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2018 GRE佛脚备考系列总序

距上一版的《GRE佛脚备考系列》的推出已有将近半年的时间，从同学们的真实考试反馈来看，《GRE佛脚备考系列》依然具有较强的时效性，每场考试或多或少都会重复一些题目。所以《GRE佛脚备考系列》的重要性毋庸置疑，仍然是今后同学们考前必做的备考资料之一。

《GRE佛脚备考系列》虽是一份为大家免费推出的资料，但是依然饱含我们认真的态度：填空机经Volume 1 与Volume 2 共计105个section都为大家查阅了相应生词的中英文解释，总结了同义词意群与短语，为同学们节省了大量的备考时间，“现背现做”使得做题效率大大提高；阅读分册由万炜老师的阅读团队严格精校，保证在答案与语言上的严谨精准；数学分册收集整理了市面上所有的官方与机经题目。在第四版的基础之上，我们进一步的校对，推出了《2018 GRE佛脚备考系列》第五次修订版，改动之处多达数十余处，虽然绝大多数都属于不影响做题的标点格式错误，但是本着对同学们负责的态度，我们决不会放过任何一个细节。

同时，为了让长线备考的同学能够更加扎实的打基础，我们也准备了《填空基础训练54天》汇总了收录目前除PPO以外的全部官方真题，也为临考的同学提供PPO套题专项练习，至此佛脚备考系列共包含：

《GRE佛脚词汇表2017》

《填空基础训练54天》

《填空机经Volume 1》

《填空机经Volume 2》

《阅读分册Volume 1-机经合集》

《阅读分册Volume 2-官方真题》

《阅读分册-PPO专题》

《写作分册Volume 1-issue写作题库分析》

《写作分册Volume 2-argument写作题库分析》

《PPO模考套题》

希望大家在练习这些题目的时候，不要盲目的刷题，要认真分析题目的逻辑，对于一些模棱两可的词汇主动的查《韦氏词典》与《美国传统词典》。在对答案的时候，也切记不要根据答案去倒推逻辑，要思考除了自己的错误选项之外还能选择哪些，这一点虽然耗费一些时间，但是对于推理能力的锻炼至关重要！

目前，市面上对于机经题目的解读可谓百家争鸣，但是真正认真把控题目品质的机构寥寥无几，更有甚者东拼西凑，用一些非ETS题目来滥竽充数，混淆视听。我希望同学们能够理解，任何质量上乘的资料首先都需要物质的基础，如果没有公司强有力的支持，我们将无法凭借一己之力完成任何教学材料。我希望同学们也能够知道，老师们整理每一份资料都需要审慎的考究和激烈的探讨，当你在使用每一份资料时，请珍惜它，它凝结着老师们无数的智慧。在新东方，我们做的每项决定、推荐的每一份材料，都不能草率、冒失，都需要经过我们长期的教学论证其有效性才行。

最后，感谢大家对于佛脚备考系列大力支持，正因有你，我们资料的才会不断完善，更加贴近同学们的实际备考需要。祝愿大家通过自己的不懈的努力

取得理想成绩！在你的出国留学的路上，我们如果能尽绵薄之力，则甚为欣慰！

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科技类

科技带来的好处与坏处，科学是否真正解决了人类问题，我们是否应当依赖科学

1. As people rely more and more on technology to solve problems, the ability of humans to think for themselves will surely deteriorate.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

支持：

1. It is no longer necessary for humans to rely on their own brain to deal with many problems as a result of advanced technology. Evidence: Complex calculation, word processing, information gathering, and etc.

反驳：

2. Advanced technology renders possible many unthinkable tasks that require even more brainwork than anything humans have engaged in before.

Evidence: space exploration, genetics, quantum mechanics, you name it.

3. Technology advancement itself requires genius innovative ideas. Evidence: from the first Apple desktop, to MacBook, to Tablet Computer, to Smart Phone...Each step requires the bravest vision and the perfect execution.

4. Technology develops, sometimes before we know how to correctly use them, and thereby generates many problems that did not exist before. These problems all require us to come up with effective solution. Evidence: Pollution, energy crisis...

26. The luxuries and conveniences of contemporary life prevent people from developing into truly strong and independent individuals.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In

developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

1. People become too reliant on technology to solve problems on their own.

2. A perfect material life has become the sole drive for many who no longer have an independent worldview. Evidence: just describe the too many material guys and material girls we see nowadays.

3. Convenient life makes room for more challenging tasks that give rise to a new generation of brilliant minds. (可以借用第 1 题)

43. The increasingly rapid pace of life today causes more problems than it solves.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should

consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

分情况讨论：

- 1.** 产生的问题，物理层面：健康，污染，能源
- 2.** 心理层面的各种心理问题，人际交流的肤浅
- 3.** 解决的问题：（信息、交通的快捷，生产的快捷）

交流的方便

物质生活的丰富

每一个段内都是列举+对比古今

33 & 109

33. As we acquire more knowledge, things do not become more comprehensible, but more complex and mysterious.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

三件事情可以完全同时存在

Each scientific breakthrough sheds light on regions of the universe that used to evade our understanding and brings us closer to the truth. Evidence: the invention of telescope and later instruments used in astronomy solved many puzzling problems. (eclipse – moon devoured by a heavenly monster → relative position of moon, sun and earth → accurately predict the precise moment an eclipse takes place); the invention of microscope and later instruments used in microbiology and particle physics revealed the hidden truth that used to escape our observation (infection → caused by microorganisms → antibiotic)

With our knowledge expanding, inevitably the system becomes bigger and more complex. Evidence: All kinds of new heavenly bodies discovered through telescopes (star, planet, comet → asteroid, neutron star, white dwarf, supernova, red giant, nebula, intergalactic substance, black hole, dark matter; The complex genetic codes, subatomic structures, 26 fundamental particles...)

As knowledge grows, humans have set their minds on topics that were not even thinkable in the past, so of course many new problems are generated and will seem mysterious until solved one day. Evidence: How dark matters interact with the observables; How to unify the four major forces, are these fundamental particles really “fundamental”?

109. Some people believe that scientific discoveries have given us a much better understanding of the world around us. Others believe that science has revealed to us that the world is infinitely more complex than we ever realized.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

132. Some people believe that our ever-increasing use of technology significantly reduces our opportunities for human interaction. Other people believe that technology provides us with new and

better ways to communicate and connect with one another.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

科技造成了人际交流的不足：（过分关注 **virtual space**，忽略真正有意义的人际关系：朋友，家庭）

科技造成了人类摄取知识的不足：（社交媒体信息量，八卦太多，我们关注快餐文化，却不再反思）

但是，正确的使用，科技完全可以促进我们的交流：

（**transportation, information** 都带来了远距离沟通的方便）
知识的获取也因为科技来变得更加容易（古代，穷学生再聪明也没钱读书-现在普通的大学生只要上图书馆就能获得最先进的前沿信息）

合适的教育方法，多媒体的使用

101. Although innovations such as video, computers, and the Internet seem to offer schools improved methods for instructing students, these technologies all too often distract from real learning.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

1. The catchy news, the social network, and all kinds of recreation devices all distract students too much.

Too much information that is easy to acquire makes students less inclined to think on their own.

2. Teachers can save lots of time when conducting a lecture. Evidence: Slide show, computer evaluation...

Diverse ways of teaching makes classes more interesting to participate in.

Closer and easier connection between teachers and students improve the quality of teaching.

3. Schools have a wider audience than the past. Evidence: Internet teaching...

Students have better access to information, especially to the most recent development.

64. The human mind will always be superior to machines because machines are only tools of human minds.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

1. Machines are tools of humans: 肯定，列举 (from the ancient wheels to the modern large hadron colliders, technologies of different eras all serve human purposes)

2. Human mind will always be superior.

大脑比机器先进？

分情况讨论：

运算的准确性，速度，耐力的对比（拆分+对比）机器>人

记忆力（对比）机器>人

但是：创造力，想象力：人>机器，引入文章理由（拆分+对比）

3. 补充说明：创造力来源于大脑结构的复杂度，目前机器的复杂度仍然小于大脑，但是我们无法预测未来

是否应该限制科学，科学研究的现实目的

23, 36, 59, 72 & 131

23. Governments should place few, if any, restrictions on scientific research and development.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

1. Governments should issue a strict ban on research with unclear ethical implication. Evidence: Cloning technology is widely banned because of its ethically problematic nature (religious issue& issue regarding personal identity).

2. Regarding research that may pose threats to people's physical safety, government should strictly limit its application but kindly encourage its study. (transgenic study, toxicology...)

3. Regarding research without immediate application, the case is different based on a particular country's economic strength. Governments in underdeveloped regions should use its research funding more prudently in areas with short-term effect. Evidence: The problem of scientific research with unclear consequences is twofold. First, it costs tons of money. Second, its effect is unpredictable. Yet underdeveloped regions have neither the money to waste nor the time to wait for the effect to happen. However, Governments in relatively developed regions should carefully provide financial support for researches even if their consequences may be

temporarily unclear. Evidence: Technological strength marks a nation's current global status (see U.S. after World War II).

