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# Part 1必考题

## Work or studies

1. ***Do you work or are you a student?***

I’m working as a software engineer in a vehicle company. My major work is to create AI program which helps the vehicles to drive autonomously

1. ***Why did you choose to do that type of work (or that job)?***

Well, the main reason is that I learnt AI and autonomous driving in both college and graduate school for like 10 years, so this work is a perfect match with my knowledge and expertise. In addition, the vehicle companies give pretty generous offer for the AI engineers, so the salary also attracts me to do this job

1. ***Do you like your job?***

Definitely yes. You know, autonomous driving is one of the most challenging and interesting working in information industry, and I could fully apply what I have learnt in school about programming and math in the projects. Also, having my code running on thousands of vehicles gives me a great feeling of satisfaction, because I can directly feel the value of my work as they are turned into real products.

1. ***Is it very interesting?***

Same as above

1. ***Do you miss being a student?***

No, because my last memory in school is as a PHD student. I suffered great academic pressure in that time, as I had to publish several decent academic transaction papers in order to graduate, and that was really difficult. Also, the economic pressure made me depressed because the salary allocated to a PHD student was very low, and I could barely feed myself. That’s why some people call PHD as Permanent Head Disease, because it could really make people crazy, and I don’t want to live like that again.

1. ***What technology do you use at work***

Well programming for sure, as I need to write down the code to order the autonomous vehicle to conduct an operation like turning left or going forward, so I need to write hundreds of codes every day. Another important technology I use is deep learning, which is blackened by a lot of math, and it gives the power of intelligence to the vehicles to recognize the traffic lights, the vehicles and other obstacles by itself.

1. ***Who helps you the most? And how?***

In my work, our principal scientist helps me the most. He is a researcher with a lot of industrial experience in AI, and he is familiar with the state-of-the-art technology in deep learning. He often tells me the best way of constructing the deep learning network in order to achieve the best performance of AI. Without his help, I will waste of time in investigating the related information.

## Home/accommodation

1. ***Do you live in a house or a flat?***

I am living in a three-bedroom apartment. I mean, most people in Shanghai live in an apartment, because we have a large population, and there are very few houses in urban area in Shanghai. Living in buildings that are closer to work is the ideal option.

1. ***Can you describe the place where you live?***

I am living in Shanghai. I bet you have heard about it, as it’s the largest city in China, with the population of more 25 million. It is also the center of China in the field of industry, logistic and economy.

1. ***How long have you lived there?***

I was born in Shanghai 35 years ago, so I have lived here for about 30 years, as I went abroad to get my PHD degree in Tokyo for 5 years.

1. ***Please describe the room you live in?***

I have a small room about 10 square meters in size. There is a queen bed, a desk, my gaming chair, and that’s about it. It does not have a walk-in closet due to its small size. Oh, and there isn’t any poster or mirror because my mom does not allow me to hang anything on the wall.

1. ***What part of your home do you like the most?***

Definitely the living room. We just upgraded our TV to a 75 inch 8k OLED TV which cost us

thousands of dollars. And there’s a gaming console, a Xbox, so sometimes I invite some friends to play video games together in the living room, and we can sit in our comfy leather couch.

1. ***Who do you live with?***

Although I’m 35, I’m still living with my parents, because the rental fee is too high downtown where I work. The good point is that I don’t need to pay for housing and food, but the problem is my mother is controlling everything, like when I should go to bed or to get up.

1. ***What room does your family spend most of the time in?***
2. ***See 5.***
3. ***What do you usually do in your flat?***
4. ***See 5.***
5. ***What kinds of accommodation do you live in?***
6. ***See 1.***
7. ***Do you plan to live there for a long time?***
8. ***See 6.***
9. ***Do you prefer living in a house or a flat***
10. ***Are the transport facilities to your home very good***
11. ***What kind of house or flat do you want to live in in the future***
12. ***What's your favorite room in your apartment/house***
13. ***What makes you feel pleasant in your home***
14. ***What's the difference between where you are living now and where you***
15. ***lived in the past***
16. ***Do you think it is important to live in a comfortable environment***

## Hometown (The area you live in)

1. ***Where is your hometown?***
2. ***Is that a big city or a small place?***
3. ***Do you like your hometown?***
4. ***What do you like (most) about your hometown?***
5. ***Is there anything you dislike about it?***
6. ***How long have you been living there?***
7. ***Do you like living there?***
8. ***Do you think you will continue living there for a long time?***
9. ***Please describe your hometown a little.***
10. ***What's your hometown famous for?***
11. ***Did you learn about the history of your hometown at school?***
12. ***Do you like the area that you live in?***
13. ***Where do you like to go in that area?***
14. ***Do you know any famous people in your area?***
15. ***What are some changes in the area recently?***
16. ***Do you know any of your neighbors?***

# Part 1

## 新题

## Hats/caps

1. ***Is wearing hats popular in your country?***
2. ***Where do you like to buy hats?***
3. ***What kinds of hats do you have?***

## Borrowing/lending

1. ***Have you borrowed books from others?***
2. ***Have you ever borrowed money from others?***
3. ***Do you like to lend things to others?***
4. ***How do you feel when people don't return things they borrowed from***

***you***

## Websites

1. ***What kinds of websites do you usually use?***
2. ***Are there any changes about the websites you usually use?***
3. ***What is your favorite website?***
4. ***What kinds of websites are popular in your country?***

