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丛书序

今年，雅思考试落户中国正好二十个年头。

纵观雅思考试在中国的发展，从1987年第一次雅思考试在北京语言大学国外考试中心进行，当时只有不到50人，到2007年全年预计考生15万人。雅思已经成为远超托福的出国留学第一考试。雅思考试正以惊人的速度流行着。

我认为雅思考试发展迅猛的根本原因，是雅思考试本身的科学性。主要体现在三个方面：

一、雅思分为听说读写四项单独评分，考试的分数能清晰反映考生的各项语言技能的优劣势；

二、雅思的测试理念以强调交流为主，题目内容来源于国外的留学生活。也就是说考生在学习准备雅思考试的同时，其实就是在提升将来在国外学习生活时所需要的英语技能；

三、雅思考试题型众多，大大区别于其他英语考试。如：原来的大学四六级英语考试、老托福考试等。在这些考试中，多项选择题一统天下。而在雅思考试中多项选择题比重很小，在听力阅读中，另有是非判断题、搭配题、填空题、填图题等。各种题型的设置意味着考生要学会处理各种形式的问题，培养各种逻辑推理技能。

正是基于上述雅思考试本身的优势，导致了雅思在近年的推广发展中出现了三大趋势：

一、世界各国高校对雅思考试的广泛认可；
二、各类英语考试吸取雅思考试的特点进行了深度变革；如新托福考试、国内的新四六级考试、考研英语等；

三、雅思考试本身体现了强大的稳定性。近几年关于雅思考试本身的改进有：

- 2004年2月，雅思考试在国内开通网上报名；
- 2005年1月，雅思写作推出新的评分标准；
- 2005年7月，雅思官方网站上公布了雅思评分细则；
- 2006年1月，雅思作文的题目要求部分措辞有一些变化；
- 2006年5月，取消考生3个月内不能重复参加考试的规定；
- 2007年7月，雅思口语和写作部分推出0.5分制度。

我们可以看到上述变化和其他英语考试的变动相比很细微，这些改动使雅思考试趋于

完善，但却没有对雅思考试内容本身伤筋动骨。雅思考试体系的稳定性对全球考生的复习备考，对考试本身的持续发展和普及都有莫大裨益。

中国雅思教材的不断进步也同样得益于雅思考试的稳定性。最早的是讲解写作和口语的单行本，发展到基础教材、强化教材；又从听说读写主体教材派生出专门针对雅思的词汇、语法教材，配合《剑桥雅思真题集》的教辅题解，基于真题研发的《雅思真经》系列，以及直接对考试真题回忆编辑的《雅思机经大全》等。仅雅思阅读一项，公开出版物就有近一百种。表面上真是百家争鸣，一片繁荣。当考生面对教材的众多选择时，我强烈建议一定要慎重，一定要花时间和同类型的教材多加对比。考生一旦选择了一本书，看得到的付出是金钱，看不到的是接下来复习备考时将为它付出几个月精力和时间。

这套《雅思经典教程》是雅思标准培训体系中的重要部分，听说读写每本都是按题型分专题编写。命名为《雅思经典教程》有两个原因：一、参加这套丛书编写的作者团队是由北京各大雅思培训机构的一线名师构成，他们把多年教学精华和对材料选择的心得沉淀在了这套教程中，我们的几位现任中国雅思考官朋友也参与了策划和编校工作；二、内容的选编囊括了国内外高质量的雅思考试素材，特别是在题目的代表性和难度上进行了严格的测试和筛选。教学性很强，同时也适合考生循序渐进自学。

但我还是要强烈建议读者在选择这套教材之前考虑三点：一、这套教材是否适用于自己现在的英语水平；二、这套教材是否适应于自己雅思考试的时间计划；三、是否已经认真对比了其他同类教材之后才决定选择本书。

祝大家学习进步，考试成功。

刘洪波

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《雅思写作经典教程》特点

1. 中英双语编写，有效帮助考生学习写作方法、记忆范文中的精华例句，突出考试的实用性。
2. 题目的选择最大程度地覆盖近年真实考题。既可以用作参考“作文题库”，又可以用以预测作文考题。
3. 范文的写作涵盖各种分数段，帮助考生透彻理解雅思作文评分标准，根据目标循序渐进。
4. 本书涵盖雅思写作A类和G类各种题材内容范文，让考生对雅思写作进行全方位把握，充满自信。

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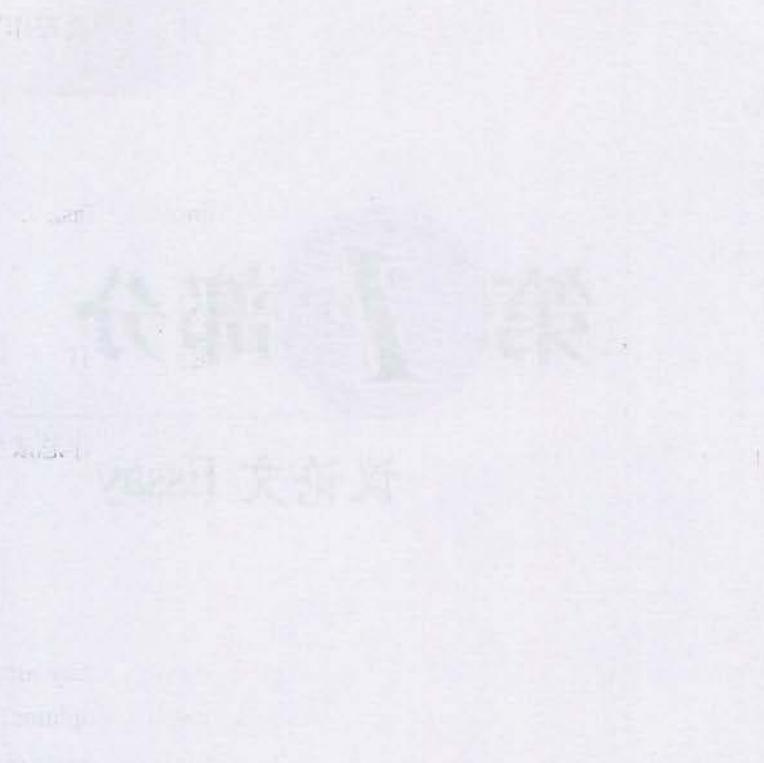
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第 1 部分

议论文 Essay





介绍

● 考试分类

学术类考试 Academic 以及移民类考试 General Training 中均包括一篇“议论文写作”。

● 考试要求

考生要在 40 分钟内完成字数不少于 250 字的一篇文章。

The module requires candidates to write at least 250 words within 40 minutes on Task 2.

● 评分权重

文章分值从 0–9，且从 2007 年 7 月开始设有半分。即：考生的议论文得分可能为 5.5 或 6.5。

与第一篇文章相比，第二篇议论文在整个写作评分中所占比例更大，占写作总成绩的 2/3。

Tips

In Task 2 candidates are presented with a point of view, argument or problem. They are assessed on their ability to present a solution to the problem, present and justify an opinion, compare and contrast evidence and opinions, and evaluate and challenge ideas, evidence or arguments.

Candidates are also assessed on their ability to write in an appropriate style.

考试中议论文的题目一般要求描述一种观点、一个争论或一个问题。考生应根据这些信息，用英语表述以下内容中的一个或多个：

- ◆ 提出对问题的解决方案
- ◆ 提出并证明自己的主张
- ◆ 比较和对比事实与观点
- ◆ 评价并对一些论点、论据或论证表示质疑

当然，考生还必须用正确的方式回答问题。换句话讲，要防止跑题、漏题、格式错误等。

第1章

议论文的分类

背景介绍 传统分类 vs. 最新分类

在过去的写作书中，通常将议论文分为两种文体：Report型（论说型）和Argument型（辩论型）。

○ Report型

这类文体通常要求考生能够“提出问题”、“分析问题成因”，并提出“问题解决方案”。

出题的方式如下所示：

Recent figures of crimes committed by young people are increasing in major cities across the world.

Discuss what the possible reasons are and how to solve it.

在世界许多主要城市青少年犯罪的数字正在不断增长。

请讨论产生这种现象的一些原因及解决的方案。

由于这类文章所要求的结构与很多中国作文要求一致，因此中国考生对这类题材比较容易掌握。

○ Argument型

这类文体要求考生不仅仅能够表明自己的观点，而且能够自圆其说，甚至需要考生进行客观的论证，即：正反论证。由于此类文章在考试中出现的比率较大且它的写作套路并非为中国考生所熟悉，因此考生在备考期间往往不知所措。

出题的方式如下所示：

Leisure is a growing industry. Nowadays, more modern technology used in entertainment may lead people to be less creative.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

目前休闲产业是一个朝阳产业。随着越来越多的现代技术被用于其中，将可能导致人们的创造力下降。

你在某种程度上是否同意这种观点？

从 2007 年起，雅思考试在写作方面出现了一些新的趋势。其中，除增加了 0.5 分的评分新尺度外，还特别强调文章写作的“方式”。因此，以往的问题分类方式就显得比较陈旧，不再能适应最新的出题方式和评分标准，故提出了“最新的四种分类”：

一、讨论观点、表立场

Discuss both views & Give your opinion

二、讨论利弊、谈观点

Discuss Pros and Cons & Give your opinion

三、表示个人倾向

To what extent do you agree or disagree

四、分析原因、影响、提建议

Analyse reasons & Give recommendations

在接下来的一至四节当中，重点讨论每种分类的问题突破口、文章结构，并且给出一篇范文作为参考。



第一节 讨论观点、表立场

这类文章的出题方式：

Discuss both views and give your own opinion 或 Discuss both of situations。

这类文章的突破口在于：

要首先清楚地了解 Discuss 的弦外之音。当 Discuss 两个观点的时候，需要详细描述观点、并分析原因。注意：通常 Discuss 本身就表示讨论者一般是带有个人的倾向性的。（“If People discuss something, they talk about it in details, often in order to reach a decision.”—— Collins Dictionary）

这类文章的结构可以按如下方式：

按结构分	按内容分
首段	描述主题 + 拓展主题的影响或成因
主体段一	讨论第一个观点（展示观点 + 分析原因 + 实例 + 我对于这个观点的看法）
主体段二	讨论第二个观点（展示观点 + 分析原因 + 实例 + 我对于这个观点的看法）
结尾段	表述自己观点（可以从前面的观点中借鉴）+ 原因

Topic

Some people think that it's better for children to go to boarding schools, while others think that they should go to day schools and stay with their parents.

Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.



Sample Answer

At present there are two kinds of the most popular schools available for the schoolchildren. One is the boarding school, where children can not only study general knowledge but also have chance to live independently; the other is the day school where students need to take classes alone. After school, they will return their home staying with their parents.

Some people who hold the statement that children should go to boarding schools believe that the lifestyle to live can help children grow up in many ways. It might be widely acknowledged in China that today's children are short of independence and self-principle, which are recognized as important qualities a successful person deserves to have. For letting their children grow up well, the parents wish them to develop these qualities as early as possible. Obviously, to send them to study in a boarding school should be a most effective way to improve their qualities.

On the other hand, others argue that children should go to day schools and stay with their parents. It is mainly due to the fact that they can have chance to accompany with their parents, consulting with something they do not understand very clearly. However, it is widely accepted that some day they must learn how to cope with the thing on their own. So to perform their own life earlier should be useful in their growth.

Overall, my view is that children should be encouraged to learn how to live independently, because it is not only beneficial for their growth, but also offers them a good environment to meet more people.



第二节 讨论利弊、谈观点

这类文章的出题方式：

Discuss the advantages and disadvantages and give your opinion.

这类文章的突破口在于：

了解 Discuss 的弦外之音。当 Discuss 利弊的时候，需要详细描述原因及影响。注意：文章的最后应该表明作者的好恶。

这类文章的结构可以按如下方式：

按结构分	按内容分
首段	描述主题 + 拓展主题的影响或成因
主体段一	讨论优点（说明好的影响 + 实例 + 我对于这些优点的看法）
主体段二	讨论缺点（说明坏的影响 + 实例 + 我对于这些弊端的看法）
结尾段	表明自己的好恶 + 给出原因

Topic

International tourism has become popular in modern society, however some people say that international tourism causes conflicts between people with different background.

Discuss the advantages and disadvantage of international tourism and give your opinion.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.



Sample Answer

Almost every day we can find that international tourism has become part of our lives and is accepted by most people. Undoubtedly, increasing people become enjoyable to the kind of recreational ways. However, recently some of people hold negative attitude toward it—they become suspicious of international tourism, because they think that much contradiction might be led to, since little recognition of cultural respect in many nations—naturally, as a person who is conscious of society, I illustrate my attitude towards the problem as follows:

Actually we cannot deny that some people, more or less, hurt the citizens and result in the contradiction in host countries due to their naïve and even ridiculous activities, but if we blindly deny the role of international tourism, and even criticize it, regarding it as nothing.

It is obvious that international tourism brings large amount of benefit for many countries, especially in South Africa, which used to be a poor and behind place. As international tourism booms, it now has become one of the most promising and famous travel places. Additionally, the people living there live a better life in their homeland. Indeed, international tourism is the root of all growth. In fact, it is an absolutely good evidence to dictate how great the international tourism is.

In conclusion, international tourism not simply makes people's life colourful, but improves their living standard in a rapid way, even if several risks can be inevitably posed (for example, some misunderstandings occur to and even conflicts between the people who have different backgrounds). As a result, it seems necessary for media to advertise the importance of cultural respect and encourage people to do so in a better way.



第三节 表示个人倾向

这类文章的出题方式：

To what extent do you agree or disagree? 或 Do you agree or disagree?

这类文章的突破口在于：

要明确自己的观点或倾向。此外，由于有 To what extent，因此回答一定要客观。即便基本同意某种观点，也要提出一些反对意见；或是在反对某种观点的时候，提出一些好的方面。

这类文章的结构可以按如下方式：

按结构分	按内容分
首段	描述主题 + 引用他人观点或言论 + 发表自己的观点
主体段一	说明自己同意此观点的第一个原因 + 实例
主体段二	第二个原因 + 实例（有时可以使用正反对比论证）
结尾段	重申自己的观点 + 重申原因

Topic

The notion of tracking and ability grouping has been contentious topics since the 1970s. However, some people think that students should not be grouped according to their academic ability.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.



● Sample Answer

It can be seen that group study is popular to thousands of academic college students in our society. What we can see is that more and more colleges are using this advantageous studying method to teach the students about their academic course. Aiming to the issue, people, these days, point out that it is necessary to make use of group study in accordance with academic ability.

Their view of point seems to consider some students who are lacking of studying ability or feel ashamed when they study with some perfect students in their school. In spite of the fact that their consideration, to some extents should be paid attention to in some cases, I must admit that they are really too simple as well as blind to interests with the majority of students.

Free-style group study has been developing along with the development of teaching levels and the requirement of the education. When we look back to the past, you can easily find that thousands of students have obtained something useful such as the ability to speak in the public and analyze. What's more, almost every current student has the experience of the studying in this way. It can be seen that many advantages are given from the free studying method.

Not simply can the free-style group study develop academic achievement but also students promote their communication and coordination/collaboration. Based on the relevant report conducted by *China Daily*, a best-selling newspaper in the area of Beijing, couples of associations claim that the current students do better in common skills. No doubt, it thanks to the expansion of free-style group study.

Overall, we ought to say “no” to group study according to academic ability, although it, more or less, contents few people's demands for excellent teammates. Certainly, there are still great many tasks about the group study, because it makes a negative influence on students if we cannot put it to use in a right way.



第四节 分析原因、提建议

这类文章的出题方式：

Discuss what the possible reasons are and how to solve it.

这类文章的突破口在于：

需要提出两个以上的原因，并按照一定的逻辑关系排列，随后提出一些建议。

这类文章的结构可以按如下方式：

按结构分	按内容分
首段	描述主题 + 拓展主题的影响或成因
主体段一	讨论第一个原因
主体段二	讨论第二个原因
结尾段	针对上述两个主要原因，提出解决的方案

Topic

Recent figures of crimes committed by young people are increasing in major cities across the world.

Discuss what the possible reasons are and how to solve it.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.



Sample Answer

In most of major cities, a wide range of crimes might be the most disgusting and hard to get controlled by local authority. These days, a rising percentage of juvenile delinquency is drawing a great deal of attention from sides of our community, especially parents and educators. What might be reasons for the trend and how can we get it under control have become one-million-pound topics.

Of multiple reasons, the most obvious one might be a growing amount of violence through modern media such as TV, films and the Internet. Facts have been proved that there used to be a large quantity of too cruel pictures and dirty parts watched and spread through media. When young people surfed on the Internet, some dirty pictures might come up straightforwardly; when they turned on TV, bloody shots might make them in fear. All of these have direct or indirect impact on their behaviour and psychology.

In addition, the trend should be attributed to their parents, who are always busy with their own business paying less attention to their offspring. Facts show that most of parents would rather spend more time working, meeting their friends or enjoying their own hobbies than communicating with their children. When asked the reasons, they admitted that there was a big generation gap. However, I hardly believe it is good enough because it is nothing more than the excuse of their duty avoiding and being selfish.

Certainly, there are alternatives such as education and ineffective social security. However, now that the trend has been seen, the point would be the avenues. A possible solution is that news organisation should give harsher punishment to the unhealthy contents in media. Besides, young people should be asked to go for some sports games or voluntary work, which might make them learn to help and respect others.

第2章

议论文评分方式及范文评述

第一节 评分标准介绍

Band	Task Response	Coherence and Cohesion	Lexical Resource	Grammatical Range and Accuracy
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> fully addresses all parts of the task presents a fully-developed position in answer to the question with relevant, fully-extended and well-supported ideas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses cohesion in such a way that it attracts no attention skilfully manages paragraphing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a wide range of vocabulary with very natural and sophisticated control of lexical features; rare minor errors occur only as "slips" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a wide range of structures with full flexibility and accuracy; rare minor errors occur only as "slips"
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sufficiently addresses all parts of the task presents a well-developed response to the question with relevant, extended and supported ideas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sequences information and ideas logically manages all aspects of cohesion well uses paragraphing sufficiently and appropriately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a wide range of vocabulary fluently and flexibly to convey precise meanings skilfully uses uncommon lexical items but there may be occasional inaccuracies in word choice and collocation produces rare errors in spelling and/or word formation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a wide range of structures the majority of sentences are error-free makes only very occasional errors or inappropriacies
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> addresses all parts of the task presents a clear position throughout the response presents, extends and supports main ideas, but there may be a tendency to over-generalise and/or supporting ideas may lack focus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> logically organises information and ideas; there is clear progression throughout uses a range of cohesive devices appropriately although there may be some under-/over-use presents a clear central topic within each paragraph 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a sufficient range of vocabulary to allow some flexibility and precision uses less common lexical items with some awareness of style and collocation may produce occasional errors in word choice, spelling and/or word formation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a variety of complex structures produces frequent error-free sentences has good control of grammar and punctuation but may make a few errors



6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> addresses all parts of the task although some parts may be more fully covered than others presents a relevant position although the conclusions may become unclear or repetitive presents relevant main ideas but some may be inadequately developed/unclear 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> arranges information and ideas coherently and there is a clear overall progression uses cohesive devices effectively, but cohesion within and/or between sentences may be faulty or mechanical may not always use referencing clearly or appropriately uses paragraphing, but not always logically 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses an adequate range of vocabulary for the task attempts to use less common vocabulary but with some inaccuracy makes some errors in spelling and/or word formation, but they do not impede communication 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a mix of simple and complex sentence forms makes some errors in grammar and punctuation but they rarely reduce communication
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> addresses the task only partially, the format may be inappropriate in places expresses a position but the development is not always clear and there may be no conclusions drawn presents some main ideas but these are limited and not sufficiently developed; there may be irrelevant detail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> presents information with some organisation but there may be a lack of overall progression makes inadequate inaccuracy or overuse of cohesive devices may be repetitive because of lack of referencing and substitution may not write in paragraphs, or paragraphing may be inadequate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a limited range of vocabulary, but this is minimally adequate for the task may make noticeable errors in spelling and/or word formation that may cause some difficulty for the reader 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses only a limited range of structures attempts complex sentences but these tend to be less accurate than simple sentences may make frequent grammatical errors and punctuation may be faulty; errors can cause some difficulty for the reader
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> responds to the task only in a minimal way or the answer is tangential; the format may be inappropriate presents a position but this is unclear presents some main ideas but these are difficult to identify and may be repetitive, irrelevant or not well supported 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> presents information and ideas but these are not arranged coherently and there is no clear progression in the response uses some basic cohesive devices but these may be inaccurate or repetitive may not write in paragraphs or their use may be confusing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses only basic vocabulary which may be used repetitively or which may be inappropriate for the task has limited control of word formation and/or spelling; errors may cause strain for the reader 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses only a very limited range of structures with only rare use of subordinate clauses some structures are accurate but errors predominate, and punctuation is often faulty
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not adequately address any part of the task does not express a clear position presents few ideas, which are largely undeveloped or irrelevant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not organise ideas logically may use a very limited range of cohesive devices, and those used may not indicate a logical relationship between ideas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses only a very limited range of words and expressions with very limited control of word formation and/or spelling errors may severely distort the message 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> attempts sentence forms but errors in grammar and punctuation predominate and distort the meaning
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> barely responds to the task does not express a position may attempt to present one or two ideas but there is no development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> has very little control of organisational features 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses an extremely limited range of vocabulary; essentially no control of word formation and/or spelling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> cannot use sentence forms except in memorised phrases
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> answer is completely unrelated to the task 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> fails to communicate any message 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> can only use a few isolated words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> cannot use sentence forms at all
0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not attend does not attempt the task in any way writes a totally memorised response 			



第二节 范文及考官评述

6.0 分范文 Band 6.0

Topic

Companies should encourage old employees (55 years old) to retire, in order to give opportunities to the new generation.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Sample Answer

According to a recent investigation, a number of individuals are cognizant of under such a severe competition in the society that a mass of employees who are more than 55 years old must retire thanks to company policy. Therefore, many leaders believe that the development of a company cannot be without more young employees.

The main reason is that numbers of fresh employees mean that the company is filled with lots of new blood. The new generation has advanced technology and the energy to exploit, and they also have learned lots of knowledge and skills in the university or college; therefore it is more useful for the development of companies in the further. Another reason is that many old employees are forced to gasp under the heavy burden and endless works. With the growth of their own, the people found it difficult to take overwhelming pressure, so they fail to get with their family, even thought they expect all the time. And the companies must send more wages to old employees than young employees, as it means there is an increasing amount of cost for a company.

On the other hand, most old employees have already worked for more than half of their lifetime, so it is time for them to retire to enjoy life. The old employees have already paid out too much in order to look after their families and careers. So they should pursue their hobbies now.



In conclusion, old employees shouldn't continue working for themselves. Moreover, advancement of society needs a new generation.

Comment

- The answer considers the main issues in the question. Some of the supporting examples are overdeveloped and divert the reader away from the argument. However, the main points are relevant and the writer's point of view is generally clear.
- The argument has a logical progression and there is some good use of linking expressions though the use of rhetorical questions to signal topic changes is not very skilful.
- There are also examples of overusing markers and of errors in reference.
- The candidate tries to use a range of language but there are regular errors in word choice and word formation and this occasionally causes problems for the reader. Similarly, a range of structures is attempted, but not always with good control of punctuation or grammar. However, the meaning is generally clear.



6.5 分范文 Band 6.5

Topic

Companies should encourage old employees (55 years old) to retire, in order to give opportunities to the new generation.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Sample Answer

According to a recent investigation, a number of people realize that the employees above 55 years old must retire under such a severe competition of today's society. Facts show that some leaders of firms are undertaking the policy of asking the old people to retire.

The main reason for the trend is that firms need more fresh employees. Compared to older generation, the new has got more advanced technology and the energy to exploit in many ways, as well as having learnt a great amount of academic knowledge in university or college. It is more useful in terms of the development of companies in the future.

Another reason is that many old employees are being forced to gasp under the heavy burden and endless works. Most of them find it very difficult to go through the pressure with the growth of their own. For employers, they cannot work extra as before, keep a good vigor and cope with any emergencies. On the other hand, most old employees have already worked for more than half of their lifetime, paying attention to their responsibility for jobs and family, so it is very time for them to enjoy their own life. For example, they will be able to pursue their hobbies after being retired.

In conclusion, I fully believe that older employees are not allowed to continue working until 55 years old or above, because they need to make a living for themselves, and the society needs more opportunity for the young people. To ask old people to retire might be the best way to realize both of goals.



Comment

- The answer has a clear focus and presents a very definite point of view about the general topic area. However, the connection between employer retirement and opportunity of new generation is not well developed.
- The argument is quite easy to follow and a range of devices is used to connect the ideas. However, some of these connectives are not appropriate and paragraphing is not always logical.
- A range of vocabulary is used with flexibility and a good level of control. There are examples of appropriate idiomatic expressions that suggest that the writer has a good active resource. There are some lapses and some minor spelling mistakes, but these do not reduce communication.
- The writer uses a range of structures effectively and accurately, with examples of sophisticated phrasing. However, there are quite a lot of short simple sentences too, and there are lapses and omissions in some structures, although these do not prevent the reader from understanding the message.



7.0 范文 Band 7.0

Topic

Today, the advanced science and technology have made great changes to people's life, but artists such as musicians, painters and writers are still highly valued. What can arts tell us about life that science and technology cannot?

