**SPEAKING PART 2**

**1 min to prepare- speak for 2 mins- about 200 words**

**Detail description+ story telling**

**Places+ people+ objects+ events**

A city that is good for people to live in

I would like to introduce a city named xxx **which** is (a xxx city) located in the xxx part of xxx.

**It was** about x years ago **that** I paid my first visit to this city with my xxx, and I was instantly attracted by it.

**The reason why** I think this city livable **is that**, firstly… besides,…finally, **what** attracts me the most is the…

Anyway, **it is** because of those reasons **that** I (want to settle down in this city in the future)

1. Pleasant climate- mild temperature (not too hot in summer or cold in winter), with abundant sunshine all year round- by contrast, in my hometown, the summer and winter are long and painful (intolerable)
2. Local specialty food and snacks which cannot be easily tastes elsewhere- I especially recommend the xxx which … / each year, millions of visitors are attracted to this place just to indulge themselves in those delicacies
3. Spectacular/ stunning/ breathtaking/ gorgeous/ inviting/ magnificent landscape- splendid mountains, lush trees and forests, limpid (clear) rivers and lakes, colorful flowers that bloom everywhere /
4. Unique culture and rich history—dates back to x dynasty which is over x years ago/ historical relics/ enjoy the ceremonies and festivals of minorities
5. Local residents- who are hospitable (warm-hearted, obliging= helpful, amicable= friendly, diligent, )- What impressed me the most was that, during our traveling…

A place you have been to where things are expensive

Amusement park- tourism site= tourists’ attraction=

I would like to talk about a xxx which is located in…

It was about x months ago that my xxx and I paid a visit to this xxx, and we were shocked (astonished) by the high price of everything in that place.

**Firstly**—the hotel costs over x one night, you know, in other first-tier cities, the same-level hotel would cost at most xxx/ not to mention that, the hotel we booked were not in central area, and the facilities were outdated-

**In addition**- the transportation is also **costly (pricey)-** I remember we took the taxi for x minutes, which cost us x/ in my hometown, the same trip only needs one third of what we paid.

**Finally, what shocked us the most was the food**- we chose a very small restaurant and ordered some local specialty dishes- we split the bill- each paid 100 which was enough to buy all the food we ordered if we were in other cities

**Admission ticket/ souvenirs/…**

Anyway, it is because of those reasons that I think this is a disappointing travel experience I may never go there again. // In spite of the huge cost, we had tons of fun, which is why we want to go there again in the future

**Self-study room in the library**

1. High study efficiency- very peaceful- the only sound you can hear is pen rustling and pages turning-- quickly calm down and immerse myself in study//
2. Whenever I meet some problems in study, I can refer to the books in the library and find out the best solution
3. Strong competitive and academic atmosphere- everyone is studying diligently/ so we have no urge to play our phone or do sth unrelated to study

A historical building you have been to yellow crane tower

I would like to introduce a historical building named xxx which is located in xxx (the landmark of xxx city).

This tower dates back to xxx dynasty which is over x years ago. It has typical traditional Chinese building style, similar to those in the Forbidden City (with glaze tiles, upturned eaves, and many sculptures of mythological creatures).

It was xx ago that i paid my first visit to this building, and I was instantly attracted by it. During my visit, I took lots of photos, appreciated the poems and paintings created by ancient artists, and listened to the comment of the tour guide. What impresses me the most is a legend about this tower. It is said that… beggar/ teahouse/ food and water/ drew a crane on the ground and it came to life/ the dancing crane helped the owner attract many customers, which made the owner a rich man/ the beggar who was in fact a god, rode the crane and flew away/ in order to thank this god, … built this tower and named it yct / a symbol of gene**ro**sity, kindness and being grateful /

Anyway, it is because of those reasons that I …

A place you visited with air pollution

I would like to talk about a xxx which …

It was xxx ago that I went there with my xxx because …

Upon arrival, we were astonished by the severe air pollution. The visibility was so low that we couldn’t even see xx clearly even thought it was just a few meters away// it was x pm, but felt like dusk because the air was grey // there was strong chemical smell in each breath/ could even taste the small particles // put on masks as fast as we could

Later, it was from the xxx that I found out the cause of this pollution. It turned out that… (industrial emissions )- (dispose of the rubbish by burning)- (annual sandstorm brought by the wind from the north)- fossil fuel/ coal

Because of the pollution, our plan was completely ruined, and our activities were restricted to indoor

Anyway, it is because of the pollution that I think this is a disappointing experience, and I sincerely hope local government can take some actions (measures) to resolve this issue.

A person you know who made a good decision recently

I would like to talk about my xxx who decided to… work out in the gym

It was x ago that he… / initially he couldn’t make up his mind because… then he asked me for advice. After listening to his situation, I … in the end, he took my advice and..

The reason why I think he made a good decision is that he got lots of benefit from it, firstly…, more importantly…, finally, what impressed me the most is that…

Anyway, it is because of those benefits that I think my xxx made a wise decision, and I also gained a strong sense of achievement from his experience.

A person who likes to buy goods with low prices

I would like to talk about xxx who always wants a good bargain

Where- online shopping app, second-hand trade platform (flea market)/ discount store/ duty-free shop// buy vegetables and fruits at night in the supermarket// buy foods with close expiration date

This kind of spending habit brings her lots of benefit, what impressed me the most was that, once… However, she isn’t always so lucky, I remember once…

The reason why she likes to buy low-price products is that… thrifty (frugal)-adj

Anyway, I think in general, saving money is a good habit, but we need learn how to distinguish trash from treasure.

An interesting old person you have met

I would like to talk about an elderly lady/ gentleman whom I met …

It was xx ago that I … and my attention was caught by his/ her clothing- her hair was dyed xxx, and she was wearing xx shirt with a pair of xx jeans and xx sneakers, which made her look very young/ fashionable. …

How did you start your conversation? From our chatting, I found that she also has very interesting hobbies, unlike most elderly people, she enjoys… she even showed me her social media, and I was impressed that she has hundreds of followers-- As our conversation went deeper, I realized that his thinking is also different from his peers--- / life experience - Anyway, I truly feel glad to have met this xxx.