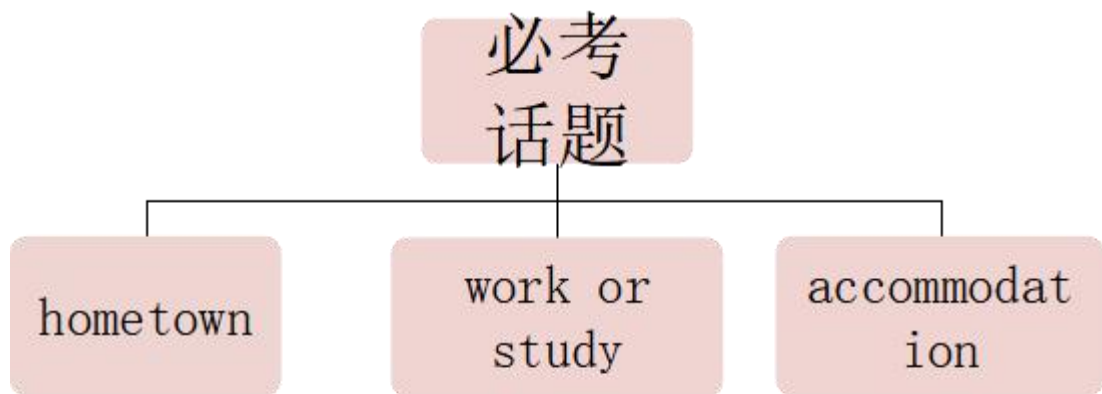


Lecture 2

- Duration: 11-14 mins
- Contents: chat, description, 2-way discussion
- Testing time: 4-5 mins; 3-4 mins; 4-5 mins
- Criteria:
- Fluency and Coherence
- Pronunciation
- Lexical resource
- Grammatical Range and Accuracy



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- How long have you been living there?
- What do you like about your hometown?
- What's your hometown?
- Please describe your hometown a little.
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- What subject(s) are you studying?
- Do you like your subject? Why or why not
- Why did you choose to study that subject/ those subjects?
- Do you prefer to study in the morning or afternoon/ evening?
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- Are the transport facilities to your home very good?
- Do you live in a house or flat?
- What part of your home do you like the most?

口语中常见语法错误

双谓语

时态的混淆（过去时，现在时）

there have 句型

少 's'（三单、复数）



Family

Friends

Teacher

Celebrity

Pets
and
animals

Family

Teacher

Friends





How often do you meet with your family?
How do you spend the time with your family?
Do you want to live with your family in the future?
Are you close to all of your family members?
How has your family influenced you?

Vocabulary

bossy	nuclear family
stubborn	extended family
confident	only child
creative	role model
friendly	understanding and patient with me
hard-working	strengthen family ties
out-going	under the same roof

Q1: How often do you meet with your family?

I... all the time.

I... daily.

I... almost every day

I often...

I... on a regular basis.

I... once in a while.

I rarely...

I never...

e.g. I meet with my family on a regular basis, like twice a week. We like to have a big meal together at home or in some fancy restaurants, because this activity can strengthen family ties, and we all agree that family is the most important thing.

Q2: Do you want to live with your family in the future?

预测类: (直接回答/ 总述+) 短期计划+长期计划

e.g. To be honest, I don't want to live with my family in the future. But I have to share the same roof with them in the next few years since I am still a student and I can't afford to live by myself. After I graduate, I'd like to have my own place.

Q3: How has your family influenced you?

WH-+ How often 类:

总述 (+举例) + 最典型的例子 + 原因

e.g. I do admit that my family has a huge impact on me. More specially, the living and eating habits stuff like that. But I would say that the most significant influence they left on me is good manners, because people tend to like the one who is polite and well-behaved.



Do you have a favorite teacher?
Do you want to be a teacher in the future?
What kinds of teachers do you like?
Do you think teachers should be angry at students or not?
Do you like strict teachers?
What' s the difference between young and old teachers?
Have you ever had bad teachers before?

Vocabulary

humorous sense of humor
talkative careful
hospitable responsible
knowledgeable selfless
inflexible
careless and irresponsible
give individual attention to each student

Q1: Do you think teachers should be angry at students or not?

generally speaking
as a regular rule
at least in my experience
control one' s temper
naughty
e.g. No, generally speaking, teachers shouldn' t get angry with students. It never ends when they get angry, at least in my view. So I think teachers should always control their temper, in any situation.

Q2: What' s the difference between young and old teachers?

总述+情况 1+情况 2
experience
temper
generation gap
relationship
technology use

I think it' s fair to say...

it is manifest that...

e.g. There are several differences between these two types of teachers. For example the teaching experience and the use of technology. I think it' s fair to say that old teachers have more experience than younger ones. However, for the use of technology, it is manifest that young teachers are more likely to use slides or video clips.



Do you have many friends?

Do you like having a best friend or many good friends?

What do you actually do with friends together?

How often do you talk to your friends?

Who do you usually like to hang out with?

Where do you like to go when you hang out with friends?

Do you spend more of your free time with your family or friends?

Q1: Do you like having a best friend or many good friends?

对比选择类：直接回答+原因+驳论

a long time friend of mine

have a lot in common

share the same values/ many interests

hang out together

a lasting friendship

like peas and carrots

peers

bff

Q2: Who do you usually like to hang out with?