Sample Answer

Advanced science and technology provides comfort and convenience to the extent that would be very difficult without it. With the help of science, we are able to do very sophisticated jobs within no time. On the other hand, when we talk about the arts, it reveals the true meaning of life. By the means of artistic talent, we could tell harsh truth to the world that we would not be able to say very easily by any other means. In this essay, I will tell you what arts can tell us about life that science cannot.

World has become global village due to technological improvement. We can visit countries far than (away from) our residence by the means of airplane easily. We, while sitting on the comfortable sofa set of our house and watching television, can get the news and activities in the world, can get access to anyone within seconds through the Internet. And the list goes on. Although science provides a lot of facilities to us but it also make us very busy in the work and we have no time to achieve true happiness of life.

Art, however, provides us the way to reveal the real meaning of life, provides us with happiness and prosperity, give us a peace of mind. By the mean of art, you will be able to make understand what the life is and what should be done to get the true and inner happiness from the life. While you listen to the music, see the artistic talent, painting, or a piece of writing, you may get the physical and mental peace, may get more understanding of humanity, and life. You could get the inner strength, power and may inform yourself about the idea of living the life fully with the help of arts.

I conclude with the fact that although science gives us the convenience in the life but art



provides us the way towards the basic and fundamental concept of living the life and may helps to provide you happiness from the life.

Comment

- The answer addresses both ideas put forward in the task, and the writer's point of view is clearly stated throughout. He/She presents relevant main ideas and draws appropriate conclusions from there. However, the response is unfinished and this means that some of the ideas are rather generalised and would need more support. The opening sentence is copied and the whole answer is underlength, so it loses marks for this.
- The writing has clear organisation and some sophisticated use of link words and referencing. However, paragraphing is basically logical.
- The range of vocabulary and structures is very good with a high level of control and precision. Complex ideas are expressed in a sophisticated way and most sentences are accurate. There are only rare errors, e.g. in spelling and subject/verb agreement.



7.5 范文 Band 7.5

Topic

Today, the high sales of popular consumer goods reflect the power of advertising and not the real needs of the society in which they are sold.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Sample Answer

There are a lot of advertisements on television or radio these days. Some say that the advertising boosts the sales of goods and at the same time encourages people to buy things unnecessarily. This argument may be supported by some cases. In China, many advertising companies make advertisements with celebrities. People, especially adolescents or young adults, purchase the good they recommend, although they do not realize the practice of the goods.

Also, some people sometimes tend to buy something that looks so gorgeous on TV screen but they might not really need. Consumers may not actually need it but they buy goods impulsively soon after they watch the advertising. Furthermore, as many customers buy a particular product due to its advertising campaign, the other people may be affected by the trend, even if the product is not of the real needs of the society.

On the other hand, not all people believe what commercials say alone. Moreover, it is people's choice to make a decision to buy goods. Individuals have their own spending habits. If they have got enough disposable income, then the right to make a decision is given to them. No one actually can judge whether the goods sold are the real needs of the society or not.

Overall, as customers have their own strong opinions and standard of good quality goods, it is better to leave them to make their own decision in buying goods. It is fairly difficult to say everyone is swayed by advertising and buys goods impulsively. However as to the reliability of advertisement, the news departments concerned of the Government should publish more effective policy to require, and give a harsh punishment to the advertising that makes heavily

negative influence in society.

Comment

- The way in which candidate has responded to the task is a strong point of this script.
- It is a well-developed answer that addresses the issues relevantly and at length. The writer introduces the topic, examines both sides of the argument and expresses a clear position. Points are well argued and supported with examples.
- The answer is well organized and the message is easy to follow with clear paragraphing and linking of ideas. There are too many errors in cohesion, however, and some linkers are not always fully appropriate, so this limits the rating for this criterion.
- A wide range of vocabulary is used accurately and precisely, in spite of one or two awkward expressions and some rare errors. Similarly, a sophisticated range of structures is used but there are too many minor errors and omissions (such as in the use of prepositions and basic subject/verb agreement) to reach 8. Nevertheless these mistakes do not reduce the clarity of the answer and overall a wide range of language is used with a high level of proficiency.



8.0 范文 Band 8.0

Topic

Some people believe that air travel should be restricted because it causes serious pollution and uses up the world's fuel resources.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Sample Answer

Traveling by air has become very common among people from most segments of the society. Some people are of the opinion that air travel is responsible for a greater percentage of air pollution and consumption of fuels and so it should be restricted. But I am of the opinion that air travel should not be restricted.

Recent studies by the Boeing Company have concluded that the current day airplanes are more fuel-efficient than the cars that we use everyday. For the same distance traveled by a single person car, the automobile uses more fuel resources than what an airplane uses per person per kilometer. Similarly the smoke emitted by an airplane contains lesser amount of carbon mono-oxide and hydrocarbons, which are responsible for the ozone layer depletion, according to the study. The combined emission of the automobiles on the ground is far greater than the emission from the airplanes into the atmosphere.

Air travel is faster and convenient and it considerably reduces the time taken to travel between places. It helps business people to increase their business locations and also to take care of their business units spread across different geographical locations. It has given more opportunities to vacationing in a place far away from the place of residence and so people are able to visit many more countries now than they could previously.

In conclusion, it can be seen that air travel doesn't cause as much pollution nor does it consume large quantities of fuel compared to other modes of travel. It has more advantages that outweigh these disadvantages and so it is not a good idea to restrict air travel.



Comment

- This answer considers the main issues raised by the question and presents a definite opinion about the statement, although sometimes the examples used to support ideas seem a bit confusing. Ideas are clearly organised, and paragraphing is clear, although the argument is not easy to follow in few places.
- A range of linking words and expression is generally well used, but there are occasional mistakes. The candidate uses an ambitious range of vocabulary and sentence patterns, but has some problems with word choice and collocations. There are very few spelling errors and only minor grammar mistakes.



9.0 分范文 Band 9.0

Topic

The position of women in society has changed significantly in the last twenty years. Many of the problems young people now experience, such as juvenile delinquency, arise from the fact that many married women now work and are not at home to care for their children.

To what extent do you agree or disagree with this opinion?

Sample Answer

The status of women has undergone huge changes in the past two decades. However, I don't think that there is a direct connection between this trend and the indisputable increase in juvenile-related problems during this period.

It is important for young females to hunt for a job on leaving school; actually, to depend only on their parents' financial support is no longer an option in many households. Similarly when they are married, a large group of women keep working due to the stress of setting up a household. Also, establishing a reasonably good standard of living often require two incomes.

In the past, it might have been very popular for women to abandon work, when they had children and to stay home to take care of them. Today, as child-care facilities and day nurseries are developed in our community they have helped moms undertake the child rearing that used to fall to them. However, these facilities come at a cost and often require two salaries to be affordable.

I do not believe that the increase in the number of working moms has caused children to be brought up less well than previously. Surely it could be argued that by offering mothers the opportunity to work and earn extra money children can be better provided for than previously. There is much more money for luxuries and holidays and a more secure family life is possible. Certainly there are limits as to the amount of time that should be spent away from



home. It is important to establish the correct balance between family life and working life.

Comment

- This response is very fluent and well expressed in an appropriate register.
- A range of relevant issues is skilfully presented and discussed.
- The argument is logically developed and well organised.
- A wide range of structures and vocabulary are used appropriately and accurately with only minor flaws.

第3章

议论文写作步骤

本章所要介绍的写作方法，被称为“线型组合式作文”。其处理方法及步骤是一个简单的流程：看问题确定文章结构；看题目内容确定自己的观点、形成理由及例子；通过已知的一些句型完成句子的写作。本章的前三节各讲述了议论文写作的三个步骤。为了使学习者能够更容易地掌握这种方法，我们现在通过一个具体题目来讲解。

Topic

Successful sports professionals can earn a great deal more money than people in other important professions. Some people think this is fully justified while others think it is unfair.

Discuss both these views and give your own opinion.

第一节 从提问方式到文章结构

本题的提问方式是：Discuss both these views and give your own opinion. 讨论这两种观点并且给出自己的观点。很明显，为了使得回答可以更加充分，对于两个观点以及自己的观点应该至少各用一个段落完成。而且还需要一个段落来交待主题。因此，这篇文章的结构可以这样安排：



首段	描述主题 + 拓展主题的影响或成因
主体段一	讨论第一个观点（展示观点 + 分析原因 + 实例 + 我对于这个观点的看法）
主体段二	讨论第二个观点（展示观点 + 分析原因 + 实例 + 我对于这个观点的看法）
结尾段	表述自己观点（可以从前面的观点中借鉴）+ 原因

第二节 从问题内容到确定观点、理由、支持

通过阅读题目，文章的“主题”很明显：成功的运动人士比其他重要领域的专业人士的工资要高得多。“拓展”的部分可以说“这导致了很多人对此的不同看法”。

第一种观点是“这绝对是合理的”。他们的理由可以是“优秀的运动员非常少；运动员的付出非常大；而且他们的劳动不仅为国家和地区争得了荣誉，而且带动了运动休闲产业的发展”等。我的看法是“应该支持，但是也要注意工资不应过高”。

第二种观点是“这是不公平的”。他们的理由是“其他专业人士也为社会做出了巨大的贡献，为什么回报就没有那么高”。他们认为给运动员高工资是对行业价值的误导。我的看法是“工资的高与低不是单纯地由对社会的贡献决定的。有时市场的需要以及从业者的数量才是关键。因此，很难说公平不公平。”

我的立场是“不反对运动员拿高工资”。实际上工资越高，运动员所承担的责任也就越重。但是，对于一些过高的工资还是应该给予控制，可以通过税收或其他的方法实现。因为社会的贫富分化问题还是应该考虑的。

在考试中，无论何种题目都可以从人、社会等角度来思考并寻找论证角度。以下为几种容易理解也最具有实用性的角度。

● **一、人的角度：**凡事人为本，因此那些能为人们带来益处的事物总是我们所推崇的，而那些不利于人们的事物则应该为我们所摒弃。

(一) Health 健康

e.g. physical, mental & psychological health 身体健康、精神健康、心理健康

(二) Wealth 财富

e.g. material & spiritual wealth 物质财富、精神财富

(三) Improvement of living standard 生活质量的提高

e.g. clothing, food, housing, transport & education 衣食住行及教育



上述角度可以放在各种人身上来讨论。例如：老人、中年人、青年人、小孩；又如：普通人及专业人士等。人的分类可根据具体题目来确定。

● 二、社会的角度：人组成了社会，因此社会包含了人与人的关系以及其独特的内容。

(一) Relationship between two people 人与人之间的关系

e.g. understanding and confidence between people & friendships 人们之间的理解与信任及友谊

(二) The development of social economy 社会经济的发展

e.g. the boom of trades, the development of social economy & the increase of revenue 贸易的繁荣，社会经济的进步以及国家税收的增加

(三) Social civilization 社会文明

e.g. language, custom, religion and belief & tradition 语言、习俗、宗教信仰以及传统

第三节 模板句子——开头、主题句、支持句、结尾

It is very obvious these days that successful sports experts make a lot more fortune than professionals in other important fields such as education and health. The media's report also draws particular attention among people, who hold different views in terms of the trend.

Those who hold that the trend is fully reasonable say that what the sports people do deserves what they should earn. Obviously, most of successful sports people must do a great deal physical exercises in order to keep their good condition. They have little break from the regular or intense training. Unlike the young people at their age, they cannot enjoy enough leisure or private space. Just thanks to their efforts and devotion, the medals and honors can be gained in national or international games. Besides, the boom of sports and leisure industry these years is, more or less, attributed to the wonderful performance of the top athletes. However the amount of salary should be appropriately restricted and avoid too large difference between the poor and the rich in a society.

On the other hand, others believe that it is unfair for top workers in other professions to offer such a high salary to the athlete. They might think that, like sports people, those who are contributing a lot to the people and the society should earn so high salary. If not, it is unfair for them. Nevertheless, the amount of salary can hardly depend on the contribution a person makes, but the



demand of the market or the number of the professionals in a field.

Overall, my view is that sports people should gain the high return, because they have to suffer intense pressure and hard training. In spite of this, the government should ask the athletes to pay more taxes in order to prevent the serious difference between the rich and the poor.

第四节 更多的资源

一、首段

(一) 首段的内容

主题	Topic
拓展	Extension
论点	Arguments
立场	Position

(二) 两种常见的首段结构

第一种

1.1 提出问题	1.2 问题的拓展
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第二种

1.1 提出问题	1.2 一些人的观点	1.3 自己的观点
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(三) 四种常见首段类型

第一类 讨论利弊、谈观点的题目 Discuss advantages and disadvantages & Give your opinion

In some countries young people are encouraged to work or travel for a year between finishing high school and starting university studies.

Discuss the advantages and disadvantages for young people who decide to do this.



① It is quite common these days for young people in many countries to have a break from studying after graduating from high school. ② The trend is not restricted to rich students who have the money to travel, but is also evident among poorer students who choose to work and become economically independent for a period of time.

内容及句型

- ① 展示主题 It is common to do...
② 拓展主题的影响范围 The trend is not restricted to..., but is also obvious among...

词 汇

evident = obvious = noticeable 明显的

trend = tendency 趋势；发展

not restricted to..., but also... = not only... but also 并且，不但……而且……

练一练

这种现象不但出现在那些重视经济发展的国家，在那些关注社会文化的国家中也尤为明显。

Sample Answer

The trend is not restricted to the countries that focus on economic development, but is also obvious among the countries that pay attention to social culture.

第二类 讨论观点、表立场的题目 Discuss both views & Give your opinion

Successful sports professionals can earn a great deal more money than people in other important professions. Some people think this is fully justified while others think it is unfair. Discuss both these views and give your own opinion.

① As a result of constant media attention, sports professionals in my country have become stars and celebrities, and those at the top are paid huge salaries. ② Just like movie stars, they live extravagant lifestyle with huge houses and cars.

内容及句型

- ① 说明主题 ... has/have become...
② 类比拓展 Just like... = Similar to...



词 汇

justify = prove something necessary or reasonable 证明……是必要的

extravagant = luxurious 奢侈的

第三类 分析原因、影响、提建议的题目 Analyse reason & Give recommendations

In many countries school have severe problems with student behaviour.

What do you think are the causes of this?

What solutions can you suggest?

- ① Poor student behaviour seems to be an increasingly widespread problem and I think that modern lifestyles are probably responsible for this.

内容及句型

- ① 说明主题 + & + 原因 ... that... are... for...

词 汇

widespread = extensive 普遍的

be responsible for 对……负责

第四类 表示个人倾向的题目 To what extent do you agree or disagree

Today, the high sales of popular consumer goods reflect the power of advertising and not the real needs of the society in which they are sold.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

- ① Nowadays, there are lots of advertisements on television or on the streets. ② Some people think that the advertising boosts/spurs the sales of goods and it encourages people to buy things unnecessarily. ③ This argument may be true.

内容及句型

- ① 说明主题 There be...
- ② 某些人的观点 Some people think...
- ③ 评价这个观点 This argument may be...



表示同意的说法

I absolutely agree to/with it.

I could not agree more to/with the opinion.

I would go along with this point of view.

I am for that solution.

I vote for this suggestion.

That is exactly how I see it.

表示反对的说法

I disagree to/with it.

I am against that solution.

I doubt whether the argument can bear much analysis.

I doubt whether the argument can hold water.

(四) 用于首段两种常见结构中的实用性的句子

第一种结构中的句子：提出主题

1. 描述主题

It is common + 时间 + 地点 + that + 谁做了什么 / 什么被做.

It is common + 时间 + 地点 + to do sth.

其他可能用到的词汇：controversial 有争议的 /noticeable 值得注意的 /most obvious 最明显的

2. 主题存在

There is/exists/arises these days a trend that... 谁做了什么 / 什么被做.

3. 人们的发现

These days, some people who are engaging in media find it popular that...

These days, some people who are engaging in media find it popular to do sth.

练一练

分辨出文章的类型、并设计结构。

Some people think that a sense of competition in children should be encouraged. Others believe that children who are taught to cooperate rather than compete become more useful adults.

Discuss both these views and give your own opinion.

Sample Answer

These days those who pay close attention to children education find it controversial/arguable/dis-cussable to encourage competition or cooperation among the children (who are innocent and need guidance).

第二种结构中的句子：提出 / 引用他人观点

1. Some people think that...

2. 宾语从句

The people who... suppose that...

Some people who... think that...

练一练 (宾语从句的否定形式)

那些关心社会问题的人认为老房子不应该被拆除。

Sample Answer

Some people who pay close attention to social issue do not think that the old houses are supposed to be disposed of.

3. 同位语

Some people who... hold/seize/voice the support for/oppose the argument that... (主干)

Some who... attend particular social trend closely now seize such an argument that old houses do not deserve disposing of.

练一练

分辨出文章的类型、并设计结构。

When a country develops its technology, the traditional skills and ways of life die out. It is pointless to try and keep them alive.

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the opinion?

Sample Answer

Nowadays there is an obvious trend, in our community of China, that technology and science gains a high fly. As a result of it, those who pay close attention to social progress find it common that some traditional culture is missing/lost. Meanwhile, some people say that the culture deserves it, but I doubt if the argument can hold water.



● 二、分论点

(一) 介绍分论点的概念 (2 种)

	A	B
适用提问类型	Discuss pros & cons and give your opinion Discuss two views and give your opinion	To what extent do you agree or disagree?
首段	主题 + 拓展	主题 + 观点 + 个人立场
主体段一	分论点一 + 原因 + 支持句 (but)	分论点一 (主要原因) + 支持句
主体段二	分论点二 + 原因 + 支持句 (but)	Certainly, 分论点二 (补充原因)
结尾段	总结观点 + 概括原因 + 建议	总结观点 + 概括原因 + 建议
备注	在主体段一、二中哪个有 but, 另一个则是作者倾向的观点。	补充原因通常是“让步”的说法。即在主流观点下找点“茬儿”。

(二) 三种文体的示意图

表达观点	讨论两观点	讨论优缺点
Introduction+your view	Introduction	Introduction
Reason1 + ...	View1+reason	Pro + reason
But, 反对 + nevertheless...	But +view 2 + reason	But+cons+reason
Conclusion	Conclusion	Conclusion

范例

类型 1

Some people think that old people should not be forced by law to retire at the age of 60–65 if they wish to continue working. **Do you agree with this point of view?**



I do not agree with the argument that old age should not be forced to retire at their age of 60–65 by law although they are willing to go on working.

The main reason for my idea is that retirement makes it possible for more young people who are ambitious to have a good chance to be promoted and make their dream come true.

However, there are certainly advantages in the elderly choosing to continue to work. They might offer some experience they have and help young people grow up. However, to most of companies, the young people who are energetic and creative are preferable, and experience can be accumulated later.

类型 2

Some people think that it's better for children to go to boarding schools, while others think that they should go to day schools and stay with their parents. **Discuss these arguments and express your own opinion.**

Some people who hold the statement that children should go to boarding schools believe that the lifestyle to live can help children grow up in many ways.

On the other hand, others argue that children should go to day schools and stay with their parents. It is mainly due to the fact that they can have chance to accompany with their parents, consulting with something they do not understand very clearly. However, it is widely accepted that some day they must learn how to cope with the thing on their own. So to perform their own life earlier should be useful in their growth.

Overall, my view is that children should be encouraged to learn how to live independently, because it is not only beneficial for their growth, but also offers them a good environment to meet more people.

类型 3

Intelligent machines such as robots are increasingly being used. They can do many things that used to be done by human. **Discuss the benefits and dangers.**

The most obvious benefits of the use of intelligent machines is that they make it possible for the people to have more convenience and create more value in economy.

However, there are of course dangers in the unexpected results... However, the unexpectedly performing can be fully prevented and predicted, when the science and technology develops to a certain level.

Overall, the new technology should be encouraged to help with doing more things instead of human beings. People will be able to have more time enjoy the life, not simply working all the time.



(三) 实用句型、词汇汇总

A. Topic Sentence 的模式化类型

第一类 原因

1. The reason is that...
2. The reason for my view is that...
3. The reason why sb. do sth. is that...
4. One of the reasons of doing sth. is in order to do...
5. A main reason why sb. do sth. is so as to do sth.
6. A prime factor of doing sth. is that...
7. There is a prime reason that...
8. It is partly because...
9. It is mainly due to the fact that...
10. It thanks to the fact that...
11. It is attributed to the fact that...
12. It contributes to the fact that...

第二类 好处

1. A most obvious advantage of 主题 is that...
2. One of the noticeable benefits of 主题 is to...
3. In terms of 主题 , there is a very remarkable merit that...

第三类 坏处

1. An obvious threat is that...
2. A disadvantage is that...
3. There are some challenges in doing sth.

B. 具体表示影响的句子

1. 主题 play a... role in...
2. 主题 make/impose/exert a... influence on...
3. 主题 help sb. do sth.
4. 主题 encourage sb. to do sth.
5. 主题 offer a good chance to help with sth.



6. 主题 enable sb. to do sth.
7. 主题 make it possible for sb. to do sth.

三、支持句的论证方法

(一) 对比法：用过去和今天对比体现优缺点

The main reason for my idea is that retirement makes it possible for more young people who are ambitious to have a good chance to be promoted.

Before the elderly retired, the young people could hardly get promoted. It is because most of top positions were occupied by the experienced old generations. Today when they are forced by law to leave the positions, the youths will be able to take up the job vacancies performing their ambition as well as contributing a great deal more to the organisations they work for. In fact, According to Darwin's theory, the process is natural and deserves.

练一练

请根据上面的范例写出“支持句”。

The main reason why I hold the statement that air travel should be encouraged is that it enables people to enjoy a higher life quality.

Sample Answer

Prior to the advent of air travel, people used to be forced to spend many days or weeks in traveling to a place that was not so distant. It is the main reason why many people used to have little time to go out for travel. Today when air travel has become a popular transport way, they will be able to travel within a shorter period and in a more comfortable way.

(二) 从需求寻找突破口

Some people who hold the statement that children should go to boarding schools believe that the lifestyle to live can help children grow up in many ways.

It might be widely acknowledged in China that today's children are restricted in terms of independence and self-principle, which are recognized as important qualities a successful person deserves to have. For letting their children grow up well, the parents wish them to develop these



qualities as early as possible. Obviously, to send them to study in a boarding school should be a most effective way to improve their qualities.

练一练

请根据上面的范例写出“支持句”。

The main reason why I hold the statement that air travel should be encouraged is that it enables people to enjoy a higher life quality.

Sample Answer

It might be widely acknowledged that today's Chinese are restricted of the global views, which are very important for personal development. For developing the competence, some people believe that to travel home or abroad might be useful. Obviously, air travel can help them carry it out in an easier way.

(三) when, when (as), if (provided)

The most obvious benefits of the use of intelligent machines are that they make it possible for the people to have more convenience and create more relaxation.

When intelligent machines such as robot dogs are used to amuse children above 10 or older, we can find it will add more relaxation and fun for the children. In addition, we can hear the cheers of young adults, as some advanced intelligent machines such as game machines are used. Provided the technology is going on, more convenience and surprise will be followed in the future, when more people will benefit a lot.

四、结尾

(一) In conclusion, although TV may be entertaining and to some extent informative, it has created serious problems in our society. Family members no longer communicate with each other. Children forget their study and do not part in sports. There is no denying that serious attention must be paid to this problem.

(二) To sum up, I believe that parents are better advisors than friends. It is high time that parents realize their important duty in helping their children develop physically, intellectually and emotionally. In a world of increasing juvenile delinquency, parents should not hesitate to



take up their responsibility in preventing their children from harmful influence.

- (三) All in all, we should give up the use of pesticides on food crops. Otherwise, our ecosystem will be damaged; our health will be threatened and we will be more and more dependent on pesticides.
- (四) If a man deprived himself and his family of food in order to buy and run a car, we would consider him mad. Individuals with limited budgets usually get their priorities right: they provide themselves with necessities before trying to obtain luxuries. Why cannot great nations act in the same sensible way? Let us put our house in order first and let space look after itself.

第4章

高分范文

第一节 4种最常见分类

一、教育 Academic Education

1 儿童教育是否应该夹杂“个人利益”

Topic

Some people believe that school education should teach children how to be good citizens and workers rather than the benefits of individuality.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.



Sample Answer

Recently a lot of attention is paid to school education for children. In terms of the trend, some people say that a school is responsible for teaching children to be good citizens and workers rather than provide students with personal benefits. In China, this view is held by a majority of people including me.

It is very beneficial for a child's future to teach him/her the way to become a good citizen and worker. When the child understands general knowledge, they will be able to put it into use in their future job. Thanks to the useful advice, they will more likely be a successful person in our society.

On the other hand, other people point out that children should be taught something in terms of the benefits of individuality. Personal interest plays a very important role in life. Before a person devotes himself/herself to a company or the country, he/she must have enough food, housing and social insurance. Otherwise, he/she can hardly concentrate on working. However, personally speaking, the benefits of individuality are unnecessarily taught. In the meanwhile, schools should not stress on the importance of personal benefits, because there are some dangers in misleading children to pursue too many personal interests.

Overall, my view is that school should be encouraged to teach children more about how to become a useful person in society, and win respect and honours among people. As for the benefits of individual pursuits, the parents should discuss this with their children in an active way.



2 孩子们的课余生活是否必须有“意义”

Topic

Some people believe that children should engage in educational pursuits in their spare time, otherwise they are wasting their time.

Do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Nowadays a great deal of focus is made on the spare time of children. Some people believe that children should get involved in educational activities in their free time. I fully agree with this view.

