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Part 1 新题

Websites

1. *What kinds of websites do you usually use?*

Bilibili, the Chinese YouTube, is for sure the most visited website for me. I get news from Bilibili and watch some deep analytical videos posted by a few **channels** I followed every day.

2. *Are there any changes about the websites you usually use?*

Not so much I think, except they released a membership feature so that you could download the videos and watch anything **ad-free**. It's not a **deal breaker** for me, so I'm still a free user, everything remains basically the same for the past 10 years or so.

3. *What is your favourite website?*

See 1.

4. *What kinds of websites are popular in your country?*

See 1.

Street market

1. *What do people usually buy on the street market?*

I'd say the most common items are fresh **produce**, maybe even meats or fish as well. Elderlies love to shop on street markets in China. For youngsters, I think most people would enjoy local food on the **night market**.

2. *Do you prefer to go shopping in the shopping mall or on the street market?*

Personally, neither of them. I'm super busy at my schoolwork so I won't waste my valuable time shopping in the mall or on the street market. I **shop online** instead. Everything can be **delivered** to me in one or two days, it's super convenient!

3. *When was the last time you went to a street market?*

I have no idea...probably in years. I visited a night market when I was travelling in Chengdu but that's about it. I had a blast there because the food was so delicious.

4. *Are there many street markets in China?*

There are a lot of them in the past, but in recent years, there are fewer of them left mainly because the development of the city. Many of the sellers now have a physical store.

Cars

1. *Did you enjoy traveling by car when you were a kid?*

Yup. We have weekly **road trip** when I was young. We usually visit different small towns and experience local food on those trips. They are really fun!

2. *What types of cars do you like?*

I love SUVs. Although they are a little **bulky**, they are super **practical**. It's **roomy** and I can put everything I need for camping in there! The higher **ground clearance** also helps when it comes to traveling to certain camp sites.

3. Do you prefer to be a driver or a passenger?

I'm **a natural at** driving so I prefer to be the driver anytime. I sometimes drive more than 8 hours a day on road trips without feeling tired. I enjoy every moment **behind the wheels**.

4. What do you usually do when there is a traffic jam?

Traffic jams are **unavoidable** nowadays in cities. That's why I listen to my favourite podcast on the road, so I don't feel angry about being **stuck in traffic**.

Computers

1. In what conditions would you use a computer?

When **productivity** is required. Although smartphones and tablets are getting better, there are still a lot of tasks that require a computer's **high performance**. For example, **making spreadsheets in Excel** is one of the tasks that can be easily done on a computer but not on a touch screen tablet.

2. When was the first time you used a computer?

When I was 5? I can't remember the exact age. I remembered that I participated in a junior PowerPoint competition, so I used my parents' computer to learn the tricks you can do in PPT.

3. What would your life be like without computers?

It's **unimaginable** and will be **disastrous** for me because I'm **overly dependent on computers**. Because the internet is also powered by computers, without computers, I will have very limited access to information and can no longer communicate as instantly as of now.

4. In what conditions would it be difficult for you to use a computer?

When I'm staying in a crowded place such as on a plane. Because laptops have a much larger screen than smartphones, people could see your computer screen which could **undermine** personal privacy.

Feeling bored

1. Do you often feel bored?

Not really, to be frank. I **have a lot on my plate**, so I always have something to do, even if I'm just **standing in line** or **stuck in traffic**. I use those **mindless moments** as an opportunity to relax, allowing me to **maintain laser focus** on my tasks afterward.

1. When would you feel bored?

See 1. Rarely.

2. What do you do when you feel bored?

In the past, I always used to listen to music to **kill the time**, but now I listen to my favorite podcasts because they provide not only good entertainment but also great education.

