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## 超高性价比：全科冲分班课

### 享赢全科班 王牌热销课程

#### 适合人群

- 基础分数：5分及以上，有一定英语基础的雅思小白
- 备考情况：刚开始备考雅思没有方法论，期望系统性学习各题型答题方法技巧

#### 课程服务内容

- 64h超长直播课时，详解所有题型备考技巧
- 71h全套词汇/发音/语法视频课
- 外教老师1V1口语模拟
- 不限次雅思写作批改
- 4V1管家式学习服务

#### 课程特色

- 王牌双师课堂：授课老师+学霸老师1V1服务课上+课下：完全覆盖学习答疑、作业批改、备考规划、课程监督
- 完善课程保障制度：未达6.5分课程重读+持续答疑
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#### 课程时间

- 工作日晚+周末

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#### 适合人群

- 基础分数：5分以下，英语基础薄弱或长时间未接触英语
- 备考情况：期望基础到进阶，一站式学习提分

#### 课程特色

- 科学学习体系，雅思核心基础夯实+四科进阶
- 基础段密切衔接雅思，学习不走弯路
- 进阶阶段四科完善配套训练及资料，直达目标分

### 一站冲分班 定制化解决基础难题

#### 雅思基础强化段

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#### 适合人群

- 基础分数：5分以下，英语基础薄弱或长时间未接触英语
- 备考情况：备考时间较为紧张，问题个性化，期望高效解决基础问题

#### 课程特色

- 基础课程随学员情况定制课程内容
- 前期击破薄弱点，高效夯实基础
- 后期四科进阶体系式备考冲分，一站搞定

## 权威前考官：前考官亲授系列课程

### 前考官口写密训班

#### 适合人群

- 基础分数：有一定英语基础及听力能力的同学
- 备考情况：期望权威师资特训口写写作

#### 课程特色

- 浸泡式全英教学
- 与前考官直接互动，提前适应全真考场氛围
- 开创性LSEP教学模式
- 在线视频小组练习，还原线下课程实景

#### 课程服务内容

- 30h前考官亲授直播课
- 31h雅思必备语法视频课
- 外教1V1视频口语陪练+批改
- 前考官亲自批改作文
- 班主任全程安心陪伴监督

#### 课程时间

- 工作日晚

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#### 口语写作

30H前考官  
口写密训

#### 听力阅读

32H明星师资  
听阅专项课

#### 基础提升

赠送65H系统性  
基础提升课

#### 适合人群

- 基础分数：有一定英语基础及听力能力的同学
- 备考情况：期望短期全科冲分，全王牌师资精准特训

#### 课程服务内容

- 口写主观性科目，前考官亲自任教，直击考官出题思路，精准把握得分点
- 听阅客观性科目，大神级中教师资10+年教学经验汇总输出，能力提升+技巧破题，高效提升

## 极致效率：专属定制1v1课程

### 1V1定制课

#### 适合人群

- 基础分数：所有基础段均可
- 备考情况：期望老师针对性提高薄弱项

#### 课程特色

- 大神级雄厚师资团队
- 定制化课程点对点高效提升薄弱项
- 趴趴自有平台上课，课后随时回放课程反复精看

#### 课程服务内容

- 1V1名师针对性授课专项提升
- 量身定制备考方案
- 助教全程跟踪服务
- N对一环绕教学模式

#### 课程时间

- 个性化定制

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享胜

拿分计划

64H  
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冲分计划

#### 适合人群

- 基础分数：不限基础
- 备考情况：需要个性化备考或者期望快速精准提分

#### 课程服务内容

- 全科定制1v1专享套餐
- 全科疑难问题定点攻破
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## Part1:

### **1. Chocolate**

1.How often do you eat chocolate?

I would say I eat dark chocolate once or twice a month, depending on my mood and availability. I don't eat dark chocolate as often as I did when I was a kid, however, I think it tastes better than other snacks. In other words, it's a childhood memory for me.

2.Do you think it is good to use chocolate as gifts to others?