Children need a wide range of knowledge and skills, which cannot be taught just in the regular classes or in textbooks. As a result, it is a good idea to make the best of their spare time in order to develop their competence in different areas more fully. For example, some children in China are poor at communicating with others. By participating in group activities like traveling or sports, they will have chance to talk with other peers or build up close friendships with their teammates. When they enter into society some day, they will have better communication skills and will likely be more successful as a result.

However, some extreme people assert that doing something that seems uneducational is a waste of time. I do not hold the same view. No one can judge if something is educational to a child or not. Indeed, any experience can make an impact on a child's growth. Non-educational activities are equally important to children.

Overall, my view is that children should be encouraged to have more varied experiences in their spare time. We should not define if the experience is educational or a waste of time.



3 孩子们是否应该做“付费工作”

Topic

In many countries, children participate in some paid work in their spare time. Some people think this is wrong, but others believe that such work will extend the children's knowledge and improve their sense of responsibility.

What is your opinion?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

As for whether children should participate in some paid work in their spare time, opinions vary from person to person. Some people say that children should focus on studying, while others insist that a paid part-time job may help the children extend their knowledge and develop their responsibility. Personally I think that the latter is more convincing for the following reasons.

There are many examples demonstrating that those students who only keep studying at schools without participating in real work learn less than those who combine studying books with real life practice. To be engaged in some work can help children have more social experience. Besides, if they can realize their limit in terms of knowledge or skills earlier, they will be able to study harder with a clearer purpose. In China, an increasing number of students take part in some part-time jobs in summer and winter holidays. Most of the students say that doing paid work cannot only earn money, but also enrich their social experience.

On the other hand, there might be some dangers in taking too much time working at that important age. For example, to earn money some children might work too much or no longer



go back to school. But thanks to the work hour limit for part-time jobs for full-time students in China, students can't work too much.

Overall, children should be encouraged to do some paid work, and parents do not have to worry about this too much. Letting children do something so as to balance their theoretical knowledge and practical knowledge is very useful, but they should always keep an eye on how much part-time work their children do and protect children from danger.



4 中学生是否应该学习“国际新闻”

Topic

Some people think that secondary students should study international news as one of their subjects; but others believe that it is a waste of their valuable study time.

Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer 1

These days it has drawn a great deal of attention that international news is playing a very essential role in people's everyday life. There are two arguments that are associated with whether it should be taken as a subject among secondary students.

Some people believe that secondary students should be taught international news. They might believe that students will be able to enlarge their views on international events. In addition, the analytical techniques used in international news are very useful in everyday life. They can make some individual decisions or choices based on the news. However, to add another subject could increase the pressure placed on students. As we all know, in China large numbers of students have to work hard to enter elite universities. They already have a very stressful workload.

Overall my view is that international news should be taken as a seminar in secondary school. It is due to the fact that children should have the chance learn about international news and expand their understanding of the world and events. At the same time, the increase in students wordloads should be minimized as much as possible.



Sample Answer 2

These days there is more and more international news coming into China. Some people believe that the subject of international news should be offered to secondary school students, and personally I believe the argument is sensible.

Academically, secondary school students should try to extend their knowledge or broaden their horizons, so a variety of knowledge that is useful should be included in their studies. Studying international news, students will be able to receive valuable insights into the world. Compared to those students who do not study the subject, they would have much broader understandings of different views and have more developed opinions of their own. Therefore, they would have more chances of being successful some day.

However, some people think international news should not be compulsory for secondary school students because they have more important things to learn. Time is always limited, so secondary school students should arrange their time wisely, and more time should be spent on something that can help them to develop their skills and knowledge and go to a good university and hence to get a good job later on.

All in all, I think international news is important but not so equally for everybody. It would be more acceptable to make international news optional in secondary school, so that those who are interested in it, or may possibly use it in future, can have the opportunity to learn about it. And those who have no interest in it at all can simply choose something else. By doing this, every secondary school student can make full use of their time.



5 “私立中学”的利与弊

Topic

Some people think it is beneficial for students to go to private secondary school, but others feel that it can be negative effect on students.

Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience. Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

With the development of society and the economy, everything is becoming more varied. Take education for example, there are not only state-owned schools or public schools; there are more and more private schools as well. Today people have more options. However, some people argue that it can be negative for students to go to private secondary schools. It is necessary to point out that when parents choose to send their children to a school, they do not only judge a school whether it is private or public, but more importantly, they send their children to a school which offers better education to their children.

It is undeniable that some private schools can not guarantee qualified education for every child. Private schools run as companies; their main purpose may be economic; the teachers and their teaching process as well as facilities in private schools may not be as good as those in public schools. However, this situation does not exist in every private school.

As a matter of fact, private schools are more flexible than public ones, so they may offer more courses for the students to choose from, that is to say they can overcome the disadvantages of public schools to meet the needs of students.

Anyway, it is vitally important to send children to good schools, but the criteria of choosing a school should not be whether it is private or public. Every aspect should be taken into consideration. If the children go to a bad school, it will definitely be negative for the children. But this may happen on public schools as well.



6 “体育课”是否应该被“文化课”取代

Topic

In many schools, subjects like mathematics and science have displaced physical exercise.

Give your opinion on the importance of physical exercise.

What do you think is the most suitable amount of physical exercise a student should have?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer 1

Nowadays there is a trend that physical exercise as a subject has been replaced by academic ones in many schools. This has caused some concern and dissatisfaction among people, including me. I believe that physical exercise is very essential for the health of schoolchildren.

In the first place, it is true that in China most schoolchildren have to suffer a very heavy burden in academic subjects and they also face a wide range of tests or examinations. Therefore, they sometimes tend to feel tired and sick. In the meanwhile, sports classes can be taken as a very useful way to ease their mental exhaustion, giving them a comforting period of relaxation. On the subject of physical exercise, children can take part in some healthy activities such as jogging, aerobics and so forth, according to the instruction of professional sports teachers. During class, they have a chance to relieve the stress caused by the great deal of studying that they have to do.

In addition to this, the subject of physical exercise is the occasion when children can work together on some particular games or sports like basketball or football. Through these team



sports, they are able to have a talk with their classmates and develop team spirit, which is considered a very important quality for a successful adult to have.

In spite of this, the major focus of each student should be academic subjects. As a result, the amount of physical exercise should be limited, where it not only helps students to reach their goal but also benefits their health physically and spiritually. My view is that the subject should be required once or twice a week. Meanwhile, other activities can be finished in his or her spare time or on holidays.

Sample Answer 2

It is reported that physical exercise has been or is being displaced by subjects such as mathematics and science in many schools. It is obviously putting the cart before the horse, because the most important thing for children is to grow up healthy instead of studying only. I insist that physical exercise is a must for students to be healthy.

Being in school may be the most important time for children to be healthy, because this is also the time they grow up and all the body functions need to be developed. This is why children need a lot of physical exercises while they are growing up. If all the physical exercise is cancelled, it is impossible for the children to be healthy, which will in turn make it impossible for any student to be successful in the future.

In addition, students need entertainment and relaxation, if not, they will always feel bored, which may give them and society more trouble. And physical exercise is one of the best relaxation methods. By doing exercise, the students will get their mind relaxed, so that they can study more efficiently. In addition, doing outdoor activities helps students build strong friendship and a sense of team spirit.

To sum up, it is totally unacceptable to displace physical exercise with other subjects. As for the amount of exercise, it depends on the personal fitness of the students. But they do need regular exercise if not too much every day.



7 大学开设的专业应该“由谁决定”

Topic

Many people think the government of the country should decide which subject students should study, while others think students should be able to apply for the subject they prefer.

What is your opinion?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer 1

In China today, some students who have already registered and succeeded in some useful subjects often obtain an offer easier than others without the relevant subjects. Some people suppose that the government should make a decision about what subjects students deserve to study.

The most likely reason is that the government needs some people who work in some particular areas that ordinary students unusually choose. For example, the government of China has decided the academic course system in China Oil University in order to train some students in oil exploration. However, I do not think that the possibility is open to all of students, who take up a larger percentage of the whole group of China's college students. Furthermore, it is said that the students can enroll in some optional subjects.

On the other hand, it is commonly believed that students should determine their own subjects. It is due to the fact that students often feel interested in those subjects they choose, and work hard on them. In addition to this, universities want to provide students with a wide range of academic and practical education. Nevertheless, I must admit that the free choice of subjects

might be sometimes blind or impulsive. For example, the subject choices of some students depend on whether their friends or classmates are taking the class, instead of their own will or interests.

Students should be encouraged to choose their own subjects, although government could become more directive in the process of deciding which subject should be considered. For instance, government could offer some relevant information. About what skills and knowledge are needed for a particular profession and therefore what courses a student should attend.

● Sample Answer 2

Curriculum arrangement, or what course students should study is a very complex issue. Neither the government nor the students can unilaterally decide what courses to take. All aspects have to be taken into consideration when choosing subjects for the students. It of course includes the opinions and interests of students and the experts in the related departments of the government.

The government needs to consider the situation holistically. Normally the experts who make the decision are those who are well equipped with professional knowledge, so their decision may be more scientific and convincing. Also a lot of other aspects should be taken into consideration as well, such as the living standard and the economic development of the country and so on. That is why, it seems that it is the government that must make the decision about what subjects students should take.

However, the interest and opinions as well as the needs of the students have been and will always be taken into consideration. It is the students who will study and benefit from the courses; the courses selected by the government without considering the need of the students will never be good ones. It has been proved that the motivation to study and work hard derives from interests.

To sum up, the decision of what subjects to take for the students should be made by the government, but based on careful consideration of the opinions and needs of the students.



8 大学生应该如何面对“刚入学的困难”

Topic

Many young people find their first day at high school or college difficult, because they feel very lonely.

What do you think are the other difficulties they face on their first day?

What can schools and colleges do to make them feel more comfortable?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

It might be believed as something inevitable these days that college students find it very hard to adapt to a totally new academic or living environment. More evidences show that one main reason why some freshmen have attempted to drop out of college or university is that they are reluctant to experience loneliness and homesickness.

Other difficulties freshmen have to face may involve the recognition that they cannot adapt to the academic environment. The trend is particularly obvious in China, where students are required to work hard, and even under harsh supervision of their tutors. It is true that most of them are used to studying in such a situation, and it is tough for them to manage themselves as well as others expected. Some of students do not study as hard as when they used to in high school. On the contrary, they might have spent a great deal of time in a bar or at an Internet café, where they might feel so excited or relaxed. However, when they are required to have enough attendance or gain a relatively good record, they are obviously helpless and so panic.



- In order to help them out, universities or colleges might ask old students to group with new students or assign new students some academic advisors. It is true that many students have benefited from these measures, and have helped them start out college very nicely. Certainly, what students need might be more than this, because some students need more psychological aid than academic assistance. It might be a feasible suggestion that schools invite some experienced psychologist or educator to give lectures or related in an attempt to help out more students in need.



9 “实践课”是否应该取代“文化课”

Topic

At present it is hard for college graduates to find jobs. Many people claim that college teachers should give priority to practical courses like computer science and business over such traditional ones as history and geography.

Do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

With the development of science and technology, fewer and fewer people are needed to do the same amount of jobs as before, so it is becoming more and more difficult for college graduates to find jobs. However, we cannot blame the courses the students take in university only. For any time, the society needs people majoring in different fields, but it is necessary to rethink what courses are necessary or more useful for students for their job hunting.

In the Information Age, more jobs are available for students who major in science and business than those who do history and geography. This is caused by social development, where the needs of society have been changed. Over a period of time, this kind of profession imbalance would remain for a while. It is safe to say that the government should control the number of students of different majors in a macro span. However, it is not saying that teachers should teach every student in the university more practical knowledge. As for what kind of knowledge to learn, practical courses or traditional ones, it depends on the major of the student. Actually both are important for all students. Anyway, well-rounded people are more welcomed in modern society.

It would be much safer to put it in this way: the teachers in colleges should teach the students both practical knowledge and traditional knowledge. Whatever courses they teach, it is vitally important to make it useful for the future use of the students.



10 学生是否应该为社区作“义工”

Topic

Some people think that all young adults should undertake a period of unpaid work to help people in the community.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Some people proposed that all young adults should undertake some unpaid work to help people in the community. This is very recommendable, because it benefits both the community and young adults.

First of all, if the young adults do some work for the community, it is a good practice for them. They can develop their ability to deal with real life. What is more important, by doing unpaid work, they will develop their sense of responsibility. They will pay more attention to the people and environment; at least, they will be aware of the importance of being a good citizen.

Secondly, with some unpaid work, the community will be improved. A lot of people will get help, and their difficulties will be solved, so they may feel more like at home in the community, which will undoubtedly help to develop the community into a more harmonious one. Also, there are always some problems in the community that cannot get solved because of lack of hands and money. So if every young adult takes unpaid work for the community for a period of time, these problems will be solved. Needless to say, everybody wants to see this happen.

In short, to get every young adult involved in unpaid community work will be beneficial to both the community and the young adults, so it is very much worth trying. It is a good thing and nobody will get hurt.



11 学生是“住校”好还是“与父母同住”好

Topic

Some people think that students should live with their parents in studying; but others believe that they should live on campus.

What is your opinion?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Many students always stay with their parents, even when they are old enough to live alone. Students need family but also to grow up, so it would be much wiser for the students to move out to live with classmates. There are lots of advantages of doing so.

The first advantage of living with classmates or on campus is that the classmates are of the same age, so they would share a lot of things, hence would be much happier to live together. At least they will not have a generation gap like they do at home. If they live with other students they will always have someone to talk with. Also, living with classmates means they always need to cooperate with each other, or consider the others, so it is very good for them to develop their team spirit, which is very important for their future life.

Another advantage is that they can be more independent, because living on campus they have no parents to turn to, so they have to do a lot of things by themselves, such as washing clothes, buying things, budgeting and so on.

Also, as mentioned above, there may be a generation gap in many families, so if the students live on campus, they would not meet their family every day. This would help to reduce family



conflicts. And if the students only go back home on weekends, both parents and children will feel that they are mutually important.

Being with family is very important as well, but spending more time with classmates would be much better for the students. Anyway, children do not always live under the protection of their parents.

12 教师应该“教学生什么”

Topic

Most people think that teachers should teach students how to judge right and wrong and how to behave well. Some feel that people should just teach students academic subjects.

Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Supposing that you are a person who is sensitive to the latest topics, you might find out there is a superheated discussion that why the young go to study in a university. Some people suggest that the aim of higher education is to prepare students for employment, while others advocate that studying in a university not only hunts for an appropriate job, but also has other pros. Personally, I strongly agree with the latter.

To begin with, a university provides students not merely with the vocational skills but also with the chance to communicate with someone else. On campus, a student can run across



others who have different backgrounds and previous experiences. Naturally, he or she need to learn how to get along well with different people. When he or she enters the society some day, it is to adapt to the environment more swiftly than others. What's more, the invaluable experience will greatly benefit to their lives in the future.

In addition to providing a basis for solid communication skills, higher education also helps students learn problem solving. During the term of studying in universities, the student might meet with several problems such as how to relieve stress, how to organize their lives reasonably and effectively and so forth. Some of universities have employed professionals as supervisors, who are to have a face-to-face meeting with those students getting in trouble, to offer good advice and to guide them how to handle these problems easily and effectively.

In conclusion, nobody can deny that the university is also running other functions while it prepares the student for employment in society. And even I can confer that more functions will be added to today's universities, which are to help the students effectively and efficiently in many ways.



13 在大学是“理科”重要还是“文科”重要

Topic

As scientists contribute more to the development of our society than other people, science students should get more financial support from the government than other students get.

Do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Thanks to the contribution brought by scientists, our society is developing at a high speed. As a result, some people suppose that the government should give more funding to science students than others, since scientists contribute much more to building our society.

Scientists have created electronic technology like MP4 which is a kind of media player, information and communications technology, and even man-made organs which give an increasing number of people a second life. You can imagine that without scientists we would be unlikely to listen to some absorbing and attracting music through the hi-fi (high-fidelity), and we could not get information about earth's national satellite-moon, and what is more, many people would be forced to suffer the pain of diseases, etc. Without scientists, our life would not be so happy and relaxed.

Actually not every scientist can bring happiness to human beings. Some of them who invented biochemical weapons bring disasters to the world. Consequently, many people say that the government should pay more to the students who do not become scientists, since



what these students will do will just beautify our society and make the world more peaceful. It is known that the other students are playing an essential and crucial role in developing society. For instance, some students who study painting will objectively show the beauty of the world and some shortages of it via painting. Some sociologists will offer important ideas and standpoints on how to build society in a harmonious way. Students who graduate from business, will bring more economic benefits to the society. Therefore, many people claim that the students mentioned above should be funded more.

As a matter of fact, science students should get financial support from the government. However it is evident that the other students should be funded as well, since they contribute a lot to society like the science students and they have the equal right to get paid from the government.

14 如何看待年轻人喜欢“购物”的现象

Topic

Young people like shopping in their spare time. Some people think young people should spend their time learning useful skills or knowledge.

Do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

It is regular these days to watch a crowd of young people including men and women spend a great deal of time in the shopping places, where there are many boutiques to visit and a wide



range of restaurants to eat in. The trend can be not only found on long holidays, but is also popular on weekends. Today, there are worries that young people might kill a great amount of time by making poor use of time which could be more competently or effectively used. However, I do not fully agree with this opinion.

I am quite sure that young people should not be blamed for shopping. It is a way to relax. Like most of adults in the society, young people should enjoy their own time, doing anything they really enjoy. It is well-known that today's youths are experiencing a massive challenge in their academic and personal lives. They are required to engage in a wide range of activities, learn extra skills such as cooking to raise their own competence, complete a heavy load of homework. What they have done might not be what they really need or want but what they have to or are forced to do. If so, it should be fair for them to enjoy what they like in their spare time.

Of course, there are some dangers in the activities. Some of students might be so addicted to shopping luxuries, which might lead to financial problems. When the situation arises, their normal life might be disturbed, and it would be difficult to focus on studying. They might think that shopping centres are the place for them rather than boring classrooms or lecture halls. However, they are less likely to think this way, because a good job or a stable salary can allow them to buy anything they want.

Overall, I do not think the spare time must be occupied by learning skills or knowledge. Young people can take responsibility for their behaviour and decisions, so their ideas and lifestyle should be respected. Certainly, shopping might be an exciting and relaxation way to relieve stress.



二、社会生活 Social Matters

1 “博物馆”的功能

Topic

Some people think museums should be enjoyable places to attract and entertain young people, but others think the purpose of museums is to educate, not entertain.

What is your opinion?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer 1

It is true in China these days that fewer people would prefer to visit the museums than in the past. In order to end this trend, some people suggest that more attractions and entertainment be made for young people. This idea might be useful.

Some young adults feel so bored when visiting the museum. They might wish to take part in some interactive activities in the museum. In China, some modern museums particularly arrange some programs such as three-dimensional movies and games to encourage youths to learn knowledge from practice or via multimedia. Indeed the measures have had some impact. A larger group of children are choosing museums with entertainment programs to go to on holidays or weekends. In spite of this, financial support is still a problem. After all, all entertainment activities need money to run, and they rely on limited government resources.

On the other hand, others oppose the idea of adding entertainment in the museums. They believe that the main purpose of museums should be to educate the people. However, if education-focused museums cannot attract many visitors then they must change. Now that

entertainment can play an important role in attracting more visitors, people should try to make use of it and combine it with traditional museum exhibits.

● Sample Answer 2

It is a very traditional idea that museums should play an educational role in people's life. Millions of people, mainly adolescents have learnt a great deal of information about science and arts from visiting a wide range of museums in their city or town. Today some people hold the statement that museums should offer entertainment as much as possible in order to attract and amuse young people who are more interested in games than knowledge alone. In fact, I am convinced that both are equally important in different areas.

On one hand, education is very essential in helping children learn knowledge they should acquire. Historic museum can make it possible for young people to know what was happening in their hometown, which is beneficial for their views; zoology can broaden children's view in animals or plants, which will be good in their views of wildlife and animal protection; the art galleries enable young adults to improve their sense of art, which might increase their interests in real life.

On the other hand, entertainment is absolutely indispensable in modern society, where children need more relaxation and newer ways to learn. The main reason why children were the least interested in visiting museums might be that they would prefer more fascinating places such as amusement parks rather than boring museums. If museums have more programs to run or develop, children might be called back to enjoy both entertainment and knowledge.

Overall, entertainment should be added in museums, making it possible to attract more young people to learn in a more interesting way, and at the same time education is still the most important part of a museum. Anything that can help young people grasp more skills and knowledge should be encouraged as much as possible.



2 尊重“老年人”

Topic

In many countries, people neglect the elderly.

Please analyze the reasons and social consequence.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience. Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

It is a trend that the number of elderly has increased dramatically in many countries. The trend is known to make a tremendous influence on individuals and society as a whole. In this case, there is a phenomenon that the elderly are being neglected in terms of respect. The social consequence is absolutely terrifying as well as the root causes are various.

The exact causes of the trend are not quite clear, but at least it has a strong link with a practical consideration in terms of finance. Nowadays, it is evident that most of the elderly have left their positions, starting a life with pension that is less than what they used to earn. They are limited in terms of living expenses so that they cannot offer a great amount of financial support to their offspring. As a result, their children might express their disregard for their relatives in words or in their actions.

Another cause is believed to be the poor communication between the young and the old. Nowadays, young people would prefer to party with friends or chat on the Internet rather than spend time sitting down talking with their older relatives. They probably feel that they can learn more from their peers or people their age.

In fact, this phenomenon has caused mutual complaints between the young and the old in our society. The elderly express their dissatisfaction with this disrespect, while young adults suppose the old people are troublesome and useless. What we should do is to help them build up a mutual understanding that is effectively to promote respect between both parties.



3 人们如何“做善事”

Topic

Nowadays some people like to give help to people in need in local community directly, while others prefer to give money to the national or international organizations.

Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer 1

Today it is a trend in many countries including China that a larger group of kind people prefer to contribute funds to those who are in poverty or urgently need some financial supports. There are commonly two ways to provide assistance in modern society.

Some people say that to help the people in need in their community directly is a positive thing. It is due to the fact that the people in need can obtain the amount of money very fast. For example, in the neighborhood I live in there are some widowed adults and lonely old people who are short of money and live a miserable life. It is often seen that some of my neighbors give them some bare necessities or money. However, I must point out that the favor is only good for a small number of people.

On the other hand, others who expect to offer funds to national or international organizations believe that the contribution they make can help more people, no matter who they recognize or not. In China, there are many organizations that are responsible for the collection and distribution of funds. In spite of this, the donators cannot make sure their money is sent to the people in need. Some of them might worry that the people who really need help can hardly obtain enough money.



Overall, my view is that I have a tendency to give money directly to the people who are in difficulty, although on special occasions such as international disasters or floods I might post money to the organizations concerned. Whatever your preference to help other people in need is an honorable and responsible thing to do.

● Sample Answer 2

With the increase of the number of people living in poverty and disease, people are finding many ways to help them. I will discuss two main ways that people attempt to improve the lives of people living in these types of situations.

Many generous people offer financial or material aid to the people who are in need in their local community directly. This type of aid is typically given to a single old age woman with a limited budget. They sometimes can receive money or bare necessities. Also, orphans even can gain a free house provided by local warm-hearted people. It is a good way individuals could understand what poor people exactly need, before they support their needs directly. Secondly, it is quite convenient for those people who desire to help others monitor the whole process and results of aid. But, this method is rather limited in helping massive or long-distance groups.

On the other hand, there exists another way of giving a hand to the poor or miserable—donating to national or international organizations. Different from the former, sending capital to worldwide or nation-wide organizations is useful in helping people from different regions. In addition, professional organizations have the ability to make good use of every penny collected from helpful groups. Certainly, this way has disadvantages. Mainly the details of the process cannot be transparent to individuals immediately.

As analyzed above, it is easily concluded that these two ways both have their own special features. What's more, they are nearly complementary. Hence, both ways should be encouraged to benefit more people who are still struggling for survival in difficult life situations.



4 是否只有政府能够解决“住房问题”

Topic

Housing shortage in big cities could cause severe consequence. Some people think only government can solve the problem by taking action.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Being the cause of serious social problems, housing shortages, mainly in big cities, have been attracting a great deal of attention. The continuous problem inflicts strong complaints from citizens and many families living in crowded spaces. I believe that the government is the sole organization that can provide solutions for this pressing social problem.

One of the main reasons why the government must play a dominant role in solving the problem is that land in China belongs to the country. As a result, it is possible for the government, the manager of the country, to control all land resources and it has the right to make policies. The government is able to build up more apartment buildings and residential communities at a relatively low cost, so that more city people are able to move into the new buildings. Naturally, the chain of problems caused by housing shortages can be resolved.

On the other hand, alternative agencies must be involved; primarily real estate agencies must be involved in solving these problems. It is also a fact in China that some families hold three or more houses and are reluctant to rent out or sell these properties for various reasons. At the same time, real estate agencies are needed to persuade them to do so in a legal way, which is likely to relieve the upward pressures on housing prices caused by the housing shortage. In



In addition, the house owners should contribute to solve the housing shortage problem, such as letting their houses to those who are in need and can afford them. However, the effort of organizations or individuals must follow the guidance of the government.

In conclusion, my view is that the government should be the most important in solving the housing shortage, although other efforts can take a supporting role. The common aim is to offer houses to those who are struggling to have a better life.

5 政府是否应该支持“运动员”

Topic

Some people believe national sports teams and individual men and women who represent their country should financially be supported by Government. Some people think they should be funded by non-government (e.g. business, scholarship).