Many now influential technologies did not seem at all promising when first developed (See Riemann Geometry, World Wide Web, Quantum Mechanics, and the Theory of Relativity...).

36. Governments should not fund any scientific research whose consequences are unclear.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

59. Scientists and other researchers should focus their research on areas that are likely to benefit the greatest number of people.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

72. Governments should not fund any scientific research whose consequences are unclear.

Write a response in which you discuss your views on the policy and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider the possible consequences of implementing the policy and explain how these consequences shape your position.

131. Claim: Researchers should not limit their investigations to only those areas in which they expect to discover something that has an immediate, practical application.

Reason: It is impossible to predict the outcome of a line of research with any certainty.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

91. The primary goal of technological advancement should be to increase people's efficiency so that they have more leisure time.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

1. 作者的假设: efficiency->leisure time。这个假设有道理的情况: 工作总量不变。转折: 然而, 明显工作总量在增加, 是时间很可能不变。(对比古今的效率和闲暇时间)

2. 然而提高效率是有意义的，即便不增加闲暇，也能增加总量（对比+拆分）一定要落到今天物质的丰富对我们的价值，以及这种丰富来源于效率的提高

3. 提高效率还能够解决急迫问题（能源、环境、疾病）列举。能源利用的效率提高；燃烧过程中燃料利用率提高减少排放；医疗体系效率的增强，医用物品配送效率的提高.....

成果的来源，新手与门外汉

27. In any field of inquiry, the beginner is more likely than the expert to make important contributions.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

科技：门槛高，需要大量的理论积累，实验观察→老手

政治：需要大量的人际资源，需要培养城府→老手

商业：**Jobs**

(前期：创意，大胆的理念带动了计算机领域的革新，当时的问题，不会管理，公司内部矛盾，自己被排挤出自己创造的公司；后期：多次失败，回归体现的是，多了管理企业的能力，更加的注重团队之间的合作)

艺术：

新手：新鲜空气；老手：艺术中包含更多人生阅历的积淀

Vincent Van Gogh 并没有受过充足的写实主义的训练，却使得他发展出了印象派，不再拘泥于对于客观现实的符合，而利用多变的光影去追求纯粹的美。**Leonardo da Vinci, Michelangelo** 等人从小接受正统的写实主义训练，**extended and exploited the limits of realism**，达到了登峰造极的地步

The speaker asserts that beginners are more likely to make significant contributions than experts. As we examine different fields of inquiry, we shall see that while in arts and modern business, it is indeed the beginners that often achieve great things, still in politics and science fundamental progress still more often relies on the expert opinions of established figures. Therefore, I believe the speaker's view is inaccurate.

To begin with, because the art world emphasizes more on creative spirit than on particular techniques, with more courage to transcend the past, beginners indeed often come up with brilliant masterpieces. For example, ...

Similar phenomenon can also be observed in modern business world, because ...

However, political world requires X, Y, Z and W, Which all can be gained only through years of practice. ...

Furthermore, in modern science, it is also quite difficult for beginners to fundamentally change the existing theories because of their limited resources and experiences. ...

Overall, I believe that while ..., nonetheless ...

143, 108 & 110

143. No field of study can advance significantly unless it incorporates knowledge and experience from outside that field.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and

explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

自然科学（理化生只是尺度的不同，生物研究进入细胞内必然需要化学，化学研究进入分子内部必然需要粒子物理）

人文学科（文史作为哲学的基础和工具）

工程类（作为应用学科，必然需要理论学科的依据和关于应用领域的了解）

数学（让步反驳：数学真理确实不依赖其它学科真理；但是数学在其它学科的应用可以推动数学的发展，比如黎曼几何在相对论的应用）

108. Critical judgment of work in any given field has little value unless it comes from someone who is an expert in that field.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In

developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

1. 入门门槛很高的理论研究领域，世俗中人很难给予帮助。

科学院物理教授，收到 **SX** 的信，说统一了四大作用力。

领域的需要：大量的数学工具，非欧几何，线性代数，微积分.....，大量的实验数据，很多实验需要的证据必须来自极高能量下的现象，即便学术界也达不到

SX：哲学反思，没有证据，没有严谨推理，只有“一腔热血”。

依此类推各科

2. 那些本来就和大众打交道的领域，显然需要社会人给予意见。

学科特点：赚大众的钱，服务大众，离不开大众的意见。

假想：记者->报道->深入基层，了解最底层人民的疾苦，让社会感动->好评->坚持

假想：儿童产品广告->低级趣味的笑话->客户的投诉->产品卖不出去->**SX** 才会不理用户的反馈

3. 所有领域，其实都会需要外学科专家的意见。

(1) 经济学需要数学

(2) 工程学离不开多方面的指导.....

(3) 数学它的发展方向的选择也需要其它应用领域给予意见

110. Critical judgment of work in any given field has little value unless it comes from someone who is an expert in that field.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

成果的来源，理性与实践

73. Colleges and universities should require all faculty to spend time working outside the academic world in professions relevant to the courses they teach.

Write a response in which you discuss your views on the policy and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider the possible consequences of implementing the policy and explain how these consequences shape your position.

肯定 **Applied study: They teach skills rather than theories. (Medicine, journalism) Its requirement changes with the society. (Computer Science)**

否定 **Theoretical Study: Evidence comes from past lab research, observation (natural sciences), books, discussion and reasoning (philosophy).**

否定 **Artists: require free time to reflect freely about life, beauty and humanity. Freelancer**

成果的来源，想象力的作用

105, 106 & 126

105. Claim: Imagination is a more valuable asset than experience.

Reason: People who lack experience are free to imagine what is possible without the constraints of established habits and attitudes.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

106. In most professions and academic fields, imagination is more important than knowledge.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

艺术 (**Avatar**, **Van Gogh vs. Da Vinci**)

参见 **No. 5-3 Section A** 短阅读

各领域中两者都有重要作用

学术界 (凯库勒发现苯环 **benzene** 结构)

商业 (**Jobs**: 想象力帮助他设想未来产品, **tablet computer**, **Siri**, **iCloud**; 知识帮助这些技术成为可能)

126. In most professions and academic fields, imagination is more important than knowledge.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

成果的来源，运气

56. Many important discoveries or creations are accidental: it is usually while seeking the answer to one question that we come across the answer to another.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

1. 地理大发现：哥伦布

2. 科学：青霉素+苯环

不能走向极端，偶然性有作用，但是必然性作用更大

青霉素当中 **Alexander Fleming** 本身研究的敏锐性和严谨性，
苯环当中知识的作用

（青霉素的例子：**Penicilin, Alexander Fleming** 本来在做 **bacteria** 的培养实验，结果培养基 **culture** 被意外污染 **contaminated**。他的助手想要丢掉这个被污染的培养皿，但是它

认为里头细菌的死亡不会是意外，他就研究了什么杀死了细菌，发现了青霉素)

社会与文化类

研究社会的方法

2. To understand the most important characteristics of a society, one must study its major cities.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

经济（大城市什么样的经济现象体现了什么样的社会经济特点）科技的应用（科技在大城市中的应用； **transportation, automation, information**）

文化（传统 **vs.** 流行）

According to the statement, it is necessary to examine its major cities in order to accurately understand a society. As we examine different aspects of a society, we shall see that major cities do reflect, relatively accurately, a nation's economic development. However, technological development and cultural traits are not fully depicted in large cities. Therefore, the speaker's view, in my opinion, is inaccurate.

To begin with, as the thermometer of a nation's economy, large cities' booming or recession can both represent similar phenomena on a national scale. Take Beijing, the capital of China, for example. ...

However, a nation's overall technological strength is not dispersed evenly across its entire territory, and as a result, large cities' technological power does not fully disclose how well advanced innovation is applied throughout the country.

Moreover, as a complex concept itself, culture is not fully disclosed by the cultural elements we observe in a large city. On one hand, I do agree that pop culture and fashionable elements are most often seen in those metropolitans. ... On the other hand, just because of the impact from fashion, traditional culture loses its appeal more quickly in large cities. ...

22 & 122

22. Claim: The best way to understand the character of a society is to examine the character of the men and women that the society chooses as its heroes or its role models.

Reason: Heroes and role models reveal a society's highest ideals.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

先说 **reason**: 英雄确实体现了社会的最高理念, 它们体现了人们所追求的东西

成功观（古今对比）

道德理想（中西对比或者古今对比）我们经常追捧的英雄人物是舍小家为大家，甚至连自己家庭都不顾，体现的是一种极端的利他主义要求；美国经常谈论的英雄人物确实为了保护家庭对抗坏人，显然更符合人性。

再说 **claim**：承认确实能够体现社会的最高追求，但是也意味着不能体现社会中残酷的现实

生活水平，道德水平（对比英雄和平民）

122. The best way to understand the character of a society is to examine the character of the men and women that the society chooses as its heroes or its role models.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

77. The most effective way to understand contemporary culture is to analyze the trends of its youth.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

Born and raised in contemporary world, it is the young people who are the most deeply influenced by values of contemporary world. （男女、种族、取向平等，民主，世界化的理念）

Many aspects of contemporary culture arise in recent years. Since most middle aged and elderly people are not used to changes, most of these new phenomena are attributed to a society's young people, the group that is the most ready to embrace exotic ideas and to subvert existing patterns. As a result, by examining young people's habits and minds, we can know a lot about the trends of society. In fact, almost every new fashion is led by young people, as can be seen from things they wear, programs they watch, language they use and even people they date...