直接回答+人物介绍+与问题相关内容

Q3: Do you spend more of your free time with your family or friends?

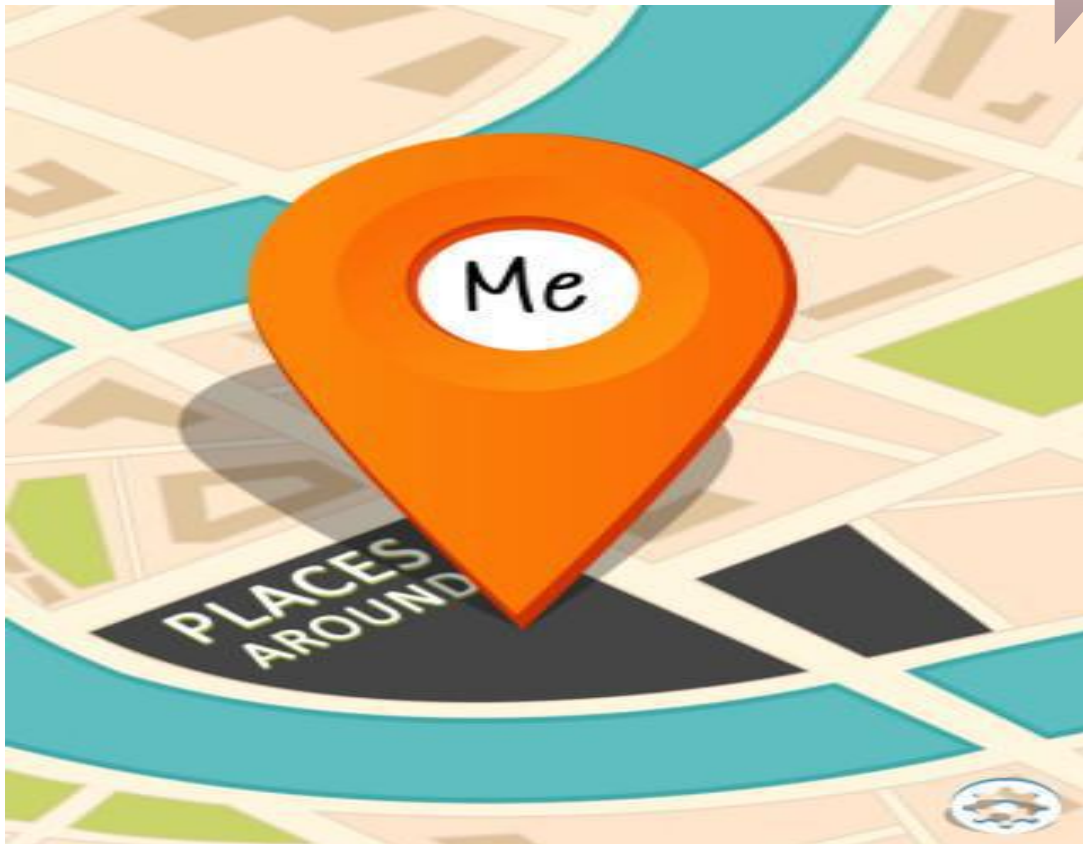
对比选择类：直接回答+原因+反面例子

e.g. Well, generally speaking, I spend more time with my peers than my family. As my friends are all my ages, we have a lot in common and share the same values. If I spend more time with my family, I will feel anxious because there is a huge gap between us.