What is your opinion?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

These days, it is common in almost every nation across the world for the sport teams and individuals who represent their country to be funded by the Government. However, in other areas they are known to receive funding from non-government in the way business entitles as scholarship or sponsorship. In fact, I am convinced that both of ways should be held up.

These athletes and sports teams deserve to be funded by the Government, because what they



have struggled for is not only personal value but also a national honor. When a sportsman wins a game in an international sports event, his/her national flag will be hanged the top and raised accompanying with national anthem. At the same time, his/her effort has evoked more patriotism and excitement. As a result, what he/she has gained and contributed deserves return as a way that Government offers the support financially.

Certainly, there are some advantages in being funded by non-government. The one is that athletes or sports teams can concentrate more on their training or be equipped with the more advanced facilities if they can gain more financial support coming from non-government. It is well known that the financial support only by Government is often limited in terms of amount, but the demand for modern training condition is still increasing. More finance is absolutely something that all expect. However, the fund should be limited under the certain circumstances in avoid of more business purpose, which will be able to distract the training of sports people.

In conclusion, sports teams need more support and encouragement in our community. Therefore it is a good idea for both Government and non-government to offer financial support to improve the condition of training and living standard.



6 年轻人的“失业问题”

Topic

Nowadays young people are leaving school and are unable to find a job.

Why does it happen, and what measures can be taken to reduce the level of unemployment among youngsters?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

As millions of graduates leave college or secondary school annually, the issue of employment has become more sensitive. Around 1/3 of current graduates are reported to have found it so tough to find a fit job, although they have spent three or four years studying a wide range of academic knowledge to develop a broad range of skills. To tell the truth, this social issue has resulted in the belief that going to college possibly means nothing for the sake of avoiding unemployment after graduation.

People should pay more attention to the root causes. One of the causes might be that what young adults have learnt in their higher education is most likely to dissatisfy the requirements of business. It is well-known that people with creativity or the ability to improve quickly are strongly expected in firms where they are expected to give new concepts or be passionate about their work. Secondly, youth unemployment is probably attributed to limited experience in social communication. In most case, the graduates do not have any communicative skills, because they have never learnt it in college or university and have no chance to develop their speaking skills. As a result, they always have least competence to attract some important people who might have a crucial impact on their career to follow.



In order to help young graduates find a fit job—at least a promising job, measures should be taken to guide young adults to engage in voluntary work in some communities or neighborhood, so that they might have more chance to gain enough social experience or common skills some day to help them secure a job. In addition, it is also a good way for them to find a position that is suitable for him/her and which he/she likes. Certainly, the college should take responsibility for the training of practical skills as much as possible, so that the competitiveness of graduates can be strengthened.

7 是否应该鼓励“老年人退休”

Topic

Companies should encourage old employees (55 years old) to retire, in order to give opportunities to the new generation.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Generally speaking, I agree with the opinion that old employees above 55 years old should be encouraged to retire, creating more job opportunities for the new generation. There are a couple of main reasons why I believe this.

One of the major advantages of old-age retirement is that more job vacancies in firms or government departments would be available for a bigger crowd of young people, who just graduated from their college or university and are looking forward a chance to showing their



- talents and contributing to society. It is true that Chinese students are experiencing a very competitive job market, which is the cause of a great deal of frustration among many of them. They would be pleased to hear the good news that old workers will be asked to retire so as to leave more positions for them in workplaces.
- Another benefit lies in the assumption that retired men and women can spend their leisure doing anything they prefer. Before they retire, they have to work day and night, so that some of them might have lost their interests and hobbies. When they leave all their work behind, they might use their free time in doing things those that make them happy.
- Certainly, some old people might have to suffer from a sense of frustration after finishing with work. Actually it is also the situation we have seen in China. When asked whether they were happy to be off work, some old people said that they cannot adapt to the new situation so fast. But I believe most retirees will be able to adapt to their new lifestyle and, eventually, it will become something that they really enjoy.



8 公司是否应该提供“医疗服务”

Topic

People's basic health is so important that some people think medical services should not be run by profit-making companies.

What is your opinion?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

The better people's life is getting, the more they pay attention to their health. It is absolutely sensible that everyone wishes to have a nice life as long as possible. These days it is common for citizens to accept medical services from profit-making companies or private clinics, but they are known to be unpleasant by some people who would prefer public medical services. However, I disagree with the latter position.

It is evident that profit-making companies have contributed much to patients. They help the country's medical services absorb a greater number of people. Also, they have made a great number of positive changes including purchasing advanced facilities for treatment, employing more experienced experts, and providing VIP services for groups who have got special needs. In addition to this, profit-making companies are believed to have a high quality in the general services and attitude of services. Some people who have never been to see a doctor in public hospitals express their affection for profit-making medical services after visiting, because they feel the staff working there is more considerate and willing to well look after them than the staff in the public system.

On the other hand, public medical services are important to people who have medical



insurance. In China, it is true that medical services offered by profit-making companies must be paid by individuals, and at the same time the public services can be paid for mostly by government. As a result, most people who have insurance would prefer public medical services for the sake of money-saving.

In fact, I believe that the medical services of profit-making companies should be encouraged to co-exist with the public services. One of the main reasons is that its presence is sensible in terms of motivating progress in public medical services in order to improve the quality of services in medical treatment. In these ways private medicine is very beneficial to the average person.

9 “工作满意度”到底是什么

Topic

Many people take job satisfaction as an element of individual well-being, because most adults spend most of their time at work.

What factors contribute to job satisfaction?

How realistic are the expectations of job satisfaction for all workers?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Today, most people have to deal with a heavy burden of work in order to earn a good living or seek a higher social status. As a result, the discussion about job satisfaction has gradually



heated up. I hold the belief that job satisfaction is strongly associated with two elements: a promising position and a relaxing working atmosphere.

First of all, a promising position is known to be very essential for those people who have just graduated from college or university. When choosing what kind of job is suitable for them, whether they will be easily promoted in the position is believed to be a main consideration. It is well understood that young adults need to have a particular goal, so that they can concentrate on their work, putting all their efforts into reaching their goal. Thus, they will certainly gain job satisfaction.

Another factor might involve the demand for a relaxing working atmosphere. In most cases, job satisfaction is due to whether the employees can enjoy the work-place atmosphere. If they are dissatisfied with where they are working, they will probably choose to quit. To the employees who have quitted a job or plan to do so, it might be the most primary cause of resignation.

In fact, I fully agree with the statement that it is very realistic to enable all workers to have job satisfaction. The main cause is that it is positive not only to the workers who wish to realize their own value at work or gain what they expect, but also to the employers who hope to have a stable team. For the benefits of both sides, it is absolutely necessary to struggle for job satisfaction. In addition, any joint effort can certainly make difference no matter what the difficulty is or how big it is.



10 “青少年犯罪”的原因

Topic

Recent figures of crimes committed by young people are increasing in major cities throughout the world.

Discuss what the possible reasons are and how to solve it.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Recently, a series of studies concerning youth crimes has caused concern among parents and those who care about the social development of young adults. What is more serious, youth crime is increasing at a staggering rate in major cities across the globe. Although the exact causes are still unclear, there should be a couple of reasons why the trend arises.

One of the most noticeable reasons is that adolescents and young adults are watching a growing amount of violence via media such as TV, films and the Internet. In the past, there was little violence in the media, so children had little chance to understand and duplicate the dangerous behaviours they would rarely see in the media. But recently, violent content has become popular in TV and films. When switching on TV or accessing the Internet, people find it quite easy to find violent TV shows or films. As a result, it is natural to connect the increase of juvenile delinquency to the increase in violent content in the media.

Another cause of the trend is that the number of unhappy families is increasing. It would be difficult for a child to face life optimistically when they grow up in a family with domestic violence or had experienced the pain of losing a parent. Also, if no one can teach them how to deal with these problems, they might be led astray, and even commit violent crimes as a form



of revenge against the world.

Facing the increase of youth crimes, in addition to feeling worried, some measures must be taken to reduce the incidence of these crimes. First of all, it would be a good idea for schools to advise children how to face life and challenges in their life in an effective way. Besides, parents should be encouraged to take more responsibility for their child's education.

11 人们对“犯罪者的态度”

Topic

Should criminals be allowed to do something else as punishment instead of being sent to a jail?

What do you think?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Whether or not criminals ought to be sent to jail or be punished by other methods instead of sending them to jail is a controversial issue. Some people believe that criminals must be sent to jail whereas others hold that sending them to jail is not the best policy. In my opinion, both theories have their merits.

Admittedly, sending criminals to jail is a good way to reduce crime rate in a society. On the one hand, it is easier to control the criminals from committing the crimes if they are in prisons as well as it is easier to educate them in order to prevent them from committing



crimes again after they get free. On the other hand, carrying out this policy can prevent other people from becoming criminals. The threat of imprisonment acts as a deterrent. Thus, sending criminals can have a positive effect.

However, every merit has its demerits. Firstly, putting the criminals into jail can create a better opportunity for them to communicate, which may lead to more organised criminals in the future. Secondly, criminals, as human beings, may become very discouraged because of their criminal records. Thus some of them would never have the confidence to become ordinary people again. Thirdly, to perform this method, the government must build enough jails to put the criminals as well as train sufficient caretakers to look after them day and night. Hence, this method is not the best way to solve the problem.

All in all, sending criminals to jail has both its advantages and disadvantages. It is a good method but not the only way to solve the problem. Society should take various methods to deal with the crime problem rather than just sending the criminals to penitentiaries.



12 “老年人数量的增加”是利还是弊

Topic

Recently the proportion of older people has increased.

Do you think it will have positive or negative effects on society as a whole?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Nowadays, the international community as a whole is becoming worried about a problem: the proportion of older people has been increasing. There has been a lot of discussion about whether the trend is positive or not. As far as I am concerned, the trend is very dangerous.

The first reason is that the ageing of the population will cause some troubles in many companies. In China today, most older people are often asked to leave their position when they are above 55 years old. After retirement, their pensions are mostly paid by the companies where they have worked very hard. However, it is difficult for the firms to pay for large number of people living on pensions. Some of companies are known to go bankrupt partly due to being hard to run with so many retired people.

The increase in the older people also leads to a heavy burden on the community as whole. It might be common sense that a stable society needs a balance among people of different age groups. In other words, when the number of old people is far more than that of young people, the economy will be likely to become dysfunctional. The pace of development could become slower than before. In addition, the imbalance cannot be considered as the increase of job vacancies for young people. On the contrary, it implies that there might not be enough workers in our society.

Overall, the old age boom is causing potential dangers in the development of industries and society. We should think about how to reduce the risk through joint efforts between the Government and the citizens. One suggestion is that old people be asked to retire later.



13 为什么人们“不愿意缴税”

Topic

Some people think they should not pay tax to the state.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Tax is always considered as the most important source of revenue for the Government, and that taxpayers should be proud of the obligations they hold to the Government. However, these days, some believe that tax should not be paid to the state. In fact, I hold that this idea should be discouraged.

The most important reason why I think so is that tax has been used in many ways in our life in a direct way. The compulsory education is a good example. In China, children have the right to finish 9-year education, when most fees are paid by the Government and extra assistance is offered to the children in special needs in some cases. Another good example is in the building of roads and the improvement of the environment. It is common for today's people to complain about heavy pollution and China's notoriously terrible road safety. Thus, the Government contributes much to building more important roads, overpasses and underpasses, to creating a greenbelt to prevent desertification, and to improving public transportation.

A second reason to pay tax is that the Government needs money to improve national defense, which might be not directly connected with the life of normal people but very essential to the whole people. In order to prevent terrorism and play a deterrent role in national safety, the Government must purchase or manufacture a certain number of weapons such as

handguns and missiles so as to protect our nation.

Overall, in spite of the fact that tax-paying might cause a little financial reduction to some people who work very hard earning a great sum of money, it is still very important to have a safe nation and live with educated people.

14 人们对“时尚”的态度

Topic

Nowadays the trend of fashion changes very rapidly, and gradually people become the slaves of it. Some people think that a person should choose comfortable clothes he or she likes, regardless of fashion.

Do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

The improvement of the living standard is believed to have caused higher demand for fashion, because people have much more money to afford such luxuries that used to be considered unneeded. In addition, it is natural for young people to attempt to look more stylish or “in”. However, there is a fear that people will become slaves to fashion and never find what they need. As a result, some people hold the statement that people should choose comfortable clothes they love regardless of fashion. In fact, I do not think it is wrong to choose the clothes people like, but I must insist that when one dresses up, fashion must be respected.



Fashion is a lot of fun for people who seek beauty and individuality. When some people started to understand and get close to such a great thing, they found it possible and absolutely fascinating to dress up like a superstar. Moreover, they have learnt an increasing number of useful knowledge about fashion history and enjoyed the course of dressing up themselves and defining their own sense of fashion. Fashion can help young people develop their creativity.

Certainly, it is always correct for people to wear comfortable clothes they are interested in. The clothing you like is almost certain to keep you in a good mood. However, it does not mean that people should be oblivious to fashion. On the contrary, fashion can provide a more comfortable and widespread clothing type. Fiber that has been believed as a fashion is eventually accepted by most of people in their daily life.

In a word, fashion should be encouraged, and at the same time people should have their own tastes in clothes rather than blindly following the so-called “fashion”.



三、科技影响 Scientific Impact

1 讨论 20 世纪“一项发明”的利弊

Topic

There have been many technological developments in the 20th century, for example, computers and electric power.

Choose either of them and describe the changes it has brought about and discuss whether all the changes are positive.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Electric power might be the greatest technological achievement in the 20th century. Through this technology, a great change has taken place in people's lifestyle. Before the use of electric power, people had to stay at home in the dark, with nothing to do but sleep. But they have been able to enjoy a more colorful nightlife since electric power has become available. In addition, changes in industry and commerce have resulted through the use of electric power. It is considered as the cleanest energy resources.

In most cases, the changes electric power has made should be considered positive, particularly in the improvement of people's living standards. Using electricity children have been able to play electric machines that bring them much fun; housewives have benefited from electric appliances such as washing machines or dishwashers. Now they don't have to do heavy housework that used to be dealt with by hand; older people have been able to read newspapers or magazines by lights powered by electricity. All of these have made positive



effects on people's lives.

However, there are certainly negative aspects to the use of electric power. First of all, electric power is sometimes unsafe, especially for children who don't have a clear understanding of the necessary safety precautions they need to make around electrically powered devices. It is reported that many children died from electric accidents in many parts of the world annually. Another problem is that the use of electric power has caused air pollution. It is widely acknowledged that most electricity is produced by burning coal or natural gas, which give off a great deal of greenhouse gases and poisonous gases in the air.

In conclusion, all the changes electric power makes are not always positive, although electric power has played a very essential role in our daily life. As a result, it is very important for people to hold a correct attitude towards this particular invention.

2 “早期科技”与“现代科技”哪个更重要

Topic

Earlier technological development brought more benefits and changed the lives of ordinary people more than recent or future technological developments ever will.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

The development of science and technology has been affecting people's lives. Phones, for ex-



ample, have completely changed the lifestyles of people. These days some people say earlier technological development contributed much more than the recent growth in technology will. However, I personally disagree with this statement.

It seems that earlier technology such as airplanes have greatly changed our lives. Modern people have been able to travel so far within a shorter period and in a relatively comfortable way. Furthermore, the application of air travel is not restricted to the civil use, but also is very popular in international trade. In China exotic vegetables and fruits, for instance, can be carried by air from other countries including the UK, Australia and the USA. However, it is very difficult to judge the air travel as a good representation of earlier technology. Air travel had a much greater impact on society than technology like cloning and alternative bio-engineering technology.

Certainly, there are some problems in the use of modern technology and wider application in people's daily lives. Therefore, some future influence of new technology cannot be acknowledged by most people who pay more attention to the present. Nevertheless, it is still uncertain that modern technological changes cannot play a more important role in our lives than they have in the past.

Overall, I cannot say "yes" as to whether earlier technology has achieved more than modern technology or not. However, our main concern should be how we use new technology and adapt to it, both in the present and in the future.



3 “登月”是否对日常生活有影响

Topic

In the last century, space travel to the moon was believed to be a big step for mankind. However, some think that it has made little difference in our daily lives.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Humans seem to have never stopped exploring the unknown world since their inception. They have travelled to all ends of the earth. In similar fashion, in 1969 astronauts landed on the moon. Landing on the moon was a landmark historical event, and has been long considered a pinnacle of human achievement. Today some people who might be practical say that landing on the moon has changed nothing. It has simply given us several stones and some moon dust behind some glass in a museum. Personally, I cannot agree with this argument.

The first and most important reason I insist that landing on the moon is that it has encouraged young people, especially those who are passionate about science and technology as well as astronomy, to continue pursuing their dream. Presently, the goals of life have become more essential for young people when material life has been improved to a level where most of them have little to worry about in terms of their living standards. Landing the moon as a milestone event tells them that if they want to achieve something great it is possible.

There are certainly many people who are busy doing their own business or focus on other things than landing the moon. However, it does not mean that we can say landing the moon has made little difference in our life. In fact, not only can youths have the encouragement

from the event, but also the understanding of the moon has enabled more scientists to think if some day people can move to another planet, when the resources of the earth are exhausted or the population has boomed to a limit.

Overall, my view is that any event of human beings should be carefully thought of, although the direct or indirect influence might be not found immediately.

4 “航空运输”是否应该被限制

Topic

Some people believe that air travel should be restricted because it causes serious pollution and will use up the world's resources.

Do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Air travel has improved people's lives dramatically. These days, not only can people take holidays at home or abroad, but they can also take bare necessities to places where wars break out or natural disasters occur. However, some people say that air travel has led to heavy air pollution and it exhausts important natural resources and it should therefore be limited.

The main reason for thinking this way is that the increase in air travel might cause an energy crisis. It is widely acknowledged that air travel needs a lot of petroleum, which is used to fuel the airplanes. With the sharp fall of crude oil supplies around the world, people feel worried



about whether or not the energy resources can be used far into the future. To reduce the use of resources has become a main issue for many people. Air travel should be limited to help conserve valuable resources.

Another consideration involves the assumption that restrictions on air travel will help with the improve environment. When an aircraft flies in the sky, it certainly gives off a great amount of harmful gases that are produced through burning fuels. If air travel is encouraged, there will be more serious air pollution. In addition, people living around the airport tend to complain of the noise that is made when airplanes take off or land. Now that air travel has or will make a larger trouble in the people's life, we should consider whether it should be developed further.

In a word, limits should be placed on the development of air travel because it may lead to lower living conditions for people around the world and it also depletes valuable natural resources.



5 “图书时代”是否被“电脑”所取代

Topic

Some people say that the age of reading books has past, and that now information will be presented in video, on computers, on television and in films; others think that the book and the written words will be necessary for information spread and a comprehensive education.

Discuss both sides and give your opinion.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer 1

Today it is a trend in many countries including China that a large group of people are using advanced technology and science to obtain the information they need. To take young adults as an example, they prefer to google entertainment news or military reports on the Internet instead of getting them from book.

Some people believe that reading books should be replaced by modern media such as television and the Internet. It might be due to this consideration that the information presented in modern media looks more vivid and is richer than that found in books. For example, most Chinese youths who wish to study English would prefer buying and watching CDs or DVDs as references to reading books in the library or at home. They might think that to obtain the information on computer or video is interesting and realistic. However, these new types of media cannot replace books as a means to enlarge their views.

Others who think the book and the written word is still indispensable hold the belief that books are still the most important media to spread information to students in China's schools



and universities. Furthermore, books are very flexible and can be read at any place and at any time. Nonetheless, we should add more media choices besides books.

Overall, my view is that people should be encouraged to collect information as much as they can in different ways they like. Written words, books and modern media are all useful to help people to do a variety of tasks. Certainly, more focus should be made on advanced technology, as it is more efficient and convenient to modern people.

● Sample Answer 2

The wide use of multimedia such as videos and computers has caused a huge change in people's learning methods. It is no doubt that the introduction of these new media types influences the traditional ones including reading books. In terms of these new trends, people express their own arguments.

Some people say that the age of reading books has passed away due to the fact that information can be presented via multimedia, which is more vivid than words in books. I must admit that multimedia as an effective way of information dissemination is more popular in most age groups, particularly for adolescents and young adults. However, for most older people, they are still accustomed to acquiring knowledge from books, and consider reading books as a preferred way to relax. As a result, it is too early to say that the age of reading books has past.

On the other hand, others insist that both the books and the written words are still necessary for education. In China, most schools and colleges take books as the most important teaching material. On campus, you can even find many students holding their favourable books. Sometimes books with signs and cards with written greeting words are given as a gift on special occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries or something else. So the books and written words are still playing a very essential role in education.

My belief is that the coexistence of new and old objects is a fashion today when people need diverse forms of media for different purposes. Similarly, bicycles do not vanish with the wide use of automobiles. Whatever form of media one uses, it must be a suitable means for an individual to gather the information.



6 “外来媒体”的影响

Topic

Do the negative effects of some international media such as TV and magazines outweigh the positive effects?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

As time goes on, an increasing number of great inventions play an essential and vital role in today's society. Some international media are not exceptions, like television and magazine. While many people feel that the media is doing irreparable harm, others believe that there are many positive aspects to media-educational tools.

Numerous educators have envisioned media's possibilities as an instructional tool and have sought acknowledgement for this around the developing world. Educational media have directly impacted the skills of those who consume it. People who want to improve their English can learn more from native speakers on some English programs and those who fancy to become good cooks can improve their skills by watching cooking shows. Additionally, media spread a lot of useful information throughout the world. People can obtain breaking news only through the media. You can imagine that without the media how can those who seek fashion survive?

However, not everyone respects the opinion mentioned above. Many people feel that media is doing irreparable harm gradually. First of all, some misleading commercials are wasting people's time, which can be well used elsewhere. On the other hand, excessive television viewing of any kind will bring some physiological problems. That is the reason why so many students wear spectacles at a lower grade. What is more, some couch potatoes—people who



are addicted to television—will heavily over-eat because they are always sitting in front of the television and eating. In this respect, more funds from Government will be paid to deal with the disease-obesity.

The most extreme thing that puzzles people is the violence that is depicted in the media. Several studies have recorded that the violence brought by media will make people much more aggressive. And to the kids, they might hardly recognize the world they live in and distinguish what is real and not real. Consequently, kids' worldview and outlook on life will be distorted as well.

Despite apparent positive effects of media, in this instance, the negative effects of media overcome the positive ones.

7 “手机”对人们生活的影响

Topic

Mobile phones cause social, medical and technical problems.

What are these problems?

Do mobile phones' disadvantages outweigh its advantages?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

The use of mobile phone has made people's lives more convenient than before, and at the

same time they have posed several social, medical and technical problems. For example, many teachers complain that some of students dial and answer the phone or receive and send text messages in class. They say that the trend has a very bad effect on not only the teaching quality but also other people who are trying to listen to the class carefully.

In addition to this, medical experts also warn people that the strong radioactivity coming from mobile phones pose threats to pregnant women, which has a bad effect on the development of intelligence, and even causes people frequently using it to get headaches or become sick. Meanwhile, experts in air travel point out that the signals of mobile phones can interrupt radio transmissions when airplanes take off or land.

In spite of these problems, most modern people cannot live without the mobile phone. Stockbrokers, for example, need to keep in touch with their customers or headquarters at all times, so that they have to use mobile phones frequently. Let's suppose that they don't have a mobile phone, they won't be able to inform their customers of all kinds of messages they need. Children also need mobile phones especially when they travel outside. In the case of an emergency, they need to call for help.

In my opinion, the mobile phone is indispensable, and makes a generally positive influence on many aspects of our daily lives. Certainly, the problems posed are sometimes inevitable, but all of these can be solved if people make more of an effort. For instance, more mobile phones with low radioactivity can be developed, and the use of mobile phones should be limited in some places including clinics and classrooms.



8 “电脑能够翻译外文”因此“不需要学习外语”

Topic

Some people say computers can be used to translate languages, so that children do not need to study foreign languages any more.

What's your opinion?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Computers are becoming more and more powerful, and at the same time the development of software also helps the computer system to have more functions. With more demands placed on international trade and communication, translation software has become popular. In spite of this, I still believe that to study a foreign language is very essential for children's education.

There are a couple of main reasons for my position. First of all, computers with translation software might help people translate in terms of documents or websites, but they cannot yet translate speech. In human's everyday communication, speaking plays an essential role. Therefore, using computers cannot completely take the place of language education. Another noticeable trend is that the interpretation software itself is not as great as people expected. It has been found that the software frequently makes mistake in interpretation. For example, after I translated an article in English into Chinese using my computer, I even couldn't understand it at all.

Certainly, I am one of many people who wish to see greater progress in computer technology, but it does not mean computers can do everything that human beings can. As for the growth



of children, they need more general knowledge and skills including foreign languages. When children have a good command of a foreign language, whether it is a major language like English or a minor language like Swedish, they will have more job opportunities and have more fun in life.

My view is that foreign languages are useful skills that should be included in a child's education, and at the same time the translation technology for computers should be improved.

9 “监视器”广泛使用的利弊

Topic

Nowadays surveillance cameras are widely used in supermarkets. Some think that this is a violation of human rights, while others insist that they are there for the benefit of the supermarkets.

Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

For the purpose of preventing crime, surveillance cameras are being used almost everywhere in many countries including China. These days, people can easily find some cameras fitted in a lot of supermarkets, where burglaries sometimes tend to take place. As a result of this, there are arguments on what influence the use of cameras have.

