

2013 研究生入学考试英语复试辅导讲义

(Lecture note for the second round test of NGEE)

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Main tasks:

- 1. Cracking your pronunciation barriers.
- 2. Broadening your independent topic horizons
- 3. Guaranteeing your listening test bottom line

第一部分 Interview inspired by intelligence (基本面试之道)

What is Interviewing?

An interview IS: A meeting in order to get to know each other; A conversation about possibilities; An opportunity to present yourself optimally; An interview is NOT: A life or death situation; A one way street; And yet: It is an artificial; And You will be judged from the first minute;

研究生英语复试口语的测试重点:

- 一. 语言能力
- 1. pronunciation (语音和语调)
- 2. vocabulary (发音正确和用词准确)
- 3. grammar (准确和多样性)
- 4. influency and coherence (流利和连贯)
- 二. 展示能力

Body language is important.

Marabian myth

- Body Language 55%
- vocal part 38%
- language 7%

The effectiveness of communication

You find a mirror and you adopt that stance. You make sure you get all the details right. Make a check list.

But bear in your mind: avoiding being too aggressive with too much body language.

Confidence is the utmost factor

Speak with conviction as if you really believe in what you are saying. Persuade your audience effectively.

If your test comprises the "reading passage part", value it with great emphasis

第二部分: Self-Introduction (自我介绍)

参考范文一:

Good morning/ afternoon distinguished professors,

My name is ***, an English major from ***University.

Thank you for having me here.

I'm an optimistic person, outward, easy-going and rich in curiosity.

Because of my keen interest in journalism and writing, I have been an editor of the English Journal of my department for two years and have published several articles on local newspapers. As an English major, I' ve listened to and read quite an amount of news and articles published by the foreign media. At first, I considered it as just a way of improving my English but later



I was shocked by the bad image of China presented by the foreign media. I couldn't help asking myself why. Of course, China is not perfect but why they even criticize what we are proud of? Thereafter, I searched for articles and books relevant to this topic and discussed it with my teachers and friends. I think the problem lies in that they don't really understand China. Our culture, customs, way of thinking and life are alien to them so it is necessary for Chinese people and media to introduce our country to the world in an effective and proper way. As a college student majored in foreign languages, I think I'm in a favorable place to promote communications between China and the outside world. That's why I decided to choose international journalism and communication as my future domain. Moreover, Beijing Foreign Studies University is my dream place for years. It boasts the best teaching faculty and facilities for learning foreign languages and the best platform for doing further researches concerning international problems. Therefore, BFSU is definitely the first and best choice for my postgraduate studies. I believe, led by the distinguished professors and scholars here, I'll go further on international communication studies and contribute to improving China's image to some extent in the future. Thank you so much again for giving me the chance for this interview.

参考范文二:

Good morning distinguished professors,

I'm glad to be here for this interview. My name is XXXX and my English name is Vivian. I'm an optimistic person, warm-hearted, easy-going and rich in curiosity. In my spare time, I like reading books, listening to music, watching movies and kicking shuttlecock. I come from Chong Qing, a beautiful mountainous city, famous for its hot pot. I am a student of Chinese Language and Literature Department of Sichuan International Studies University, which is located at the foot of Geleshan. I like Chong Qing very much, but I decided to come to Beijing without any hesitate. I have keen interest in language and I choose linguistic testing as my future domain. Beijing Language and Culture University has been my dream place for years, 'cause it boasts the best teaching faculty and facilities for studying and the best platform for doing researches concerning language. Therefore, BLCU is definitely the first and best choice for my postgraduate studies. I believe, led by the distinguished professors and scholars here, I'll go further on language studies and contribute to linguistic testing. Thank you so much again for giving me the chance for this interview.

参考范文三:

Good morning/ afternoon distinguished professors,

My name is XXX. Thank you for having me here. I'm an optimistic person, outward, easy-going and rich in curiosity. Although coming from XXX university's international accounting major, I have keen interest in psychology. I spent my spare time in the library reading books on psychology when I was an undergraduate student. After the graduation, I was employed as an auditor in an accounting firm. But I decided to quit and prepare the entrance examination to the graduate school. The people around me feel confused, and I couldn't help asking myself why. Of course, Doing Accounting business will bring more Employment opportunities than psychology, but the most complicated and interesting thing in the world for me is persons mind and their behavior, which psychology is Committed to study. So, I am so fascinated in psychology. As born in a teachers family, I am deeply influenced by my parent's careers. Becoming a teacher is one of my dream when I was a child. Now, I'd like to fashion psychology among the people. So everyone can live a scientific, optimistic life, guiding by psychology. That's why I decided to choose Psychology Education as my future domain.



Moreover, XXX University boasts the excellent teaching faculty and advanced facilities for learning psychology and education. Therefore, it is definitely the best choice for my postgraduate studies. I believe, led by the distinguished professors and scholars here, I'll go further on psychology education studies and contribute to psychology education. Thank you so much again for giving me the chance for this interview.

参考范文四:

Good morning distinguished professors,

I am glad to be here for this interview. OK, allow me introduce myself.