Transportati

Rain/ rainy

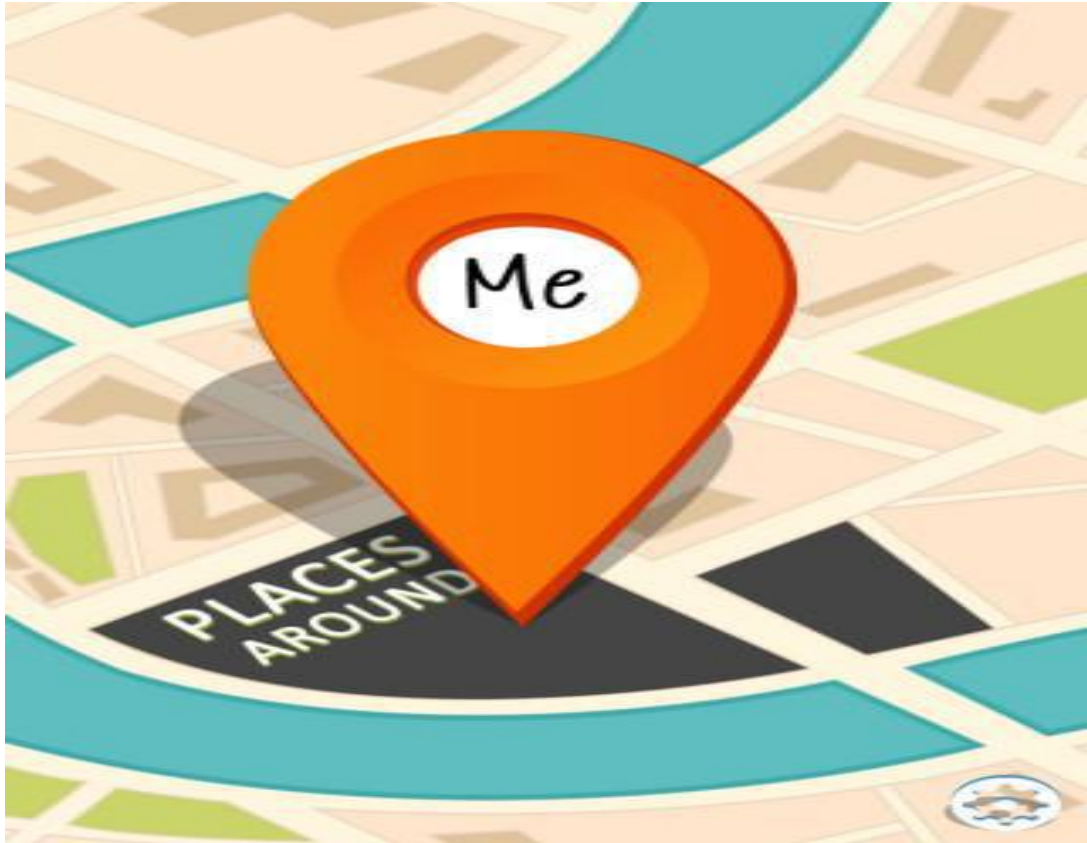
City



Transporta

Rain/ rainy

City



What' s the most popular means of transportation in your hometown?

Is driving to work popular in your country?

Do you like to take public transportation?

What' s the most popular transportation in China?

Do you prefer public transportation or private transportation?

Would you ride bikes to work in the future?

Vocabulary

tube(BE)	subway(AE)
tram	truck
motorcycle	taxi
railway system	high-speed train
bullet train	airplane
afford	life skill
eco- friendly	rush hour
in a hurry	crowded

Q1: Do you like to take public transportation?

e.g. Yes, it's really a good way to take public transportation, because it is more eco-friendly than driving a private car. Plus, the cost of taking public transport is far less than taking private a car.

Q2: What's the most popular means of transportation in your hometown?

直接回答+例子

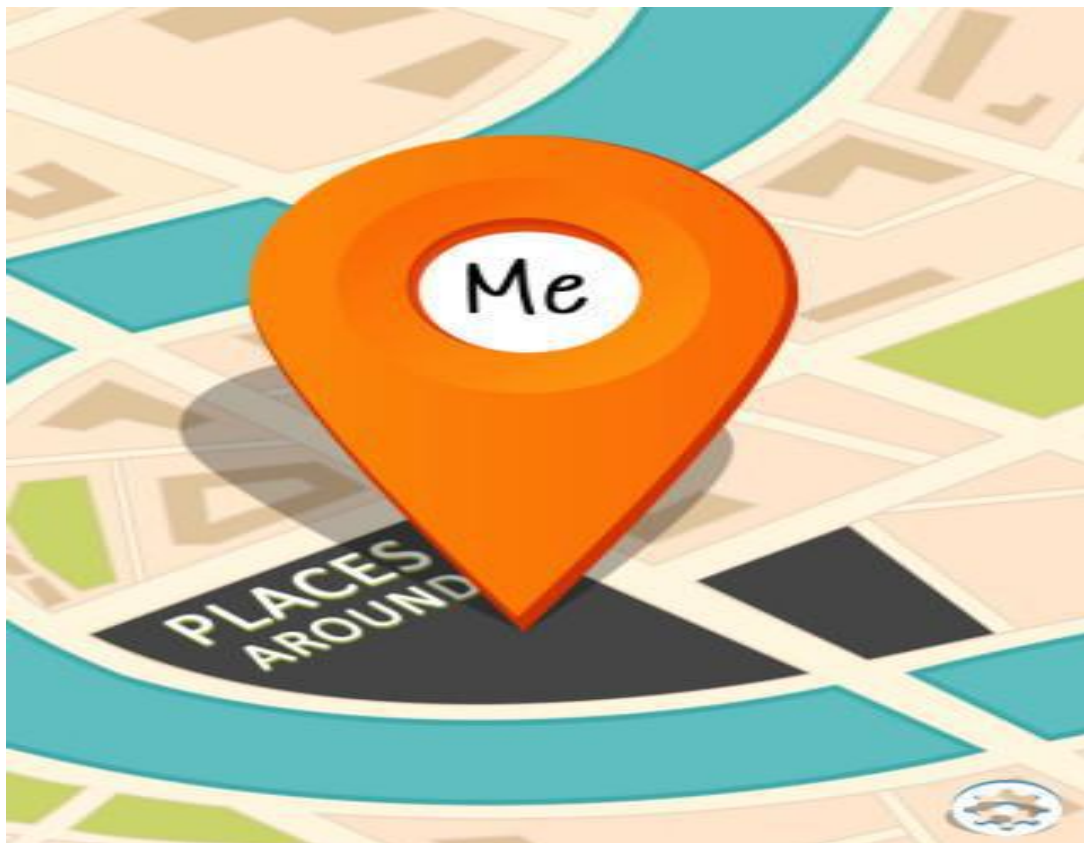
Q3: Is driving to work popular in your country?

