Unit 1

How to better look after your finances

Directions: With the ideas about money management, we have learned in this unit in mind, now it is time for you to write the finance unit in the student handbook for your university's international students, advising them on how to spend money and how to build savings in China. Your writing should be no less than 150 words.

Advises for International Students: How to Spend money and build savings in China

Welcome to the Finance Unit of the Student Handbook in Wuhan University, written to empower our international students with essential money management skills while studying in China.

First, it is an amazing idea to develop a monthly budget outlining your essential expenses like tuition, accommodation, and food. Please be mindful of discretionary spending to ensure financial stability.

Besides, you can attend workshops and seminars offered by our university on financial literacy, so that you will enhance your knowledge of local financial systems and investment opportunities.

What's more, there are many businesses that have special preferential policies for college students in China. You can take advantage of college student certifications to get discounts and avoid unnecessary expenses.

Last but not least, Wuhan University offers many scholarships for international students. You can pay attention to the news on the school's official websites and apply for scholarships in time, which can relieve your financial pressure.

Remember, wise financial habits now pave the way for a successful and stress-free academic journey in China. Hope the above suggestions will be helpful.

Unit 2

Choose a book you have ever read in Chinese literature and write your book review within 200 words. It should include:

1. A brief introduction of the content and the author

2) Your comments about the book.

“Journey to the West,” traditionally attributed to Wu Cheng’en, is a seminal work in Chinese literature, blending myth, fantasy, humor, and allegory. This epic novel, one of the Four Great Classical Novels of Chinese literature, narrates the adventures of the Buddhist monk Xuanzang as he travels to India to obtain sacred texts, accompanied by his three disciples: the irreverent and capable Monkey King (Sun Wukong), the pig-like Zhu Bajie, and the loyal but monstrous Sha Wujing.

What makes “Journey to the West” a masterpiece is its layered narrative. On the surface, it’s an entertaining adventure filled with magical battles and humorous anecdotes. However, beneath this lies a profound exploration of Buddhist and Taoist philosophy, as well as a critique of the society and politics of the Ming Dynasty. The characters, particularly the Monkey King, are iconic and have deeply influenced Chinese culture and folklore.

My personal take on the book is one of immense admiration. The blend of humor, spiritual depth, and social commentary is masterfully executed. Wu Cheng’en’s vivid imagination brings to life a world that captivates and educates. The Monkey King, with his rebellious spirit and magical powers, is particularly engaging, symbolizing the unyielding human pursuit of knowledge and self-improvement.

In conclusion, “Journey to the West” is not just a cornerstone of Chinese literature but a timeless work that offers insights into Chinese culture, religion, and philosophy. Its enduring popularity and influence are a testament to its depth, creativity, and cultural significance. Whether read for entertainment or scholarly pursuit, it remains a profoundly impactful work.

In what ways do you think books can change people’s lives?

Changes in reading habits in digital age

Unit 3

1. After discussing about Circular Fashion and its significance for the sustainability of our planet, it is time to write a composition on the ways to protect the environment from the perspective of fashion industry. Your writing aims to promote the latest eco-friendly fashion designing, fabricating *and* consuming concept.
2. Why does the traditional Chinese clothing make a comeback? Please talk about the social and cultural significance of *Hanfu,* Qipao or Tang suit.

Unit 4

1. AI in our work and lives: Challenges and opportunities

Directions: The English magazine of your university is preparing a column on AI in the forthcoming issue, please write an opinion article entitled “AI in our work and lives: Challenges and opportunities” in no less than 150 words. Your writing aims to express your opinions on how to rise to the challenges of AI in the workplace and in peoples’ daily lives.

2. Should robots be granted citizenship?

Directions: In 2017 the Saudi Arabian government made the unprecedented decision to grant Sophia, a humanoid robot, full citizenship of its country. As for the issue, people hold different attitudes. Do you think robots should be citizens? why or why not? Please write an opinion article entitled “Should robots be granted citizenship?” in no less than 150 words.

Unit 6

1. An introduction on the Silk Road

Directions: After discussing about the Silk Road and discuss its significance for your group project, now it is time to write an introduction on the Silk Road in a text of no less than 150 words. Your writing aims to promote the Silk Road Youth Exchange Program among international students.

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2. Some historians say globalization began with the Age of Discovery, while others argue that globalization has its roots in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries when Marco Polo was brought to the Yuan Court by the network of trade routes. To which do you agree? Try to support your arguments with evidence.