Yes, I think it is good to use chocolate as a gift to others. In fact, it goes without saying that giving chocolate as a gift is a great idea for Valentine's Day. When people think of Valentine's Day gifts and special anniversary surprises, they automatically think of chocolate, flowers, and love hearts.

3.Did you like chocolate when you were a child?

When I was a kid, I would eat milk chocolate once or twice a week. Every time my family went to the supermarket, I would ask my mom to buy chocolate for me. In retrospect, I think the reason why I used to be attracted to milk chocolate as a kid was that sugary product is something my body attracts to.

4.Why do you think chocolate is so popular in many parts of the world?

I think chocolate is popular around the world because, first of all, chocolate is very simple to make delicious with easily obtained items. Add varying amounts of milk and sugar, and one can get deliciousness no matter what degrees one uses them. Second, chocolate has so many stimulating chemicals in it that almost nothing compares. That's why women are portrayed as eating it so much when depressed.

### **2. Small businesses**

1.Do you know many small businesses?

Yes, as a matter of fact, I do know a lot of small businesses. For example, the milk tea shops around the street corner are my favorite small businesses. On top of that, all the street stands which serve amazing food are also my favorite. I find that small businesses are closer to our lives than big companies, and they bring more convenience to us.

2.Have you ever worked in small businesses?

Not really. I have only worked in international companies, and they are all on the list of Fortune 500. But after all these years working in similar environments, I'd love to make some changes and try something new in smaller industries or businesses.

3.Do you prefer buying things in big companies or small businesses?

For my part, I prefer to buy things from big companies because companies can

produce products more efficiently when operating at scale. Moreover, their size sometimes enables them to design higher quality products and to improve them faster and more efficiently. In these cases, products and services get better and cheaper when provided by large companies, to the benefit of consumers like me.

4. Have you ever thought about starting your own business?

Not really. I'm quite conservative, so starting one's own company is risky. It is possible that you can be successful and earn a lot of money, but at the same time, you can also get broken. And I think this fact has been tested when we see so many small businesses closing down during covid.

### **3. T-shirts**

1. Do you like wearing T-shirts?

T-shirts are very popular among young people. I like wearing T-shirts so much that I wear them very often, especially in summer. The reason why I like wearing T-shirts is that they are comfortable and I could even wear them to do sports. Another reason is that T-shirts go with everything, I don't need to spend time considering what to wear every day.

2. How often do you wear T-shirts?

I wear T-shirts in summer about every day. And I especially love white T-shirts. For some reason, I feel very comfortable in the white T-shirts. Depending on the cutting of the T-shirt, it can be casual or formal. So I wear it in casual occasions as well as in workplace.

3. Do you like T-shirts which have pictures on them?

I do like T-shirts with some well-designed pictures or prints. As you may know, many brands are selling T-shirts with very exquisite Chinese classic prints or intarsia that make T-shirts look fashionable and unique. My favorite T-shirt is designed with a traditional Chinese knot knitted right in the front center. I think those prints or pictures make T-shirts vivid and fashionable.

4. Do you think older people who wear T-shirts are fashionable?

I believe that older people can definitely be fashionable when wearing T-shirts. Fashion is about personal style, and anyone of any age can express themselves through their clothing choices. T-shirts are versatile and can be styled in many different ways to suit individual tastes. Whether it's a classic graphic tee or a trendy vintage design, older people can look stylish and confident in T-shirts that reflect their personality. It's all about embracing one's individuality and feeling comfortable in what you wear.

5. Would you buy T-shirts as souvenirs on vacation?

Not really. I am indeed a big traveler, but to be honest, I don't like to shop for

souvenirs on tourist sites, including T-shirts. You know, souvenirs are often sold at an absurd price. In another word, it's obvious cheating. So I don't really do T-shirt shopping on vacations.

#### **4. *The space and the stars***

1. Have you ever learn anything about space and the stars when you were at school?

Yes, during my school years, I learned about space and the stars as part of the science curriculum. We studied topics such as the solar system, galaxies, and celestial bodies, which sparked my interest in astronomy.