直接回答+原因

Transport

Rain/rainv

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What do you do on rainy days?
Do you think rain is good?
How does raining effect people' s lives?
Is there any part of China where it doesn't rain much?
Do you often change your plan when it rains? (new)
Do you prefer living in place humid/ wet or dry? (new)

Vocabulary

drizzle	feel calm and comfortable
shower	cause traffic jams
downpour	cause traffic congestion
lightning	get caught in the rain
raincoat	catch a cold
rain boot	get drenched
a drop of rain	be rained off

Q1: Do you like rainy days?

直接回答+原因

e.g. Absolutely not. I think rainy days are annoying because they always cause traffic congestion, and I may catch a cold during rainy days.

Q2: How does raining effect people' s lives?

总述+例子

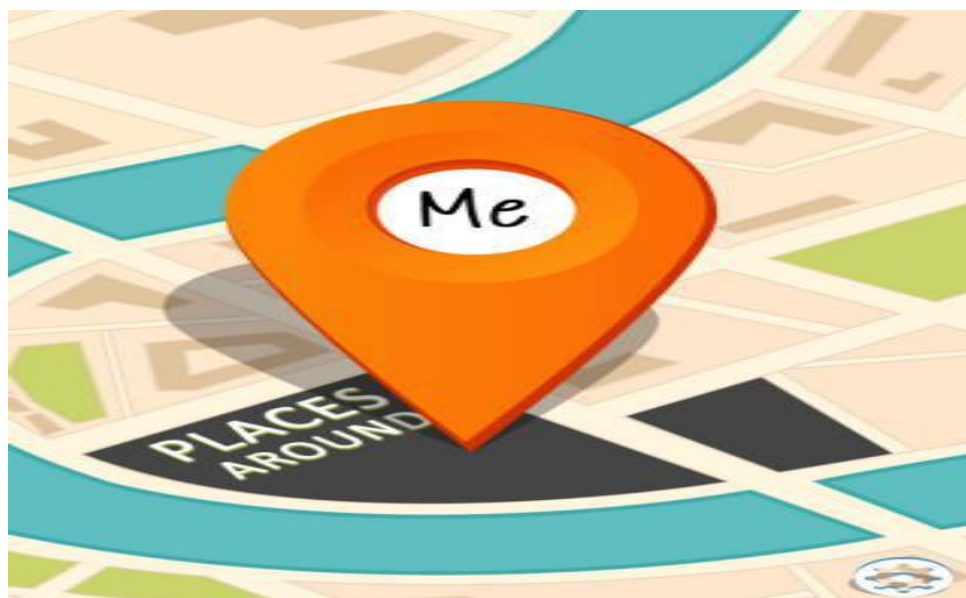
e.g. It may cause lots of troubles or inconveniences. Such as the outdoor activities have to be rained off and because of the traffic jam, people will take more time to work.



Transport

Rain/rainy

City



Do you like living in a city?
Which city do you want to visit?
Where is the best place to live in your country?
Which city did you visit last time?
How often does the city rain? / Is that city raining much?

Vocabulary
coastal city
inland city
metropolitan
slow pace of life
cost of living/ property
the appearance of a city
has a spectacular skyline
hustle and bustle
a lively and vibrant city
cultural/ economic/ political center

Q1: Which city do you want to visit?
hometown 回答思路
location
tourist attractions
weather
economy

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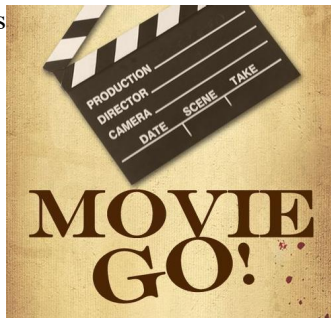
Q2: Where is the best place to live in your country?
直接回答+原因+例子

e.g. As far as I'm concerned, downtown is the best place to live. Although the housing price of city center is higher than other places, the transport system there is well-developed, such as, public buses and subways. I can go anywhere I want by public transportations.

Movies
Weather
Photos
Sunglasses
Painting
Shoes
Color
Gift

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Boat
Dream job
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Plant
Foreign food
Letters
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Maps



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Colors



Sky

Movies



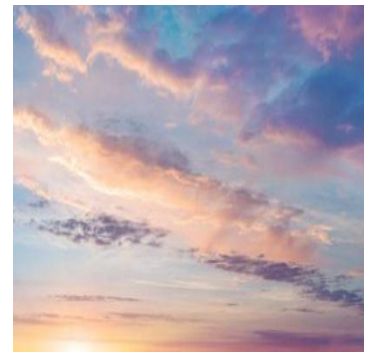
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Sky

Do you like watch movies?
What kind of movies do you like?
How often do you watch movies?
Do you prefer to watch movies at home or in a cinema?
Do you prefer to go to a movie alone or with other?

Vocabulary

comedy	adventure
thriller	documentary
war	western
romance	horror
action	crime
science fiction	music

special effect
storyline/ Plot
main characters
experience different lives
happy ending
is based on a true story
fun and entertaining
thought-provoking
stimulate imagination

Q1: Do you like watching movies? What kinds of movies do you like?

A: 直接回答+原因

B: 直接回答+原因+例子

Yes

Of course

Absolutely

Definitely

My answer is positive to this question.

... is my biggest passion.

I' m fascinated by...

I' m crazy about...

I adore...

I' m a... buff.

I' m really into...