Those who voice the support for the employment of cameras in supermarkets believe that it



can reduce the financial damage caused by frequent burglaries. In the past, no effective measures could play a deterrent role to those who have the tendency to get involved in crimes in a supermarket, except hanging signs printed "Theives will be prosecuted". That was why there were always some commodities lost. But today, thanks to the use of cameras, the shoplifters or pocket pickers will have to think twice before they attempt to steal anything. It is because what they do will be shot and stored by cameras, and evidence to accuse them of committing a burglary. As a result, the rate of crime in supermarkets has decreased.

However, those who pay close attention to human rights argue that the use of cameras in supermarkets will lead to the violation of people's human rights. They might be afraid of losing their sense of freedom when shopping and even while having a conversation in the supermarket. Nonetheless, compared to so-called human rights in the supermarket, personal security in life and property must be more important. With the wider use of cameras in supermarkets, the incidence of buyers' wallets been stolen is decreasing.

All in all, people should give more understanding and support for things that prevent crime and protect people's property and life security.



10 “电脑”对孩子的影响

Topic

Computers do not help children to learn more effectively. On the contrary, the use of computers in schools has a negative effect on children's physical and mental development.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

These days there is a superheated discussion about computers. Computers used in schools have both a positive and a negative effect on children's physical and mental development. I generally side with the point.

No one can deny that the invention of computers brings many benefits to people including the children. Through computers, children can have more chances to see and make sense of something that they hardly knew before in many ways: animation, flash and articles with incredible pictures. However, are computers really as effective as we expected in Computer Aid Teaching?

Actually when we pay particular attention to what children do in front of computers, we can amazingly find that what we used to think is different from the reality. A survey conducted shows that more than 95% of children are addicted to computer games or online chatting instead of learning or studying; what's worse, there are some children playing online Casino or browsing websites with erotic and violent content. These emerging phenomenon make it possible for us to be suspicious about the role computers play in children's lives.



Not only can computers hardly improve the learning efficiency of children, but also they are recognized as having negative effects on children's physical and mental development. Scientists warn schools that it is definitely harmful to stay in front of computers for long periods of time and children are of no exception. And they explain that the radiation computers produce can lead to degradation of eyesight and even blindness; sitting too much might result in the strain of the lumbar muscles. Both of these things can do drastic harm to children's growth. Psychologists also suggest that schools strive to take children away from computers and do more outdoor exercises, which is not only good for their health, but also positive for their psychological health, because evidence shows that the children who often play on computers have higher possibility to have levels of mental stress.

All in all, as sensible individuals, we must be cautious of the latent hazards computers bring our children. Schools should take more effective measures to help children avoid the negative consequences of excessive computer usage.



11 “电视机”的出现是否使得“家人关系疏远”

Topic

Some people believe that the spread of TV has made relatives less close, because it has taken the place of visits and communication among relatives.

To what degree do you support this opinion?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Today it is quite common that people, old or young, would prefer spending a lot of time watching a wide range of TV programs, which add funs for people's lives and sometimes play an educational role in youth education. Some people who are sensitive to social trend point out that the spread of TV might lead to stranger relations between families. It is because they find it less among relatives to make a visit or communicate.

In addition to this, psychologists also find that these "couch potatoes", those who often sit in front of TV sets, are suffering psychological problems at different levels. Some adults who watch a lot of TV instead of taking other social activities start to feel sick of reality; some youths who are addicted to animation have impractical fantasies and even daydream. This is evidence that TV is doing harm in modern communities.

However, others argue that TV programs can help family communicate: a TV show can often be a good source of discussion for a family. In many households of China, parents are often busy working in work hours, while children have to go to day school. In the evening, they can sit around in front of TV, watching the same program and talk about TV program as well as express their opinions about it. From this point of view, watching TV is helpful in terms of



promoting understanding among families.

My belief is that TV is not only one reason why families might feel distanced from one another. Alternative reasons might be that each person in a family might have something they focus on exclusively, like work or school—they may be so rapped up in something that it becomes difficult for them to do anything else. Or it could be possible that a problem is troubling them. Or perhaps, people today are simply becoming more introverted.

12 “科学”是否能够解决自身制造的问题

Topic

Scientific and technological advances have changed our lives. But some scientists in some fields say that scientists are not able to find solutions to the problems they have created.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Progress in science and technology has solved a great number of problems. For example, the invention of jet planes has helped human beings travel more efficiently; the technology in medicine such as X-rays has enabled doctors to make a more accurate diagnosis for patients. Furthermore, it is widely acknowledged that science and technology is believed to be the most major productive power today, and this is one reason people have the ability to live a more affluent and comfortable life.



In spite of the fact that these developments in science and technology have become the general trend, some scientists in some fields say that they find it difficult to solve the problems they have made. Of scientists, experts in computers, for example, have a serious headache in terms of the degradation and recycling of electronic components from all types of machines. According to statistics by World Environment Protection and Development Association, millions of tons of electronic component wastes are found, and most are ferried to developing countries for disposal. Unfortunately, the wastes cannot be dealt with very well anywhere.

However, I do not agree that the scientists will never make a difference in the disposal of wastes or any other trouble they have made. Past evidence might be the best explanation for my idea. Flu, for example, had deprived millions of people of their lives over hundreds of years ago, but after the efforts of medical researchers, the prevention and cure of the deadly disease has become available for all humans. Now that people have had the ability to deal with the problems they have met, it is more likely for them to overcome the difficulties they are confronting—at least they have the competence.

13 使用“机器人”的利与弊

Topic

Intelligent machines such as robots are increasingly being used. They can do many things that used to be done by humans.

Discuss the benefits and dangers.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.



● Sample Answer

Today intelligent machines are widely employed in many ways including military, medicine and those areas where people are inaccessible for whatever reason. Moreover, robots are even being brought into a large number of modern families. For example, a kind of robot dog created by the Japanese Sony Company is being welcomed by children and their parents across the world. It is reported that thousands of robot dogs sold out the day before Christmas Eve.

It is obvious that the invention and use of intelligent machines has brought new experiences to many aspects of life. First of all, robots have been used in the field of aviation. If astronauts landed on another planet, in an unknown and dangerous environment, the robots might be the most reliable in terms of collecting information and objects. The second common use of robots is in emergencies including rescuing survivors in collapsing mines. It is said that robots have been widely used in finding people who are in danger.

However, there are probably risks in the use of robots, especially for youth. Intelligent machines have fast become a fashion among young people who are enthusiastic about trends. It is common these days that most of them are addicted to the modern and “in” things such as video games, robot dogs and so forth. This trend also creates the worries among parents and educators, who say that children might lose their creativity and ability to use their hands, when always relying on the joys of these intelligence machines creat. Fortunately, the assumption is still not proven.

As far as the pros and cons related to intelligent machines are concerned, opinions vary from person to person; concerning opinions about robots, personal experiences has an enormous impact on one's judgement. Generally speaking, intelligent machines are neither negative nor positive: it depends on your viewpoint and how people take advantage of robots in the future.



14 “在线技术”的使用是否导致了人们“社会交际能力”的下降

Topic

People use computers to shop and bank, without leaving their home. Some people think this is dangerous because it may isolate people and cause them to lose their social skills and ability to live with others.

To what extent do you agree or disagree this opinion?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

The wide use of high-tech products such as computers and e-commerce has revolutionized the lifestyles of average people in modern societies. What we have seen is that a bigger crowd of young people have completely accepted online shopping favourite way to shops. At the same time, older people have gradually adapted to manage their money through online banking. However, some people suppose it is a very risky way to shop, because the trend is probable to lead people into become isolated and lose their communication skills with others. I don't agree with this argument.

My reason, above all, is that the development of online technology has caused a massive progression in mutual communication between people who live far from one another. Past experience told us that relatives or friends living in different cities or countries used to find it so difficult to keep in contact with each other on a regular basis, because the distant phone bills cost too much and traditional methods of communication such as letters took too much time. Thereby, physical distance would often be a great barrier between people, and cause them to lose touch. But, with the advent and application of computers and the Internet, most people can keep in touch with their families and friends, no matter how far away they live.



Certainly, some cases show that a few young people are losing interest in other people. In contrast, in the past, people were able to deal with others quite well. But I believe that it is not due to high-tech products themselves, but, rather individual attitudes toward life and personal lifestyle. These cases do not represent the main stream in our society, so that it might be a bit blind to say that to use computers make people isolated.

Globally speaking, I suppose that the use of computers and other new technology in our daily life should be encouraged, because not only has it created new convenience, but it also has encouraged more young people to seek new developments in science and technology. Meanwhile, people are expected to communicate with each other, because it is a good way for them to have more fun and make their own lives more colourful.



四、文化传统 Arts & Tradition

1 “国际旅游”的利弊

Topic

In modern society, international travel has become so popular.

Do the problems brought from international travel outweigh the advantages?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Recent figure shows that international travel has become the globe's biggest industry, earning over 100 billion dollars in profits annually. The facts are that local people see travelers with totally different backgrounds, and they are willing to have trade with them. In spite of this, some people say that the problems with international travel cause outweigh its advantages. In fact, I disagree.

The popularity of international tourism is very advantageous in terms of broadening of people's perspective. In the past, most Chinese used to have little understanding about what the outside world looked like, as well as disregarding the different lifestyles or customs of people from foreign countries. As international travel has heated up in China, more and more foreign travelers visit China, having an impressive amount of time there. Their visits make it possible for more Chinese to get close to foreigners, and are able to pay attention to their appearance, clothing, language and lifestyle. Most of today's Chinese have had a wider view of the world than Chinese in the past. Similarly, travelers also have a deeper understanding of Chinese religion, culture and art.



There are certainly drawbacks in having few conflicts between local people and foreign guests. In some cases, the local people might have considered the behaviour of foreigners as hostile and unfriendly, so they did something to hurt them. But overall, it is less likely today, when the world is becoming more open, and travel agencies have more warnings and suggestions in terms of how to respect the local customs and so on.

In a word, I fully believe that international travel should be encouraged, because its advantages are indeed dominant. Certainly, in order to make traveling more significant or impressive, to understand the necessary custom or habits in advance of taking off seems to be highly recommended.

2 房屋的“建筑风格”

Topic

Modern buildings have changed the appearance of cities and towns. Some people argue we should build all buildings in traditional styles to protect the cultural identity.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

When people stroll down the street, they are almost certain to see a wide range of modern buildings packed within the city. At the same time, those that have lasted for hundreds of years are slowly disappearing. Thus, some people say that traditional-style houses should be rebuilt for the sake of the protection of China's cultural identity. I think they have good



intentions, but I don't agree with them at all.

The first reason is that modern buildings can satisfy people's requirements for good living conditions. People who used to live in traditional buildings, which were shabby, cramped and had poorer utilities. Most people used to complain about the bad living conditions, looking forward to moving into a more modern and well-equipped building. In contrast, today, more modern buildings are enough for them to leave past behind, comforting a new life.

A second factor is that modern buildings are positive in meeting the need of urban planning. Today the number of city people is getting much more than yesterday, so that there need to be more houses and apartments to hold them. However, the old houses have been not able to meet the demands for the increasing number of people living in the city. That is why modern buildings are needed.

Certainly, to keep a certain number of old houses have advantages in protecting identity and attracting more travelers, but it is unworthy making all buildings in traditional styles. In addition, it does not deserve to pay a large sum of money for the appearance but not for the functions.

3 “文化的融合”是否促进城市发展

Topic

Countries are much more interesting and develop more quickly when their population include a mixture of different nationalities and cultures.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.



Sample Answer

In today's world, it is quite easy to find people of diverse cultures and nationalities in almost all metropolitan areas worldwide. The phenomenon not only occurs in industrialized countries such as the United Kingdom, but also is commonly seen in developing nations such as China. A lot of people say that countries composed of people from different backgrounds are much more fascinating and progressive. I couldn't agree more.

Firstly, the development of any country is linked mainly to the intelligence and labour of its people. In the past, in closed societies, people commonly held similar viewpoints and attitudes towards their work and daily life, the result being that they might have unwittingly adapted to a particular working style without thinking about how to make their life more colourful or work more efficient. As more people with different cultures began to move in, work or study in the country, they infused vigour and new ideas about lifestyle and skills. At the same time, their arrival presents a challenge for locals, who must work harder if they hang on to their jobs and social status.

Obviously, another reason is that the skills new people bring enable local industries to make progress in technology, due to a greater pool of work experience. It is probably still one of the main reasons why modern, developed countries still absorb top talent.

There are certainly some conflicts and challenges when mixing people of various backgrounds. The main cause is that culture shock and religious conflicts are at times unavoidable. But such undesirable outcomes are less likely with an increased awareness of creating a harmonious society.

In a word, culturally varied populations are fascinating and serve as catalyst toward rapid development.



4 学习语言是否应该“了解其文化”

Topic

In order to learn a language well, we should also learn about the country as well as the cultures and lifestyles of the people who speak it.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Languages, acting as bridges of culture and communication way, play a huge role in all of our lives. Today, an increasing number of people have began to learn a second or even third language, especially those interested in foreign cultures and customs. The trend is not only among students wishing to study abroad, but also in adults curious about the outside world. Today, some people point out that it is helpful, when learning a new language, to also learn about the country: its culture and social background of the people who speak it.

On the one hand, learning about a country is quite an effective way of learning a language. It is a trend these days that most of students who have started learning a language would like to study abroad. In China, thousands of students who have been studying English apply for language courses in English-speaking countries including the United Kingdom, the USA, Australia and New Zealand. Most of them eventually have the chance to carry out their foreign study plan, but at a high cost. Facts indicate that the experiences generally tend to be enjoyable, because students have a chance to polish their own English and, realize the impacts of difference that cultures. Moreover, students have the opportunity to make a large number of native-speaker friends, who actually have become their greatest source for language aquistion.



On the other hand, there are some, albeit few, associated risks. Students might experience culture shock or racial discrimination. As well, they might find it hard to communicate with the people who speak the language, to the point that they feel it is useless to continue learning it. But overall, such negative experiences are not likely, with the globalization and open-mindedness becoming prevalent.

To sum up, learning a second language is very useful, no matter how it is done, job-hunting or self-motivation. To learn about the country and culture of the language one is learning is one of the best ways to improve language competence. In addition, when interacting with people who speak the language, students are almost certain to enjoy learning and thus will learn effectively.

5 是否应该鼓励穿“传统服装”

Topic

Some people regard traditional clothes as out of date and no longer suitable. But others advocate that we should encourage people to wear traditional clothes.

Analyze reasons and give your opinion.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Being better off financially than in the past, Chinese people have become increasingly attentive to their appearance and fashion. Fashion has become the concern not only of models or

movie personalities, but also of ordinary people, especially young adults. Despite this trend, some people are convinced that wearing traditional clothes should be encouraged because they feel it is good for preserving national identity. However, I hardly think that it is a good idea.

The first reason is that the choice of clothing styles and habits should be left to individuals. To force someone to wear a particular style will only annoy the average person. The ban of uniforms in high schools is a good example. In most Chinese schools, requiring students to wear uniforms has caused widespread dissatisfaction among students and parents. They feel that it is stifling the personality and creativity of students.

In addition, modern clothes are economical and use high-tech materials, such as Gore-Tex. If we encourage more people to wear traditional clothing, it would definitely be a step backward.

Of course, if some people prefer wearing traditional clothes or hope to protect national identity by wearing them, I cannot say it is entirely insensible. As I see it, the freedom wear what one wants is something that should belong to individuals. Thus, it is unnecessary for us to think it strange or out of date to dress up in that way.

In conclusion, I hold the belief that we should encourage people to wear what they like, rather than forcing them wear “costumes” for sake of protecting of national identity.



6 移民后人们是应该“接受新的文化”还是“组成自己的小圈子”

Topic

When moving to new countries, some people think that they should actively accept local culture as our own; others believe that to make up a small group with the same values, views and lifestyle is good.

Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer 1

Today it is a trend in many countries, including China, that more and more people prefer to move to new countries to live or work. In China in recent years, many young adults have chosen to immigrate to Canada or Australia. There are normally two lifestyle choices for these people.

Some people choose to accept local culture as their own. This can be attributed to the fact that it can make their life easy and at the same time they might make local friends. For example, my aunt has been living in Hawaii since marrying an American. She has been trying to adapt to her new environment through eating local foods, wearing local clothes, holding local festivals or carnivals and taking part in public life. She told me that she has many local friends and leads a very interesting and comfortable life. However, it is not easy for everyone to do as she has done, because the adapting can be a long process.

On the other hand, those who believe that they should make a group with the same values maintain that it can lessen the extent of homesickness and loneliness, especially when they just arrive in a totally strange country or get into trouble unexpectedly. Nonetheless, it might



not be very good for them to live in a new environment where most residents are born and bred locals. In such cases, conflicts can easily arise.

Overall, my view is that people should be encouraged to accept local customs and culture, as they will authentically feel the interest and benefit of immigration. They will broaden their own horizons and make more useful friends. Certainly, getting on well with people and sharing common values is very important.

● Sample Answer 2

In most Western countries, an aging population has meant a diminished labour force, causing greater dependence on immigrants. A good immigration policy and higher living standard have attracted tens of thousands of foreigners wishing to improve their quality of life or taste a totally new lifestyle. When moving to a new country, some immigrants choose to accept local culture, such as dress, food and festivals. However, others would rather make up a small group within the framework of their new country and hold their previous value and lifestyle. I would favour the former.

The most important reason for my opinion is that accepting local culture makes it possible for new immigrants to settle down as soon as possible and release their stress to some extent. Over years, many immigrants have trouble dealing with homesickness or loneliness, eventually giving up the idea of immigration and going back to their native countries. Others developed serious psychological diseases after moving to a new country. They may even refuse to talk with native speakers out of a sense of fear. In contrast, those who accept local culture and make local friends tend to be psychologically and emotionally better off.

Certainly, some new immigrants prefer making up a similar group with same value and lifestyle. They say that they are also leading a very happy life in the new place. However, such people cannot really feel the difference before and after immigration because they are never forced to change. Personal lifestyle and values are a choice, but it is clearly important to hold a kind of positive and open attitude towards new communities. Once in a new society, they should take advantage of the richness and diversity around them and make more friends, and create a better life.

In conclusion, my sense is that new immigrants should be encouraged to integrate into local societies. The purpose of migration is to seek a cultural environment and better living conditions, and to enjoy local culture is the most efficient way of reaching the goal.



第二节 3种其他类型

一、生物与环境 Wildlife & Environment

1 “提高燃料价格”与环境问题的关系

Topic

The best way to solve the world's environmental problems is to increase the cost of fuel.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer 1

Environmental problems are increasingly becoming the focus of governments and citizens around the globe. From Beijing to New York, from Tokyo to London, new solutions to this old problem are continually being proposed, tried and implemented with ever increasing speed. Nowadays, a growing number of people are fully convinced that raising the price of fuel will prove to be the best solution to this problem. As far as I'm concerned, this solution is far from ideal.

One obvious reason is that, great numbers of individuals and enterprises relying heavily on fuel seem to pay little or no attention to its price in order to create their wealth, especially when the real income or profit made by enterprises is increasing at the same time with fuel price, sometimes even faster than that. Thus, their consumption of fuel is less likely to be affected by the increase of fuel prices because they are financially strong enough to ignore them. Raising the cost of fuel is relatively easy, at least compared with abating people's



desire to make a profit.

What is more, even though raising the cost of fuel, to some extent, proves effective to some extent in limiting their use, fuel consumption, actually, is responsible for, at most, half of our current environmental problems. Much of the rest may be due to the fact that the population is ever growing, leaving less and less to eat, that species are becoming extinct in vast numbers, that the planet's air and water are becoming ever more polluted, and that waste disposal threatens to overwhelm us. Each fact is currently attracting a great deal of attention from environmentalists and urgently calling for expedient solutions. So to elegantly tackle such a big and complicated problem needs more than merely restricting the use of fuel by increasing its price.

It is crucial that we all, ranging from decision-makers and enterprises, to villagers and tourists gradually establish a growing public awareness of environmental issues such as energy efficiency, rubbish recycling, animal conservation and so on. Merely restricting the use of fuel by raising the price is not an effective solution to environmental problem as a whole, nor the best one.

● Sample Answer 2

It is generally acknowledged that traffic and pollution problems are increasing in severity year in and year out. Many people believe that the best policy to solve this problem is to raise the price of petrol. Others, however, hold that it is not wise to combat this issue by increasing prices. As far as I am concerned, both theories seem reasonable. In this essay, I would like to expound my position as follows.

Admittedly, I agree that increasing petrol prices could, to some extent, solve the problem. This is because the higher the petrol price is, the fewer people would likely use it. Thereby the number of cars being used would be reduced; meanwhile the discharge of toxic gas will be deduced. Hence the pollution problem could be, at least in part, solved.

Nevertheless, to resolve traffic problem, not only should the petrol price be increased, but other method such as ameliorate public transport should also be taken into consideration. If by using public transportation is as convinced as driving private cars, the most majority of people would likely to choose public carrying. Therefore, petrol pollution could be reduced.



Furthermore, the pollution problem is not merely caused by traffic problems. We ought to diminish contamination from our lives. Lessen the use of non-biodegradable packages is a case in point. Besides, the producers are supposed to manufacture more environmental-friendly products. Namely less-consume-gas vehicles, less-polluted-air conditioner or fridge as well as produce the recycle paper. When everyone in the society has set up these high moral standards and take them into action, the environmental predicament would not exist.

Judging from the argument given above, I concede that increase the petroleum price could solve the problem to some extent. Yet in order to work out the dilemma absolutely, we must take other methodologies like improving the public transportation as well as making the green-products at the same time.

2 “动物实验”是否应该被禁止

Topic

Now many scientific institutes do research with live animals. Some people regard it as cruel and unnecessary while others believe it is justified in the interest of human welfare.

Discuss the two views and give your reasons.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Nowadays, live animals ranging from rats to monkeys, are being used as part of scientific experiments. In most cases, they are treated humanely; in some cases, however, they are even killed due to viruses they are injected with.

When it comes to experiments with live animals, some people are convinced that it is too cruel and unnecessary in a modern, civilized world, when human beings should not only respect their peers, but also show respect to all life. The most obvious reason for their viewpoint is that it has a negative effect on children education to do experiment with live animals. In schools, they are taught to protect animals and supposedly take good care of small or injured animals. If they know what is done in the name of science, however, they might learn skepticism and cynicism from all too early an age.

On the other hand, others believe that experiments with live animals are justified in the broader interest of human welfare. In the past, science and technology in medicine or biological engineering were not as advanced and efficient as today. When scientists were plagued with a fatal virus or dangerous bacteria, millions of people died as a result. At that



time, scientists were forced to find an effective solution as soon as possible. In order to test whether the vaccination could be used on real people without any side effects, animals were necessary.

As far as I am concerned, experiments with live animals should not be banned because of their scientific value and the benefits they bring people. However, scientists should be asked to reduce the pain animals go through, and such experiment should be limited.

3 我们应该如何“对待动物”

Topic

Some people think that animals should be treated as friends. Yet others only consider animals as sources of food and clothing.

What is your opinion?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

As for how humans should look upon animals, there have long been different opinions. Those who have raised pets and advocate a harmonious relationship between humans and other creatures believe that animals should be seen as friends; however, others hold the statement that they are nothing but resources or a source of food and clothing.

Those who hold the former argument say that many animals can help bring joy, companionship and meaning to their lives. For example, in some plains and hilly regions of China,



people often need to ride horses to pass messages. Such people often remark that horses are like their favourite partners: reliable and favourable. In other countries such as Thailand, oxen are used for pulling vehicles or carrying things. The people living there consider them to be vital workmates. In addition, in today's society for those who keep pets, there is a common sentiment that they are very clever and friendly. Above samples demonstrate why animals deserve the kindness and protection of humans.

Others argue that there is a historical precedent for people using animals as a source of food and clothing since. In the past, people used to capture and kill animals to eat and use their hides or skins to make clothes and keep warm. Today, the mass production of chicken or ducks is a large industry that provides jobs and food. Furthermore, they say that like other creatures in nature, to eat others or be eaten is a common phenomenon.

In fact, I believe that it is very natural for humans to take some animals as sources of food or clothing, because they cannot go against the rules of nature. However, it is paramount to avoid any and all mistreatment and unnecessary killing of animals and we should do our best to protect endangered animals.



4 我们如何看待“垃圾社会”问题

Topic

Many people believe that we have developed into a “throw-away society” because we are filling up the environment with so many plastic bags and rubbish that we cannot properly dispose of.

To what extent do you agree with this opinion and what measures can you recommend to address the problem?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer 1

In today's society, there exists a very widespread trend that a large number of countries have been progressing toward a so-called throw-away society that is filled with all kinds of rubbish that we cannot effectively dispose of. The trend not only can be found out in industrialized countries that are well off financially, but also among developing or poorer nations.

There are many reasons for the situation. The most obvious is that people lacking consciousness in terms of protecting the environment, don't think twice about using copious quantities of products such as plastic bags and such, leading to uncountable waste. Another reason is that the Government used to pay little attention to such things as it was generally thought to be unassociated with economic development, thus, giving rise to “throw-away society”.

On the other hand, there is good news in terms of environmental protection. For example, authorities have begun to work toward sustainable development of the environment. Some are introducing legal and other repercussions for individuals or groups who damage the natural environment. But unfortunately, such measures aren't able to keep pace with the damage being done.



My view is that a so-called “throw-away society” does indeed exist, but we still need to confront it and try our best to fix it. According to my judgement, one good idea is that the governments should pass legislation punishing of who manufacturers that are still on the way to product or supply such materials.

● Sample Answer 2

Almost daily, people living in cities are forced to face an increasing common phenomenon: plastic bags and rubbish strewn everywhere. As a result, some people assume that we have really become a “throw-away society” filled with all sorts of waste which are not properly disposed of.

