Speaking part 2

A sport you have only watched but not played by yourself

A sport you watched and would like to try

I would like to talk about xxx which …

**I**t was xx ago that I first knew this sport, and I find it fascinating because….(what impresses me the most is … ) Right now,… Olympic games, championship, finals, …

**T**he reason why I haven’t participated in this sport is that, firstly…., in addition…, last but not least… **A**nyway, I am looking forward to the day when I can try this sport in person, which I believe will be an unforgettable exp of my life.

Require lots of professional equipment and skills/ the cost is tremendous, which I cannot afford as a student with limited financial ability/ the sport is physically demanding- requires strong endurance, muscle power/ parkour

Diving, scuba diving, sky diving, skiing, bungee jumping,

A new law you would like to introduce to your country

**Law**- abandon pets

**Phenomenon**- there are lots of stray cats and dogs most of which used to be home pets

**Reason**- pets like cats and dogs are abandoned for various reasons, for example…

**Problem**- them to us- spread virus, parasite/ make much noise/ hurt people by accident- news report about dogs attacking passersby / it is believed that stray cats are responsible for the collapse of ecosystem as they hunt too many small animals

At the same time- sick people would abuse (torture) those strays for fun and attention, some even capture them for food, which causes terrible social influence

**Hope**- it is because of those serious problems that I hope to introduce a law about abandoning pets. For example, people who want to buy or adopt a pet should register their information, and then a microchip will be planted into the pet. So in the future, if the pet is abandoned, the owner can be found through this chip, and received some punishment. In this way, everyone will think twice before having or abandoning a pet.

**Feeling**- anyway, I am looking forward to the day when this law can be introduced and implemented in our country.

An important plant in your country

Which plant

What it is like/ Where it grows

Why important

1. Food source – can be cooked into tasty dishes and be processed into other products
2. Economic value- support many families’ living/ many farmers earn their income ..
3. Cultural and symbolic value- purity, integrity or uprightness, endurance, resilience, youth and energy and positive life attitude, elegance, prosperity and fortune///
4. Ecological value- absorb carbon dioxide and other toxic fumes, and release oxygen/ absorb dust / provide habitats for many animals
5. Practical value – can be made into furniture/ wonderful constructions materials/ durable and light/ unlike other materials which are unsustainable

Bamboo- which is one of the most important plants in China. … can be found in many place in China esp in the south as this plant prefer warmer and wetter climate/

The reason why ..is that, firstly, it can food source—bamboo shoots (tasty, and nutritious )- also the main food for our national treasure pandas/ apart from that, it has lots of practical value-- scaffold / bamboo raft and houses

1. Finally, bamboos take a significant place in Chinese culture. They grow straight up without many branches, which symbolizes integrity and uprightness in our culture. Appreciated and praised by many artists in China- poems, paintings- a famous ancient poet once said, one can live without meat, but not without bamboo. Lack of meat makes people thin, but lack of bamboo makes people tasteless.

Anyway, it is because of those reasons that I think bamboo is a wonderful plant which has so many merits

Lotus- leaves (tea, food wrappers )- lotus blossom (cultural value, purity, Buddhism)- lotus seeds (food- bring down the inner heat and help people flush toxins)- lotus root (food- a signature dish called **pork rib with lotus root soup** , economic value)

Sunflower- seeds, extract oil, positive attitude, animal feed for the winter

A piece of technology you own and found difficult to use

Something you own and want to replace

I would like to talk about a xxx ( smart watch/ sweeping robot/ dishwasher/) which I find troublesome to use. It was xxx ago that I bought this device because… / for the first few days, I felt quite fresh and excited about this piece of tech, and I would study how to use it in my free time. However, as the passion and freshness faded, I realized it wasn’t what I wanted. The reason why I think so is that, firstly…, in addition…, finally, what annoys me the most is that… Anyway, it is because of those problems that I want to replace this xxx with a new and more advanced one in the future.

The battery life is very short. After being fully charged, it can only be used for xxx, sometimes when I want to use it, I only find the battery is dead, and the charging is painfully slow/// the so-called smart xxx isn’t smart at all, I mean… // the operation is too complicated- too many buttons, simple press, double press, long press have different functions- make me confused/ heavy like a hunk of rock- burden during my participation of sports

Digital single lens reflex camera / penetrate the wall

Describe a special meal that someone made for you

A special meal that you had

Western food which was cooked by…

It was …ago that i…, in order to celebrate/ reward me, my xxx decided to cook sth different to have a change of taste

The first thing she did was boiling the pasta- takes long time to get soft /

While the pasta was being boiled, / began to fry the steak in the pan / after it was well-done, some black pepper sauce was smeared on top of it

The following step was making the pasta sauce with tomato, onion, and beef, and then poured it into the bowl which contained the boiled pasta and then mix it up

Finally- made a salad with lettuce, kale, cucumber, tomato, boiled chicken breast, boiled egg, ham, carrot

Before enjoying the meal/ turned off the lights, lit up the candles, made a birthday wish, blew out the candles// it was delectable, what impressed me the most was the steak which tasted juicy and meaty, with strong fragrance of pepper and lingering aftertaste

Anyway, I have eaten lots of western meals, but I think the most memorable one is what my xxx cooked for me. Made a toast to each other / together

Cooking method+ main ingredient+ seasonings (other ingredients)

Oil-braised crawfish/ steamed crawfish with minced garlic

Braised pork rib with potato/ sugar-coated haws on a stick / deep-fried dough stick (twist)/ sweet and sour pork rib -- fat/ lean pork/ marble/ kidney/ liver/ lung

Describe a time you taught something new to a younger person

Describe a time when you taught a friend/relative something

Process- list steps + set difficulties (setbacks)

Describe an enjoyable journey by public transport

Traveled to xxx/ at first, private car/ changed into high-speed train/ disappointed/ got into the train/ amazed by the wonderful environment- spacious and cozy seats, clean and tidy, fresh air/ train ran so smoothly that I could barely feel it

During the train ride, met some youngster who…/ played board games, discussed our travel plan… //

Father-in-law

Describe a risk you took that you thought would lead to a terrible result but ended up with a positive result

I would like to talk a time when I changed my xxx (supervisor/ major/ school)

It was xxx ago that I was facing this tough decision, … I really wanted to change … because… However, it would be a huge risk for me because…

After careful consideration and much discussion with my xxx, I finally made up my mind to change…

The reason why I think I have a positive result is that firstly…, in addition…, finally, what delights me the most is that…

Anyway, it is because of those benefits that I feel glad to have made this change (taken this risk)