2. Would you like to find out more about space and the stars?

Absolutely, I would love to learn more about space and the stars. The vastness and mysteries of the universe fascinate me, and delving deeper into topics like cosmology, space exploration, and astrophysics would be both enlightening and awe-inspiring.

3. Do you enjoy watching science-fiction films/movies set in space?

Yes, I enjoy watching science-fiction films set in space. They often depict imaginative scenarios of space exploration, alien encounters, and futuristic technology, which captivate my imagination and curiosity about the unknown.

4. Do you want to go into outer space in the future?

While the idea of traveling into outer space is intriguing, it is not a priority for me. I appreciate the wonders of space from afar and prefer to explore and contribute to scientific understanding through other means. However, I admire the bravery and pioneering spirit of astronauts who venture into the cosmos.

#### **5. *Libraries***

1. Do you often go to library?

Honestly, I go to the library less often than in the past. I hardly go to the library now because online reading is available at any time. When I was a student, I went to the library quite often because it provided me with a peaceful and quiet place to read and learn. Now our life is filled with all kinds of information, I do think going to the library is a better choice, so in the future, I would go to the library to read more often.

2. Did you go to library when you were a kid?

When I was a kid, I always went to the library with my friends. I got the habit of reading in primary school when we were required to read a book every month and everyone was required to make a presentation about a book review each semester. So my friends and I often went to the library to read because there were books of all kinds and we could find everything that we needed.

3. Do Chinese kids often go to the library?

With more and more Chinese people attaching importance to reading, the library becomes a good choice for parents. Many parents take their kids to the library to read every weekend. Compared with online reading, reading in the library is



beneficial for kids because they could learn more by deep reading.

4. What do you usually do in the library?

Well, I read in the library of course. I read magazines, newspapers and books in the library. But sometimes I would bring my laptop to write essays in the library, or watch online videos. You know, the Wifi is quite strong in my school library. I never need to worry about losing Internet connection.

## **6. *Childhood memory***

1. What did you enjoy doing as a child?

As a child, I enjoyed various activities such as playing outdoors with friends, exploring nature, and engaging in imaginative play. I also loved reading books, drawing, and participating in creative projects. These experiences brought me joy and enriched my childhood.

2. Did you enjoy your childhood?

Yes, I did enjoy my childhood immensely. It was a time of innocence, discovery, and learning. I have fond memories of carefree days spent playing with friends, exploring my surroundings, and experiencing new adventures. Although there were challenges and obstacles along the way, overall, my childhood was a happy and memorable period of my life.

3. What are your best childhood memories?

Some of my best childhood memories include family vacations, celebrations with loved ones, and special moments spent with friends. I cherish the times when we gathered around the dinner table, shared laughter and stories, or embarked on exciting adventures together. These experiences shaped who I am today and continue to hold a special place in my heart.

4. Do you think it is better for children to grow up in the city or in the countryside?

Whether it is better for children to grow up in the city or the countryside depends on various factors such as personal preferences, family circumstances, and individual needs. Both environments offer unique advantages and challenges. While the city provides access to diverse opportunities, amenities, and cultural experiences, the countryside offers a slower pace of life, closer connection to nature, and a sense of community. Ultimately, what matters most is a supportive and nurturing environment where children can thrive and develop holistically.

## **7. *happy things***

1. What made you happy when you were little?

The definition of happiness varies from person to person, but I believe little kids have something in common in terms of this topic. When I was little, I was extremely happy to go to the amusement park, besides, I also got excited upon receiving gifts on my birthday or other important events. All in all, when I was little, I was curious about the world, and new things often made me happy. I still hope I could maintain such curiosity now.

2. What do you think will make you feel happy in the future?

I find that what makes me happy always brings me a sense of satisfaction. For example, I

felt pleased when I got the scholarship after working hard. I am applying for the master degree these days, before which I have been preparing for the test for about a year. If I could pass the exam, I would be extremely happy. However, I also find that once I spare no effort to do something, the result is also better than expected.

3. Is there anything that has made you feel happy lately?

I visited my parents last weekend and we had a great dinner together. I was glad to learn that my father got a big promotion at his work. And he was going to buy me a big gift to celebrate the promotion! That made me very happy.