My name is ***, 24. I come from *****, the capital of*****Province.

I graduated from the ****** department of *****University in July, 2011. In the past two years I have been preparing for the postgraduate examination while I have been and I was.... Now all my hard work has got a result since I have a chance to be interview by you.

I am open-minded, quick in thought and very fond of history. In my spare time, I have broad interests like many other younger. I like reading books, especially those about ******. Frequently I exchange with other people by making comments on Weibo. In addition, during my college years, I was once a Net-bar technician. So, I have a comparative good command of network application. I am able to operate the computer well. I am a football fan for years. Italian team is my favorite. Anyway, I feel great pity for our national team.

I always believe that one will easily lag behind unless he keeps on learning .Of course, if I am given a chance to study ***** in this famous University, I will spare no effort to make some achievements in the field. .

参考范文五

Good morning professors,

First of all, please allow me to express my appreciation for the opportunity that you give me to join this interview.

My name is ***, English name Felix. I've got my undergraduate education in Beijing Foreign Studies University, Majoring in *** in School of English and International Studies. The major for further education that I pursue here in Peking university is ***.

During the four years in BFSU, I've been given the traditional education on both English Literacy and Diplomacy, which cultivated me to view the world in an international perspective.

I've been foreign teachers' assistant for about three years and learnt to communicate with them and understand their way to think and act. This experience gives me much deeper understanding of different cultures.

I served as volunteers for many events held by the government and other organizations, such as Fortune Global Forum 2005 and Euro-Asian Conference organized by the Ministry of Communications. Thanks to those experiences, I used my knowledge in real foreign affairs and increased my abilities in related aspects.

No matter how much the life in BFSU brought to me, I've been thinking for really a long time about studying something else after graduation as the life-long direction of study and profession. After analyzing all the factors that intrigue me and inspire me, I've chosen a major which contains the factors of both passion and rationality. This major is Media Management.

I really appreciate it if you could consider my application. If I could have the honor to study here, I promise that I would never fail your expectation. I'll try my best to study and learn as much as I could, so as to make contribution to the society and our country.



自我介绍时可能会用到的词和句子:

形容个性的词:

able 有才干的, 能干的 adaptable 适应性强的 active 主动的, 活跃的 aggressive 有进取心的 ambitious 有雄心壮志的 amiable 和蔼可亲的 amicable 友好的 analytical 善于分析的 apprehensive 有理解力的 aspiring 有志气的, 有抱负的 audacious 有冒险精神的 capable 有能力的, 有才能 careful 办理仔细的 candid 正直的 competent 能胜任的 constructive 建设性的 cooperative 有合作精神的 creative 富创造力的 dedicated 有奉献精神的 dependable 可靠的 diplomatic 老练的,有策 disciplined 守纪律的 dutiful 尽职的 well-educated 受过良好教育的 efficient 有效率的 energetic 精力充沛的 expressivity 善于表达 faithful 守信的, 忠诚的 frank 直率的, 真诚的 generous 宽宏大量的 genteel 有教养的 gentle 有礼貌的 humorous 有幽默 impartial 公正的 independent 有主见的 industrious 勤奋的 ingenious 有独创性的 motivated 目的明确的 intelligent 理解力强的 learned 精通某门学问的 logical 条理分明的 methodical 有方法的 modest 谦虚的 objective 客观的 precise 一丝不苟的 punctual 严守时刻的 elastic 实事求是的 responsible 负责的 sensible 明白事理的 sporting 光明正大的 steady 踏实的 systematic 有系统的 purposeful 意志坚强的 sweet-tempered 性情温和的 temperate 稳健的 tireless 孜孜不倦的

- 1. The major/subjects I learned in my university is computer science, I specialized in software engineering and development.
 - 2. I am now working for XXX Company as a XXX.
- 3. I just finished my studies in... university with my major in.../ I am about to receive my bachelor's degree in \dots major
- 4. The major area of my study is, and I wish to continue my studies in this area. (Field of study)

本科生(undergraduate); 研究生(graduate student); 学位(degree); 学士学位(bachelor's degree); 硕士学位 (master's degree); 文聘 (diploma); 证书 (certificate); 职业学校 (vocational school); 同等学历 (associate degree);

和这些名词搭配的动词: attend; complete; obtain; receive;

5. I am from Harbin, the capital city of Heilongjiang province. (It is the major city in.... province).

It is very famous for it's.....

- 6. achievement; 挖掘自己的经历 (intern, 实习生); academic score; scholarship;
- 7. I have some practical experience in this area.
- 8. I do very well in mathematics.

open minded; I am very found of history. / I work very well with others.