3. Do you think childhood is boring or adulthood is boring?

Well, to me, childhood is boring because I don't have many goals and a vision for the future. I mean, as a young child or teenager, I am **uncertain about** whether I am having a **productive** day; I actually feel bored quite easily. Adulthood, on the other hand, is less boring as there are **always potential goals to work towards**, so I can always set new goals to **keep myself motivated**. I now eagerly look forward to each new day of my life!

Evening time

Do you like the morning or evening?

I can tell you that I'm not **a morning person**. And I guess I am **a night owl** because I usually go to bed around 2am every night. There is just **too many distractions during the day** so I can only focus on the things I really wanna do at night.

1. What do you usually do in the evening?

All **sorts of things**. It's the best time of day to **productively clear out my ToDo list** because I can keep focused for a long time at night. Also, it is great for relaxing myself. I usually watch reality shows with my friends in the evening.

2. What did you do in the evening when you were little? Why?

Wow, it's been a long time, I don't think I can remember clearly. But I do know that I had lots of homework when I was a little kid. I think I spent at least 2 to 3 hours each night on doing homework. I guess that would **kill the entire night** already since I usually went to bed around 9:30pm when I was young.

3. Are there any differences between what you do in the evening now and what you did in the past?

Not really. **I've always enjoyed my evenings**. I might watch more films **a few years back** rather than reality shows now because I was a member of a film club.

Mobile phone

1. What was your first mobile phone?

I can't remember exactly the model, but I do know it was my mother's old Nokia phone. It only has very **basic functions** such as **text messaging and calling**. I don't think it has a camera. It was a very very cheap and basic model.

2. Do you often use your mobile phone for texting or calls?

Nowadays. Neither of them. I use my smartphone for browsing the internet, particularly social media. I also use instant messaging apps such as WeChat for connecting with my family and friends. I haven't sent a text message for years, and I don't even know many of my friends' current phone number.

3. Will you buy a new one in the future?

I just **upgraded** my iPhone to iPhone 12, I think the **features** and **specifications** are already kinda **overkill** for my daily use. I have no plan to upgrade it again in the next three years or so.

4. How has your mobile phone changed your life?

It changed everything especially during the **lockdown** period. Smartphones these days are super powerful like a minicomputer. I was able to do most of my schoolwork on my phone and video chat with my friends and family which **made life a little bit better** during that difficult time.

Taking photos

1. Do you like taking photos?

Yes! I believe there are many beautiful things in life, you just have to find them. By taking pictures, I always trying to find the beauty in life so I can **capture the moment** as a photo.

2. Do you like taking selfies?

Yes, I do enjoy taking selfies, especially when I'm traveling or hanging out with friends because it's a fun way to capture memories. It's also convenient since you don't need anyone else to take the photo, so you can quickly snap a picture anywhere. Plus, it's nice to look back at those photos and remember the moments.

3. What is your favourite family photo?

My favorite family photo is one we took during a trip to the Great Wall a few years ago. We're all smiling in front of this amazing view, and it really captures a rare moment where we're all together and relaxed. It reminds me of the fun we had that day and how special family time is, especially with everyone's busy schedules.

4. Do you want to improve your photography skills?

Yes, I'd love to improve my photography skills, especially since it would help me capture moments more creatively and professionally. Learning about things like lighting, composition, and editing would make my photos look much better, even if I'm just using my phone. Plus, it would be great for traveling and creating memorable pictures I can look back on.

Advertisement

1. Are you interested in watching TV advertisements or internet advertisements?

Sometimes. I mean, some advertisements are super well created and humorous. But most times I hate ads because I don't want to be **manipulated** to purchase things that I may not want or truly need.

2. What kinds of advertisements do you dislike?

The online ads that pop up while I am browsing the website. Sometimes I simply stop reading and visiting the website because of a **pop-up ad** that ruined my experience. They are super **annoying**!

3. Do you share advertisements with others?

Unconsciously yes. Often times ads are **embedded in** useful content that **is worth sharing**. For example, I love sharing smartphone reviews with my friends, but some of those reviews include ads for compatible gadgets.