## 保留题

## Street market

1. ***What do people usually buy on the street market?***
2. ***Do you prefer to go shopping in the shopping mall or on the street market?***
3. ***When was the last time you went to a street market?***
4. ***Are there many street markets in China?***

## Cars

1. ***Did you enjoy traveling by car when you were a kid?***
2. ***What types of cars do you like?***
3. ***Do you prefer to be a driver or a passenger?***
4. ***What do you usually do when there is a traffic jam?***

## Computers

1. ***In what conditions would you use a computer?***
2. ***When was the first time you used a computer?***
3. ***What would your life be like without computers?***
4. ***In what conditions would it be difficult for you to use a computer?***

## Feeling bored

1. ***Do you often feel bored***
2. ***When would you feel bored***
3. ***What do you do when you feel bored***
4. ***Do you think childhood is boring or adulthood is boring***

## Evening time

1. Do you like morning or evening time
2. What do you usually do in the evening
3. What did you do in the evening when you were little? Why?
4. Are there any differences between what you do in the evening now and what you did in the past?

## Mobile phone

1. ***What was your first mobile phone?***
2. ***Do you often use your mobile phone for texting or calls***
3. ***Will you buy a new one in the future?***
4. ***How has your mobile phone changed your life?***

## Taking photos

1. ***Do you like taking photos?***
2. ***Do you like taking selfies***
3. ***What is your favourite family photo?***
4. ***Do you want to improve your photography skills?***

## Advertisement

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

***advertisements?***

1. ***What kinds of advertisements do you dislike?***
2. ***Do you share advertisements with others?***
3. ***Do you want to work in advertising in the future?***

## Dream

1. ***Do you often remember your dreams?***
2. ***What do you usually dream about?***
3. ***Are you interested in other’s dreams?***
4. ***Do you want to make your dreams come true?***

## Emails

1. ***Do you often send emails?***
2. ***When would you send emails to others?***
3. ***Is sending emails popular in China?***
4. ***Do you think sending emails will be more or less popular in the future?***

## Lost and found

1. ***What will you do if you find something lost by others?***
2. ***Do you report to the police when finding something lost by others? Why?***
3. ***Have you ever lost things?***
4. ***Will you post on social media if you lose your item?***

## Old buildings

1. ***Have you ever seen some old buildings in the city??***
2. ***Do you think we should preserve old buildings in cities??***
3. ***Do you prefer living in an old building or a modern house?***
4. ***Are there any old buildings you want to see in the future? Why?***

## Mirrors

1. ***Do you like looking at yourself in the mirror? How often?***
2. ***Have you ever bought mirrors?***
3. ***Do you usually take a mirror with you?***
4. ***Would you use mirrors to decorate your room?***

## Talents

1. ***Do you have a talent, or something you are good at?***
2. ***Was it mastered recently or when you were young***
3. ***Do you think your talent can be useful for your future work? Why***
4. ***Do you think anyone in your family has the same talent***

## Your favourite item at home

1. ***What is the thing you like the most in your home??***
2. ***Why do you like it?***
3. ***What makes your home more comfortable?***
4. ***What is the view like around the place where you live***

## Swimming

1. ***Do you like swimming??***
2. ***Is it difficult to learn how to swim?***
3. ***Where do people in your country like to go swimming?***
4. ***What's the difference between swimming in the pool and swimming in***

***the sea?***

## Watch

1. ***Do you wear a watch?***
2. ***Have you ever got a watch as a gift?***
3. ***Why do some people wear expensive watches?***
4. ***Do you think it is important to wear a watch? Why?***

# Part 2

## 地点类

## ⽂化之地

Describe a cultural place that you would like to learn the culture there (e.g. a library,

museum, theatre)

You should say:

Where it is

How you knew this place

What it is like

And explain how the place is related to culture

Part 3

1. How does the internet affect culture?
2. How is a culture formed?
3. What kind of culture is popular among young people?
4. How do young people learn different cultures?
5. Which is more important in terms of culture, literature or music?
6. Does the culture of the past have an impact on today's culture?

思路：这个可以使⽤我们故宫的故事。基本上完美套⽤。故宫⾥⾯有很多⽂物，也是

末代皇帝的住所，可以让我们学到很多历史和中国⽂化。

One cultural place I would like to learn more about is the Palace Museum, also known as the

Forbidden City. It is located in the heart of Beijing and was once the imperial palace for over

20 emperors during the Ming and Qing Dynasties. I first learned about this place from my

history classes and through various documentaries. It’s such an iconic location, representing

ancient Chinese culture, and I’ve always been fascinated by its historical significance.

The Forbidden City is an outstanding example of traditional Chinese architecture, featuring

golden roofs, red walls, and intricate carvings. The entire complex is massive—about 100

times the size of a standard soccer field. It’s hard to believe that this grand palace was once

the residence of the emperor and his family, surrounded by over 9,000 rooms.

The Palace Museum is deeply connected to Chinese culture, not just because it served as

the home to emperors, but also because it holds an extensive collection of artifacts from

imperial times. These artifacts, such as paintings, ceramics, and historical documents, reflect

how culture evolved during that period. Visiting this place allows people to learn about the

struggles that shaped China’s history. It’s a place where history and culture come alive, and

I’d love to explore it further to gain a deeper understanding of China’s rich cultural heritage.

## 别人的房间

Describe someone else's room you enjoy spending time in

You should say:

When you visited there

Whose room it is

What it is like

What you can do in it

And explain why you enjoy spending time there