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**Describe an interesting part of your country.**

**You should say:**

**Where it is**

**How you got to know about it**

**What it is famous for**

**And explain why you think it is interesting**

There are many interesting places in my country. One I find the most interesting though, is the mountainous province of Hunan. You can find it in the south-central part of mainland China. The Yangtze River runs along the north of Hunan. It's surrounded on all other sides by mountains.

My mother is from Hunan province. She spent most of her childhood there. She told me many stories about where she grew up, a city called Changde. My mother also loved to talk about the other places you could visit there.

Hunan is known for one of the Eight Great Traditions of Chinese cuisine. It's called the Xiang cuisine. Xiang cuisine has peppery and hot flavors, fresh aromas, and deep colors.

I think that Hunan province is very interesting because of its natural beauty. There are many wonders of nature that you can visit because of its numerous forests, mountains, and rivers. Some of them look like they are scenes pulled straight out of storybooks, which are awe-inspiring.

**What makes one country different from the other?**

Each country has its own culture, geography, climate, and history. Although people are basically the same all over the world, the environment they grow up in affects the way they live and the way they think. Countries have different governments, rules and regulations, and customs.

其他观点

Countries have different languages, food sources, natural resources, and have different historical sites, terrains, and histories. Each country is unique in its own way.

**What's the difference between the north and south part of your country?**

The biggest difference between the north and south parts of my country is climate. The north part of my country has colder temperatures and, as a result, receives quite a bit of snow during the winter seasons. By contrast, the south is much warmer in winter.

其他观点

Language is another difference. Although almost all the people in my country speak the same language, the dialects spoken in the north are different than those of the south. People pronounce words differently in different areas of the country.

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### **What is the difference between big cities and small cities?**

The most obvious difference is population. Big cities are more populated than small cities. This means that a big city is likely to have more businesses and companies. Also, with a higher density of people, larger cities are likely to be more concentrated, more crowded.

#### **其他观点**

Many larger cities have more employment and business opportunities, because of the larger populations there. That sometimes leads to a faster pace of life. On the other hand, smaller cities are likely to feel less crowded and seem to offer a slower pace.

### **What's the difference between people living in the city and people living in the countryside?**

People living in the country are often known to live at a slower and more leisure pace than people who are living in the city. The density of people in the city, including traffic and crowds, often creates a faster pace than that of the countryside.

#### **其他观点**

People living in the country may not have many of the conveniences which are available to people in the city. This includes supermarkets, retail shops, and public transportation. However, people in the country will not be subjected to some of the inconveniences of living in the city. This includes noise, traffic, crowds.

### **Do you like living in big cities or small ones?**

I like living in large cities, as I like to be surrounded by lots of people and lots of activity. I also enjoy the additional career and employment opportunities which are offered by the many businesses and companies of the larger cities.

#### **其他观点**

If I lived in a small city or town, I might do so because it is less crowded and more personal. Many people consider smaller cities to be more friendly. Also, there is a common belief that small cities may be better places in which to raise a family.