**Reading 4**

* **Text Analysis**
  + **Thesis Statement:** *Why ......?*
  + **Reasons:**
    - **China's Nobel Complex/Mania**(a sense of urgency; a sense of failure among many Chinese; a longing for recognition; resentment at seeking confirmation from others)
    - **China's seniority based hierarchy**
    - **Promotion:** Promising figures (successful scientists and researchers) get promotion from researcher or lecturer posts to administrative posts.
* **Vocabulary**
  + **rocket**  
    to achieve a successful position very quickly 迅速取得成功；一举成名  
    *​The band****rocketed to stardom****with their first single.* 这支乐队的第一首单曲就使他们一举成名。
    - **shoot to fame/stardom/prominence**  
      to suddenly become very famous 一举成名/跃为明星/迅速成名
  + **power** 强国；军事强国  
    **world power** 世界强国
  + **come up short**  
    to fail to win or achieve something 未能赢取；未能获得   
    *We've been to the state tournament four times, but we've come up short every time.* 我们四次参加州锦标赛，每一次都落败而归。
  + **mania**
    - *Synonyms*
      * craze
      * fad
      * passion
      * obsession
  + **fuel** (*v.*)  
    to fuel speculation/ rumours/ fears 引起猜测╱谣传╱恐惧
    - **fuel** (*n.*)  
      ***added fuel to the fire/ flames*** 火上浇油
  + **convince**
  + **ethnic** **(Chinese)**  
    *ethnic Russians in Estonia* 居住在爱沙尼亚的俄罗斯人  
    *ethnic Albanians living in Germany* 生活在德国的阿尔巴尼亚族人​
  + **national**(*n.*)  
    *Polish nationals living in Germany* 生活在德国的波兰公民  
    *Turkish nationals who are living in the UK* 住在英国的土耳其侨民​  
    ***Foreign nationals****were advised to leave the country.* 外国侨民被劝告离开该国。​
  + **reinforce**
  + **avowed**(=declared)
  + **gnaw at**  
    to make sb feel anxious, frightened or uncomfortable over a long period of time （长时间）折磨某人
  + **promising**  
    showing signs of being good or successful 有希望的；有前途的；有出息的​
  + **figure**  
    *a political figure* 政治人物   
    *a figure of authority* 当权者  
    *a leading / key / central figure​* 重要人物
  + **credit** sb **with** (doing) sth  
    to believe or admit that someone has a quality, or has done something good 相信某人有优点[做了好事]  
    *​Evans is credited with inventing the system.* 据信是埃文斯发明这个系统的。​
  + **stem** (=stop, halt)
  + **validation** (=confirmation)
  + **secure**(*v.*)
  + **complex** 情结，夸大的情绪反应
  + **insecurity**
    - *Synonyms*
      * anxiety
      * fear
      * uncertainty
      * worry