However, because of the limit in their financial power and political strength, young people's voice is quite weak in areas with high threshold, like politics and business. The organization and operation of these fields are determined by the social elites, who often have accumulated their resources and cultivated their sophistication for decades. For example, in China's political world... (connection > policy)

与年轻人的理想性反而是相矛盾的

大城市的重要性

5 & 117

5. Claim: Governments must ensure that their major cities receive the financial support they need in order to thrive.

Reason: It is primarily in cities that a nation's cultural traditions are preserved and generated.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

大城市起源：人群聚集地，流传的文化要有足够的从事者，尤其古代只有大城市才有人群的密集。（建筑、歌剧、交响乐）

小地方起源：浓厚乡土气息，地方特色，与众不同，非主流（牛仔、乡村音乐）

Preservation

大城市的保存：静态的（博物馆、艺术馆）

小地方的保存：自然的传承（受到的文化冲击小，对比大城市）

Claim:

有道理，不管 **reason** 对不对，都应该提供大城市的发展，因为他仍然是社会经济、科技、政治、交通等的枢纽……

117. It is primarily in cities that a nation's cultural traditions are generated and preserved.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

平民与精英

28, 85, 113, 120, 121, 127 & 145

28. The surest indicator of a great nation is represented not by the achievements of its rulers, artists, or scientists, but by the general welfare of its people.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

伟人成就的非充分性：（前苏联，有大量成就，但是人民水深火热，国家很快垮了，不算伟大；春秋时期的中国，国家混乱，每个小国都不强大，但是是历史上伟人最多的时刻）

人民幸福的非充分性（北欧诸国，有好的福利，没有什么重大成就，我们不觉得它们伟大）**When we talk about great nations, normally people would not think about nations like Iceland, Norway, Finland or Luxemburg. These nations, although wealthy enough to have**

almost insurmountable welfare systems, generally are not deemed as the greatest ones in the world. ...

两者的必要（从古至今各文明古国，古希腊，英国，美国，同时实现两者）

85. Some people believe that in order to thrive, a society must put its own overall success before the well-being of its individual citizens. Others believe that the well-being of a society can only be measured by the general welfare of all its people.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

113. Claim: The surest indicator of a great nation is not the achievements of its rulers, artists, or scientists.

Reason: The surest indicator of a great nation is actually the welfare of all its people.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

120. Claim: The surest indicator of a great nation must be the achievements of its rulers, artists, or scientists.

Reason: Great achievements by a nation's rulers, artists, or scientists will ensure a good life for the majority of that nation's people.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

121. Some people claim that you can tell whether a nation is great by looking at the achievements of its rulers, artists, or scientists. Others argue that the surest indicator of a great nation is, in fact, the general welfare of all its people.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In

developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

127. The surest indicator of a great nation is not the achievements of its rulers, artists, or scientists, but the general well-being of all its people.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

145. The general welfare of a nation's people is a better indication of that nation's greatness than are the achievements of its rulers, artists, or scientists.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

学习与教育类

教育的根本目的，是适应社会还是塑造个性，是以现实考虑为重还是理想化，是培养专才还是培养完善个人

3, 15, 20, 32, 35, 39, 98, 129, 135, 136 & 137

3. Educational institutions have a responsibility to dissuade students from pursuing fields of study in which they are unlikely to succeed.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

支持：

按照现实考虑的意义（假想 **40** 岁搞打击乐没钱的情况）

反驳：

很难判断所谓容易成功/热门/赚钱多——很多热门后来都变得不热，很多冷门后来发展很快（商科；计算机↑；生物）

副作用（离开了兴趣反而难以成功）：列举周围的现象——孩子从小喜欢艺术、运动……→家长非得让他学医、商、法→孩子没兴趣→堕落→失败；任何行业 **NB** 的人都是有着 **passion** 的人

从社会的层面中，这种建议会导致一部分专业缺乏足够的人才。

15. Educational institutions should actively encourage their students to choose fields of study that will prepare them for lucrative careers.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

20. Some people believe that college students should consider only their own talents and interests when choosing a field of study. Others believe that college students should base their choice of a field of study on the availability of jobs in that field.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

32. College students should base their choice of a field of study on the availability of jobs in that field.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

35. Educational institutions should dissuade students from pursuing fields of study in which they are unlikely to succeed.

Write a response in which you discuss your views on the policy and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider the possible consequences of implementing the policy and explain how these consequences shape your position.

39. College students should be encouraged to pursue subjects that interest them rather than the courses that seem most likely to lead to jobs.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

98. Educational institutions should actively encourage their students to choose fields of study in which jobs are plentiful.

Write a response in which you discuss your views on the policy and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider the possible consequences of implementing the policy and explain how these consequences shape your position.

129. College students should base their choice of a field of study on the availability of jobs in that field.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

135. Educational institutions should actively encourage their students to choose fields of study that will prepare them for lucrative careers.

Write a response in which you discuss your views on the policy and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider the possible consequences of implementing the policy and explain how these consequences shape your position.

136. Educational institutions should actively encourage their students to choose fields of study in which jobs are plentiful.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

137. Educational institutions have a responsibility to dissuade students from pursuing fields of study in which they are unlikely to succeed.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

13, 46, 70, 102, 112 & 140

13. Universities should require every student to take a variety of courses outside the student's field of study.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

It is necessary to understand a variety of subjects even if one's only goal is to get a good grade.

Evidence: Many fields have an interdisciplinary nature. Economics is based on math, biology on chemistry, philosophy on history and linguistics, public health on politics and finance, and etc.

As long as one aims to excel in an industry in the future, a wide repertoire will prove essential in unexpected ways. Evidence: Steve Jobs did not intend to profit from his typography knowledge, even though he ended up benefitting a lot from that class in college.

The current college education system focuses on analytic thinking; however, knowledge on humanity is also essential for a person's growth. Evidence: The

access to literature, movies, philosophy and art makes people reflect on the essential human problems. Students will benefit from these experiences and come out as persons with concerns not just about themselves but about the whole humanity.

Students may find it time-wasting and too challenging to pick a course that they are not familiar with.

Evidence: Most students skip classes and pick the “easy” courses because they care about nothing but grades.

The fact that students will not voluntarily select these outside courses only makes it more necessary for college to enforce the rule on students. Evidence: The job of colleges is not to make life easy for students, but to make their stay in college worthwhile.

46. Universities should require every student to take a variety of courses outside the student's field of study.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

70. Claim: Universities should require every student to take a variety of courses outside the student's major field of study.

Reason: Acquiring knowledge of various academic disciplines is the best way to become truly educated.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

102. Universities should require every student to take a variety of courses outside the student's field of study.

Write a response in which you discuss your views on the policy and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider the possible consequences of implementing the policy and explain how these consequences shape your position.

112. Requiring university students to take a variety of courses outside their major fields of study is the best way to ensure that students become truly educated.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

140. Some people believe that universities should require every student to take a variety of courses outside the student's field of study. Others believe that universities should not force students to take

any courses other than those that will help prepare them for jobs in their chosen fields.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

54. In order to become well-rounded individuals, all college students should be required to take courses in which they read poetry, novels, mythology, and other types of imaginative literature.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

观点：作者的建议有价值，但因为这不是唯一的方法，所以不应该强迫，只应该鼓励学生学这些课程。

培养想象力：（想象力对于自然科学的意义 **Kekule**）

培养人文精神：（人文精神对于各领域的作用 **+imaginative literature** 为什么包含了大量的人文精神的素材）小说、科幻中经常包含对于社会问题的反思和对人性恶的揭露

转折：

培养想象力（扯淡；科学的想象力和文学作品的想象力没有直接关系。而且，科学的关键不在于想象，而在于证明：凯库勒）

人文精神的培养有其它途径 (**literary study, news, politics, philosophy**)

51 & 71

51. Young people should be encouraged to pursue long-term, realistic goals rather than seek immediate fame and recognition.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be

advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

The speaker asserts that ... While we see many successful people guided by their life-long goals, we also see plenty of achieved individuals with immediate fame always on their one. From my perspective, for young people, it is not the goal itself that matters, but the effort he will make to achieve that goal.

A long-term goal serves as the beacon in one's life, always guiding one to overcome all kinds of obstacles.

