Describe an interesting talk or lecture

You should say:

When you heard it

Where you heard it

What it was about

And explain why you think it was interesting

There was in interesting talk that I attended two years ago. It was sometime in March.

I heard it at a convention for local industries. They had the convention at a hotel's grand ballroom, which they turned into a convention hall.

It was about how the government funded and equipped different local business. The speaker talked about how these businesses were chosen, based on the products they sold, and how they benefited their local community. She also explained the requirements these local businesses had to fulfill so that their funding from the government could continue. The speaker gave examples of businesses they helped. It was very interesting to see how each business grew with the right funding. What was even better to know, was that if the business did well enough, any equipment the government lent them, would be singed over to the business owners.

I found the whole talk interesting because I could share what I learned with other small business owners that I know.

## Will Chinese people feel nervous when it comes to public speaking?

From my perspective, Chinese people in general are raised to be polite and quiet. As a result, I think we might feel nervous when faced with speaking publicly. However, many businessmen are quite good at making speeches in public.

其他观点

As far as I can tell, feeling nervous when speaking in public is a matter of personality first and foremost. A lot of Chinese people are very confident with speaking publicly while others feel nervous about it. It seems to me like it's universal, not culture-related.

### In what occasion would you be a good listener?

I'm a good listener when the person doing the talking has fantastic storytelling skills. To me, it becomes like reading a book or watching a movie. I become completely absorbed by the tale. I could listen to someone like that for hours.

## 其他观点

An occasion where I'd be a good listener would be when I gain something out of the talk. For instance, if I can relate to what the speaker is telling. I like it when there are takeaways that I can apply to my own life.

#### What is required to be a good public speaker?

I believe that to be a good public speaker, one needs to consider it a bit like acting in a play. I feel much more interested by the speech when the speaker makes good use of tone and gesture. I feel it adds life to it.

## 其他观点

In my opinion, to be a good public speaker, a person needs to have some popularity. I think that no one is interested in listening to somebody they have never seen or heard of before, no matter how good they are. I believe that it adds interest.

#### Is listening to speeches important to children?

In my humble opinion, children are not interested in speeches at all. They like to move around and do things. So, I cannot imagine them sitting still and listening for a long time. I believe they have all their lives ahead of them to listen to speeches.

# 其他观点

Yes, from my point of view, listening to speeches can be helpful for children. For instance, I can imagine a short speech on something children are interested in could catch their attention. In my opinion, it's important to develop their information processing skills.

# What kinds of people should be invited to give a speech?

My belief is that only very interesting people should give speeches. For example, I'd want to listen to a speech given by someone who has overcome adversity of any kind to go beyond themselves. I'd find a speech like that very inspiring.

## 其他观点

I believe anyone could be invited to give speeches. It really depends on what the topic is about. I know a lot of seemingly ordinary people around me that have stories to tell. I find this more interesting than listening to a celebrity.