一些常规的问题: 你为什么喜欢上我们学校? 你为什么要决定学习这个专业? The reason for my choice is that....; I am deeply impressed by the learning atmosphere.....; I look forward to my further studies in your school and I appreciate your considering me as one o

第三部分: Q and A session (考官提问)

- 一. 最常见的问题?
- 1. Q . How do you plan to study for your graduate programme?
- A. In my opinion, the study method is of great importance for research. So firstly, I will choose a certain approach in my study area with your guidance; Then, I will draw a pragmatic Research plan and time schedule. I hope I can form a systematical view of my major; Thirdly,



I will make myself be familiar with the latest development of this area by reading books and journals. I do hope I will get somewhere in this field. If necessary, I will continue my research and study to earn the doctor's degree. /PHD degree. / although I am a girl.

- 2. Q. As we learn from your resume /registration form, the major of your undergraduate study is ... Why do you change your major ?
 - 3. Q. Do you have any questions for us?
 - 二. 四个话题

人, 事,地方,物件

Person, events, places, objects

其他的常规问题和解决之道:

对人的问题:

例问: Who is the person you admire most and explain why, include details and explanations. Mother

Talented, tolerant, considerate

These reasons above make me think my mother is the person I admire most and she has had such an influence on me that I want to become the best as the best can be.

Mother 作主语, 后面加题目主干. 可用原因状语从句引出你的 1, 2, 3 的概括原因.

Teacher

A good teacher makes herself available to all students, however, knows which students need extra assistance.

A good teacher is an effective communicator, however, who knows when she needs to change her communicating techniques to be sure students can grasp instructional concepts.

A good teacher allows students to ask questions, however, does not answer questions without drawing from other students' learning experience first.

A good teacher has classroom rules and procedures which help students know what is expected from them and how the students can help themselves.

A good teacher encourages cooperation and sets an example with other students and faculty.

A good teacher respects all students and encourages good performance.

Demonstrate an empathy with student thinking, anticipate misconceptions and allow students to develop understanding in a variety of ways.

Observe students in class for signs that they are failing to keep up, are bored, or are not understanding

Show flexibility in responding to student needs.

Genuinely want students to learn, understand and develop critical thinking abilities, as well as master content or learn skills

Encourage students to take an active role in working through difficulties and take time to work through concepts in detail with those who have difficulties

Teachers who show enthusiasm for subject, professional area and teaching role motivate students as they look forward to coming to that class

Highly effective teachers are viewed as "easy going", "relaxed", with an "open" manner. This brings a relaxed atmosphere to the classroom

Communicate effectively.

Are resourceful and positive and adopt a problem-solving approach



Are creative and imaginative and have an open attitude to change

There is a saying, "GIVE ME A FISH AND I EAT FOR A DAY, TEACH ME TO FISH AND I EAT FOR A LIFE TIME". This must be a philosophy of a good teacher... She/he should be patient and kind, flexible and resourceful, tolerant and open minded with a good sense of humor. Enthusiastic and enjoys teaching. should be honest, imaginative and creative. Efficient. Self-disciplined. Helpful. Humble and modest.

Leader

Have a vision. Effective leaders and their organizations have an agenda. A vision. A vision is a direction—an attractive and attainable picture of the future. As a leader, if you don't know where you are going, you are irrelevant to you followers. With a vision you can inspire and lift individuals and groups to new heights—an important function of any leader. The visionary process is made up of fundamentally three steps: discovering the vision, disseminating the vision and finally, driving the vision forward.

Seize opportunity. Look for experiences that are new and different. Develop relationships with people who are different from the people you ordinarily have relationships with, especially those that come from different backgrounds and age groups. See movies and plays, read books and visit museums. These will broaden your outlook and develop a deeper well from which to draw from. We must learn to observe closely and accurately. Above all, we must stay comfortable with "not knowing ... but finding out."

Learn to delegate. Only do what can't be done by someone else.

Reward results!

Communication is key. Be accessible to everyone in the organization. Companies need to realize that the old model of the leaders sitting on top of the pyramid and the managers executing orders does not work in today's environment. The person at the top cannot be the only leader. There have to be various people within the company acting in this role. There are many companies stuck in a rut where the managers are waiting to be told what to do. That doesn't work.

Be proactive. Promote continuous exploration of yourself and other leaders within the organization. Be accountable for what you do. If there is an issue in the company, don't say you didn't know anything about it. Look at the organization and constantly ask what can be improved.

A business leader has to keep her organization focused on the mission. That sounds easy, but it can be tremendously challenging in today's competitive and ever-changing business environment. A leader also has to motivate potential partners to join the cause.

---Meg Whitman (MBA 79)

President and CEO, eBay

Events

休闲娱乐题

室内:看书,听音乐户外:运动,公园

传统风俗题

美德: 谦虚

节日:春节

职业与抱负

我的回忆录

休闲娱乐题

读书



书名及作者, 定语从句, 被动语态

最吸引你的内容,时间顺序/因果顺序

得到的启示

总结升华

老人与海 The Old Man and the Sea

When I have time, I read books. My favorite book is the Old Man and the Sea which is written by Ernest Hemingway, one of the greatest American writers.

The book told us a story about an old man called Diego who did fishing in Cuba. Though he came across lots of difficulties on the sea and came back without a single fish, he was optimistic and still held the hope.

