saw them

and explain what your thoughts were about this.

#### Part 3 Questions:

Do you think we should use plastic products?

How can we reduce our use of plastic?

What kinds of plastic waste are often seen in your country?

Why do people like to use plastic products?

Do you think weather influences people's outings?