4. Do you want to work in advertising in the future?

No. I'm not a really good salesman nor a creative person. I don't think I have the talent in advertising and also I heard a career in advertising usually consists with a terrible **work-life balance**.

Dreams

1. Do you often remember your dreams?

Once in a blue moon. I'm a **deep sleeper** so I don't usually remember my dreams. However, one time I had a **nightmare**, and I woke up with **sweat and tears**, it was so real but luckily just a dream.

2. What do you usually dream about?

I'm not so sure. I'm a deep sleeper so I don't usually remember dreams. For those I have memory of are mostly got chased by something or someone. Or maybe I **fell from a cliff** or something.

3. Are you interested in other's dreams?

Not really. I think that's one's **privacy** that we should respect. I will have a listen if they want to share their dreams with me, but I won't ask for it.

4. Do you want to make your dreams come true?

Occasionally for my **daydreams**. Haha. As I said, I don't usually remember my dreams other than nightmares and obviously I don't want nightmares to come true. I sometimes daydream about how my life would change if I won the lottery. But maybe not winning the lottery is better for me to **chase a meaningful life with my own hands**.

Emails

1. Do you often send emails?

Absolutely. It's part of my daily job. I often check my emails when I'm having my coffee in the morning, and reply to those that can be quickly resolved. I will leave the more complicated ones on my To-do list so I can respond to them once I can concentrate on it.

2. When would you send emails to others?

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3. Is sending emails popular in China?

I would say, compared with western countries, emails are used more often in business settings in China. So it's not a popular means of communication for personal use. We have instant messaging apps instead. People in the West use emails for both business and personal conversations as far as I know.

4. Do you think sending emails will be more or less popular in the future?

I think it will continue to be popular for the foreseeable future at least in business conversations because it has a more formal format that can really get logical thoughts together. You can easily get lost from messaging important issues through instant messaging apps particularly in group chats.

Lost and found

1. What will you do if you find something lost by others?

I will check the item to see if there is any contact information so I could return it to the owner. Otherwise, I will leave it at the same place because the owner might return to get it.

2. Do you report to the police when finding something lost by others? Why?

It depends on the item. For valuable stuff like smartphones or keys, I will do definitely report to the police because they have valuable information about the owner.

3. Have you ever lost things?

Once in a blue moon. I'm a very organized person and I pay close attention to my valuable belongings. I can't even remember the last time I lost something.

4. Will you post on social media if you lose your item?

No, I won't. People could pretend to be me to take the item before me. I rather call the police to help me.

Old buildings

Have you ever seen some old buildings in the city?

Yes. I'm born and raised in a city with a rich history. There are a few buildings that were built hundreds of years ago that are still well maintained and open to visitors. They are popular tourist attractions and I have visited them several times with my friends.

1. Do you think we should preserve old buildings in cities?

It depends. Cities should try to preserve old buildings that are historically significant because seeing these buildings help modern-day people remember the past as to not repeat it or to be mindful of how a city came to be. For the ones that are not of historical significance, it may not make much economic sense as they often require high maintenance costs.

2. Do you prefer living in an old building or a modern house?

A modern house for sure. A modern house is much safer and has all the bells and whistles that could improve quality of living. Although old buildings have their unique characters, they are usually not well insulated, so they aren't the most comfortable place to live in.

3. Are there any old buildings you want to see in the future? Why?

Not really. I'm **not a big fan of** them. I would rather spend my vacation fund on a beach than visiting old buildings. I might watch a documentary about old buildings, but no need for in-person visits.

Mirrors

1. Do you like looking at yourself in the mirror? How often?

For sure. I check my **appearance** whenever I could. So multiple times a day. I would make sure I'm looking good and energetic to start the day before I leave my house and check it again when I'm using washroom throughout the day.

2. Have you ever bought mirrors?

Not really. I don't **wear makeup**, so I don't need a **lighted makeup mirror**. I just use the mirrors in the bathroom.