Diego is like a mirror which reflects what Hemingway wanted to tell all of us: Never give up and the final success will come right after the last try. I've stuck on that wisdom all the time ever since I read this book for that story makes me believe there is no stronger thing ever than a strong human belief.

听音乐

音乐名

介绍听音乐的好处(1,2,3)

总结,升华

Hero, Mariah Carey

Relaxing and comforting

Ease my pressure on study

Learn how to sing an English song

Inspiring, gives me so much strength that I need when I am facing up with any difficulty in my entire life.

Music is a worldwide language without any translation, by listening to the music, we can share our emotions with different people around the world.

What else can we say about music?

Style:

Classic: Mozart, Chopin

Pop music: Rap/Hip hop/Heavy metal

Operas and musicals: Cats, the Phantom of the Opera, Notre Dame de Paris

美德

美德是什么?

好处 123

总结深化谈影响

谦虚是美德

做个好听众

看长处补短处

我谦虚所以我进步

Modest and humble

A good listener with tolerance, only well-educated people can show tolerant to others and understand different opinions

Always see the best sides of and learn something from others

With modest and humble, we can make progress everyday.

Virtues



Honesty

Sincerity

Easy going and down to earth

Environmental protector

Animal protection advocate

节日题:春节

春节(笔记) 春节时间与形式

大家团圆包饺子, 包完饺子放鞭炮, 全家祝福好来年

团圆是根本,祝福是风俗

时间描述动作连贯

意义阐释体现亲情

Spring Festival, Chinese Lunar New Year, compared with Christmas in western countries Family get together, make dumplings, sit around the table, toast to each other, make a wish for the coming year, wish everybody good luck.

Means a lot/ the whole world to Chinese people

Other Festivals

Instructions

Mid-autumn Day

Family reunion

Moon-cakes, like a moon, representing the family reunion in Chinese traditional means

地点

名胜古迹

特点:强调历史意义与文化

适用题目:

In the city you live, which part is your favorite?

Which park or public area do you usually go?

Introduce your favorite area in your city.

What place you never visited before you want to visit most?

Places like:

Summer Palace

Forbidden City

Sample answer

Summer Palace.

It is one of the finest sights in the city. The summer palace is an immense park that attracts people from all around the world to see it. The park used to be a summer residence for emperors, empresses and their families. The park is divided into four sections: court reception, residences, temples and strolling or sightseeing areas.

The Forbidden City (Imperial Palace)

In the heart of Beijing, it is the largest and most complete imperial palace and ancient building complex in China, and the world at large. Its construction began in 1406 and was completed 14 years later, having a history so far of some 580 years. Twenty-four emperors from the Ming and Qing (1644-1911) dynasties lived and ruled China from there. Most of the buildings in the Forbidden City were rebuilt many times, although they maintained the original architectural style.

Meanings of both of them



Records the history path to tell us the legends of our ancestors, especially good for our young people to get familiar with our past.

Symbols of Chinese traditional and rich culture. The traditional constructions tell the intelligence of our great architects.

It stands there to make us understand our past, what we must do are to absorb the essence and discard the dregs.

Objects: 物体(重要性,珍贵性与有用性)

Magazine, Novel, and Poem

Magazine:

Economist 经济学人 Harvard Business Review 哈佛商业评论

New Yorker 纽约客, Readers' Digest 读者

Times 时代周刊, London Book Review伦敦书评

Newsweek 新闻周刊

Scientific American 科学美国人

Elle, Cosmo politician, Bazaar.

杂志的特点:

出版周期长,态度观点突出 Long Periodicals, Pointy attitude

市场细分性强 Certain, fixed, loyal reader groups

重复阅读性和保持价值 Strong readability and the value of storage

高品质 Paper and pictures in high quality

提高口语必背 26 个句型:

1. So + 形容词 + be + 主词 + that + 句子 (如此...以致于...)

例句: So precious is time that we can't afford to waste it.

时间是如此珍贵, 我们经不起浪费它。

2. Adj + as + Subject (主词) + be, S + V (虽然...)

例句: Rich as our country is, the qualities of our living are by no means satisfactory.

**by no means = in no way = on no account 一点也不

虽然我们的国家富有,我们的生活品质绝对令人不满意。

3. The + $^{\sim}$ er + S + V, $^{\sim\sim}$ the + $^{\sim}$ er + S + V

The + more + 形 + S + V, $^{\sim\sim}$ the + more + 形 + S + V $^{\sim\sim}$ (愈...愈...)

例句: The harder you work, the more progress you make. 你愈努力,你愈进步。

The more books we read, the more learned we become. 我们书读愈多,我们愈有学问。

4. By +V-ing, ~~ can ~~ (借着...,..能够..)

例句: By taking exercise, we can always stay healthy.

借着做运动,我们能够始终保持健康。

5. On no account can we + V ~~~ (我们绝对不能...)

例句: On no account can we ignore the value of knowledge.

