Stamps Once More

One piece, two pieces… These shiny, little things are never tiresome. They are so attractive that neither photographs nor paintings can beat them. They are the smallest pictures in the world--stamps.

I love collecting all kinds of stamps, because of two reasons. Stamps have charisma. They’re made in different shapes (such as triangles and circles), patterns, sizes and colours. Once I receive a letter, I can know more about the sender by looking at the style of the stamps. This is the special power of stamps that photographs and paintings don’t have.

The most amazing part is, though they might be tiny and insignificant, they are printed with photos of various great scenic spots and features, allowing people to know more about different cultures in places. For example, in the past, Hong Kong used stamps with a picture of Queen Victoria, while it tells the story of the colonial times under Britain.

Stamps are set to be at different prices for paying the postage. To simply say, they are the limbs of the letters; without them, the envelopes can never arrive at the destinations. However, things had changed.

The rapid development of online communication nowadays makes stamps unnecessary for postages. SMSs, Emails, , they are the products of the new generation, the wings of messages. ‘Why don’t we use the wings instead of the limbs to reach others?‘ From the evolution of the communication system, it is clear that stamps are no longer essential.

It’s true that online communication is much more convenient, but what culture can you learn? What can you feel about the letter? They seem to contain nothing more than cold words, with no cultures or characteristics at all.

Watching my tiny friends being forgotten, I feel the world is under the gadgets’ control. We use gadgets like computers and smartphones too often, gradually causing us to forget the good old times, when people are sharing and caring with their own heart, and not typing with a frosty keyboard.

Please use stamps once more to let the sensation live again. Feel the special power of stamps, and share the same interest in these tiny, little treasures.