It is apparent that dealing with such a problem is not easy, since waste cannot vanish automatically or directly, and especially given that we seem to be adding to the problem daily, whether accidentally or intentionally. Historically, humans have shown an ability to overcome any difficulties as societies grew and faced challenges such as plague, starvation and so on. Thus, facing such challenge is nothing new and, people are certainly trying their best to address and overcome the issue as they have with similar challenges in the past.

Scientists, being people of respect, are expected to invent and innovate, come up with materials that could some day replace non-biodegraded plastics. Moreover, some machines have been developed in order to improve the situation on a large scale. Evidence shows that such innovations could be effective, with new-technology already being applied in some fields such as the food and beverage industry. Even though some achievements have been made, we must continue with such projects, as there is not likely to a short term or simple solution. A greater and more sustained effort is needed.

The efforts of scientists can be fully confirmed, but it is presently not enough, since waste continues to be produced at record rates. Consequently, to increasing people's consciousness and awareness about this issue via education ways seems prudent. Education is always considered the key to all problems, and the key to solving waste problems is no exception. A survey conducted shows that more people are actively taking measures to reduce serious pollution by using cloth bags instead of plastic bags and the usage of recycling bins.



二、男女平等 Women's Rights

1 “男女领导”的管理风格

Topic

Some people think that the societies with male leader tend to be more violent. If females were in positions of leadership, the world would become more peaceful.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Nowadays, violent events are commonplace, such as violent crimes and wars. Some people tend to attribute such unfavourable social conditions to predominantly male leadership. Furthermore, they make such the assertion that greater female leadership might make the world more peaceful. However, I doubt whether the argument can hold water.

One main reason to argue against the opinion is that it sounds unreasonable to say that all social violence is due to male's leadership. Like many social issues, violence in our community has many root causes. First of all, violence in film and TV is no doubt partly responsible for some of today's bloody events. To some extent, such content poses some danger in terms of its influence on youth behaviour. Secondly, public security might be another example. It seems that the police system is at times not very strong, and crime prevention measures are not satisfactory and thus violence takes place on a regular basis in many areas. Last but not least, some complicated social issues such as racial discrimination or sexual prejudice can, in some cases, lead to violent conflicts. So it is obvious that the causes of social violence are



varied and complex, and it is hardly fair to say that it is a gender issue.

On the other hand, if females came to power, the social status and rights of women probably improve. However, it is no guarantee that the world would become more peaceful. In India, a great woman just became the prime minister, but a blast and kidnapping ensued in the following days. In addition to this, in many countries like Switzerland and Denmark, where the prime ministers are men, violence is almost negligible.

All in all, the gender of leaders is neither the root cause of social violence nor an effective criterion for coming up with solution to address the issues. That said, women should be greatly respected and their social status should be improved.

2 女子是否应该“被指定作高层”

Topic

Most high-level jobs are done by men. Some people point out that the Government should ensure that a certain number of these jobs be reserved for women.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Today, as women's rights gain more attention, people naturally wish to see more progress in terms of women's social status. These days, some people suggest that the Government encourage more high-level jobs to be reserved for women in various organisations in order to



elevate the women's role in workplace. Generally speaking, I argue against such suggestion.

My first reason is that to reserve jobs for women will spoil the rule of fair competition in society. It is widely acknowledged that everyone, whether male or female, has the right to work hard and compete for a high-level position. If the Government reserves jobs for women, it is no doubt unfair to those men who are perhaps more qualified. On the contrary, what the Government should do is try to create an environment of fair competition through principles of equality and various mechanisms instead of a policy of "two wrongs make a right".

The second obvious factor is that to choose what higher-level jobs should be reserved is very difficult and impractical for the Government. In an organisation, each position has its features and requirements for skills and competence. Therefore, it is very hard and dangerous for the Government to judge what high-level jobs should be kept for women and which should not. Obviously, it should not be the responsibility of government to make such decisions, instead, they would be better to focus more on how to address serious social issues such as poverty and terrorism and the like.

Based on the reasons mentioned above, I believe that the Government should leave it to the individuals or the relevant organisations to decide who deserves which jobs.



3 学校是否应该“招收同等数量的男女生”

Topic

Universities should accept equal numbers of male and female students in every subject.

To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Nowadays, the numbers of male and female students differs greatly in various college and university courses. There are, for example, far more females in nursing or childcare than males, while there is disproportionate number of males in engineering and the military for example. Some people say that it is unfair for universities to recruit the same proportion of male and female students in every subject. However, I seriously doubt this argument.

One of the major reasons why I think that it is impractical to carry out the proposal is that high school students need to choose subjects according to their own personal interests or employer's needs. Even if universities insist on offering the same number of positions for males and females, it is hard to make sure that students are taking the courses which best suit their needs and goals.

Another factor is that ensuring an equal number of male and female students might not meet the needs of employers in some firms. For example, most employees working in nurseries or kindergartens are females, while the majority of workers in architecture are male. These statistics reflect market needs. It is true, however, that many students find it hard to hunt a job in their own field, when they complete their degree.

Overall, I hold the statement that universities should not mandate an the equal numbers of male and female students, because it is at odds with current employment trends and practices. That said, I do think that universities should maintain a somewhat balanced ration between male and female students in each subject.



三、政府及抽象话题 Government & Abstracts

1 “历史”能否帮助我们

Topic

Some people say that history illuminates little or nothing to people in modern society; others believe that it can help us better understand the present.

Discuss both views and give your opinion.

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

History, as a record of time, has long been studied and respected. Our education system emphasizes its importance where even in primary school, children are asked to understand past events and, remember details of important historical happenings such as wars, revolutions and so forth. In addition, a wide range of history museums and interest spots are used as means to generate a sense of patriotism and promote tourism.

As for the role of history, many people still hold that it is very useful in terms of understanding what is happening around us. It is a fact that young people often don't appreciate why their parents tend to force them to save water, food and bare necessities in China. Soon after the People's Republic of China was founded, a serious natural disaster afflicted most areas and regions, forcing people to eat tree barks and weeds in order to survive. During that time, tens of thousands of people died from starvation. Thus, young adults who have studied Chinese history might have an appreciation of why their parents act in the way.

In spite of the fact that history causes a much better understanding of today's society, some



people believe that history reveals little or nothing substantial. They might hold the idea that people are unlikely to repeat history under their joint efforts or with the rapid development of science and technology. Consequently, they are often reluctant to look back on history because they feel the only constant is change itself. But overall, they must admit that history itself is constantly changing and we need to make good use of it as a reference.

Overall, my sense is that history should be respected because of its massive guiding influence on people and society as a whole. When people wish to understand the present, history cannot be overlooked in terms of its reference value.

2 “幸福”是由什么决定的

Topic

Happiness is considered very important in life.

Why is it difficult to define?

What factors are important in achieving happiness?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

When asked what happiness means, everyone tends to have a unique definition. It is just one of the reasons why it is so hard to define. Some people say that happiness is linked almost exclusively to material fortune or success in one's career. In contrast, others believe that happiness comes from knowing how to be content, which is only obtained through a kind of attitude toward life.



In addition to the diversity of definitions surrounding happiness, another reason why it is tough to define is that happiness is likely to change as people grow up or experience more. As a high school student, I used to think watching a live NBA game was the sense of happiness. But as I started to work, I began to think it had more to do with earning money and looking after my family. It seems only natural that my definition will continue to change as time goes.

In spite of the fact that defining happiness is a challenge, there are always factors associated with achieving happiness. First of all, love is the most essential factor in gaining happiness. It is commonly acknowledged that people experience happiness when they are loved or devote themselves to loving someone else. When a mother raises a child she is certain to experience what happiness is; when a couple falls into love, they too can feel what happiness is. Second, hobbies provide a form of happiness. It is also the reason why people prefer holidays or leisure to work. In their free time it is only natural that they do what they love to do, and thus they tend to feel pleased.

In summary, happiness is hard to define due to both its broad nature and changing features, but it has a strong link to love and people's hobbies.

3 “富国”是否应该给“穷国”帮助

Topic

Poor countries have realized the importance of health care, education and trade for their development. Many people think that rich countries should give developing nations more support.

What's your opinion?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

It is common knowledge that developing nations around the world are suffering from serious and urgent problems: people living in these countries frequently die from starvation and diseases. Photographs and reports detailing the various crises can regularly be found in papers, on TV, and even in discussion rooms and on Bullet Board System (BBS) online.

On this issue, critics point out that the problem is attributed to the fact that poor nations rarely make good use of their resources (both human resources and natural resources), and that their governments do little to improve the situation. In many cases, however, governments have taken measures to alleviate the situation, but unfortunately often fail to maintain a sustained effort because of a shortage of funds and other objective factors. As a result, I think it is necessary for richer nations to give a hand to those in poverty.

One of the reasons I hold this position is that the contribution will directly benefit local people and society at large. First of all, such assistance would mean that average people would receive sufficient food to eat and safe water to drink. As well, those fighting terrible and deadly



viruses and bacteria would also benefit from the medical aid and expertise of rich countries.

Are people the only beneficiaries from such aid? The other beneficiary, as I see it, is society in general. China serves as a good example. Compared to the last decade, China's economy has seen amazing growth, and some international observers regard an improved education system as the underlying key to its success. Such said, therefore, if directed at education, serves the broader interests of society and allows individuals and the nation as a whole, to awaken and prosper, both economically, materially and in terms of conscience.

In conclusion, it seems absolutely necessary and crucial for richer countries to help poorer countries in terms of developing health care, education system, and trade practises, despite any challenge such a commitment implies.

4 政府是否应该花钱“购买武器”

Topic

Most countries spend a large amount of money on weapons to defend themselves though they are not at war. Perhaps countries should spend this money to help poor and disadvantage citizens instead.

To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.

Sample Answer

Actually, countries should indeed spend more on helping reduce poverty and related



problems, as this is the central task of any government or nation. When materially well-off, then people can concentrate both on their work and on how they can contribute to the wealth of their nation. By doing this, the country can gain strength and thus prevent other countries from invading it via military force. At the same time, if a country can effectively deal as big a problem as poverty, it would prove that the country is strong and powerful and thus might think twice before invading.

Additionally, spending vast sums of money on armaments will almost certainly lead to some negative outcome like bellicosity, which no nation wants.

Apparently, by investing so much in weapons the only winner is the arms dealer. Their sale of arms and ammunitions at extremely high prices, means that governments are forced to over-pay and squander resources that could be better used. As a matter of fact, the extra money paid to arms dealers is often gained by taxing the people. The result is an increasing number of poor people, since a sizable deal of money is controlled by a small amount of people: namely—arms dealers and corporations.

It goes without saying that public money should be spent carefully. Spending more on helping alleviate poverty and the disadvantaged has so many benefits.



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第 2 部分

图表作文 Graph Writing

(仅限 A 类考生)

食指詩集
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介绍——图表作文写作的注意事项

- DON'T copy any part of the question in your answer. This is not your own work and therefore will be disregarded by the examiner and deducted from the word count. You can use individual words but be careful of using long "chunks" of the question text.
千万不要摘抄题目中的内容。这样做不但会使你失去阅卷人对你的好感，而且你所抄录内容的字数将不计算在你的作品中。你可以使用一些单个的词，但是要避免使用得太多。
- DON'T repeat yourself or the same ideas. This gives a bad impression and the examiner realizes that it isn't adding to the content of your report.
不要反复使用你已经表述过的语言或者车轱辘话来回说。这会给阅卷人留下不好的印象。
- If you are weak at English grammar, try to use short sentences. This allows you to control the grammar and the meaning of your writing much more easily and contributes to a better cohesion and coherence mark. It's much easier to make things clear in a foreign language if you keep your sentences short!
如果你的语法有待提高，就尽量使用短句。这将使得你能够更容易地控制语法以及表达自己的想法。尽量用一些较好的连接性语句。在外语写作时利用短句可以使内容更易理解。
- Think about the tenses of your verbs. If you're writing about something that happened in the past, your verbs will need to be in the past tenses. If you're describing the future, you will need to use the future tenses. If it's a habitual action, you'll need the present simple tense and so on. If you have time, a quick check of your verbs at the end of the exam can help you find errors. For describing graphs you will probably need past tenses whereas, for describing a process, you will probably need the present simple. Think about the verbs while practising and then it will become easier when you do the exam.
思考你所用动词的时态。如果你所描述的事物是发生在过去，要使用过去时；如果你描述的是未来，你必须使用将来时；而你希望表述习惯性的动作，一般现在时将会是正确的。如有时间，检查一下动词时态将会非常有益。在描述图表时，你可能需要用



过去时；但在描述过程时，你可能需要用现在时。练习的时候多注意动词，在考试时会更自如。

- DON'T be irrelevant. Although you can use your imagination to expand on your answer, if any part of your report is totally unrelated to the question and you put it into just to put up the word count, then the examiner will not take it into account and deduct it from the word count.

不要写与主题无关的东西。尽管你可以通过想象来拓展答案，但是如果你文章中的一些部分与问题无关时，而你加入它们只为了凑数，考官有权将这部分内容排除在外，这部分的字数不计人总数之内。

第1章

图表作文的分类

第一节 图表（线、饼、柱、表）

Trend Line/Curve	趋势线图
Pie Chart	饼状图
Column/Bar Chart	柱形图
Table/Figure	数字表
Mixed	混合类

Tips

对于传统的图表，考生的重要任务是写明“总体趋势”、“不同对象之间的比较”以及“差值的比较和变化”。

一、图表（线、饼、柱、表）作文写作要点

(一) 表格图表作文的写作要点

- 横向比较。介绍横向各个数据的区别、变化和趋势
- 纵向比较。介绍纵向各个数据的区别、变化和趋势
- 不需要说明每一个数据，强调最大值和最小值；对比时要总结出数据对比最悬殊的和最小的

(二) 曲线图图表作文的写作要点

- 极点说明。对图表当中最高的、最低的点要单独进行说明
- 趋势说明。对图表当中曲线的连续变化进行说明，如上升、下降、波动、持平



- 交点说明。对图表当中多根曲线的交点进行对比说明

(三) 饼状图图表作文的写作要点

- 介绍各扇面及总体的关系
- 各个扇面之间的比较，同类扇面在不同时间、地点的比较
- 重点突出特点最明显的扇面：最大的、最小的、互相成倍的

(四) 综合图图表作文的写作要点

- 不求甚解，不拘泥于细节
- 分门别类，分段落详细介绍各个图表
- 不画蛇添足，主观臆断或猜测图表之间的关系

二、图表（线、饼、柱、表）作文常用句型及词汇

(一) 开头段常用句型

The graph provides some data regarding... 该图为我们提供了有关……的数据。

The diagram shows (that)... 该图向我们展示了……

The data/statistics/figures lead us to the conclusion that... 这些数据资料令我们得出结论……

From the table/chart/diagram/figure, we can see clearly that... or it is clear/apparent from the chart that... 从图表我们可以很清楚 / 明显看到……

The bar chart illustrates that... 该柱状图展示了……

The pie graph depicts (that)... 饼图揭示了……

This is a curve graph which describes the trend of... 这个曲线图描述了……的趋势。

The figures/statistics show (that)... 数据 (字) 表明……

According to the chart/figures... 根据这些表 / 数字……

As is shown in the table... 如表格所示……

(二) 名词的形式

the amount of water	water amount
the population of Australia	Australian population
the number of immigrants	immigrant numbers
the percentage of families in poverty	family-in-poverty percentage
the proportion of male students	male-student proportion
the period of building	building period



(三) 描述时间

at/in/on/by/until (at 5p.m., in January, on 1st September 2005, by 2001, until 2001) 描述时间点

from... to.../between... and... (from 1979 to 1999, between 1979 and 1999) 描述时间段
for/for the period of/during the period of/over the duration of + 几年 描述时间段

(四) 描述趋势的变化 (随时间或其他)

1. 表示上升的词汇

动词: increase/climb/grow/rise/jump/shoot up/rocket/soar

名词: increase/growth/climb/jump/soar

2. 表示下降的词汇

动词: decrease/decline/reduce/fall/drop/plunge/sink

名词: decrease/decline/reduction/fall/drop

3. 表示波动的词汇

动词: fluctuate between A and B/fluctuate from A to B (A: the lowest point; B: the highest)

名词: have a fluctuation between 900 units and 1,000 units

4. 表示不变的词汇

动词: stay/keep/remain/maintain/level off/level out

形容词: constant/the same/unchanged/stable/steady

5. 表示程度大的词汇

副词: fast/rapidly/speedily/drastically/dramatically/significantly/surprisingly/amazingly

形容词: fast/rapid/speedy/drastic/dramatic/significant/surprising/amazing

6. 表示程度小的词汇

副词: gradually/moderately/slow/slowly/slightly/steadily

形容词: gradual/moderate/slow/slight/steady

(五) 描述趋势变化的常用句型

1. 主谓式

e.g. Overseas tourists to North America increased sharply from 1958 to 1999.

2. 主谓宾式

e.g. The number of overseas tourists to NA had/lasted for a sharp increase between 1958 and 1999.

3. 被动式

e.g. A sharp increase was witnessed in the number of overseas tourists to NA over 41 years to 1999.



4. There be 句型

e.g. There was a sharp increase in overseas-tourist numbers to NA for 41 years to 1999.

(六) 描述趋势中的最值（最大、最小）

1. In 1998, the population of traveling abroad reached its top/peak/the highest point/tip at 50,000.
2. By 2010, the population of traveling abroad from China is predicted to peak at 7,000,000.
3. In 1995, the population of Australia reached its bottom/lowest point at 20,000,000.
4. It is projected to Australian population bottomed at 20,000,000.

(七) 描述趋势中的倍数

1. The sale of luxuries doubled from the end of 1990 to 1999 early.
2. The sale of luxuries increased thrice/three times/three-fold from the end of 1990 to 1999 early.
3. The sale of luxuries increased to (up to) thrice from the end of 1990 to 1999 early.
4. A three-fold increase was seen in the sale of luxuries from the end of 1990 to 1999 early.
5. There was a three-fold increase in the sale of luxuries from the end of 1990 to 1999 early.

(八) 描述比较的常用句型

1. In managerial position the number of the male is obviously more than that of the female.
2. In managerial position, the company owned more men than women.
3. A greater/larger + number/percentage/proportion of men than that of women were found in executive jobs.
4. A smaller number/percentage/proportion of women than that of men were seen in executive jobs.
5. There are more men in executive jobs than women.
6. The number/percentage/proportion of men who are employed in executive jobs is much/slightly larger than that of women working in the same occupations.

(九) 描述比较中的最值（最大、最小）

Among 6 nations of all, Bangladesh had the highest infant mortality, but the lowest GDP per capita in 1992. By contrast, USA's GDP per capita is the highest, and its infant mortality is much fewer than Bangladesh's.



(十) 描述比较中的倍数

1. The students of Class A are twice as many as that of Class B.
2. Class A has twice as many students as Class B.
3. There are twice as many students in Class A as that of Class B.
4. The figures in terms of the daily calorie supply per head and life expectancy at birth in Bangladesh were only the half of those in USA in 1992.

三、图表（线、饼、柱、表）范例

范例一

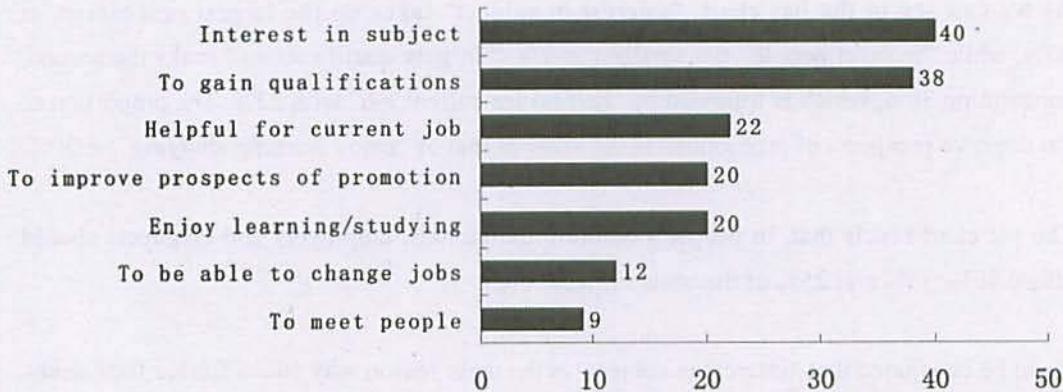
You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The charts below show the results of a survey of adult education. The first chart shows the reasons why adults decide to study. The pie chart shows how people think the costs of adult education should be shared.

Write a report for a university lecture, describing the information shown below.

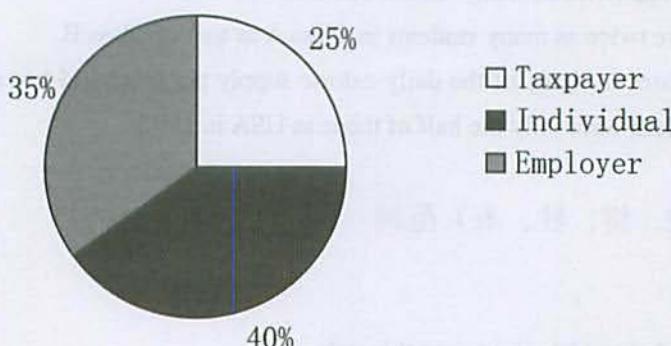
You should write at least 150 words.

Reasons for study





How the costs of each course should be shared



Sample Answer

There are two charts above showing us the result of a survey on adult education. The bar chart illustrates the reasons why grown-ups decide to study, and the pie chart demonstrates how the people surveyed think the costs of adult education should be shared.

As we can see in the bar chart, “interest in subject” takes up the largest percentage, at 40%, while “to meet people” the smallest at 9%. “To gain qualifications” ranks the second, constituting 38%, which is followed by “helpful for current job” with 22%. The proportion of “to improve prospects of promotion” is the same as that of “enjoy learning/studying”, at 20%.

The pie chart reveals that, in people’s opinion, individuals, employers and taxpayers should afford 40%, 35% and 25% of the costs respectively.

It can be concluded that “interest in subject” is the main reason why adults further their study, and people are willing to pay most of the costs of education on their own.

**范例二**

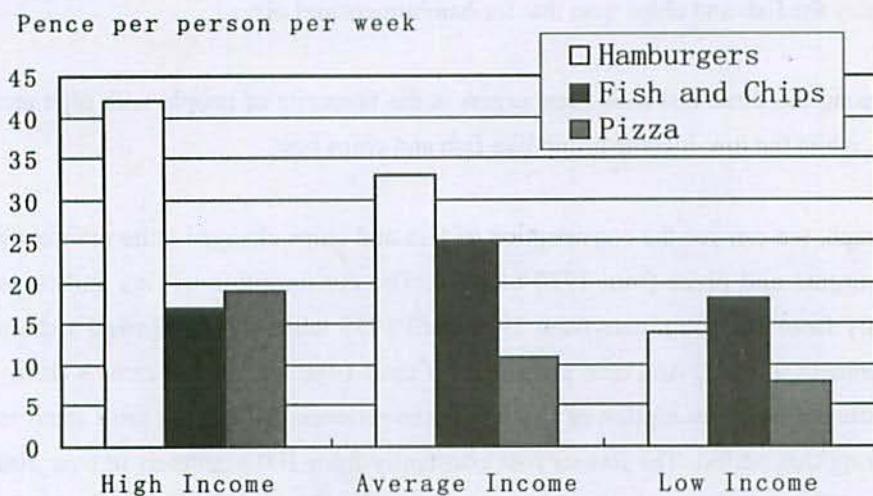
You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The chart below shows the amount of money per week spent on fast foods in Britain. The graph shows the trends in consumption of fast foods.

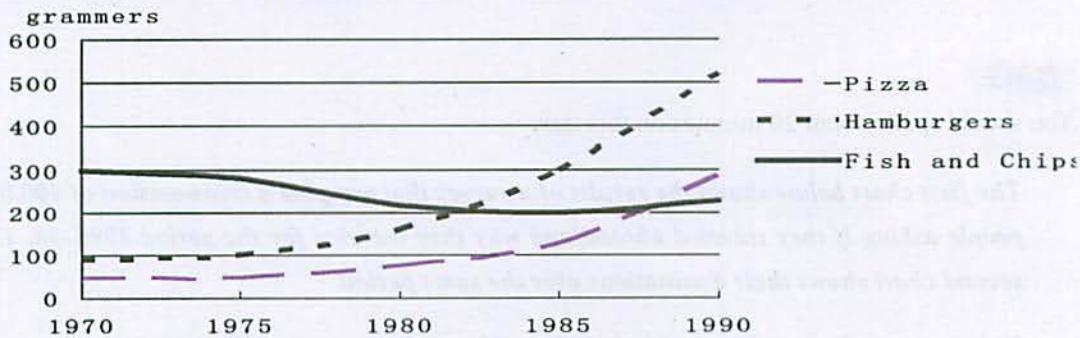
Write a report for a university lecturer describing the information shown below.

You should write at least 150 words.

Expenditure on fast foods by income groups



Consumption of fast foods 1970-1990





Sample Answer

There is a bar chart and a line graph above. The bar chart shows the amount of money spent on fast foods per week by per person in Britain. And the curve graph reveals Briton's trends in consumption of fast foods between 1970 and 1990.