I' m very fond of...

I' m keen on...

I' m enthusiastic about...

I' m passionate about...

Q2: Do you prefer to watch movies at home or in a cinema?



fun and enjoying viewing experience

large screen and the colors like more vivid

sound quality

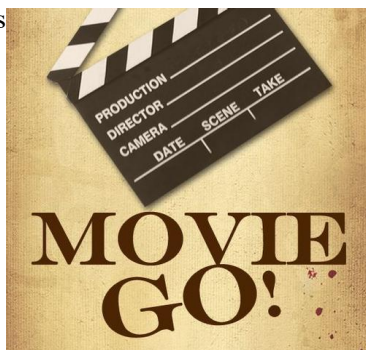
more convenient

save time and money

home cinema system



Movies



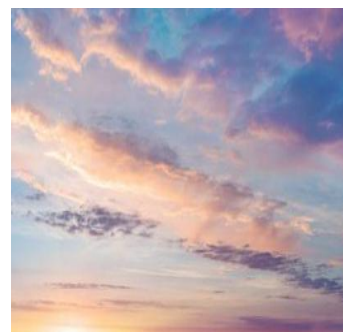
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How often do you use maps?

Who taught you how to use a map?

Do you learn to use map when you were a child?

Do you prefer electronic map or paper maps?

Have you ever asked someone for a direction? Why or why not?

When was your first time used map?

Q1: Do you prefer electronic map or paper maps?

speed

weight

noise

size

the amount of words

pronunciation

convenience

Q2: Have you ever asked someone for a direction? Why or why not?

Movies



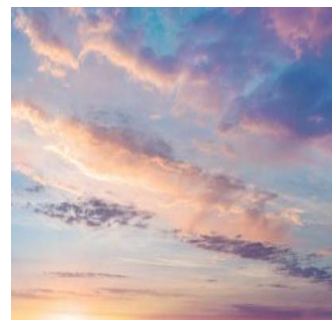
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Sky

If someone wants to draw a picture of you, will you agree?

What kind of paintings do you like?

Is it important to hang pictures at home?

Have you learned drawing or painting?

What do you know about paintings?

Q1: If someone wants to draw a picture of you, will you agree?

直接回答+情况 1+情况 2

e.g. It depends, if this activity is totally for free then I may agree with that person drawing a picture of me. However, if I need to pay for the painting I will probably object to this proposal.

Q2: What kind of paintings do you like?

Chinese painting

oil painting

cave painting

impressionist works

realistic works

imaginative space

e.g. I like Chinese painting, because it carries the long and rich history of Chinese traditional culture. The creation of Chinese painting shows the cognition of ancient Chinese people in philosophy, politics, culture and etc..

Q3: Is it important to hang pictures at home?

重要性类：直接回答+原因 1+原因 2

e.g. For me, hanging paintings at home is not important since I'm not a big fan of fancy paintings. And I think there is not enough space for hanging pictures in my place.

Movies



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Colors



Sky

Do you usually wear clothes in your favorite color?

Are there any colors you dislike?

What's your favorite color?

what's the most popular color in your country?

Do colors affect your mood?

Vocabulary

cream

Copper 黄铜色

navy blue

Lilac 淡紫色

Maroon 褐红色

multi-colored

metallic 金属色

bright colors (orange and red)

dark colors (purple and brown)

soft colors (cream and grey)

energetic

clam and peaceful

elegant and classy

Q1: Do you usually wear clothes in your favorite color?

e.g. Frankly speaking, I rarely wear clothes in my favorite color as sky blue is my favorite color and unfortunately it doesn't suit for my skin's color, so I'd rather choose to wear black and white instead of sky blue.

Q2: What's the most popular color in your country?

总述+例子+原因

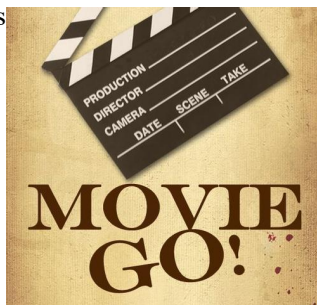
e.g. I would say red is the most popular color in China. Esp. during the Chinese spring festival, people can see many things in red, such as the red couplets and red envelopes. This is mainly because Chinese people deeply believe that red can bring luck and expel the evil spirits.

Q3: Do colors affect your mood?

总述+情况 1+情况 2

e.g. Colors can definitely influence on my mood. If I wear something with bright colors, like pink or red or other warm colors, it will liven me up for the whole day. But if I wear dark colors I will feel a bit blue.

Movies



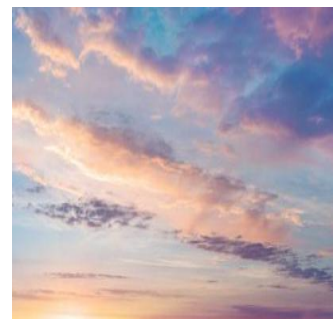
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Sky

Do you like looking into the sky? Why?
 Where is the most suitable place for sky watching?
 Do you prefer to watch the sky in the daytime or at night?
 Have you learned anything about stars or planets at school?
 What does the sky look like at night in your hometown?
 Have you ever taken a course about stars?
 Is it important to study stars?