(Jobs) If one lacks such a driving force, he may end up becoming addicted to immediate comfort. In fact, this is probably the reason why the speaker recommends the young people not to focus on

immediate fame.（娱乐圈很多人成名之后放纵自己，就死了）

但仍然有不少人追求的不是什么人生理想的实现，至少不是什么特别崇高的人生理想的实现，也能够取得成功。他们可能追求的就是

钱，名誉，地位，然后为此付出不懈的努力。（**Andy Warhol, Lady Gaga – the Fame, Li Na**）

In fact, what matters is not whether you have long term goals or just focus on immediate fame; what matters is whether for whatever goal you set, you will work hard to achieve it.（进一步分析上面那些成功的人，无论是有长远目标，还是追求名誉的人，如何通过超人的努力来实现这些目标）**On the contrary, even if one has long-term plan, as long as he does not work hard toward it, the plan will always remain an empty plan.**

71. Young people should be encouraged to pursue long-term, realistic goals rather than seek immediate fame and recognition.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

合适的教学方法，统一或多样化，是否关注个体

6, 14, 96 & 116

6. A nation should require all of its students to study the same national curriculum until they enter college.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

1. 基本课程是必须强行要求的（说理）

2. 统一课程对于穷国的意义（说理）减少书本编纂、教师培训、大学招生的成本

转折：

3. 灵活课程在大部分情况下都有重要的价值。在有能力和多样性课程的情况下，仍然要求所有人，尤其是高年级学生都统一，会导

致兴趣不能发挥，甚至上大学都不知道自己学什么。因此，有经济实力
的国家不该这么做。（描述中国现状）

4. 对于地方文化的传承有着重要作用。

14. A nation should require all of its students to study the same national curriculum until they enter college.

Write a response in which you discuss your views on the policy and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider the possible consequences of implementing the policy and explain how these consequences shape your position.

96. A nation should require all of its students to study the same national curriculum until they enter college.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

116. A nation should require all of its students to study the same national curriculum until they enter college.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

142. Claim: Colleges and universities should specify all required courses and eliminate elective courses in order to provide clear guidance for students.

Reason: College students—like people in general—prefer to follow directions rather than make their own decisions.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

Reason: 诚然，有一部分人不喜欢自己做决定，喜欢盲从。（列举常见现象）

然而，真正成功的大学生都是自己喜欢掌握自己命运的。

Claim: 即便 **reason** 正确，我们也不应该姑息这种不良的习惯。自我做决定的价值。（说理：大学的意义；未来社会中自我做选择的需要）

不可行性：（没法统一各种课程选择，首先没有明确的专业；进入了某专业，也有各种具体的研究方向需要选择）

37. Society should identify those children who have special talents and provide training for them at an early age to develop their talents.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

According to the prompt, society should identify talented young children and provide them with relevant training. It is not to deny that the underlying rationale is reasonable, provided that the policy seems to prevent the society from losing valuable talents just because their families may not be up to the task of giving them their deserved education. However, it is almost impossible to impartially identify talented youngsters, let alone this policy is a biased use of tax dollars on only a group of people. Overall, I disagree with the speaker.

To begin with, this proposal may seem initially appealing because it appears to nurture geniuses with the extra-special attention they need. ...

However, after careful deliberation, this seemingly fair policy cannot possibly start its identification process at a fair beginning line. ...

Furthermore, it is simply unfair to spend tax dollars, which should be distributed among all children, on

only a very small group of already well-endowed people. ...

In conclusion, ...

40, 47 & 90

40. Claim: When planning courses, educators should take into account the interests and suggestions of their students.

Reason: Students are more motivated to learn when they are interested in what they are studying.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

47. Educators should find out what students want included in the curriculum and then offer it to them.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which

adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

这么做的首要好处是能够增加课程对于学生的吸引力。（假想举例）这里包含两个方面：课程内容的吸引力和课程形式的吸引力。

其次，对于高年级学生，毫无疑问，这个建议更能够满足学生的发展需要，目的性更强。（说理：高年级学生的特点；课程：不再是基本能力的培养）

然而，建议存在着一定的漏洞，即学生所想要/不想要的并不能准确反映他们真正的需要，尤其在低年级阶段。

可操作性问题：必须考虑经济、教育实力，以及不能仅因个别人的需要改变课程体系。

90. Educators should take students' interests into account when planning the content of the courses they teach.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which

adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

合适的教学方法，鼓励与批评

24, 29 & 52

24. The best way to teach is to praise positive actions and ignore negative ones.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

家长 **vs.** 孩子（知识、道德、个人能力）

老师 **vs.** 学生（只关注知识，注重团体）

雇主 **vs.** 雇员（只注重业绩，不再事无巨细）

29. The best way to teach—whether as an educator, employer, or parent—is to praise positive actions and ignore negative ones.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

52. The best way to teach is to praise positive actions and ignore negative ones.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

合适的教学方法，知识的联系

48 & 92

48. Educators should teach facts only after their students have studied the ideas, trends, and concepts that help explain those facts.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

作者的动机：联系性的学习是非常必要的，单独学习 **facts** 几乎没有价值，也难以掌握。（分类详细展开；历史的起因影响>事情发生的时间地点等信息本身，**F=ma** 离开了对概念和应用的理解是没有价值的）

然而，作者要求的这个顺序是没有必要。（说理）完全可以先介绍具体的事实作为依托再展开讨论。

并且，极端基本的知识，是不需要背景展开的。（**1+1=2**）

92. Educators should base their assessment of students' learning not on students' grasp of facts but on the ability to explain the ideas, trends, and concepts that those facts illustrate.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

比上个题多的

这种评价体系可能涉及过多的主观考量，因而具有很差的操作性。

反驳：即便答案都是主观的，如果能够在不违背事实的情况下提出属于自己的见解，本身就是教育的意义。

合适的学习方法，挑战权威

42. Students should always question what they are taught instead of accepting it passively.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and

explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

作者的动机：很多先前以为是真的东西都发现是假的，如果没有质疑的精神，知识就不能进步。（列举）

当然，我们鼓励这种精神，但是是否一定要 **question**，要视情况而定。首先，盲目的认为所有观点是错的显然没有意义，这和盲信没有任何区别。

其次，不同的阶段，不同的领域，主动学习是有不同的方式。（高端的自然科学学生，一般的人文领域，**question** 是没问题；基础的自然科学，数学，没什么好 **question** 的，此时主动学习是别的路径）

合适的教学方法，出国与否

82, 97, 100 & 124

82. Colleges and universities should require their students to spend at least one semester studying in a foreign country.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

出国的好处：提高知识水平（列举）

出国的好处 **2**：拓展视野（说理：国际合作的现状；合作要求文化的包容性；出国对于此点的帮助）

然而，出国的不可行性，对于某些人。（语言，财政）

97. Colleges and universities should require their students to spend at least one semester studying in a foreign country.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In

developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

100. Colleges and universities should require their students to spend at least one semester studying in a foreign country.

Write a response in which you discuss your views on the policy and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider the possible consequences of implementing the policy and explain how these consequences shape your position.

124. All college and university students would benefit from spending at least one semester studying in a foreign country.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should

consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

合适的教育方法，家长的参与

81 & 95

81. All parents should be required to volunteer time to their children's schools.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

The speaker asserts that all parents should be required to volunteer time at their children's schools. Obviously, this policy can help the schools deal with shortage of staff and funding as well as improve students' sense of community. Although people may

argue that parents do not have the time to do such voluntary work, after careful deliberation, we shall see that this policy is not as time-demanding as it may appears. Overall, I definitely agree with the speaker.

To begin with, as a sad fact, many American public primary schools and secondary schools are facing a huge shortage of government funding. Consequently, programs are being cut and staff are in shortage. Therefore, parents' involvement can to a certain level mitigate these crises. ...

Moreover, the goal of school education is not only to teach skills and knowledge, but also to cultivate characters, in particular, a sense of community. Clearly, for that to happen, teaching by preaching is far less effective than teaching by action.

However, some people may argue that parents may not spare so much time doing these voluntary jobs. However, ...

Furthermore, others may argue that it is not parents' obligation to do what schools are supposed to do. Once again, this argument is based on the incorrect notion that once students enter schools, parents' duty is over. In fact, parents' are always obligated to cooperate with school in order to educate children as effectively as possible. ...

95. All parents should be required to volunteer time to their children's schools.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

教育的现状，限制还是培养

17 & 68

17. Formal education tends to restrain our minds and spirits rather than set them free.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

One of the important goals of education is for students to become independent and creative individuals who are ready to step into the society and make contributions that surpass their predecessors. However, there are several reasons that cast doubt on this prospect.

First, formal education tends to provide a fixed set of methodology, often stressing too much on analytical and critical thinking and reasoning, but breakthrough in many fields seems to rely on creative spirit that extends beyond the limit of rationality. (e.g. Jobs' criticism on the excessive emphasis on critical and rational thinking in American college system and his stress on intuition; Van Gogh's breakthrough to

impressionism that seems to benefit from his lack of training in realistic painting)

Second, formal education, the theme of which often depends on governments' ideology, often distorts students' perception of truth. (often happens in history classes)

However, creativity is not equal to pure random spur of ideas. No matter in art or in science, creation requires rational elements. Formal education teaches students to become adept in manipulating these elements, but never intentionally confine students' thoughts and spirits within the limitation of these instruments. As long as students themselves are always eager to try out new approaches, the control of effective methodology is actually a propeller rather than an inhibitor of their creative ideas.

First, in science, without intensive training in scientific methodology, there is simply no ground for theoretic breakthrough.

