

# Speaking Part 1

\*Note: 9-12 season query

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## I. STUDY/WORK

### A. *Do you work or are you a student?*

Student + Degree + School + Major(engineering)  
I'm a post graduate student at SJTU currently.  
Majoring in aircraft control and information engineering.

### B. *What subject are you studying?*

Aircraft control and information engineering.  
mostly it's about control stuff, like control law's designing  
and modelling of an aircraft

### C. *Why did you choose that subject?*

I liked it in my high School and I was interested in planes,  
aircraft, something stuff  
So, I chose this subject as my bachelor's Major and kept  
learning it in my master's study

### D. *What would you like to do in the future?*

to be a robotics engineer

### E. *What are the most popular subjects in China?*

computer science  
seems with higher salaries than other subjects you can  
remember

### F. *Do you think it's important to choose a subject you like?*

after the bachelor's time span, I'd say it depends on what  
life stage we are in  
during bachelor time, one can choose subjects that are more  
universal.

For engineering students, they are math, physics, electronics  
and computer science etc. the base for further study.

While in post graduate period, interest is rather important  
because one need the interest to support his determination on  
doing research

### G. *Are you looking forward to working?*

depends on the ??? of master degree  
suitable for doing research or better for industry

### H. *Do you like your subject? Why or Why not?*

no; compulsory subjects are not reasonable for us  
control vs. material mechanics

### I. *Do you prefer to study in the mornings or in the afternoons?*

mornings  
eat a lot at lunch, and digesting need more oxygen so I  
always feel sleepy

### J. *Is your subject interest to you?*

mostly not, but there is a subject named Optimization  
Method that I found really interesting to me

### K. *Is there any kind of technology you can use in study?*

if programming and math are kinds of technology

## II. HOMETOWN

### A. *Has your hometown changed much these years?*

hugely; a better word;  
the word change applies for most cities of China, after the  
reform and open up

### B. *Is that a big city or a small place?*

it's a middle city; can't compare to capital city?(mind  
grammar);  
middle but with high happiness(mind grammar)

### C. *How long have you been living here?*

I guess it's referring to my hometown;  
18 years, before I enrolled in collage;

### D. *For you, what benefits are there living in a big city?*

several advantages;  
first, there are some kinds of jobs that do not exist in small  
city, which means more opportunities;  
second, better infrastructure  
and, universities

### E. *Is there anything you dislike about it?*

higher living cost  
and???

### F. *Where in your country do you live?*

Shanghai, cause I'm studying here  
but my hometown is in northern China

## III. ACCOMMODATION

### A. *Are the transport facilities in your city very good?*

not So  
last bus is at about 7 pm, a little inconvenient; environment  
on the bus is good

*B. Which room does your family spend most of the time in?*

sadly I guess it's the dining room, when we eat meals  
used to stay at the living room, for news and weather  
forecast  
due to smartphones, more likely to lie on each bedrooms

*C. Do you live in a house or a flat?*

flat, actually dorm(related to student question, where live  
and what status I'm in)

*D. Do you plan to live here for a long time?*

of course not, house price is an astronomical number for  
meals  
it's a considerable problem to choose a big city or small  
city, and house price is definitely a shortcoming for big city

*E. Do you live alone or with your family?*

live alone(related to student question) in dorm cause I'm  
still a student and it's not affordable for me to rent a room  
here

*F. How long have you lived there?*

there?here?  
here: for only 3 months, just enrolled inconvenient  
there: ?

*G. What do you usually do in your home/house/flat?*

- home; I'm still a enrolled in student so there isn't much  
time for me to stay at home;
- flat; the workload is stressful for me; and while staying at  
dorm, I tend to relax instead of getting to those unfinished  
works; so I would go to sw else to study

*H. Which is your favorite room in your home?*

living room, with a big scale television and a spacious sofa  
feel good lying there watching my favorite episodes

*I. What's the difference between where you are living now and  
where you lived in the past?*

If the question before is about ever moved house:  
facilities are all renewed and with larger areas  
If the question before is about place living now and home:  
dorm is totally different from home, in almost every aspect;  
like no television and sofa for me to relax

*J. What can you see when you look out the window of your  
room?*

- home: in China, If you are not the kind of rich guy, then  
it's probably that the building you are living in is next to  
another building. Then there goes 2 consequences, facing  
the street, located at the edge of the community or facing  
another building in your community
- flat(dorm): it's quite crowded in campus, the scenery I  
can see from my flat's window is another flat building

*K. Would you be willing to live in the countryside in the  
future?*

If the future is I'm rich enough and kind of old, I will;  
fighting for my whole life seems a unpractical goal for me,  
and I want to relax when I'm old and got no worry about  
living

#### IV. SNACKS

Note: New Questions for Season 9-12

*A. What snacks did you eat when you were young?*

A famous Chinese traditional food named LaTiao;  
TODO: how to describe

*B. Do you often eat snacks now?*

no, snacks seems not so healthy;  
I'd rather spend that money on other things like saving  
money for a trip

*C. Do you think eating snacks is healthy?*

It depends actually; for me, I can get

#### V. BIRTHDAY

*A. What do you usually do on your birthday?*

interesting, my birthday is near the date of returning to  
school  
so prepare to get back to school or on the way to or just  
reach school

*B. What did you do on your birthday when you are young?*

*C. Do you think it is important for you to celebrate your  
birthday?*

#### VI. SOCIAL MEDIA

Note: New Questions for season 9-12

*A. Do you like social media?*

I'm a person without too much need for social life so I only  
use media to contact with people that I'm been familiar with,  
but actually I don't like social media

*B. Do you think your friends spend too much time on social  
media?*

yes, my girlfriend almost spend her all day on a social media  
application called Little Red Book

*C. Do you want to work in a social media company?*

No, I don't like the work that study on users predilection  
then advertising sources that they might have interest on to  
them It's both energy consuming and boring, also meaningless

VII. NAMES

- A. *Does your name have a special meaning?*
- B. *How do people choose names for their children?*
- C. *Does anyone in your family have the same name with you?*
- D. *Are there any differences between how Chinese name their children now and in the past?*

VIII. WEATHER

IX. SINGING

X. PUBLIC TRANSPORT

XI. HOUSEKEEPING AND COOKING

XII. GEOGRAPHY

XIII. PUZZLES

XIV. WRITING

XV. MORNING ROUTINE

XVI. TECHNOLOGY

XVII. FEEL BORED

XVIII. MEETING PLACES

XIX. COMPUTERS