Q1: Where is the most suitable place for sky watching?

terrace	peace and quiet
balcony	lean on 依靠, 靠在
at the mountain top	get rid of pressure
on the grassland	relax oneself

e.g. Personally speaking, watching sky on the grassland would be my best choice since I can get rid of pressure when I am sitting on the grassland and leaning on my boyfriend's shoulder.

Q2: Do you prefer to watch the sky in the daytime or at night?

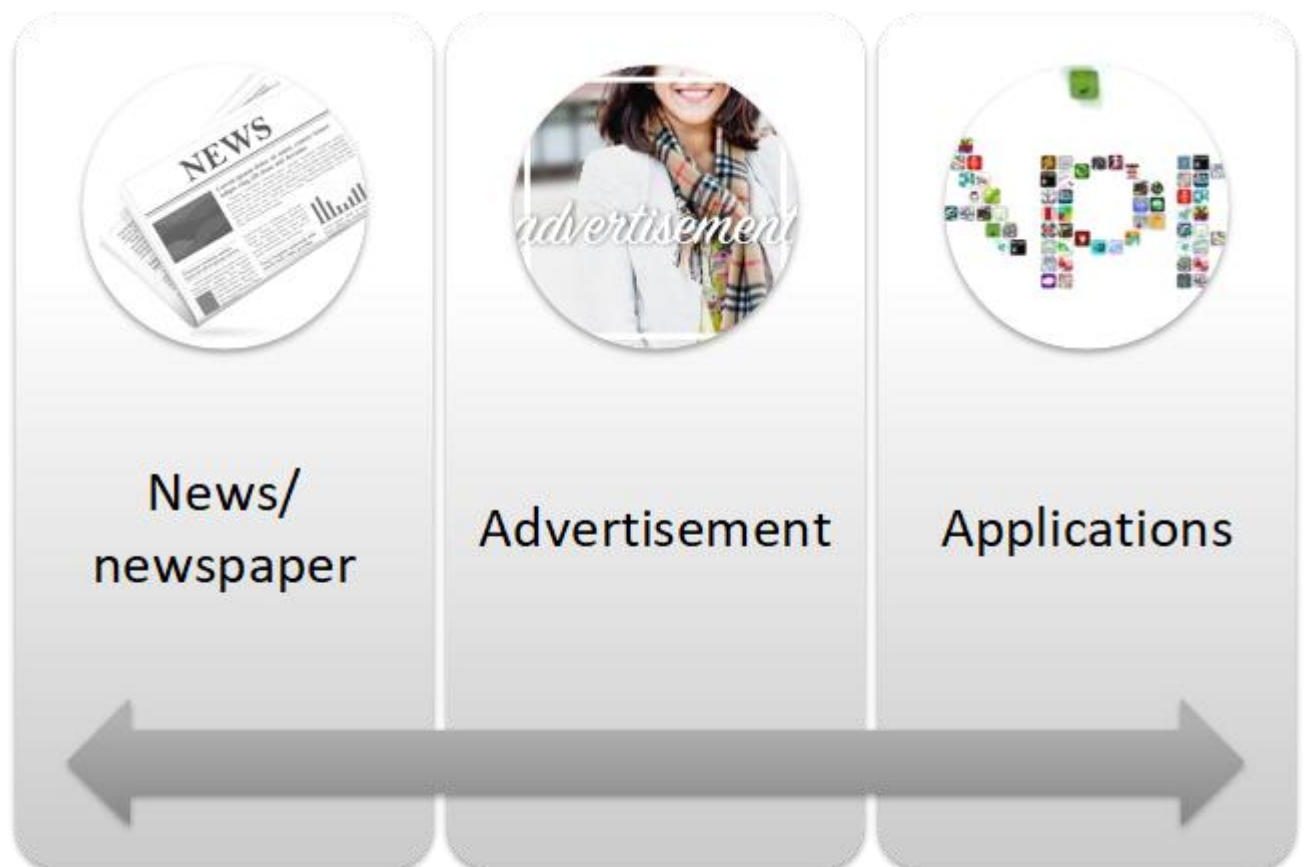
对比选择类: 直接回答+原因+反面例子

直接回答	I am fond of watching the sky at night.
原因	There are fewer people during the night time. The night time is always peaceful and quiet. I can enjoy the sky peacefully. Besides, stars are easy to be seen at night, which are very picturesque.
反面例子	If I watch sky during the daytime, I will not be able to enjoy the beautiful view. There is too much sunshine and ultraviolet rays in the morning. My eyes may get hurt.

Q3: What' s the sky looks like at night in your hometown?

Wh-/How 类：总述+典型例子+原因

总述	The sky in my hometown is always gloomy
典型例子	Especially during weekdays, the sky is grey and smoggy.
原因	Cars are much more affordable than before, so the number of cars on the road is greater and greater, which results in air pollution.





Advertisement

News/Newspaper



Advertisement

News/Newspaper



- Why do you want to know the latest news?
- How important is it to you to get the news every day?
- Which do you prefer reading, magazines or newspapers?
- What kinds of newspapers or magazines do you usually read?
- How old were you when you first started to read newspapers?
- Do you think it's important to read newspapers?
- Why do you think people read newspapers?

Q1: Why do you want to know the latest news?

e.g. I have to say that the latest news could be a good topic when I talk with my friends and it is a good way to avoid embarrassing situation. For example, if I did something rather awkward I could shift the topic to the latest news and escape from the embarrassment.