我们绝对不能忽略知识的价值。

6. The reason why + 句子 ~~~ is that + 句子 (...的原因是...)

例句: The reason why we have to grow trees is that they can provide us with fresh air. 我们必须种树的原因是它们能供应我们新鲜的空气。

7. Nothing is + $^{\sim\sim}$ er than to + V

Nothing is + more + 形容词 + than to + V

例句: Nothing is more interesting than to read books.



- 8. An advantage of ^^^ is that + 句子 (...的优点是...)
- 例句: An advantage of using the solar energy is that it won 't create (produce) any pollution. 使用太阳能的优点是它不会制造任何污染。
- 9. There is no denying that + S + V ... (不可否认的...)

例句: There is no denying that the qualities of our living have gone from good to better. 不可否认的,我们的生活品质已经日渐臻善。

10. There is no one but ~~~ (没有人不...)

例句: There is no one but longs to have some sincere friends.

没有人不渴望有一些真诚的朋友.

11. be + forced/compelled/obliged + to + V (不得不...)

例句: Since the examination is around the corner, I am compelled to give up playing computer games.

既然考试迫在眉睫, 我不得不放弃玩电脑游戏。

12. It is conceivable that + 句子 (可想而知的)

It is obvious that + 句子 (明显的)

It is apparent that + 句子 (显然的)

例句: It is conceivable that knowledge plays an important role in our life.

可想而知,知识在我们的一生中扮演一个重要的角色。

13. For the past + 时间, ···+ 现在完成式... (过去...年来, ... 一直...)

例句: For the past few years, music/sports/reading, has played a key role in my daily life. 过去几年来,音乐/体育/阅读一直在我的生活中很重要.

14.. Since + S + 过去式, S + 现在完成式。

例句: Since I read Hemingway when I was 19, I have been attracted by his witty and charming way of writing, especially his "Iceberg Theory".

自从我 19 岁那年开始读海明威, 我就被他那智慧又富有魅力的写作手法所吸引, 特别是他的 "冰山理论".

15. be closely related to ~~ (与...息息相关)

例句: Taking exercise is closely related to health. 做运动与健康息息相关。

16. Due to/Owing to/Thanks to + N/V-ing, ~~ (因为...)

例句: Thanks to his encouragement, I finally realized my dream. 因为他的鼓励,我终于实现我的梦想。

17. Leave much to be desired (令人不满意)

例句: The condition of our traffic/environment leaves much to be desired. 我们的交通/环境状况令人不满意.

18. ···have a great influence on ~~~ (对...有很大的影响)

例句: Stay-up has a great influence on our health.

熬夜对我们的健康有很大的影响。

19. do good to (对...有益), do harm to (对...有害)

例句: Reading does good to our mind. 读书对心灵有益。

Overwork does harm to health. 工作过度对健康有害。

20. Pose a great threat to ~~ (对...造成一大威胁)

例句: Pollution poses a great threat to our existence. 污染对我们的生存造成一大威胁。

21. do one's utmost to + V = do one's best (尽全力去...)



例句: We should do our utmost to achieve our goal in life.

我们应尽全力去达成我们的人生目标。

It pays to + V ~~~ (... 是值得的。)

例句: It pays to help others, since what you have done may not only help someone who is in difficulty, but also get a friend as well.

帮助别人是值得的,因为你不仅帮助了一个身陷困境的人还交了个朋友。

23. be based on (以...为基础)

例句: The friendship is based on sincerity. 友谊是建立在真诚的基础上的。

Whether you can speak deeply upon an issue is based on what you know about this matter and how many related books and resources you have seen.

你对问题看法的深入与否取决于你对这个问题的认知度及你曾经看过多少相关的书籍和资料.

24. Spare no effort to + V (不遗余力的)

例句: We should spare no effort to protect our cultural legacy, especially those old buildings which can tell us the ancient legends.

我们应该不遗余力地保护我们的文化遗产,特别是那些能给我们讲述古老传奇的老建筑。

25. bring home to + 人 + 事 (让...明白...事)

例句: We should bring home to young people the value of keeping our own traditions and culture. 我们应该让年轻人明白保护我们自己传统与文化的价值。

26. Get into the habit of + V-ing = make it a rule to + V (养成...的习惯)

例句: We should get into the habit of keeping good hours.

我们应该养成早睡早起的习惯。

有可能问到的问题:

Educational background

- 1. Are you with a job or are you studying?
- 2. What's your major? Why do you choose it as your major?
- 3. What do you learn from the major?
- 4. What are the main courses/ subjects you should learn?
- 5. What do you like/ dislike of your major?
- 6. Is there anything you don't like about your studies?
- 7. How do you like your major?
- 8. What do you like most about your studies?
- 9. How do you like your life in the people's university?
- 10. What do you think of the training you got in the university?
- 11. What is your plan after graduation?

Hometown

- 1. What is the most special building in your hometown?
- 2. What does it look like?
- 3. What is the history of your hometown?
- 4. What are the people like in your hometown?
- 5. What kind of food and dishes do people eat in your hometown?
- 6. Can you describe the street in your hometown?
- 7. Where do you live?
- 8. Whether Chinese people are very rich now?
- 9. Do you like your hometown, and tell me why or why not?
- 10. Do you think your hometown is a good place for a young person to live?