Second, even in art, every artistic genre (singing, dancing, painting, architecture...) requires certain

forms of rational elements. 参见 No. 5-3 Section A 短阅读 (Leonardo Da Vinci)

Overall, any creation requires one not only to master the rational tools that derived most easily from formal training but also to avoid being limited to overusing those tools. The speaker's insight does point to some innate flaws of formal education in the extreme form, but ultimately fails to do justice to the contribution of formal education.

68. Some people believe that the purpose of education is to free the mind and the spirit. Others believe that formal education tends to restrain our minds and spirits rather than set them free.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

教育的现状，无法驱动个人

58. Learning is primarily a matter of personal discipline; students cannot be motivated by school or college alone.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

低年级学生的驱动分析

支持：自身的部分比较少：一些小孩很小就有爱好，也展现了天赋

反驳：但这是很少的，很多爱好其实也不是天生的，而是家长的启蒙；很多孩子之所以喜欢一门课是因为老师 **nice**，老师有意思，老师漂亮……（原因：孩子缺乏判断力，缺乏对自己的认识，缺乏对社会的了解……）

高年级学生的驱动分析

家长的作用有限-学生的知识面和见识超过了家长；价值观的分歧

教师有可能-遇到了 **inspiring professor**，还是可以被激励

学校学习氛围-一个班里学习气氛是被几个人戴起来的

整体靠自己：（有了社会生活压力；更明确自己的喜好）

教育的现状，追求高分的后果

45 & 138

45. Competition for high grades seriously limits the quality of learning at all levels of education.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

坏处：竞争带来心理压力+影响同学关系+偏离教育目的（孩子成为考试机器）+对于低年级学生的兴趣及信心的打击

好处：提供学习的动力，而且在一定程度上，合理的 **grades** 设置能够反映出学生的学习能力（**class participation, presentation, exams, homework...**）

社会毕竟需要评判机制，公正性（高年级需要这样的标准）

138. Some people believe that competition for high grades motivates students to excel in the classroom. Others believe that such competition seriously limits the quality of real learning.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

关于教师

30 & 83

30. Teachers' salaries should be based on their students' academic performance.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

作者有两个假设：

1. 教师的薪水应该体现的是他的教学能力
2. 教师的教学能力能够被学生的学术表现所准确反映（教师的知识水平，教师的沟通能力->学生的知识的准确性，学生的努力程度）

针对第一条分情况讨论：

大学的薪水不仅仅考虑教学能力，更考虑研究实力；但是大部分情况下薪水确实主要和教学能力联系在一起

针对第二条假设：

1. 教师的知识水平 → 学生所学的东西是对是错
2. 教师的授课技巧，鼓舞能力 → 学生更积极的学习

然而，即便是完全一样的老师，面对不同的学生，似乎也会产生完全不同的效果。于是，有人会觉得不能完全把老师的薪水和学生成绩挂钩。

再反驳：真正 **NB** 的老师，就是能够面对不同的学生，不同的班级采用不同的教学手段和讲授不同 **level** 的知识。

结论：**fundamentally agree**，只是在大学不太适用

83. Teachers' salaries should be based on the academic performance of their students.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the

position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

媒体类

4. Scandals are useful because they focus our attention on problems in ways that no speaker or reformer ever could.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

Scandal 的作用

学术界：学术造假、抄袭等丑闻使人们更关注 **academic integrity**

政治领域：腐败、贪污等丑闻让我们更关注 **problems within the current political system, e.g. excessive individual power, lack of public supervision**

娱乐圈：只不过是吸引眼球，没什么用，有时候明星甚至会刻意制造丑闻来增加自己的知名度

Reformer 的作用：

Scandal 无非是让我们关注到了我们本来就知道存在的问题，并不意味着行动起来。而 **reformer** 从根本上改变、颠覆了人们的观念，带领人们进行体制的改革。邓小平的经济改革，**Martin Luther King** 的社会改革.....

44, 75 & 84

44. Claim: It is no longer possible for a society to regard any living man or woman as a hero.

Reason: The reputation of anyone who is subjected to media scrutiny will eventually be diminished.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

75. In this age of intensive media coverage, it is no longer possible for a society to regard any living man or woman as a hero.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

结论：英雄人物仍然存在

名人：承认人们大大小小都有些缺陷（各领域列举）；然而，当人们成就极其巨大时，这些缺陷不足以毁掉名誉（**Jobs, Jackson, Jordan...**）

媒体：**reason** 的部分，为了吸引读者的眼球，媒体确实看似总会挖掘并曝光人们的缺陷（列举各种被媒体曝出的丑闻，**Phelps, Jackson**）；但是，面对平民英雄时，即便为了自身的利益，媒体也不会去挖掘丑闻

大众：确实很多人缺乏批判性思维，盲信（微博上各种反政府言论会快速流传）；但是主流媒体服务政府、服务大财团，使得很多人质疑其可信度。

84. It is no longer possible for a society to regard any living man or woman as a hero.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

艺术类

7. Some people believe that government funding of the arts is necessary to ensure that the arts can flourish and be available to all people. Others believe that government funding of the arts threatens the integrity of the arts.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

先谈第一句话：毫无疑问，国家对于艺术的支持是必要的：**1.** 对于传统文化的传承；**2.** 艺术馆、博物馆的建立；**3.** 公立学校艺术课程。确实存在很多私人募捐，但是私人募捐主要针对的是高雅的艺术，更多需要的是政府介入，帮助最普通艺术需要得以实现。

第二句话有道理的部分：艺术的实质是真实情感的流露，但当艺术家受制于政府需要时，其所表达的情感经常是被扭曲的（朝鲜的艺术），包括中小学的艺术教育内容甚至都是政治性的。

反驳：事实上，政府只要单纯的资助艺术教育本身，不去政策上限制传播的内容就可以了。

所以，同意第一句话，第二句话片面。

55. In order for any work of art—for example, a film, a novel, a poem, or a song—to have merit, it must be understandable to most people.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

流行艺术（目的就是获得票房；大多数人意见显然就有价值）

前卫艺术（特点：强思想性、前瞻性；大多数人的特点：理解力低下，思维没有深度） **Vincent van Gogh**

反主流艺术（目的：宣泄反主流情感，比如重金属音乐的歌词中经常反映的就是现在社会的根本性的问题）

政治类

政府对环保的投入

10, 125 & 148

10. Nations should pass laws to preserve any remaining wilderness areas in their natural state, even if these areas could be developed for economic gain.

Write a response in which you discuss your views on the policy and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider the possible consequences of

implementing the policy and explain how these consequences shape your position.

负面性：经济发展的需求（土地，描述土地稀缺的现状）得不到满足

正面作用：保护环境，原生态区域的价值（分类：森林、湿地、河流湖泊）

可持续发展时替代方案，在保持环境价值的情况下进行合理开发（分类：合理采伐、分季节捕捞、生态旅游）

125. Some people claim that a nation's government should preserve its wilderness areas in their natural state. Others argue that these areas should be developed for potential economic gain.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

148. Nations should pass laws to preserve any remaining wilderness areas in their natural state.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

31. Society should make efforts to save endangered species only if the potential extinction of those species is the result of human activities.

Write a response in which you discuss your views on the policy and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider the possible consequences of implementing the policy and explain how these consequences shape your position.

作者的道理：这些生物不适应环境，再怎么保护也回不去，不能贡献给环境

转折

作者假设的错误：存在这么一些生物，生活在我们周边，其濒危不是我们所影响的。（**panda**，确实有自己的不适应，然而也受到了人类的影响）

这些生物还有别的价值。（学术、旅游）

63 & 67

63. There is little justification for society to make extraordinary efforts—especially at a great cost in money and jobs—to save endangered animal or plant species.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

作者有道理的地方：缺钱（动物<人）

转折

作者错误的假设（我们需要花 **extraordinary effort** 来拯救濒危生物）

濒危生物的重要价值（环境、研究；生物链，牵一发则动全身；

dodo bird 的灭绝造成了当地一种树的灭绝，因为那种树的种子需要 **dodo bird** 消化来帮助发芽）

这是人类欠生物的，是我们的行为导致它们的灭绝（列举人类破坏环境的斑斑劣迹）

The speaker claims that there is little justification to spend a lot of social resources protecting endangered species. Of courses I shall not deny that human needs such as jobs and food outweigh animals' and plants' rights. However, species protection does not cost as much as it seems in the first place. Furthermore, it also brings tremendous long-term value in ecological balance, cultural enrichment and scientific research. Overall, I completely disagree with the speaker.

For starter, I concede that it would be irrational to argue that human needs should give way to species protection. After all, as humans, it seems strange to take on a non-human-centered stance. ...

However, the speaker's assertion relies on an implausible assumption, that is, species protection costs extraordinary amount of social resources. ...

Finally, protecting endangered creatures is itself an extremely valuable enterprise because of all the long-term value it brings. ...

67. Some people believe that society should try to save every plant and animal species, despite the expense to humans in effort, time, and financial well-being. Others believe that society need not make extraordinary efforts, especially at a great cost in money and jobs, to save endangered species.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

政府对教育的投入

12 & 25

12. Governments should offer a free university education to any student who has been admitted to a university but who cannot afford the tuition.

