**[Question]**

**Your friend will come here and want to live with you. Unfortunately, this is impossible. Write a letter to your friend In your letter, you should:**

**Explain reasons**

**Suggest other alternatives for accommodation**

**Apologize for your refusal**

Dear Jack,

It has been two years since last time we met. I am ~~very~~ really thrilled to learn that you will visit my city and would like to stay in my house for three weeks. However, I am afraid that my house is not available for your stay this time.

As you know, my family has lived in this house for thirty years. The house is gradually aging these years. Last month, we surprisingly discovered that the walls of my room ~~had a~~ showed signs ~~sign~~ of collapse after a recent earthquake. Consequently, my room is undergoing ~~a~~ renovation for a total of two months. There are only two rooms in my house, so I have to sleep with my parents these days.

Fortunately, I have contacted the church in our community, who are very willing to offer you accommodation. What’s ~~ever~~ even better is that they are capable of admitting two people, which means we can share a room and spend more time with each other.

Last but not least, I would like to express my heartfelt apology for not being able to accommodate you. I really hope this will not inconvenience you.

Please let me know if there is anything else that you need my assistance with.

I am looking forward to meeting you soon.

Yours sincerely,

Jimmy Huang

**COMMENTS**

An excellent T1, with only minor alterations / improvements required. Well done! Remember to use a suitable tone. This is a letter to a friend and doesn’t need to sound too formal. I’ve given an 8 for TA because the tone is consistent overall.

**[Question]**

**Nowadays, the traditions and customs relating to the food we eat and the way we eat are changing.**

**Why is it happening?**

**Do you think this kind of change is positive or negative?**

With the rapid development of agricultural technology and globalization, people’s dietary habits are changing over time. Some noteworthy causes have contributed to this phenomenon. In this essay, I will analyze the reasons behind it and also give my own perspective about whether this change is beneficial or not.

Globalization is one of the most vital factors that lead to dietary change. With the increasing number of people choosing to immigrate and work in foreign countries, a variety of exotic food has been introduced to other places. For example, one can find nearly all kinds of restaurants in Taipei City, such as Japanese, Italian, Thai, French and Korean cuisine ~~food~~. The diversity of the food we eat can be attributed to the consequences of cultural exchange and convenient transportation.

Apart from the fact that the food we eat has varied significantly, the way we consume food has also changed considerably. Firstly, fast food culture has influenced the younger generation’s habit of dining. Secondly, some restaurants nowadays offer an ~~the~~ all- you- can-eat buffet menu ~~scheme~~, which encourages customers to eat without restraint by paying a fixed price. As a consequence, people overeating ~~them will~~ may develop obesity or other chronic diseases.

In conclusion, I have the opinion that this kind of change is somewhat advantageous but can also be ~~somewhat~~ detrimental to our health. ~~For food~~ In terms of cultural exchange between countries, I am convinced that this is a positive trend because it is enjoyable to have a great number of menu choices available ~~on food~~. As for the fast food culture and the all-you-can-eat restaurants, I consider them as a distorted way of consuming food, which can be very unhealthy if people ~~have~~  indulge in them without constraint.

**COMMENTS**

A well-written essay with some excellent use of less common vocabulary and a wide range of grammar.

I have offered some improvements along with corrections here, including some suggested vocabulary that could be included; ***buffet, menu, cuisine etc.***

In terms of grammar, most sentences are correct (in fact the whole of the first two paragraphs). However, note that there is a higher frequency of grammar errors in the second half of the essay, particularly with phrases (on food/ overeating them / have them / the missing NOUN PHRASE). Try to keep your accuracy up to the high standard of the first two paragraphs.

You have answered all parts of the task and provided explanations and examples to your ideas. While I am sure you can think of more ideas, this is enough for the space available and you have done a good job of structuring your writing according to the requirements of the task.