- 11. What is the climate like in your hometown?
- 12. How would you compare the climate in your hometown with other cities?
- 13. What' re the advantages and disadvantages of the weather in your hometown?
- 14. What's your favorite weather in your hometown?

Spare time & Hobby

- 1. What do people do in their spare time?
- 2. What do you like to do in your spare time? (What's your hobby? Why?)
- 3. Do you think spare time is important to you? Why?
- 4. Do you like doing these things with a group of friends or by yourself?

(Do you like to be with a group of people or alone when you're free?)

- 5. How do you spend your weekends?
- 6. Is it dangerous for people to spend too much time on hobbies?
- 7. How did you become interested in your hobby?
- 8. Do you think hobbies are beneficial to social life?

(What benefits do hobbies have on a person's life?).

- 9. What's the interest advantage?
- 10. Why do people like to watch games?
- 11. What is the most important thing at your weekend? Is the weekend of two days enough?
- 12. What's your definition of a hobby?

Family

1. Can you tell me something about your family?

What do your family members do for a living?

2. What do you and your family like to do together?

Movie

- 1. Do you like watching films?
- 2. What kind of movies do you like? What type of films do your friends like? / What kind of films does the people who as old as you like?
 - 3. Do you often go to the cinema/theatre? Which cinema do you often go to?.
 - 4. Who's your favorite film star? Can you describe him/her to me?
 - 5. What qualities do you think are important for a successful or good film?

There are many good films such as "Gone with the Wind", "Sound of Music". I think these films are successful because the noble ideas and tender sentiments are really able to touch the heart of the audience. So for a good film, the plot, the skill of the director, the performance of actors and actress are all important factors. In addition to the talent of a director and a movie star, a film's social message is of great importance, too. Such as marriage, divorce, children and money, they are always true to life. Besides, I think the script plays a big part of a film. Without a good script, even if the director, the leading actor and actress are first-rate, the film can't possibly be first-rate. If a story is too shallow, the film stars won't have any chance to show their talent. Also, people such as supporting actors and actresses, cameramen and composers are important, too.

Success

Describe the most unforgettable/recent success in your life.

You should say: What it is? When and where did you do it? How did you get it? Why it is important for you?



I would like to tell you something about my excellent diploma project. In March this year, I started to prepare for my diploma project. The grade of the diploma project was very important for me to apply for the University of Sydney, so I must try my best to do it well. At that time my buddy and I were practicing in the Great Wall Securities Company of Shenzhen, so our tutor suggested us to develop a System of Internet Stocks Analysis. However, our major was Computer Science and we didn't know a little about securities, so it was a great attempt and challenge to us. At first I had no confidence, but my parents and my tutor all encouraged me. As is a common saying that "Could you see the rainbow without experiencing the rainstorm?", I understood that it was necessary to experience a certain difficulty on the way to success. So I made up my mind to grasp the nettle. Then I went to the Book Shopping Center, went to the library, and surfed the Internet to collect information. It took me a month to read a great number of books and some famous softwares, taking the essence and discarding the dregs. The process of developing software was filled with not only difficulty but also delight. We had no experience in developing software, so we had to do everything gropingly. During this time, our tutor gave much good advice to us. With her great help and our great effort, we overcame the main difficulty at last. We were very excited and felt on top of the world. Through hard working for two months, we completed the System of Internet Stocks Analysis in the end. The competitive examination was another difficulty. Four learned professors continually put complex questions to me. At the beginning, I was quite nervous. But I had profound understanding on my diploma project, so soon I was composed myself and answered every question carefully. Finally the professors were satisfied with smile. Fortunately my diploma project got a grade of excellent. The process of getting success was very unforgettable. And I knew that the hard working and the strong will are the most important things to success.

(Pig: I would like to tell you something about my excellent thesis. In March this year, I started to prepare for my thesis. The grade of the thesis was very important for me to apply for the University of Sydney, so I must try my best to do it well. My topic was about the cost of the law, that means to analyze the law through economic method. It was a great attempt and challenge to me, because my major was Law and I didn't know much about Economics. However, as is a common saying that "Could you see the rainbow without experiencing the rainstorm?", I understood that it was necessary to experience a certain difficulty on the way to success. So I made up my mind to grasp the nettle. Then I went to the Book Shopping Center, went to the library, and surfed the Internet to collect information. It took me a month to read a great number of books and some famous dissertations, taking the essence and discarding the dregs. When I had a clear idea, I started writing. During this time, my tutor and my mother gave much good advice to me. With their great help, I completed the thesis at last. The competitive examination was another difficulty. Three learned professors continually put complex questions to me. At the beginning, I was quite nervous. But I had profound understanding on my thesis, so soon I was composed myself and answered every question carefully. Finally the professors were satisfied with smile. Fortunately my thesis got a grade of excellent. The process of getting success was very unforgettable. And I knew that the hard working and the strong will are the most important things to success.)