Write a response in which you discuss your views on the policy and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider the possible consequences of implementing the policy and explain how these consequences shape your position.

有道理的地方：大学教育的重要意义（增强社会流动性、社会公正 **social fluidity**，提高国民素质 **in contrast to primary education**）

反面：

可行性：极穷的国家更应该关注的问题不是高等教育，而是.....

替代方案：助学贷款给穷的，奖学金给牛的->推动努力学习（直接把钱给学生很可能因为得来容易而不珍惜；只有让他们通过努力才能获得的机会他们才会珍惜）

25. Governments should offer college and university education free of charge to all students.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

政府对艺术的投入

80 & 88

80. Nations should suspend government funding for the arts when significant numbers of their citizens are hungry or unemployed.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

作者的道理：艺术<基本社会问题（假想举例）。这个 **argument** 的问题是，按照这个逻辑，所有优先度低于 **unemployment** 的问题都该被搁置，环保，科研.....但显然我们只需要合理的分配，将更多的资源给 **unemployment** 就够了，而不是完全的抛弃其它问题。

无效性：社会贫困更多来源于分配不公，不解决制度问题，这个钱不会用给穷人

副作用+替代方案：艺术的流失（传统，小众，比如）； **Peking Opera: significant historical and aesthetic value -> greatly impacted by pop arts -> survival depending on national funding ->** 作者的建议会带来它的流失。艺术产业对于国家的重要意义 **American film industry, French painting, Italian Opera.** 国家的资助不仅是资助艺术门类，还包括艺术教育，艺术展览，对于艺术的传承和传播都有重要价值。

而且，艺术是社会的精神支柱。在危机时期，恰恰是艺术能够给绝望的社会带来希望。

88. Claim: Nations should suspend government funding for the arts when significant numbers of their citizens are hungry or unemployed.

Reason: It is inappropriate—and, perhaps, even cruel—to use public resources to fund the arts when people's basic needs are not being met.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

政府对未来的投入

19. Governments should focus on solving the immediate problems of today rather than on trying to solve the anticipated problems of the future.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

必须解决眼前必须解决的问题，否则会造成严重的社会灾难（中国曾经对于贫困问题的忽视）

仍然有些未来的问题必须解决，因为不解决就可能成为未来难以甚至无法解决的课题（环境，能源，人口，教育）

各个国家应该视情况而定（极穷的国家 **vs.** 发达的国家：宇航、理论研究）

政府与民众，是否以民为本

16, 50, 60, 86, 114, 115, 139 & 151

16. Some people believe that in order to be effective, political leaders must yield to public opinion and abandon principle for the sake of compromise. Others believe that the most essential quality of an effective leader is the ability to remain consistently committed to particular principles and objectives.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

观点：两件事情本来就不矛盾，为了实现最有价值的理念，就必须在相对次要的问题上妥协。

对于每个政治家来说，都应该有眼前最重要，最需要解决的问题。正是不放弃这些目标，将其作为自己的核心原则，才树立了一个又一个伟人。（林肯 **Abraham Lincoln** 面对巨大的反对，甚至人身的威胁，坚持废奴；邓小平坚持实现国家统一，收复香港；马丁路德金 **Martin Luther King** 面对自身的威胁，也坚持种族平等的斗争）

而为了这个目标的实现，确实需要妥协一些东西，因为必须要能够和意见不同的群体进行合作。（林肯为了在国会投票中通过废奴法案，还贿赂民主党 **democrat** 议员；马丁路德金为了保证 **civil rights movement** 的胜利，尽管心中反对越战，也没有在第一时间参与反战，因为他害怕牺牲种族平等斗争的果实；邓小平为了收复香港，只能够妥协让香港继续走资本主义的经济体制）

50. Government officials should rely on their own judgment rather than unquestioningly carry out the will of the people they serve.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your

position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

缺乏自身判断更糟糕。民众短视。

很多利益群体只从自身角度考虑。（各种问题上对立观点都存在，必须依赖政府自身的判断来进行群体之间利益的调和）

毫无疑问必须参考民众的意见，否则国家会跨。（大跃进无视民生基本需求，在民众仍然没有解决吃饭问题的时候，把国家的资源用来拼命搞重工业和军工的发展，三千万人）

完全由政府决定会导致权力过大和腐败。（天朝）

The speaker believes that government officials should rely on their own judgments when making decisions rather than unquestioningly appeal to public opinions. There is no doubt that public ideas can be uninformed and shortsighted, and lack of consensus among people with opposing interests require governments to use their own judgments in order to reach a common ground. However, purely relying on governments' judgments may also backfire,

because without taking into consideration public needs, policies can become unrealistic and the bureaucracy itself becomes corrupted. Therefore, a successful policy must be based on government judgment that incorporates public will.

For starter, lack of education and information source, the collective minds too often fall into extremes of either being too conservative or too aggressive...

Furthermore, because the public consists of people with completely opposing interests, without a mediator, viz., the government, conflicts will never end. ...

However, ignorant of public will and need, government itself, filled with hard-nosed bureaucrats with their own idiosyncrasies, may reach policies completely irrelevant to what should be at issue. ...

Moreover, without public supervision, the government will enjoy unlimited power, which inevitably will lead to corruption. ...

In sum, ...

60. Politicians should pursue common ground and reasonable consensus rather than elusive ideals.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

86. Some people believe that government officials must carry out the will of the people they serve. Others believe that officials should base their decisions on their own judgment.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

114. Any leader who is quickly and easily influenced by shifts in popular opinion will accomplish little.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

115. Government officials should rely on their own judgment rather than unquestioningly carry out the will of the people whom they serve.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In

developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

139. Claim: Major policy decisions should always be left to politicians and other government experts.

Reason: Politicians and other government experts are more informed and thus have better judgment and perspective than do members of the general public.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

62. Leaders are created by the demands that are placed on them.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might

not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

The speaker raises the issue that leaders are created by demands that are placed on them. Of course, there are multiple interpretations for this abstract statement. Some may take it to mean that great leaders will only arise under lots of expectations from others. From my perspective, however, it means that great leaders are those that can best fulfill people's demands.

成功的领袖必须要能够达到人们的期望（乔布斯拯救苹果，邓小平推动中国经济的发展.....）

伟大的领袖却敢于想人之不敢想，超越人们的期望。（同样的两个人）

94 & 147

94. The effectiveness of a country's leaders is best measured by examining the well-being of that country's citizens.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to

address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

The criteria of judging a leader's effectiveness is never simple, no matter in history or in modern era. In history, I believe a leader's success is often marked by one of the three criteria, his ability to defend his territory, his power in conquering new land, and his skill in securing a stable life for its citizens. As we know, the past was filled with wars and chaos, so often those who can defend their nations against stronger foes or put an end to everlasting bloodshed, naturally, were often viewed as the most successful leaders. Take for example Emperor Qin Shihuang and Emperor Liu Che in Chinese history. （殖民地国家的独立亦可） ... However, a lot more great rulers in history were memorized in history for their success in dominating minor countries and expand their own country's border. Obviously in our minds are Genghis Khan and Alexander the Great. ... Yet, we should never forget

that even in the past, people's well-being, single-dimensional its definition might be then, still played a crucial role in the evaluation of a leader's achievement. Let's look at Qin Shihuang again, only this time as a negative example. ...

In contrast, as peace becomes the main theme of modern era, well-being of people has gradually become the dominant criterion in assessing a leader's ability. However, we should note that well-being now is already a much more complex term that it used to be. ...

147. The effectiveness of a country's leaders is best measured by examining the well-being of that country's citizens.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

18. The well-being of a society is enhanced when many of its people question authority.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

让步的部分：不是每种 **question** 都能够推动社会进步。盲目的 **question**，以及暴动。

然而，正是合理的 **question**，才能够推动各领域的发展。

政治（对比正面反面，美国的言论自由 **vs.** 朝鲜的一言堂）

学术（学术的进步来源于对既有观点的挑战：日心说 **sun-centered theory/heliocentrism**、自由落体）

69. Some people believe it is often necessary, even desirable, for political leaders to withhold information from the public. Others believe that the public has a right to be fully informed.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

极端情况：国家机密。

过渡，然而很多领导人正因为这样的原因，就想当然的封锁了各种信息，反而会经常做出与民众实际利益不符的决定。我因此更倾向于第二个观点，在大部分情况下，应该 **inform the public**。

(SARS, bullet train, Red cross...)

而且，信息的不透明会造成严重的腐败。

官员的道德

104 & 107

104. To be an effective leader, a public official must maintain the highest ethical and moral standards.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or

examples that could be used to challenge your position.

然而，与工作相关的伦理道德标准，政府官员必须严格执行，否则很可能造成严重的社会危害。

道德标准：本该招给最胜任的工程队

政府官员违背：**project -> 外包、招标(often holds a meeting where different contractors bid for the project) -> 亲朋好友 -> 偷工减料**

社会危害：桥跨、楼塌、堤坝毁---豆腐渣工程

个人伦理（克林顿的性丑闻）

107. To be an effective leader, a public official must maintain the highest ethical and moral standards.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

152. The best way to solve environmental problems caused by consumer-generated waste is for towns and cities to impose strict limits on the amount of trash they will accept from each household.