Q2: What kinds of newspapers or magazines do you usually read?

morning/ evening edition	daily
big news	fashion
book review	city news
cartoon/ comics	public notice
advertisement	the sport page
entertainment news	juicy gossip

Q3: Which do you prefer reading, magazines or newspapers?



e.g. Generally speaking, I tend to read magazines. Compared to newspapers, magazines are more interesting than newspapers, in terms of colors. Thus, I will not feel bored when I read magazines.

Q4: How old were you when you first started to read newspapers?

直接回答+原因（+例子）

e.g. To be honest, I can't remember the exact time clearly, but I think it was my first grade in primary school. The teacher left the homework with the most interesting part in the education newspaper, so I thought that was my first time to read newspapers.



News/Newspaper

Advertisement



Do advertisements influence your choice about what to buy?

Why do you think there are so many advertisements now?

How do you feel when advertisement pops up while surfing on the internet?

Do they encourage/persuade you to buy some related products?

What kind of advertisements do you like the most?

What kind of advertisements leave the deepest impression on people?

Vocabulary

commercials

billboard

effective and persuasive

creative and entertaining

catchy slogan

misleading

interrupt TV programmes

spoil the fun

promote products

marketing tool

Q1: Do advertisements influence your choice about what to buy?

直接回答+举例

Q2: Why do you think there are so many advertisements now?

(总述+) 原因 1+原因 2

Q3: How do you feel when advertisement pops up while surfing on the internet?

直接回答+例子

Q3: How do you feel when advertisement pops up while surfing on the internet?

e.g. I have to say that commercials are time-consuming and annoying. Especially when I want to watch a video quickly, the 60s advertisement is so long, sometimes even longer. To make matters worse, when I enjoy the video and suddenly the advertisements pop up. It really makes me angry.

Drinking water

Cooking

Morning routines

Holiday

Outdoor/ indoor activities

Sleeping

Physical exercises

Space travel

Study time

Spare time

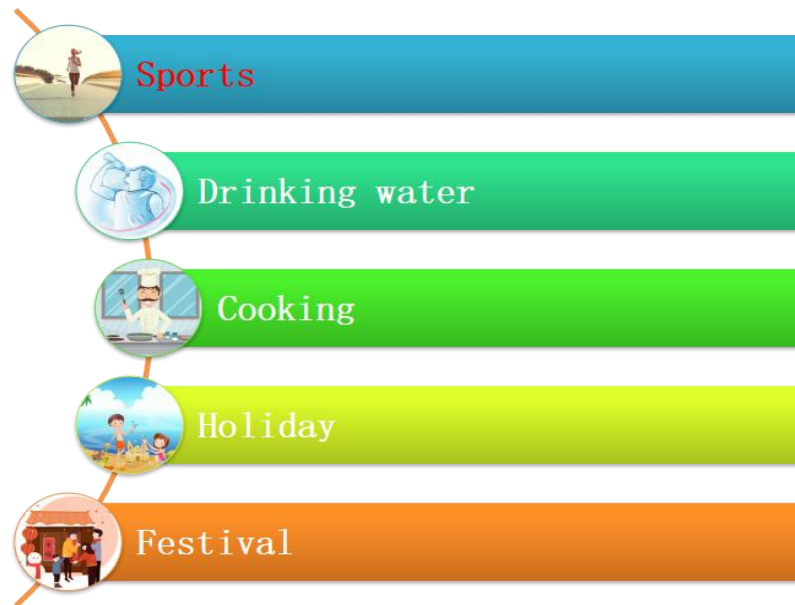
Being bored

Save money

Punctuality

Sport





Do you like to watch sports on TV?
Do you have a favorite sports star?
What kinds of sports do you like?
What kinds of sports would you like to have in the future?
Do you think the sports chosen by young people and old are similar?
Is there any sport that you have never played but you would like to try?
What are the differences when boys and girls play sports?

Vocabulary

light	play	do	go
moderate	badminton	yoga	swimming
vigorous	table tennis	gymnastic	bungee jumping
strenuous	golf	kung fu	bowling
work out	soccer	taekwondo	diving
strength	volleyball	aerobics	surfing
flexibility	basketball		jogging
endurance			hiking
potential			square dancing

Vocabulary

individual sports

increase concentration

an active lifestyle

reduce the risk of heart disease and high blood pressure

do exercises on a regular basis

brisk walking

reduce stress

Q1: What kinds of sports do you like?

Q2: Is there any sport that you have never played that you would like to try?

e.g. I would say diving. Because I'm fond of water very much, so swimming is my favorite sport.

Unfortunately I've only tried snorkeling before. I hope I can try diving someday.

Q3: What are the difference when boys and girls play sports?

vigorous

strenuous

basketball

football

strength



light sport

moderate

yoga

jogging

dancing

flexibility



Do you prefer outdoor or indoor activities?
What do you do in your spare time?
Do you like outdoor activities? / What outdoor activities do you like?
Do you like indoor activities? / What indoor activities do you like?
What outdoor/indoor activities do you most like to do?
How often do you do indoor/outdoor activities?
What outdoor sports do you like?
How much time do you spend outdoor/indoor every week?
What types of outdoor activities are popular in your country?