Education / School

- 1. What kind of teaching material do you think is a good one? Is it necessary to improve the teaching material?
 - 2. What do you think of the popularity of English in China?
- I think it's the inevitable. I mean the world is getting closer and closer, so it's inevitable that the world begins to use a common language. That means



you can get a larger range of knowledge if you

understand English. If you want to do well in business you should at least know a little English. Some of the best industries in the future will be involved in

the international trade so if you are good at English you will have more and better opportunities. Therefore the popularity of English in China is really for practical reasons.

3. How can education be reformed to meet the future challenges?

I think that we should pay more attention to the higher education. That means the government should put a great deal of money on the improvement of the facilities in the university, and allocate more funds on the academic research. We should attract better professors to enhance the quality of education.

Moreover, I think there should be more opportunities for long-distance learning programs from various

universities around the world so that many Chinese can get the benefit of overseas education without traveling so far to other countries.

Childhood

1. What was your favorite story in your childhood?

It is an interesting question. Let me see. In my childhood, the story "the wolf is coming" impressed me. It's about a little shepherd who always told a lie that the wolf was coming so at last his sheep were all bitten by the wolf. This story will affect me all my life. It reminds me that we should be honest and reliable.

2. What is the most memorable thing in your childhood?

I remember that when I was young, one day I went out by myself and got lost. When I was helpless, an old man gave me a favor and sent me home. It impressed me deeply. And I often tell to myself that I should try my best to help others.

Festival

1. What do you do during the spring festival?

I usually spend the time

with my parents. We eat delicious food, visit family and friends, and watch TV to welcome the New

Year. I also like to try and contact my school friends and see how they're doing and what they're up to. We give presents each other and we buy ourselves new clothes to wear for the New Year.

Music

1. What role do you think music play in our life?

Just as other kinds of art, music has become an indispensable part of human civilization.

It brings us with nutritious spiritual food and enriches our leisure life.

In addition, music can elicit the imagination of

us. And it teaches us how to distinguish beauty from the nature.

Listening to the music, I am sure you will soon be refreshed from a day's hard work.

e a clean and safe work place.

TV programs

1. How does the TV set change in China? Compared to ten years ago, and how will it develop? Ten years ago, Chinese TV set's manufacture mostly depended on foreign technique, so if the people had enough money they would like to buy imported TV, because Chinese TV was really not so good in quality. However, now Chinese TV set is not only low in price and good in quality, deeply



loved by Chinese people, but also is exported to many foreign countries and gain high evaluation. From this we can see that today the manufacturing technique of Chinese TV set has made great progresses and even formed its own characteristic, such as digital TV set. And I think in the future ten years, web TV will be developed gradually. Internet will be brought in to the TV, or endow TV the function of Internet, and people can even use TV to get on line.

Friends

1. what kind of person you dislike?

I dislike the person who has the following shortcomings. He often deceives others and speaks of other's evils or boasts of his own merits. In addition, he makes more friends with those who can offer help. The friendship often breaks up if the friends are of no use to him. I am sick of this kind of person.

还有一些例题: (选自 iBIT 新托福考试口语试题)

1. Does TV have the positive or negative effect on the modern society? Choose one and explain why.

Idiot box

Overindulgent in watching TV will cause such symptoms like eye irritation, obesity and dizziness.

Poor sight

Watching TV will have a bad influence on children and younger generations both physically and psychologically

. Physically

Poor sight

Obesity

Coach Potato

Psychologically

Isolation

Loneness

Too much adult materials like violence and crime

2. Do you think the high school should teach music and art as other basic science? Explain why. Yes

Music teaches us not only how to sing, but also the rhythm, which is fascinating and useful. Learn how to appreciate the arts, like music, songs, operas and exhibitions and shows. The appreciation of beauty

3. Do you think using mobile phone should be banned in some certain place? Explain why. Yes.

Places like airport and gas station in case there is anything dangerous happens.

Places like classroom, library, music hall, cinema, and theatre. Simply because we will disturb others when the places are supposed to be quite.

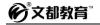
Places like hospital, using mobile phone will disturb the peace and interrupt the patience.

4. Which one acts more influence on you, newspaper, TV, or people like your teachers, parents or classmates? Explain why.

Influence

Good characters/personalities/qualities

Learn a lot from newspaper/TV.



5. Do you think government should sponsor to build up museum and theatre? Give reasons and details to support your opinion. (A or B)

Yes.

Building museum and theatre will promote city image.

Along with the city image promotion, museum and theatre will contribute to the cultural diversity.

Besides, it provides another place for recreation for people to go.

Also, it helps teach children to get familiar with diversified culture, like Greek and Roman. No.

The government should attach the importance of the development of economy.

Not necessary: Accessible and convenient internet

Together with the economical development, people are able to travel to the places like Paris, Rome and Greece

to see the places of interest in person and visit the theatre and listen to opera.

6. Do you prefer eating at home or eating out, and explain why. (A over B)

Eating at home is much better than eating out in the following aspects.

A lot cheaper, more nutritious than to eat out, which does good to our health.

Good for family, since when we are around table, taking about something happened during the day, it is the happiest moment in the whole day.

