[Lesson 5] Writing-Brainstorming

Topic 1 话题: 人与社会(传统文化)

假设你是明启中学高三学生李明,最近你校即将接待来自英国的一批高中生,需要向他们介绍中国文化。你对此很感兴趣,写一封邮件给学校外事接待处,表达你的意愿,内容需包括:

- 1) 你对哪一方面的中国文化特别感头趣;
- 2) 计划通过何种方式向寄宿在你家的外国学生介绍。

①传统节日

eg.the Mid-Autumn Festival

- -introduce the origin: understand the story behind the festival and the meaning contained briefly
- -invite our foreign friend to join our family reunion: make mooncakes/dinner/sit in the garden enjoying a beautiful full moon and eat our mooncakes/the story of Chang'e and the Jade Rabbit
- ②传统美食

eg.rice dumplings 粽子

- -introduce the origin and meaning contained: the Dragon Boat Festival/in memory of the great patriotic poet Qu Yuan/symbolize health and peace
- -invite our foreign friend to join us in making rice dumplings: buy ingredients/wrap sticky rice in reed leaves

Topic 2 话题: 人与自我(做决策)

假设你是明启中学高三学生李明,最近你校英语报正在进行主题为"Decision Making"的征文,你对此很感兴趣,决定写一篇文章投稿,内容需包括:

- 1) 通常情况下, 你如何做出决定;
- 2) 在无法抉择的情况下,通常是什么因素帮你做出最后决定。
- -whether the decision may be against my principles
- -whether it is consistent with my long-term goals
- -something that appeals to me
- -others' suggestions

Topic 3 话题: 人与自然(流浪猫)

假设你是明启中学高三学生李明,最近在你所居佳的小区论坛上看到有人发怗抱怨小区内流浪猫(stray cats)太多,有人跟贴表示这一情况的确给对猫过敏(allergic)的居民带来了困扰,但也有爱猫人士跟帖表示流浪猫也需要得到照顾。你对此话题很感兴趣,决定跟帖发表自己的意见,内容须包括:

- 1) 你认为应该如何处置小区内的流浪猫;
- 2) 你的理由。

总态度: control the stray cats' population as well as take good care of them -sterilize the stray cats with the help of professionals: if not, breed, number+; ask the

property management 物业 for help and send them to pet hospitals for sterilization operation 绝育

- -take the stray cats to a stray animal rescue center/cat lovers and neighborhood committee set up one: provide food; take turns to look after them regularly
- -find adopters for the stray cats: physical examination, prevent the spread of zoonotic diseases; stable home+economic independence, be abandoned because of some reasons like moving house or pets' sickness

Topic 4 话题:人与自我(坚持/废止的新年计划)

假设你是明启中学高三学生李明,在你校英语报读到如下的征文启事。

你一定曾在新年伊始许下"新年计划 (New Year's Resolution)", 其中必定有半途而废, 也有坚持到底。请通过邮件 (发至 mqeng@666.com)来和我们聊聊你们的新年计划吧!

你对此话题很感兴趣,写一封邮件投稿,内容须包括:

- 1) 叙述你曾经半途而废或坚持到底的某个新年计划;
- 2)解释导致你半途而废或促使你坚持到底的原因。

①运动类

- -gain much weight due to study pressure and lack of physical exercise
- -unconfident and inactive
- -COVID: unexpected good opportunity to start from exercising at home every day
- -family and friends' encouragement
- -benefits: more and more energetic; healthier and stronger body, concentration on study; time and emotion management, patience

(2) 艺术类

- -loyal fan of XXX, heartfelt love for his/her songs
- -unconfident and inactive
- -COVID: cannot go out and play/exercise; unexpected good opportunity to practice singing at home every day
- -family and friends' encouragement
- -benefits: more and more energetic; acquire singing skills, confident, able to perform on the stage; emotion management, patience

最后有一段话送给大家:

I moored your canoe in the harbor,我将你的小舟泊入港湾

Legends had made you a navigator,你怀揣对传奇的憧憬起航

Oceans were filled with adventure,大海险象迭生

Voice afar was calling for a sailor,远处的声音向你呼唤

Even if rough waves roared louder,即使汹涌的浪潮在耳旁嚎叫

Unknown fates made you braver.天晴之后,你会更勇敢地驶向远方