Of course, towns and cities should set a cap on the amount of garbage produced by each household, since every individual must develop a sense of energy conservation, a sense that could not be otherwise developed without certain penalty. 列举各家浪费资源的表现。

However, one should not expect such a policy to be a panacea. First, not every family is going to obey the rule. 土豪不 care. Second, people have ways to bypass the regulation. 我扔公共领域不行么？甚至乱丢垃圾。

Most strikingly, the speaker illegitimately assumes that the major source of waste is produced by private households, while it is the industry that generates vast amount of environmental threats. As a result, the measure is far from the “best” solution. People might say this pollution is not “consumer-generated”. To be

frank, businesses and industries are the source of the frenzy of consumerism. 列举工厂污染本身, 列举商业鼓吹 consumerism 导致人们各种购买自己所不需要的东西。(编者语: **This society now embraces the ideal that we should be free to buy whatever we want, not necessarily whatever we need. We believe it is a sort of personal freedom, when we forget we also have personal obligation. Thus, even if we do not throw away any trash but use up all the extravagance, the simple fact that such extravagance needs not to be produced in the first place is a complete devastation on the environment.** 个人喜好, 不喜勿写)

交流类

自我意志

11 & 99

11. People's behavior is largely determined by forces not of their own making.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In

developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

外界因素可以起到的作用（分类展开各种外界巨大的压力）：**30** 多岁女性，天天 **date**，别人就会觉得她是

indecent/inappropriate（人们不喜欢行为乖张的人，人们喜欢统一性）

于是，一部分习惯于生活在他人的世界当中。（列举）**gay** 娶异性.....

但是，面对着一模一样的压力，仍然有很多人坚持着自我。（列举：**Jobs, Gates** 退学；**Elton John comes out**；见义勇为的英雄们）

99. People's behavior is largely determined by forces not of their own making.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your

position.

38. It is primarily through our identification with social groups that we define ourselves.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

通过认同群体认识自己（种族，宗教，社团，职业）：我们希望合群，希望找到归属感

其它途径：通过自我反思，认识到自身的兴趣和特点（艺术家、科学家）

78. People's attitudes are determined more by their immediate situation or surroundings than by society as a whole.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and

explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

人们确实看似是受社会影响的。（各种封建思想的传播；东西方各种价值观的对比）

然而，接受社会价值观首先要通过 **immediate surrounding**，家人、朋友或媒体。

而当这些 **immediate surrounding** 的观念与主流不同时，很可能我们形成的就是非主流的观念，因此题目正确。

合作的重要性

123 & 128

123. The best way for a society to prepare its young people for leadership in government, industry, or other fields is by instilling in them a sense of cooperation, not competition.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or

examples that could be used to challenge your position.

合作重要（个体、群体、社会）

竞争重要（个体、群体、社会）

128. Some people argue that successful leaders in government, industry, or other fields must be highly competitive. Other people claim that in order to be successful, a leader must be willing and able to cooperate with others.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

34, 49, 76 & 118

34. In any situation, progress requires discussion among people who have contrasting points of view.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

In academic fields, it is through extensive debate that scientists march step by step closer to truth.

(The particle and wave theory of Light)

Sometimes it may seem that people often fail to achieve consensus when it comes to the realm of ideology. (Palestine vs. Israel; cold war; Christian fundamentalist vs. biological evolutionism) However, progress does not necessarily mean that one side abandons its view. In ideology, the fact that different sides learn to tolerate the existence of others, try to form a peaceful relationship and cooperates in academic study and economic issues is a milestone in human history.

It should be noted that in a few areas where conformity plays a crucial role in the successful accomplishment of tasks, too much freedom of discussion may end up counterproductive. (military, team sports)

49. Claim: We can usually learn much more from people whose views we share than from those whose views contradict our own.

Reason: Disagreement can cause stress and inhibit learning.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

76. We can usually learn much more from people whose views we share than from people whose views contradict our own.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should

consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

118. We can learn much more from people whose views we share than from people whose views contradict our own.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

对信念的执着

66. People who are the most deeply committed to an idea or policy are also the most critical of it.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should

consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

A critical spirit is the academic ideal. Supposedly, rational beings, typical in the academic world, would evaluate their own views from all possible angles before reaching a firm commitment. Evidence: For instance, all graduate dissertations are required to explore possible counterarguments before drawing a conclusion.

In politics, people who commit to their ideas the most are generally uncritical. Evidence: The dialogue between democratic nations and dictators were solved by wars.

In spiritual life, people even call equate uncritical thinking with “faith”. Evidence: Despite abundant geological evidence, Christian fundamentalists’ firmly believes that the earth is only thousands of years old. Even in academic world, scientists choose what they wish to believe. Evidence: Newton devoted the latter half of his life to alchemy. Einstein abominated the

idea of a fundamentally random world entailed by quantum mechanics, even though his own evidence supports the theory.

141. It is more harmful to compromise one's own beliefs than to adhere to them.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

1. 确实有妥协失败，坚持成功的例子。(Apple Board vs. Jobs)

高端大气上档次的电脑意味着性价比偏低->董事会认为这会使得客户流失->要求走低端路线->赶走了乔布斯->苹果几乎灭了

2. 但是也有妥协成功，坚持失败的例子。(Mao vs. Deng)

3. 妥协和坚持都不能成为行为的准则。到底该妥协还是坚持取决于理性依据。Jobs: 任何企业都必须要有明确的产品定位；**Deng:** 平均主义体制下人是没有生产积极性

79 & 146

79. Claim: The best test of an argument is its ability to convince someone with an opposing viewpoint.

Reason: Only by being forced to defend an idea against the doubts and contrasting views of others does one really discover the value of that idea.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

Reason 有道理，很多问题，人们是盲信的，因为他们不去尝试与对立观点进行讨论。但是在讨论的过程中，为了说服对方，我们必须寻找证据。而如果先前缺乏证据，在寻找的过程中，我们很可能会发现对自己不利的证据，继而甚至开始怀疑自己先前的观点。

但是，这取决于我们的听众。理性的人：会 **open to evidence** 然而，面对 **Christian fundamentalist**，你说什么都是无意义的。

并且，某些领域的论证并不需要靠说服对方来判断。因为这些领域有完美的公理、定理体系，论证的每一步如果符合规则，这个论证一定是对的。

146. The best test of an argument is the argument's ability to convince someone with an opposing viewpoint.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

历史类

9, 57, 74, 133 & 134

9. In any field of endeavor, it is impossible to make a significant contribution without first being strongly influenced by past achievements within that field.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might

not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

经济学 (**Adam Smith: free market; Franklin Roosevelt: Macro-management.** 现在的经济发展全都结合两种方法)

商业 (商业 **Jobs** 吸取了年轻时失败的案例, 后来注重团队合作)

政治 (邓小平引进西方思想)

科学界 (爱因斯坦的理论基于黎曼几何的建立)

让步, 诚然, 有人会说, 有些人的成就是颠覆性的, 它没有利用过去理论的任何东西。但是, 对于过去理论问题的反思本身也是受到过去的影响。 (**Aristotelian philosophy -> Francis Bacon: Scientific Method**)

57. The main benefit of the study of history is to dispel the illusion that people living now are significantly different from people who lived in earlier times.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might

not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

相似：人性（善与恶）

不相似：知识（医疗、天文、知识获取）

不相似：社会价值（平等、自由、包容）

74. Knowing about the past cannot help people to make important decisions today.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

基本的理由：古今差别太大（知识，社会价值）

差别不大：人性（战争），因此在差别不大的地方学习过去可以帮助我们认识现在

即便古今差别很大，我们也可以通过变化的趋势来认识现在和未来

133. Claim: Knowing about the past cannot help people to make important decisions today.

Reason: The world today is significantly more complex than it was even in the relatively recent past.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

134. Claim: Knowing about the past cannot help people to make important decisions today.

Reason: We are not able to make connections between current events and past events until we have some distance from both.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

第一段:

The fundamental reason why history might help us make decisions is that there are similarities between past and present circumstances. However, there lies the problem. The events are similar, but not the same. There always are differences as well. Thus, it's impossible to predict whether it is going to be the similarities or the differences that play a major role in shaping how things go nowadays. 比如：反日游行和纳粹

反犹太游行（相似 **or** 不相似），我们并无法判断未来的走向。

第二段：

我承认，这些不相似性确实使我们难以准确预测未来。但是过去的教训让我们看到那些导致问题的关键性因素，即便目前不存在这些因素，我们也可以避免它们的发生。（反日游行如何不落入当年反纳粹游行的结局）

甚至没有相似性的时候，过去的惨痛教训也可以警醒我们。（原子弹）

法律类

21. Laws should be flexible enough to take account of various circumstances, times, and places.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

时间上应该灵活（某种领域过去和现在犯罪的变化，**gun control**，网络犯罪）

地域也灵活（需要尊重传统习俗）节假日法，交通法，灵活于不同州的地理环境

犯罪年龄年龄、作案频率（需要灵活，有些为了 **punishment**，有些为了 **rehabilitation**）

法律在有些东西上是不该灵活的（地位、权利）

65. Every individual in a society has a responsibility to obey just laws and to disobey and resist unjust laws.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to

address the most compelling reasons and/or examples that could be used to challenge your position.