According to the bar chart, people are divided into high-income, average-income and low-income groups, and the fast foods mentioned here are hamburgers, fish and chips, and pizza. The same as high-income people, the average-income groups spend more money on hamburgers than that on fish and chips, and pizza. On the contrary, low-income people tend to pay more money for fish and chips than that for hamburgers and pizza.

To conclude, among the three fast food hamburgers is the favourite of people with high and average income, while the low-income group like fish and chips best.

From the line graph, we can see the consumption of fish and chips changed quite differently to that of hamburgers and pizza from 1970 to 1990. The consumption of fish and chips decreased slightly from 300 grammers from 1970 until 1975 when there followed a sharp drop to 200 grammers in 1981. And then it leveled off until 1986 when there came a steady recovery. Interestingly, the consumption of hamburgers experienced almost the same trend as that of pizza during that period. The former rose constantly from 100 grammers to over 500 grammers from 1970 to 1990, and the latter increased steadily from 50 grammers to nearly 300 grammers during the same period.

范例三

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The first chart below shows the results of a survey that sampled a cross-section of 100,000 people asking if they traveled abroad and why they traveled for the period 1994–98. The second chart shows their destinations over the same period.

Write a report for a university lecturer describing the information shown below.

You should write at least 150 words.



VISITS ABROAD BY UK RESIDENTS BY PURPOSE OF VISIT (1994–98)					
	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Holiday	15,246	14,898	17,896	19,703	20,700
Business	3,155	3,188	3,249	3,639	3,957
Visits to friends and relatives	2,689	2,628	2,774	3,051	3,181
Other reasons	982	896	1,030	1,054	990
TOTAL	22,072	21,610	24,949	27,447	28,828

DESTINATIONS OF VISITS ABROAD BY UK RESIDENTS BY MAIN REGION (1994–98)				
	Western Europe	North America	Other areas	TOTAL
1994	15,246	14,898	17,896	19,703
1995	3,155	3,188	3,249	3,639
1996	2,689	2,628	2,774	3,051
1997	982	896	1,030	1,054
1998	22,072	21,610	24,949	27,447

Sample Answer

There are two charts above illustrating the result of a survey concerning outbound traveling of UK residents over the period 1994–98. The first chart shows visits abroad by UK residents and the purposes of their traveling, while the second chart reveals their outbound destinations during that period.

As can be seen in the first chart, between 1994 and 1998 UK people traveled abroad with the main purpose of spending their holiday, then on business. And the third proved to visit friends and relatives, which was followed by other reasons. It should be noticed that the numbers of UK outbound visitors with all the different purposes increased steadily during that period except in 1995 when they experienced a slight fall, and thus the total number formed the same trend, starting from 22,072 in 1994, falling to 21,610 in 1995 and then rising steadily to



28,828 in 1998.

According to the second chart, over the same period other areas remained the most popular outbound destinations among UK visitors, and Western Europe ranked the second, followed by North America. There was an exception that North America replaced Western Europe in 1995, becoming the second most popular. Moreover, the same as the total number, the numbers of UK visitors to Western Europe, North America and other areas dropped sharply from 1994 until 1997 when a dramatic increase followed.

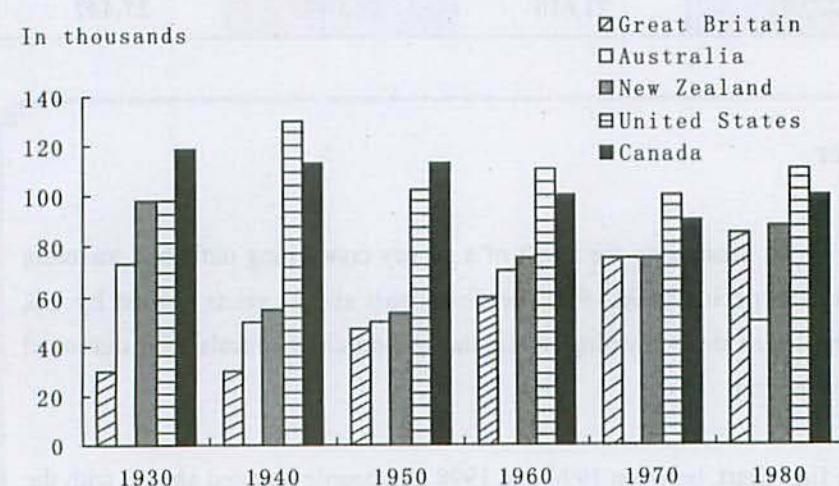
范例四

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The table below shows the figures for imprisonment in five countries between 1930 and 1980.

Write a report for a university lecturer describing the information shown below.

You should write at least 150 words.





Sample Answer

The table above reveals the numbers for imprisonment in five countries, i.e. the Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand, the United States, and Canada, between 1930 and 1980.

From the table, we can see clearly that over that period the number of prisoners in the Great Britain increased steadily from 30,000 to nearly 90,000. The number for imprisonment in Australia fell sharply from 75,000 or so in 1930 to 50,000 in 1950, and then it recovered steadily until 1970 when there followed a noticeable decrease to 50,000 in 1980. As for New Zealand, the figure dropped dramatically from nearly 100,000 in 1930 to about 55,000 in 1950, and then it rose stably, reaching 90,000 in 1980. Regarding the United States, the number fluctuated around 110,000 during that period except in 1940 when it reached the peak of 135,000. As to Canada, the figure changed slightly, peaking at 120,000 in 1930 and bottomed out to 95,000 in 1970.

In conclusion, from 1930 to 1980 the United States, Canada and New Zealand remained the top three countries in the aspect of figures of prisoners.



第二节 流程图

Tips

流程图的关键是通过“时间”推进表述，而且在一些题目中需要“分步骤”描述。

过程是指一系列的行为，改变、功能、步骤、阶段，过程或操作导致特定的结果。结构：

Introduction

Step (or stage)1

Step (or stage)2

...

Conclusion (summary and so forth)

一、描述流程图的套句

The following diagram shows the structure of... 下面的图显示的是……的结构。

The picture illustrates... 此图显示的是……

It mainly consists of... 它主要由……组成。

It works as follows... 它工作过程如下……

It normally involves the following steps. 这通常有以下几个步骤。

The whole procedure can be divided into...stages. 整个过程可以分为……几个阶段。



二、描述过程的连接词及短语

Firstly	First of all	
Secondly	To begin with	
Finally	Next	In the course of
The first step is to	Then	In order to
The next step is to	Later	In order not to
The last step is to	At the same time	In order that
The first stage involves	Subsequently	So as to
In the next stage	Before this	So as not to
In the following stage	During	
In the last stage	After this	

通过下面的例文，读者可以了解到以上连接词的使用。

The first diagram shows that there are four main stages in the life of the silkworm. ① First of all, eggs are produced by the moth and it takes ten days for each egg to become a silkworm larva that feeds on mulberry leaves. ② This stage lasts for up to six weeks until the larva produces a cocoon of silk thread around itself. ③ After a period of about three weeks, the adult moths eventually emerge from these cocoons and the life cycle begins again.

The cocoons are the raw material used for the production of silk cloth. ④ Once selected, they are boiled in water and the threads can be separated in the unwinding stage. Each thread is between 300 and 900 metres long, which means they can be twisted together, dyed and then used to produce cloth in the weaving stage.

Overall, the diagrams show that the cocoon stage of the silkworm can be used to produce silk cloth through a very simple process.

内容及句型

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|-----------------|--|
| ①花费多少时间做某事 | It takes + 时间间隔 + for ... + to do something. |
| ②持续了多长时间截止在什么时间 | ... lasts for + 时间间隔 + until... |
| ③又过了多久 | After a period of + 时间间隔. |
| ④当…… | Once/When/As/While... |



范例

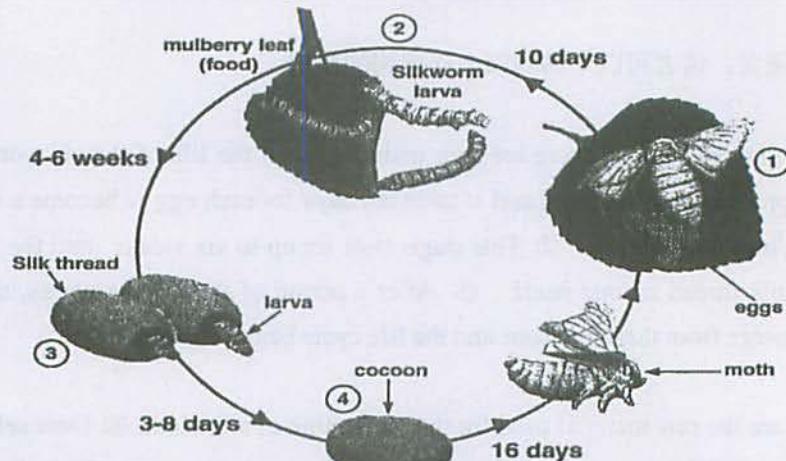
You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The diagrams below show the lifecycle of the silkworm and the stages in the production of silk cloth.

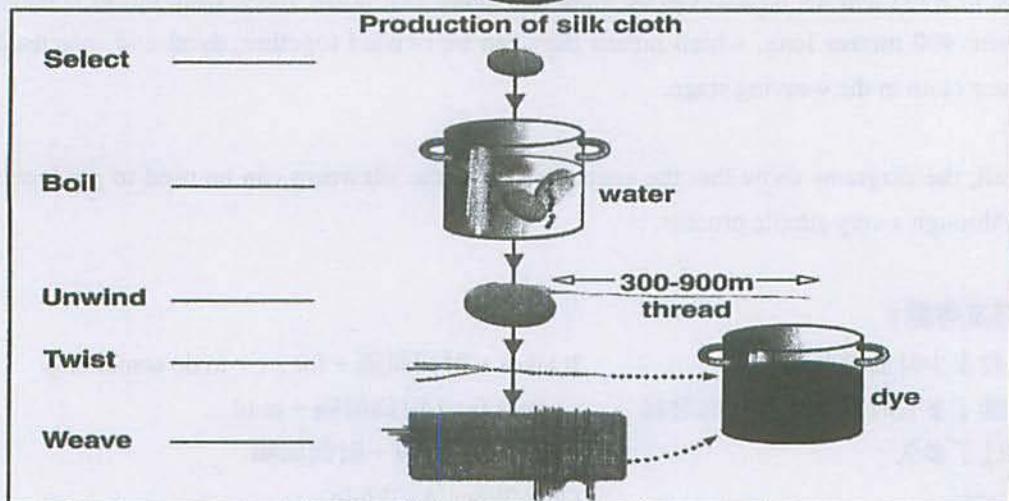
Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

Life cycle of the silkworm



Production of silk cloth





Sample Answer

The first diagram is used to show the life cycle of the silkworm, covering four main steps. First of all, the eggs are laid by the moths before they become silkworm larva eating mulberry leaves ten days later. For 4–6 weeks the larva wrap up themselves with the silk thread they produces. The stage lasts for 3–8 days until they completely are into the cocoon. About 16 days passed, moths come out from the cocoon and new cycle starts.

It is noticeable that cocoons are considered as useful materials that are used to produce silk cloth in the second diagram. After the cocoons are selected, they are boiled in water. Next, they are unwinded to thread as long as 300–900 metres and twisted. Last but not least, there are two possibilities to deal with the thread twisted. One is to dye them, and the other is to weave followed by dying.



第三节 地图描述

Tips

地图题需要针对某个事物的“地理位置”、“周边交通”以及“周边建筑物”进行描述。

一、文章的结构

通常是：Opening + Body + Conclusion

二、地图描述类作文的句式

(一) 关于地理位置的描述

1. It is located at...
2. It stands at...
3. The position is...
4. ... can be found in...
5. In the east/west/south/north of..., there is a...

(二) 关于周边交通的描述

1. A railway goes through the whole area.
2. There is a main road around the area.
3. Cars/Vehicles are accessible to the region.

(三) 关于周边建筑物的描述

1. There lies...
2. There is...
3. We can find...

三、例文

通过下面的两篇例文，读者可以了解到上述要点的使用。

例文一

The diagram displays the development of a village—Choleywood, which **lies near** London during



the period of 126 years to 1994.

From 1886 to 1883, the village as a whole located near a main road running from the north to the south, which intersected another main road from the east to the west. Until 1922, along with the growth of population, the village expanded its area by establishing a new site, approximately twice as much as the original. During the same period, a railway that paralleled the eastbound main road, came into being in 1909 and crossed through the new inhabitant.

After 1922, there were other two areas taking shape along the new-built railroad, locating in both sides of southbound main road. In 1970, another great change took place: a motorway was built to link the railway and eastbound main road. Owing to its construction, other five living areas appeared and scattered along the motorway.

In the light of the map, it is quite clear to find that the establishment of motorway and railway results in the development of the village at a speedier rate.

例文二

The map shows two proposed locations for a new supermarket for the town of Garlsdon.

The first potential location (S^1) is outside the town itself, and is sited just off the main road to the town of Hindon, lying 12 kms to the northwest. This site is in the countryside and so would be able to accommodate a lot of car parking. This would make it accessible to shoppers from both Hindon and Garlsdon who could travel by car. As it is also close to the railway line linking the two towns to Cransdon (25 km to the southeast), a potentially large number of shoppers would also be able to travel by train.

In contrast, the suggested location, S^2 , is right in the town centre, which would be good for local residents. Theoretically the store could be accessed by road or rail from the surrounding towns, including Bransdon, but as the central area is a no-traffic zone, cars would be unable to park and access would be difficult.

Overall, neither site is appropriate for all the towns but for customers in Cransdon, Hindon and Garlsdon, the out-of-town site (S^1) would probably offer more advantages.



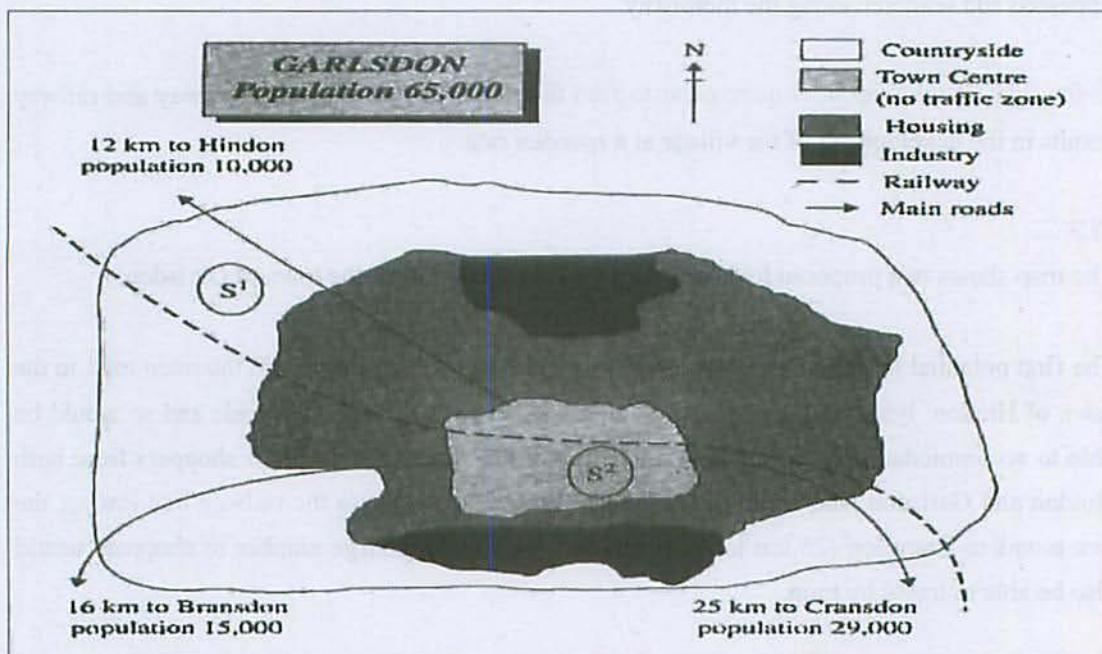
范例

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The map below is the town of Garlsdon. A new supermarket (S) is planned for the town. The map shows two possible sites for the supermarket.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.



● Sample Answer

The map is used to show two possibilities about where a new supermarket will be built in the town of Garlsdon.

In the first case, the supermarket is planned to set up in the northwest of the town in countryside. The site is very close to Hindon with the population of 10,000, and the people can have



- an access to the place from Bransdon with the population of 15,000 and Cransdon with the population of 29,000 by car. In addition to these, it is noticeable that there is a railway passing by the site, which means that more shopping people will be most likely to arrive there.
- In contrast, the second possible site is to be located in town centre. It seems that the people living in Hindon, Bransdon and Cransdon can arrive at the town centre, which, however, there is no traffic zone. In other words, they cannot park their vehicles near the supermarket. However, the railway crossed the whole town might bring some customers in this way.
- Overall, S¹ looks more advantageous for the people who are living in the three different zones compared with S².

第2章

图表作文评分方式及范文评述

第一节 评分标准介绍

Band	Task Response	Coherence and Cohesion	Lexical Resource	Grammatical Range and Accuracy
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8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sufficiently addresses all parts of the task presents a well-developed response to the question with relevant, extended and supported ideas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sequences information and ideas logically manages all aspects of cohesion well uses paragraphing sufficiently and appropriately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a wide range of vocabulary fluently and flexibly to convey precise meanings skilfully uses uncommon lexical items but there may be occasional inaccuracies in word choice and collocation produces rare errors in spelling and/or word formation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a wide range of structures the majority of sentences are error-free makes only very occasional errors or inappropriacies
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> addresses all parts of the task presents a clear position throughout the response presents, extends and supports main ideas, but there may be a tendency to over-generalise and/or supporting ideas may lack focus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> logically organises information and ideas; there is clear progression throughout uses a range of cohesive devices appropriately although there may be some under-/over-use presents a clear central topic within each paragraph 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a sufficient range of vocabulary to allow some flexibility and precision uses less common lexical items with some awareness of style and collocation may produce occasional errors in word choice, spelling and/or word formation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a variety of complex structures produces frequent error-free sentences has good control of grammar and punctuation but may make a few errors



6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • addresses all parts of the task although some parts may be more fully covered than others • presents a relevant position although the conclusions may become unclear or repetitive • presents relevant main ideas but some may be inadequately developed/unclear 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • arranges information and ideas coherently and there is a clear overall progression • uses cohesive devices effectively, but cohesion within and/or between sentences may be faulty or mechanical • may not always use referencing clearly or appropriately • uses paragraphing, but not always logically 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • uses an adequate range of vocabulary for the task • attempts to use less common vocabulary but with some inaccuracy • makes some errors in spelling and/or word formation, but they do not impede communication 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • uses a mix of simple and complex sentence forms • makes some errors in grammar and punctuation but they rarely reduce communication
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • addresses the task only partially, the format may be inappropriate in places • expresses a position but the development is not always clear and there may be no conclusions drawn • presents some main ideas but these are limited and not sufficiently developed; there may be irrelevant detail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • presents information with some organisation but there may be a lack of overall progression • makes inadequate inaccuracy or overuse of cohesive devices • may be repetitive because of lack of referencing and substitution • may not write in paragraphs, or paragraphing may be inadequate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • uses a limited range of vocabulary, but this is minimally adequate for the task • may make noticeable errors in spelling and/or word formation that may cause some difficulty for the reader 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • uses only a limited range of structures • attempts complex sentences but these tend to be less accurate than simple sentences • may make frequent grammatical errors and punctuation may be faulty; errors can cause some difficulty for the reader
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • responds to the task only in a minimal way or the answer is tangential; the format may be inappropriate • presents a position but this is unclear • presents some main ideas but these are difficult to identify and may be repetitive, irrelevant or not well supported 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • presents information and ideas but these are not arranged coherently and there is no clear progression in the response • uses some basic cohesive devices but these may be inaccurate or repetitive • may not write in paragraphs or their use may be confusing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • uses only basic vocabulary which may be used repetitively or which may be inappropriate for the task • has limited control of word formation and/or spelling; errors may cause strain for the reader 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • uses only a very limited range of structures with only rare use of subordinate clauses • some structures are accurate but errors predominate, and punctuation is often faulty
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • does not adequately address any part of the task • does not express a clear position • presents few ideas, which are largely undeveloped or irrelevant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • does not organise ideas logically • may use a very limited range of cohesive devices, and those used may not indicate a logical relationship between ideas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • uses only a very limited range of words and expressions with very limited control of word formation and/or spelling • errors may severely distort the message 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • attempts sentence forms but errors in grammar and punctuation predominate and distort the meaning
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • barely responds to the task • does not express a position • may attempt to present one or two ideas but there is no development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • has very little control of organisational features 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • uses an extremely limited range of vocabulary; essentially no control of word formation and/or spelling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cannot use sentence forms except in memorised phrases
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • answer is completely unrelated to the task 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fails to communicate any message 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • can only use a few isolated words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cannot use sentence forms at all
0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • does not attend • does not attempt the task in any way • writes a totally memorised response 			



第二节 范文及考官评述

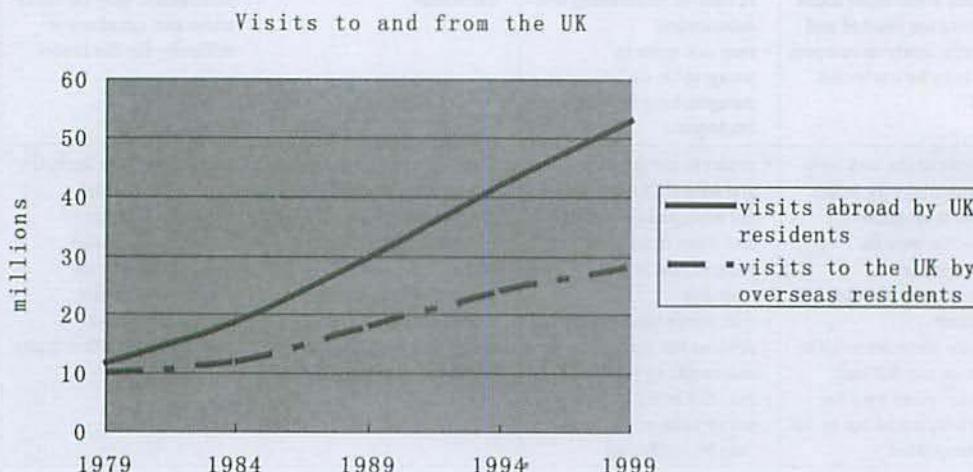
6.0 分范文 Band 6.0

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

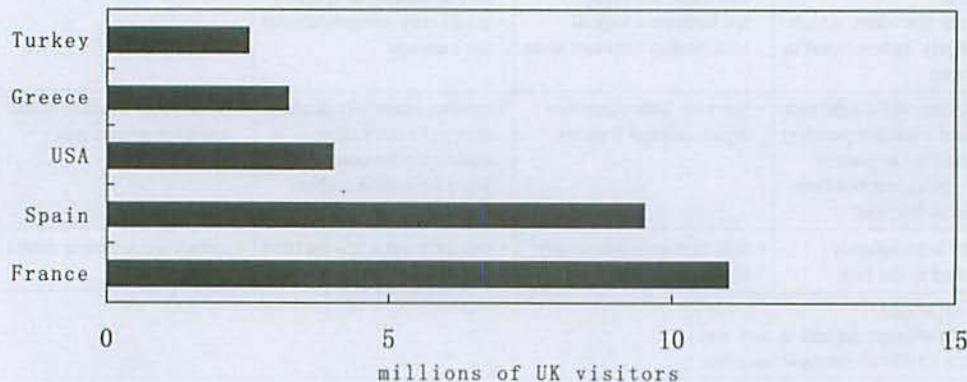
The charts below give information about travel to and from the UK, and about the most popular countries for UK residents to visit.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

You should write at least 150 words.



Most popular countries visited by UK residents 1999





● Sample Answer

The first graph shows visits to and from the UK. From 1979 to 1999, the visits abroad by UK residents had a rapid increase from 12 million to 53 million. During the period of time, the visits to the UK by overseas residents had a steady rise of nearly 20 million. Another point is that the visits abroad by UK were more than visits to the UK by overseas residents.

In the second graph, the information about most popular countries visited by UK residents in 1999 was shown. Among all countries, France was the most popular, up to nearly 12 million visits, but Turkey was the least popular about 3.5 million. The second most popular country was Spain, and then USA and Greece.

A conclusion made from both of graphs is that the visits UK residents made abroad were more than those visiting the UK. In 1999, the most popular country was France, very close to UK.

Comment

- This is a good account of the information presented in the graph, although occasionally the organisation of the data is slightly unusual. The writer grasps all the key points, however, and supports these with figures, before providing a summary of the main points. Sentence structures are more than adequate, although the writer has some problems with the use of tenses and prepositions. There are minor examples of unsuitable register, but as there are only a few instances of this.



7.0 分范文 Band 7.0

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The table below shows the proportion of different categories of families living in poverty in Australia in 1999.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

Family type	Proportion of people from each household type living in poverty
Single aged person	6%(54,000)
Aged couple	4%(48,000)
Single, no children	19%(359,000)
Couple, no children	7%(211,000)
Sole parent	21%(232,000)
Couple with children	12%(933,000)
All households	11%(1,837,000)

Sample Answer

It seems that the data is given in the table with regard to the proportion of different categories of families living in poverty in the nation of Australia in 1999.

According to the table, the proportion of families with sole parent in poverty was seen at 21%, which was the highest. On the contrary, the smallest proportion was found in the family with aged couple, it was only 4%. Also, it was clear that there was 19% single family lived in poverty, followed by it is the proportion of families. With couple who with children, it got to 12%. In the meanwhile, the proportion of families with single aged person (6%) was only 1% lower than that in the family that the couple without children (7%).