3. Do you usually take a mirror with you?

I don't really do that. Although I'm checking up myself **throughout the day**, I'm not that **obsessed with** mirrors. I would never bring one with me.

4. Would you use mirrors to decorate your room?

I thought about it once long time ago, but the idea was rejected by my mother due to some **local believes** that having mirrors in bedrooms could bring bad luck or something. Therefore, I've never decorated my rooms with mirrors and use **framed paintings** instead.

Talents

1. Do you have a talent, or something you are good at?

Yes. I'm quite good at math and most things related to math, such as **creating budgets**, calculating **investment returns**, and so on. I think it's a useful talent because it helps me manage my **personal finances**.

2. Was it mastered recently or when you were young?

I don't think I would ever master it, but I discovered it when I was young. I've always achieved high math grades and everything else just became natural to me.

3. Do you think your talent can be useful for your future work? Why?

See 1, 说可以做 financial advisor/planner 这种职业

4. Do you think anyone in your family has the same talent?

Surprisingly, no one shares the same talent with me. So, it is not something that **runs in blood**. Because they all hate math, they often come to me for financial advice.

Your favourite item at home

1. What is the thing you like the most in your home?

The thing I like most in my home is probably my desk setup, with my computer and all my study essentials. It's where I feel most productive and can dive into work or unwind with some gaming or videos. Having my own space like that really helps me stay focused and relaxed.

2. Why do you like it?

I like it because it's my personal space where I can control everything—from lighting to organization—so it feels comfortable and efficient. It's perfect for studying and also doubles as my entertainment hub, which is great for **winding down**..

3. What makes your home more comfortable?

What makes my home comfortable is the cozy, familiar atmosphere and the little personal touches, like my favorite decor and organized study space. Having reliable Wi-Fi, a **comfy** chair, and a nice bed adds to the overall comfort, making it easy to relax or be productive. Also, the privacy and quietness allow me to focus on what I need, whether it's studying or just chilling.

4. What is the view like around the place where you live?

The view around my place isn't particularly scenic, but there are several parks nearby with lots of green spaces and walking paths. My city is more urban, so the landscape is mostly buildings and streets, but the parks provide a nice break from the concrete. It's a bit of a mix—modern city life with **pockets of nature here and there**.

Swimming

1. Do you like swimming?

Yes, I enjoy swimming, especially because it's **a refreshing way to exercise and cool off**, especially in the summer. It's **a nice break from my usual routine**, and I find being in the water really relaxing.

2. Is it difficult to learn how to swim?

Learning to swim can be a bit challenging at first, especially if you're not comfortable in the water. Getting the **breathing technique and coordination** right takes practice, but with patience and guidance, it becomes easier.

3. Where do people in your country like to go swimming?

In my country, people often go swimming at local pools, especially in city areas where there aren't many natural water spots. During the summer, popular beach destinations, like those in Hainan or Qingdao, attract many visitors for swimming and relaxing by the sea.

4. What's the difference between swimming in the pool and swimming in the sea?

Swimming in a pool is generally more controlled and safer, with clear water, stable temperatures, and no waves, making it easier to practice. In the sea, you deal with natural elements like waves, currents, and saltwater, which adds a bit of a challenge.

Watch

1. Do you wear a watch?

Yes, I do. Although I could tell the time on my phone, it often **distracts me from doing other things** when I just want to know what time it is. So, I wear a watch to prevent myself from wasting time checking my phone.

2. Have you ever got a watch as a gift?

No. Although a wrist watch does not really **fall into the category of clock**, many people don't like to receive watches as a gift because of the pronunciation in Chinese sounds like "bury a parent".

3. Why do some people wear expensive watches?

The most important reason why someone wants to wear a luxury **timepiece** is to **demonstrate that they can afford it**. They use it to **show off their wealth** and perhaps **social status**.

4. Do you think it is important to wear a watch? Why?

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