The spirit of not taking for granted the current legal system is what steers the human civilization to more justice. If people thousands of years ago simply believed that what is just is equal to what is permitted by the law, then the law of slavery would count as just.

There is no universal agreement on what is just.

Evidence: Many people download pirated movies and games without even realizing they are violating the copyright law.

Direct disobedience of law will undercut the law's overall authority. If the law is ever to function, it has to hold authority. Something is called the law because it is categorical and allows no exception. If an individual's transgression can still be regarded as just, then many will follow suit.

89. Claim: Many problems of modern society cannot be solved by laws and the legal system.

Reason: Laws cannot change what is in people's hearts or minds.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

Laws cannot change deeply entrenched ideas.

Evidence: Even though one is required to treat men and women equally, the older generation in China still prefers boys to girls because of the deeply held ideas from the past.

Laws cannot change an individual's deeply held ideas, but through education, a new generation can be born with the correct view. Evidence: Young people in China generally believe that men and women are equal.

Since the law can only operate on explicit transgression, unethical ideas held in people's mind cannot be treated. Since these ideas are the roots of crimes, the law only treats the symptom, but does not get the ultimate cure. Evidence: Parents are not

allowed to throw away a girl infant, but they can still decide to favor their son rather than their daughter.

There are many grey areas of law where loopholes are found. In fact, since laws are man-made, they themselves succumb to injustice sometimes. List the problematic laws.

独立类

更新新鲜血液

8, 111 & 149

8. Claim: In any field—business, politics, education, government—those in power should step down after five years.

Reason: The surest path to success for any enterprise is revitalization through new leadership.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

1. 理由是有道理的：列举一些新鲜血液带来成功的案例

但是，理由也是片面的：良好状态下的团队，换了新人很可能是失败的

2. 事实上，是不是应该定期换人，我们应该分领域来谈

政治：赞同。

避免独裁，权利的过分膨胀（责任，权利实在是太大了）

举反例.....不下台国家的那些问题

商业：不赞同

没有理由认为商业领袖 **CEO** 们会因为任在位时间长而丧失原创性
(**Jobs**)

商业领袖的权力本来就不是无限，**board**

学术：不同意

判断学术界领袖的成功：培养的人才

相对长期的影响

111. In any profession—business, politics, education, government—those in power should step down after five years.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim. In developing and supporting your position, be sure to address the most compelling reasons and/or

examples that could be used to challenge your position.

149. In any field—business, politics, education, government—those in power should be required to step down after five years.

Write a response in which you discuss your views on the policy and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider the possible consequences of implementing the policy and explain how these consequences shape your position.

功绩的评判

41. The greatness of individuals can be decided only by those who live after them, not by their contemporaries.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might

not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

思想、艺术：前瞻性，前卫性，超越时代思想水平（**Van Gough, Nietzsche**）

商业：成效立现（**Jobs**）

更多的领域有着当下性，但也有着长远的影响。（毛泽东分两半，杂交水稻，**DDT** 农药，不可降解）

From the speaker's view, the achievement of any great individuals can only be accurately assessed by later people rather than by their contemporaries. As we examine different fields of endeavor, we shall see that in most fields, such as art, politics and science, the statement is quite accurate. However, when it comes to fields like business, where one's success is more often directly evaluated according to its immediate impact, opinions of her contemporaries are quite enough for an accurate assessment.

Overall, while the speaker's view is fundamentally reasonable, it should not be carried to the extreme.

To begin with, in fine arts, where innovative spirits are highly valued, artists' visions are often so beyond the understanding of their contemporaries that it is hard to give a correct evaluation without waiting for a couple of decades. ...

Furthermore, in politics, although many policies may place immediate influence on a nation's economy or industry, its unsustainable nature often exhausts future potential, a consequence only later people can fully recognize. ...

Moreover, in science, where theoretical predictions are often far ahead of people's visions to apply them, the value of many theories often remain blurry until decades and even centuries later. ...

However, exceptions does exist in business world, because here the success of an entrepreneur is almost sole determined by how his or her business model can quickly lead the business to immediate prosperity. In fact, even if that model fails in the next era, this failure alone does not suffice for others to deny its achievement in its own times. ...

为了目的不择手段

53. If a goal is worthy, then any means taken to attain it are justifiable.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

有需要花代价来实现的目标（目标极其伟大，而代价相对小，并且没有更好的途径）（个体、群体、国家）

然而，为了不切实际、不明智的目标而放弃是不值得的（个体、群体、国家）

以牺牲他人利益谋求个人利益的方式也是不正义的（列举）

130 & 150

130. Some people believe that corporations have a responsibility to promote the well-being of the societies and environments in which they operate. Others believe that the only responsibility of corporations, provided they operate within the law, is to make as much money as possible.

Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.

1. 第二句的理由：企业的目的是赚钱，大量企业就是这么做的。但是，反驳第二句话是错的：混淆了事实与义务。

2. 法律本身就存在着缺陷（法律本身的制定就是和企业联系在一起的）

而且还有很多法律没有涉及的领域

3. 因此支持第一句话。

企业有义务保护环境和提高社会的幸福

保护环境：企业破坏了环境，理应进行补偿（列举）

4. 提高社会的幸福：企业影响力已经超出了政府 **Facebook** 对于民主、和平等理念的推广已经远超任何政府，因此应该宣传积极的理念

理性与冲动

61. People should undertake risky action only after they have carefully considered its consequences.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the recommendation and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, describe specific circumstances in which adopting the recommendation would or would not be advantageous and explain how these examples shape your position.

结论：在时间允许时，我们永远要做尽可能充分的准备再冒险。

在有能力的情况下，一定要慎重思考（列举各领域反面的例子，个人，群体，国家）

没有时间（见义勇为，就落水的人，地震救灾）反驳：但是在已有时间内也是会做最大可能的思考

意义重大，但是不可能考虑清楚后果（宇航）反驳：仍然，我们会对已知的部分进行全方位的防御

事实是否存在

87. Claim: Any piece of information referred to as a fact should be mistrusted, since it may well be proven false in the future.

Reason: Much of the information that people assume is factual actually turns out to be inaccurate.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the claim and the reason on which that claim is based.

理由：很多“事实”确实已经被证伪了（列举）

然而，仍然存在很多事实，我们是不可能抵赖的（数学，基本物理真理，逻辑学真理）

并且，即便理由正确，我们也必须相信很多东西，为了实践的考虑。（牛顿力学，道德命题）

当然，作者的道理：我们不应该想当然的认为一切“真理”就是不可错的，我们应当保持开放的态度面对可能出现的反面证据。

事实与表象

93. Unfortunately, in contemporary society, creating an appealing image has become more important than the reality or truth behind that image.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

学术：事实比表象重要。理性群体

政治领域：

看似表象越来越重要了（大选中，更多的亲民牌）

真正的伟大领袖一定靠的是政绩而立足

商业：

产品包装 (**Apple**)

伟大的产品一定能够持久，一定能够有内在独到之处 (**Apple**)

User-friendly interface

演艺界：

美女帅哥越来越多，无才也能出名 (**Britney Spears, Queen of lip-singing**) 然而真正的歌神，影帝都是实力派。

寻常之物的不寻常之处

103. The best ideas arise from a passionate interest in commonplace things.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

商业领域的成功（网上超市），网上订餐，**Facebook**。越能解决日常人的需要，就越能够取得商业的成功。

仿生学 **bionics** 关注的就是普通的生物当中能够给人类带来的启发。（蝙蝠→**sonar**，昆虫的眼睛→透镜 **lenses**，鸟的翅膀→飞机）

甚至物理学也曾经吸收过很多伟大的日常观察：瓦特的蒸汽机是来自看水壶开。

但是，不要极端化。现代物理：量子力学，反物质，暗物质

事实上，关键不是 **commonplace**，关键是 **passionate interest**

文物的意义

119. When old buildings stand on ground that modern planners feel could be better used for modern purposes, modern development should be given precedence over the preservation of historic buildings.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and

explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

1. 现代的用地需求

2. 古建筑的价值（历史、文化、建筑学、美学）

3. 作者假设了两者不可调和：商铺、旅游

调和：同一性很多的建筑，选择性的保留

成功的定义

144. True success can be measured primarily in terms of the goals one sets for oneself.

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might

**not hold true and explain how these considerations
shape your position.**

个人标准的不充分性：失败的人，实现了自己的理想（贪官、隐士）

个人标准的不必要性：成功的人，没实现自己的理想（孔子、苏格拉底）

作者观点的意义：实现个人理想才是我们努力的初衷，只不过当这种理想不与社会矛盾时，我们很可能也同时实现了我们的社会责任。（列举各种名人的成功，对个人理想的坚持，对社会的价值）