However, eating out will provide you with different choices, which means you can have something Italian or Chinese.

All in all, due to/owing to the reasons that I' ve stated above make me eat at home a lot.

7. Do you prefer to study in a big city or a small one, and explain why? (A over B)

I would like to study in a big city rather than a small one with the following reasons.

Big city-diversified culture

Big city-advanced and developed equipment and study materials.

Big city-different friends coming from different cultural backgrounds.

8. Do you prefer to live alone or live with a roommate? Explain why.

Living alone.

More private space that I can do anything I want anytime.

I will be more independent, like I can learn how to arrange my life from food to laundry. Living with a roommate.

Learn a lot about how to get along with each other like taking care of other people.

Share laughter and sadness with him or her.

9. Should the universities and colleges open to every student or just a part of students? Explain why.

Yes.

Every student has the right to receive higher education to pursue a fancy job and better life, especially to those who are poor but very intelligent and diligent.

It is the obligation of the universities and colleges that open to every student as education is supposed to treat every human being equal.

Making possible that every student can be accessible to the higher education contributes to the development of our society, like science and technology, and economy.

10. Whether parents should lead their children to watch TV or the children should choose what they want to watch by themselves. Explain why.



Parents should lead their children to watch TV.

Children are too naïve to tell the difference between good and evil, when they are facing TV which is full of /flooded with adult materials like violence and crime.

Children are too young to arrange their timetable. They need the guidance of parents.

Besides, the current and urgent topic for them is to concentrate on study, too much TV-watching will disturb their study and come up with bad marks.

11. Should schools open up music class? Explain why.

Yes.

Enrich the curriculum.

Singing a song is fascinating and happy.

Enhance the study efficiency (higher efficiency)

Music teaches rhythm which does good to our future.

Learn to appreciate beauty.

12. Do you prefer to study in class or self-taught? Explain why.

Study in class

Classmates, discussion, debating makes us understand a topic deeply, since if you want to persuade someone you have to provide sufficient and enough reasons.

Teachers, guiding and helping. Whenever I come across a difficulty I can discuss with my teacher immediately.

Self-taught

In the light of my own interests without the compulsory but quite boring subject.

Master more for the study is more direct.

13. Is attending colleges easier to be successful in career than not? Explain why.

Yes.

Attending colleges makes us study more knowledge specially to make sure we understand more about the society.

More knowledge offers us skills and talents to deal with the problems that may appear in our future.

When we are at work, the urgent and important topic we must face is how to solve the problems, and the solutions to those problems can be settled by not only professional knowledge but also wisdom which will be nourished by the knowledge we've got from colleges.

14. Do you prefer indoor activities or outdoor activities in your spare time? Explain why.

Indoor activities

Reading a book, 读书题

Listening to music or opera 听音乐题

Watching DVDs.

Outdoor activities

Jogging, tennis, basketball, football

Hang out with friends like going to a bar, restaurant, cafe or karaoke.

Go shopping

Enjoy the sunshine, more fresh air, happy with friends

Eg 15. When people take a journey, some prefer to arrive at the destination fast and directly, others prefer to enjoy the scenery along the road, which one do you prefer? Explain your thoughts with details.

Get to the destination directly and fast for the following reasons:



Purpose is the destination, we should have a good rest on the journey and save our energy. Arriving at our destination directly is the most efficient way to go, spending too much time on the journey is a kind of waste of time, though there may be some beautiful scenes along the road.

Eg16: Do you think it is necessary to keep the old buildings in the city? Why or why not? Explain your ideas with details.

老建筑问题是热点,注意之前写过的地点题中的名胜古迹.

19th January: People say that childhood is the best time in one person's life? Do you agree or disagree with the statement? Explain your ideas with details and examples.

Yes

Not so much pressure compared with adulthood, we can play around the whole day without worrying about the homework.

We are young and naïve, believing anything under the sun is good and beautiful.

Eg17: Some get advice from family and friends, others learn it through personal experience, which one do you prefer? Explain your own thoughts with examples and details.

Friends and family

Advice from friends. Friends who are older than us are experienced and they can give some suggestions derived from their experience. Sometimes, learning from others is wiser than learning from the same mistakes made by us, since in that case, we can take some precautious methods to prevent anything wrong.

Family

Some say, parents are our first teachers. What they' ve said to us and tell us do good to our present and future. We should be all ears to them.

As a wise person is to learn something from the mistakes made by others rather than to make them in person.

Eg18: Do you agree or disagree with the statement that students should wear uniform in school? Explain your own thoughts in details.

Yes

Uniform is a symbol of a student.

Wearing uniform contributes a lot to the discipline of the students.

Wearing uniform gives a student a sense of school belonging and do good to their focus on study.

Eg19: Do you think that our life is easier than our grandparents or more difficult? Explain your own thoughts in details.

Not exactly

Along with the improved living standard, we are facing up with more pressure from our peers and society, which requires us to be equipped with more advanced knowledge and challenges us more.

More challenges, more risks and more pressure.