All in all, from the figure is shown in the table the sole parent families accounted for the most proportion, which lived in poverty, moreover there are total 11% family that lived in poverty among the all household in Australia in 1999.

Comment

- The Task Achievement is the weak point in this answer. Some of the data is summarised but the points are not well-selected to convey the key trends shown in the charts. The main features of the first chart are not adequately presented and the overall conclusion does not summarise the main information. No figures are given to illustrate the points made.
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- The information is well-organized, however, with clear paragraphing and well-signaled sections. The accurate use of a range of sequencers and other linkers makes it easy to follow the writing. There are examples of errors but they are not frequent and do not cause confusion.
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- A range of vocabulary is used with flexibility, in spite of some inappropriate collocations and awkward phrasing. Structures are varied and generally accurate, while any mistakes do not make the message unclear.



8.0 分范文 Band 8.0

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The table below gives information about the underground railway systems in six cities.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

City	Date opened	Kilometres of route	Passengers per year(in millions)
London	1863	394	775
Paris	1900	199	1191
Tokyo	1927	155	1927
Washington DC	1976	126	144
Kyoto	1981	11	45
Los Angeles	2001	28	50

Sample Answer

The information given in the table demonstrates Underground Railway System in the six cities including London, Paris, Tokyo, Washington DC, Kyoto and Los Angeles. The specific contents are as follows.

First of all, mentioning date opened, we can easily find that London Railway was open in 1863, the earliest system, while the latest system is Los Angeles Railway, later about 140 years than London. The second earliest system is Paris, followed by Tokyo, Washington DC, and Kyoto. Secondly, when it comes to the route, Kyoto and Los Angeles are the shortest two. In contrast, London is the longest about 394, as long as nearly 40 times Kyoto and 30 times Los Angeles respectively. Last but not least, every year the number of passengers in Tokyo and Paris are the most two to 1927 and 1911 million respectively. By contrast, Kyoto and Los Angeles are the least.



Overall, it can be clearly found that the earlier the railway is open the route is generally longer. However, there is no clear link between the number of passengers per year and date opened or kilometres of route.

Comment

- This answer selects and describes the information well. Key features are clearly identified, while unexpected differences are highlighted and illustrated. The answer is relevant and accurate with a clear overview.
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- Information is well-organised using a good range of signals and linking words. These are generally accurate and appropriate, although occasional errors occur.
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- The writer successfully used some less common words. There is a clear awareness of style but there are occasional inaccuracies and there is some repetition. Grammar is well-controlled and sentences are varied and generally accurate with only minor errors.



9.0 分范文 Band 9.0

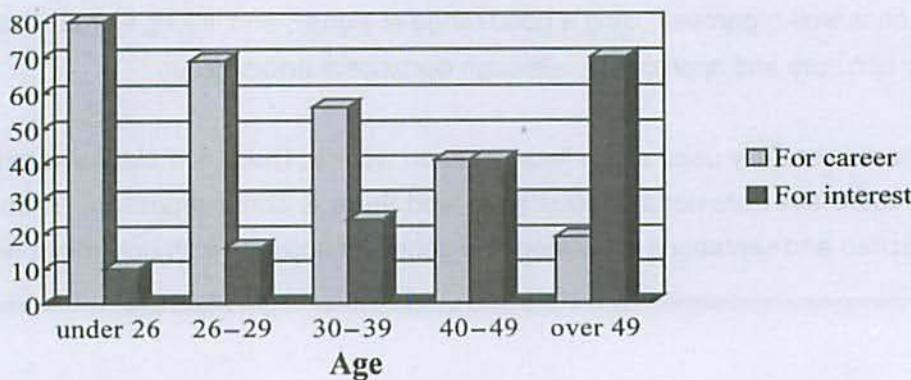
You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

The charts below show the main reasons for study among students of different age groups and the amount of support they received from employers.

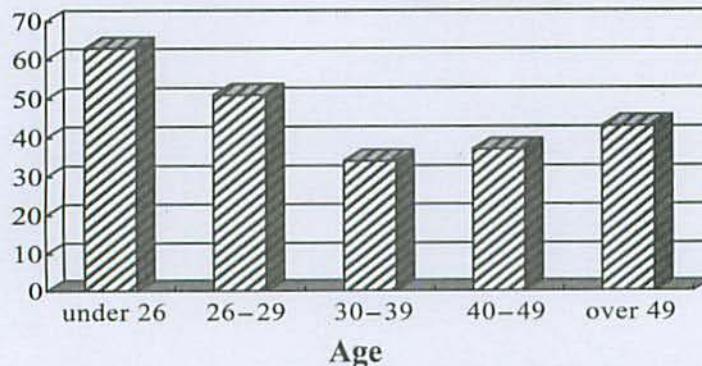
Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Write at least 150 words.

Reasons for study according to age of student



Employer support, by age group
(Time off and help with fees)



Sample Answer

The information given in the first chart demonstrates reasons for studying according to the



age of the student. The specific contents for career and interest are shown as follows.

First of all, with age, the percentage of people studying for career falls dramatically, the amount of people studying out of interest rises sharply. Second of all, it is obvious that the percentage of people studying for career purposes is higher than those studying out of interest in three groups including those under 26, between 26 and 29 and between 30 and 39. By contrast, those over 49 clearly tend to study more out of personal interest than out of career considerations. The largest difference is 70% in the under-26 group, while there is no difference in the group between 40 and 49.

In reference to the second chart—employer support, by age group (time off and help with pay), we can easily find that the percentage of the age group of under 26 constitutes the largest group, while that of 30–39 years old is smallest, nearly half of the age group of under 26. The second largest is between 26 and 29, followed by those over 49, and between 40 and 49.

Overall, there is no clear link between the reasons for study according to the age of students and employer support, although the largest percentage of employer support is clearly the under-26 group who study mostly for careers.

Comment

- The answer summarises the key features of both charts and integrates them well. Clear trends are identified and supported with appropriately-selected figures. The answer could only be improved by adding an introduction to the general topic of the charts.
- The information is well organised, with a clearly-signalled progression. Linking words are used accurately and precisely, although there are occasional omissions. Paragraphs are used well initially, but lapses slightly in the later section.
- A very good range of vocabulary is used to convey the information concisely and accurately with only occasional problems. Words are generally used precisely and there are no errors in spelling or word form.
- A wide range of sentence structures is used and most sentences in this answer are accurate.
- Errors are rare and do not affect communication in this answer.

第3部分

书信写作 Letters

(仅限 G 类考生)



大家网

中国电子商务
行业综合门户网



介绍

- 考试时间

15–18 分钟（规定 20 分钟）

- 字数要求

150 左右（3–4 段）

- 考试评分

TA (Task Achievement)

按要求答题（避免遗漏题目中给出的细节）

CC (Coherence & Cohesion)

连贯且一致（组合内容，段与段之间连贯）

Lexical Resource

词汇量较大（适当地换词以及尽量使用词组）

Grammatical Accuracy

语法较正确（没有明显的语法错误——错误列表）

- 格式

齐头式：每段顶格写；段与段之间空一行。

缩进式：每段首行空两个字母；段与段之间不空行。

- 结构

结构	基本内容
书信的台头	考试中对于书信的 title 没有特别要求。一般这部分已经在试卷中给出
首段	直接表明书信的意图 + 引出下面的具体内容
主体段	根据考题说明具体情况
结尾段	表明自己的立场 + 提出具体要求

第1章

书信写作分类

一、投诉信：对某一情况（服务、现象）表示不满

首段：说明与收信人的关系。表明收信人的合作对于事情的解决至关重要。

主体：展开说明现状和具体的理由（Make up）。

尾段：提出解决方案（委婉）。

1. I am writing to you to complain about...
2. I am writing to express my dissatisfaction with...
3. There are some problems with the flat that I wish to bring to attention. For one thing, there is...For another...
4. I can hardly bear/tolerate/put up with it any more.
5. I sincerely hope that it will review its management system, with the view to providing better service to the public.
6. I hope that the authorities concerned will consider my suggestions and improve the situation as best as they can.
7. We trust that you will now consider this matter seriously and make an effort to prevent the recurrence of this kind.
8. We will appreciate your willingness to make up for the loss.

二、询问信：对于特定信息的询问

首段：说明想要寻求什么样的信息。

主体：关于信息的具体内容。

尾段：表明急切的心情。

1. I would like to obtain some information about...
2. I would like some detailed information on/about...
3. I am an overseas student who lives/studies in...
4. I am writing to you in the hope that I may obtain...
5. I wonder if there is a tennis club available.
6. I would be much obliged to you if you could let me know the procedures I have to go through.
7. Your prompt and favourable attention to my inquiry would be highly appreciated.
8. I am looking forward to a favourable reply at your earliest convenience.

三、请求信：对收信人提出请求，希望得到满足

首段：表明有什么样的请求。

主体：说明请求的原因（二条最佳）。

尾段：礼貌地表明希望对方的回复 My sincere apologise for any inconvenience caused.

1. I am writing to formally request to...
2. I am writing to seek for your assistance in...
3. Would you be kind enough to...?
4. I do appreciate the favourable consideration you have known to me.
5. I would like to thank you for your generous help in the matter.
6. I shall remain grateful to you for the great help...

四、道歉信：向收信人表示歉意

首段：写明意图，表示歉意。

主体：具体原因。



尾段：如何补偿，请求谅解。

1. I am awfully/terribly sorry for what I have done.
2. I feel very guilty for what I have done to you.
3. I am afraid what I have done has caused many inconveniences to you.
4. I regret to inform you that I am unable to do...
5. Please accept my most cordial and humblest apologies for...once more.
6. I will try my utmost not to make such a stupid mistake again.
7. I am so sorry to have put you to so much trouble.

五、感谢信：向收信人所做的某事等表示谢意

首段：表示感谢。

主体：具体原因。

尾段：再次表示感谢。

1. I take this opportunity to express to you my deep appreciation for the kind assistance you rendered me.
2. I wish there were a better word than “thanks” to express my appreciation for your generous help.
3. My appreciation to you for your generous help is beyond words. I wish I could repay it one day.
4. Please accept my most cordial thanks for your timely help, which I will always remember.
5. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your kind help.

六、求职信：表明求职意向，介绍自己

首段：介绍自己、为何写信、得到消息的途径。

主体：介绍相关工作经历及个性。

尾段：表示感谢及期待。

1. I wish to apply for the position of...which you advertised in yesterday's *Shenzhen Daily*.
2. I am very interested in exploring the possibility of obtaining a position as a sales engineer with your company.



3. I read with interest your advertisement which appeared in...and would like to take up the challenge as a...with your firm.
4. After completing my four-year course at...university in 1990, I was employed by ABC company as a...
5. I believe I am well prepared, both psychologically and academically, for the post.
6. I believe I have the appropriate qualifications and experience for this post, and therefore, here I am enclosing my curriculum vitae.
7. Upon graduation, I first worked as...The following job was, and currently I am working for...
8. I am available for an interview every afternoon. Please contact me at...
9. I hope that after reviewing my enclosed resume you will kindly give me an interview so that I can elaborate on my studies and working experience.
10. With the kind of experience I have accumulated, I would expect a salary of not less than...

第2章

书信作文评分方式及范文评述

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9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> fully addresses all parts of the task presents a fully-developed position in answer to the question with relevant, fully-extended and well-supported ideas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses cohesion in such a way that it attracts no attention skilfully manages paragraphing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a wide range of vocabulary with very natural and sophisticated control of lexical features; rare minor errors occur only as "slips" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a wide range of structures with full flexibility and accuracy; rare minor errors occur only as "slips"
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sufficiently addresses all parts of the task presents a well-developed response to the question with relevant, extended and supported ideas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sequences information and ideas logically manages all aspects of cohesion well uses paragraphing sufficiently and appropriately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a wide range of vocabulary fluently and flexibly to convey precise meanings skilfully uses uncommon lexical items but there may be occasional inaccuracies in word choice and collocation produces rare errors in spelling and/or word formation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a wide range of structures the majority of sentences are error-free makes only very occasional errors or inappropriacies
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> addresses all parts of the task presents a clear position throughout the response presents, extends and supports main ideas, but there may be a tendency to over-generalise and/or supporting ideas may lack focus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> logically organises information and ideas; there is clear progression throughout uses a range of cohesive devices appropriately although there may be some under-/over-use presents a clear central topic within each paragraph 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a sufficient range of vocabulary to allow some flexibility and precision uses less common lexical items with some awareness of style and collocation may produce occasional errors in word choice, spelling and/or word formation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a variety of complex structures produces frequent error-free sentences has good control of grammar and punctuation but may make a few errors



6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> addresses all parts of the task although some pads may be more fully covered than others presents a relevant position although the conclusions may become unclear or repetitive presents relevant main ideas but some may be inadequately developed/unclear 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> arranges information and ideas coherently and there is a clear overall progression uses cohesive devices effectively, but cohesion within and/or between sentences may be faulty or mechanical may not always use referencing clearly or appropriately uses paragraphing, but not always logically 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses an adequate range of vocabulary for the task attempts to use less common vocabulary but with some inaccuracy makes some errors in spelling and/or word formation, but they do not impede communication 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a mix of simple and complex sentence forms makes some errors in grammar and punctuation but they rarely reduce communication
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> addresses the task only partially, the format may be inappropriate in places expresses a position but the development is not always clear and there may be no conclusions drawn presents some main ideas but these are limited and not sufficiently developed; there may be irrelevant detail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> presents information with some organisation but there may be a lack of overall progression makes inadequate inaccuracy or overuse of cohesive devices may be repetitive because of lack of referencing and substitution may not write in paragraphs, or paragraphing may be inadequate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a limited range of vocabulary, but this is minimally adequate for the task may make noticeable errors in spelling and/or word formation that may cause some difficulty for the reader 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses only a limited range of structures attempts complex sentences but these tend to be less accurate than simple sentences may make frequent grammatical errors and punctuation may be faulty; errors can cause some difficulty for the reader
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> responds to the task only in a minimal way or the answer is tangential; the format may be inappropriate presents a position but this is unclear presents some main ideas but these are difficult to identify and may be repetitive, irrelevant or not well supported 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> presents information and ideas but these are not arranged coherently and there is no clear progression in the response uses some basic cohesive devices but these may be inaccurate or repetitive may not write in paragraphs or their use may be confusing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses only basic vocabulary which may be used repetitively or which may be inappropriate for the task has limited control of word formation and/or spelling; errors may cause strain for the reader 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses only a very limited range of structures with only rare use of subordinate clauses some structures are accurate but errors predominate, and punctuation is often faulty
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not adequately address any part of the task does not express a clear position presents few ideas, which are largely undeveloped or irrelevant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not organise ideas logically may use a very limited range of cohesive devices, and those used may not indicate a logical relationship between ideas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses only a very limited range of words and expressions with very limited control of word formation and/or spelling errors may severely distort the message 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> attempts sentence forms but errors in grammar and punctuation predominate and distort the meaning
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> barely responds to the task does not express a position may attempt to present one or two ideas but there is no development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> has very little control of organisational features 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses an extremely limited range of vocabulary; essentially no control of word formation and/or spelling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> cannot use sentence forms except in memorised phrases
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> answer is completely unrelated to the task 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> fails to communicate any message 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> can only use a few isolated words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> cannot use sentence forms at all
0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not attend does not attempt the task in any way writes a totally memorised response 			



第二节 范文及考官评述

6.0 分范文 Band 6.0

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

You live in a room in college which you share with another student. You find it very difficult to work there because he or she always has friends visiting. They have parties in the room and sometimes borrow your things without asking you.

Write a letter to the Accommodation Office at the college and ask for a new room next term. You would prefer a single room. Explain your reasons.

You should write at least 150 words.

You do NOT need to write your own address.

Begin your letter as follows:

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to inform you that I wish to move into a new room next term. I need a single room, as I find the present living condition intolerable.

I must explain that the reason for my dissatisfaction is my roommate's bad behaviour. First of all, his friends are regularly dropping by him; secondly, he sometimes tends to hold noisy parties. Also, he sometimes borrows my things without asking me. Under such a circumstance, I find it very hard work on my personal study, and I am falling behind in my team.

I am sure you will be kind enough to help me to move into a room of my own, where I can avoid the interruption. Therefore, I would be grateful if you could find a single room for me, preferably not in the same building but as near to the college campus as possible.

Comment

- The response is relevant and fairly fluent, although some aspects of the task could be more fully developed. The message is well organised and can be followed throughout. A fairly good range of vocabulary and structure is used, although occasional spelling errors and faulty word choice detract slightly from the overall fluency.

7.0 分范文 Band 7.0

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

You are unhappy about a plan to make your local airport bigger and increase the number of flights. You live near the airport.

Write a letter to your local newspaper. In your letter

- Explain where you live
- Describe the problem
- Give reasons why you do not want this development

You should write at least 150 words.

You do NOT need to write your own address.

Begin your letter as follows:

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing with regard to the article in your newspaper dated 7th September. My house is situated within 20 minute's walk of the airport. Please allow me to point out the problems that have caused serious damage on the residential area. I am fully sure that the problems must be aggravated if the plan is carried out to expand the airport and increase the number of flights.

First of all, the low-flying airplanes are utterly distractive. They make such a big noise that I cannot concentrate on housework at all. What is worse, I am woken up by the late hour flights at midnight; I was diagnosed as insomnia the other day. I should call this situation noise pollution.

Secondly, I am afraid that the expansion of the airport may reduce the plot of land for the playground that is under construction near the airport at the moment.

To sum up, I strongly disagree with the plan. I would appreciate if you could possibly write



the article about the problems and disagreement as I said above.

Comment

- The response to the task is fluent, although there is room for expansion and clarification of some aspects of the task. The message is well-organised and can be flowed throughout, with the writer making good use of "signpost" words. There are some problems with word choice and with word formation (e.g. "big noise", "distractive"), but the range of sentence structures is varied and well-controlled for accuracy.



8.0 分范文 Band 8.0

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

You have received your pay for your summer holiday part-time job, but your pay is less than you were promised. Please write a letter to the manager of the unit

- *clearly stating what work you have done and how long your work took*
- *while explaining your case*
- *put forward your demand and suggestion.*

You should write at least 150 words.

You do NOT need to write your own address.

Begin your letter as follows:

Dear Manager,

I have received the RMB 800-Yuan cash that you pay to me as a part-time software programmer in your company during my last summer holiday. However, I found it is less than the amount I have promised to be paid. It was contracted that a part-time software programmer's wage is 300 Yuan. I signed the contract with you and then worked for your company over a total of 3 weeks. During the period, I commutes on time and to your satisfaction, I completed each task that you assigned me without any errors. Also, no blame about me was ever heard in any aspect. So my total income should be \$900, which is \$100 more than that I gained from you. I firmly insist on your kind explanation of the difference and compensating as soon as possible.

Your early reply would be highly appreciated.



Comment

- This is a well-developed response to the task prompt. The letter has a clear purpose; it is written in an appropriate style and it gives all the information required by the bullet points. The situation is described in a relevant way and the letter communicates effectively and fluently.
- The information in the letter is organised, but there are no paragraphs so the reader has to work harder to follow the changes from one topic to the next and in some cases the links between sentences could be improved.
- A good range of vocabulary is used accurately, including idiomatic expressions. But some words are not well chosen so there are also awkward expressions that do not sound natural, and there are several examples of these.
- The writing includes a good range of grammatical structures which are usually used accurately. There are a few errors in grammar, and the first sentence lacks capital letters, which is a rather basic mistake.



9.0 分范文 Band 9.0

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task.

You are organizing a business meeting, and you should write to people from other companies and tell them the changes of the meeting (time, location, etc.).

You will (1) explain why you have to make changes, (2) tell them the changes, and (3) apologize for the changes.

You should write at least 150 words.

You do **NOT** need to write your own address.

Begin your letter as follows:

Dear Mr. Smith,

I am writing to inform you of the changes we have made to the high-level meeting between our two companies.

Mr. Lee, supervisor of “Hope Project”, recently experienced a serious heart attack and is currently hospitalized undergoing treatment. He is recovering well but won’t be able to come back to work for another 2 weeks. As he is a key person and coordinator of this “Hope Project”, we feel the meeting should not be held without him.

Therefore, we are rescheduling the meeting to be held one month later, at 10 o’clock, on Sunday, the 13th of June. Also the venue for the meeting has been changed from the Continental Hotel to the meeting room of one of our branches, located at No. 100, Wen Xian Xi Street.

We are very sorry for any inconvenience caused by the change. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Looking forward to seeing you soon!

Yours sincerely,

XXX

第3章

书信作文写作详解

第一节 首段

作用：说明这封信的主基调。

忌讳：在书信的开头处说出自己的名字。写信者的身份可以从信的落款处了解。

范例

写信是因为我对于在我家附近扩建机场表示担心。希望您能够帮助我向当地政府反映这一情况。

I am writing to say my worries about the new airport project. Wish you to explain the situation to the local authority.

练一练

- 1) 我写信是为了表达我对上周日我在您的商店里买鞋时所受不良服务的不满。——态度
Sample Answer

I am writing to express my dissatisfaction with the services I were offered when I purchased shoes in your shop last Sunday.

- 2) 我写信是希望您能够给我提一些关于这次考试的建议。——希望

Sample Answer

I am writing in hope that you would be kind enough to give some suggestions about the coming tests.



3) 给您写信是关于我申请贵校教育学专业所遇到的一些问题。——关于

Sample Answer

I am writing regarding some problems of applying for the position of education in your university.

* 首段有时也会增加一些内容，如：问题的简单介绍、当事人的现状等。（但这些内容也可放在主题段落，独立成段。）这些可称为首段的过渡句。

态度：The services made a so bad impression on me.

希望：The test matters to me greatly, and so your advices are to be so important.

问题：Actually, the problem has bothered me a great deal.

第二节 主体段

作用：具体说明写信者所遇到的问题。这部分内容需要根据考试的题目要求进行编排。考生可以适当加入一些内容，但一定要与主题相关。

忌讳：自己臆测的内容过多；主体部分不够连贯。

范 例

You are organizing a trip to the Snowy Mountains in New South Wales for a group of students from Perth in Western Australia. Write to the manager of Student Hostel Services and explain when you want to visit the Snowy Mountains, how long you will stay, how many students are in your party, and what accommodation you will require.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to seek accommodation in the Snowy Mountains for a group of students from Perth.

We expect to be the Snowy Mountains between June 1st and June 12th. There are fourteen people in our group, five men and seven women, and a married couple. The five men will accept dormitory accommodation, and the women are happy to share rooms, but the married couple would like to live in a double room. We hope to keep our expenses as low as possible.

Please tell me about recreational services in the area. The group will bring their own boots for



bushwalking, but we are hoping to hire equipment for other sports, like skiing. Some of our group will want to hire geological picks and other equipment, if possible. We also need to know about access to caves and other interesting geological features in the area.

I am looking forward to receiving information about the Student Hostel Services and other facilities.

Yours faithfully,

改 写

I am writing regarding the accommodation services and others in your Student Hostel Services.
Actually the accommodation services are so important to our trips.

There will be 14 persons from Perth in Western Australia visiting Snowy Mountains of New South Wales from 1st to 12th June. They consist of five men, seven women and a married couple and have different demands for room services. The male group can accept dormitory accommodation; the female group is to be delighted to share two rooms; the couple asks a double room with landscape views. Certainly, the accommodation fee is expected as low as possible.

In addition to the problems of accommodation, most of them focus more on the recreational services available. So I would most appreciate if you could give me some details about them such as equipment hired or access to resort.

I would appreciate if you give me a prompt response with useful information.

第三节 结尾段

作用：提出写信者的具体要求；再一次重申主题。

忌讳：态度不明，要求不清。

范 例

You have just spent a weekend staying at the Holiday Inn in Beijing. When you get home, you find that you have left your bag in the hotel. Write to the manager of the hotel and ask if the bag was found. Give any relevant information about the bag and its contents. Ask the manager to contact you immediately if the bag is found and tell him how the bag can be sent to you.



Dear Sir,

I stayed in your hotel on the 23rd and the 24th of October. I was in Room 603. When I arrived home, I discovered that I had left one of my bags at the hotel. Could you please check your Lost and Found Department and see if my bag is there?

The bag is small black leather, document case with a narrow strap. Inside the bag, you will find several business cards, a pen, a small address book, three copies of a business proposal and a silver pocket calculator. These things are not very valuable in money terms, but they have a lot of personal value.

I would appreciate it if you could contact me as soon as possible, particular since I need the proposal for a presentation this week. If you could send the bag to me by courier service, I would be most grateful. I have arranged to pay for the service.

改 写

I am writing with regard to asking if you have found a bag I left in Room 603 of your hotel on 24th October, when I checked out. In the following, I shall give relevant information for your further work.

I lived in your hotel on 23rd and 24th October. Just when arriving at my home on 24th, I recalled I might leave one of my bags in the room. The bag is made of leather or hide, black and brown, and inside you could find a notebook designed by LV with several business cards. In addition, a silver pocket calculator is also outstanding.

In fact, the notebook is so important to me, especially its contact information is urgently-needed message for my next week's seminar. So, if possible, can you pack the bag I left and send to me by EMS (Express Mail System) by next Monday. I would so appreciate the work done for me and be happy to arrange the payment for the services.

常见句型

I would sincerely appreciate if you could consider my suggestion.

May I ask you to send me all relevant information concerning the courses you offer?

I would be most grateful if...

I wonder if you could...



Would you be kind enough to...?

I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Your prompt response would be appreciated.

Thank for your kind consideration.



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