Q1: How often do you do indoor activities?

直接回答+例子+原因

e.g. I do indoor activities.... For example..., because do this kind of indoor activity can....

play mahjong
read books
watch movies
paly basketball
go to the gym
indoor swimming pool
play games
sleeping

Q2: What types of outdoor activities are popular in your country?

square dance	
play tai chi	hang out with friends
plant the flower	individual sports
amusement park	rock climbing
	have a barbecue

总述+典型例子+原因

e.g. I think it depends on different age groups. For elderly people, they tend to choose square dancing, as they consider this is a healthy way to stay healthy and also they can chat with their friends when they are dancing. For the young generation, we prefer to choose playing some ball games, like badminton or basketball. Because we have the physical strength to do this kind of activity.



Do you drink bottled water or water from water machine?

What kinds of water do you like to drink?

How often do you drink water

Q1: Do you drink bottled water or water from water machine?

直接回答+原因

总述+情况 1+情况 2

e.g. I'd like to drink water from water machine. The first reason is that this way will not cause so much pollution to our environment. The second factor is that when I feel uncomfortable, I can have hot water from the water machine.

Q2: What kinds of water do you like to drink?

mineral water

distilled water

tap water

bottled water

soda water

beverage

coke

sprite

a healthy body/ mind

Provide the necessary nutrition

Environmental friendly

Clean

Safe

Unexpansive

e.g. My favorite type of water is..., because I think drinking this kind of water can...



Is it difficult to cook Chinese food for you?

Do you want to learn how to cook?

Do you like cooking?

Who taught you how to cook?

Have you ever cooked?

Q1: Do you like cooking?

e.g. To be honest, cooking is really not my forte and I'm really not good at it. I don't know how much salt or sauce I should put into the dishes, and I always make the food too salty.

Q2: Who taught you how to cook?

直接回答+人物介绍+原因



Where do you plan to go for holiday in the future?

Who would you like to go on holiday with?

What kinds of places do you like to go on holiday?

Q1: Where do you plan to go for holiday in the future?

e.g. I want to go to HK which is known as shopping paradise in China. You know, every girl likes shopping and as far as I know, because of duty free, the price of import products in HK is lower than mainland. If I have chance, I will definitely go there.

Q2: Who would you like to go on holiday with?

e.g. To be honest, I prefer to go on holiday alone. Because I can go anywhere I want and don't need to worry about others' thoughts. Like, if I'm tired I could stop anytime and have a rest, and then continue my trip.



What is your favorite festival?
How do you celebrate the festival?
What is the most popular Chinese festival?
Do you like western festivals?
Where do people usually go during festivals?



Q1: Do you like western festivals?

Christmas
Easter Day
Halloween



e.g. To be honest, among these various western festivals, Christmas is my favorite one. The most important reason is that lots of shopping malls will provide discounts during this festival. You know, it is like a shopping carnival. Apart from that, I can receive plenty of gifts on Christmas Day.





What do you do in your spare time?

Do you think people have more spare time nowadays?

Do you like to spend your free time with family or friends?

How to balance the time spending with family and on work?

Where do you often go to when you have any spare/free time?

Q1: What do you do in your spare time?

hang out with friends
have a barbecue
amusement park
stay at home
sleep late and watch TV

e.g. Personally speaking, I 'd like to stay at home and watch TV in my leisure time, but sometimes I may also hang out with my best friends. I think both of these measures can relax myself.

Q2: Do you think people have more spare time nowadays?



e.g. Will, it really depends on age groups. For old people, after they retire from work, they can get sufficient spare time to do whatever they want like traveling. However, for the younger generation or the most of young people, the leisure time we have is less and less nowadays due to various pressures, such as work or family. We need time to handle these problems and this results in less spare time situation.

Q3: How to balance the time spending with family and on work?

e.g. To be honest, it is really hard to find a balance between spending time with family and work. Take myself as an example, if I spend more time with my family then I may not finish my work on time. But if I spend more time on work, then I will not have much time to increase the intimacy between my family and I.



Spare time



Swimming

Should everyone learn swimming? Why?

Is it difficult to learn how to swim?

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

Do you prefer to swim in the sea or in a swimming pool?

Do you think swimming should be taught in school?

How do children learn to swim?

Q1: Should everyone learn swimming? Why?

survival skill

keep health

stay in shape

burn calories

improve lung capability

increase body resistance

e.g. Absolutely! Swimming is a beneficial sport to all ages. It allows people to burn calories and release pressure at the same time. In a scorching summer, it's also a good way to cool down your body.

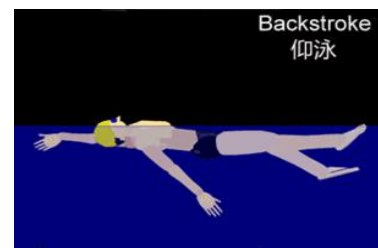
Q2: Is it difficult to learn how to swim?

various strokes

hold breath

be afraid of water

do +



Q3: What' s the difference between swimming in the pool and swimming in the sea?

e.g. I guess you would find lots of differences in them. Swimming in a pool would be safer, as there are quite a few life guards who would save you immediately if you are in danger. Though at the same time, swimming in the sea could be much funnier and more likely for you to get connected to nature.