4. When do you feel happy at work? Why?

To be honest, I feel the happiest when I am about to finish work. Well, you know, work can be stressful, especially when I have to deal with difficult people sometimes. It exhausts me. When the day is about to finish, I just feel that I can finally relax and enjoy myself for the evening.

5. Do you feel happy when buying new things?

Absolutely! Shopping makes me happy. I'm not saying that I'm a shopaholic, but to me, shopping is healing and relaxing. When I am in the shopping mall, I like to take away the items that I like. It's a moment when I feel a sense of control over my life.

6. Do you think people are happy when buying new things?

I guess so. New things often bring people a sense of satisfaction. In another word, people pay for things that they are fond of. When they get to own something that they like, of course they would feel happy and satisfied.

## **8. *Staying up late***

1. Do you sometimes go to bed very late?

stay up late? Not really. You know, being a night owl could take a toll on our body function and even work efficiency. If I can get a good night's sleep every day, it helps me to have a clear and alert brain, which allows me to focus, learn and remember information and be creative.

2. Did you stay up late when you were a child?

Seldom. Pulling an all-nighter was strictly forbidden when I was a kid. My parents would regulate my timetable and I had to go to bed before 10 pm because they believe that enough sleep is conducive to the growth of my brain. But now, when I have to catch up on the deadline of my work or study, I have to stay up late because you know there is not enough time in one day.

3. After a late night, how do you feel the next morning?

If I continued to stay up for more than 3 days, I would wake up tired, yawn during conversations, and nearly fall asleep during the day. And it may also lead to bigger and bigger dark circles under the eyes and acne on the face which will make others have a bad first impression of me.

4. What do you like to do when you stay up late?

Well, I am not a night person. If I had to burn the midnight oil, it would probably be

the case that I would finish pending office work, binge-watch a TV series or program that I find irresistible, or talk to a friend over the phone.

## **9. Number**

1. What is your favorite number?

My favorite number is 7. In Chinese culture, 7 is considered lucky and auspicious. It symbolizes harmony, perfection, and prosperity. Additionally, 7 holds significance in various contexts such as the seven colors of the rainbow, the seven days of the week, and the seven wonders of the world.

2. Why? Do you usually use numbers?

Yes, I frequently use numbers in daily life for various purposes such as counting, measuring, calculating, and keeping track of time. Numbers are essential for tasks ranging from simple arithmetic to complex financial calculations.

3. Are you good at math?

Yes, I consider myself proficient in maths. Maths has always been my favourite subject. I have a good grasp of mathematical concepts and enjoy solving problems involving numbers, equations and logical reasoning.

4. Are you good at remembering phone numbers?

Yes, I am quite good at remembering phone numbers. I find it helpful to associate numbers with patterns, repetitions, or personal significance, which aids in retention. However, with the widespread use of smartphones and digital contacts, the need to remember phone numbers has diminished somewhat.

## **10. School change \schools**

1. Do you go to a good school?

Yes, I have always been going to good schools because my parents attach great importance to education as a means of enhancing a person's worth and career. In their eyes, a school is good when it uses every resource, advantage, gift, and opportunity it has to grow students and tends to see more resources, and opportunities than lower-performing schools.

2. What changes would you like to see in your school?

I would like to see the curriculum in my school adapt to the skill sets of the 21 century. For example, the Board of Schools can have a group of successful professionals document the 10 most important things they know, and the 10 most important skills, then compare and contrast them with national academic standards to create the most efficient curriculum for every major.

3. What are the difference between your school and other schools?

Compared to other schools, my school is relatively small in size. We are more targeted at social science, so we don't have fancy labs for you to do some medical experiments. Also, there are fewer students and thus a smaller campus.

4. Is there anything you want to change about your school?

If possible, I would like to expand the library. Our library is not big enough, which makes it difficult to find a place during the final weeks since students just crowd in the library to prepare for the test. So, I think it would be better if we have a larger library.

## ***11. Jewelry***

1. When do people like to give jewellery in your country?

In my country, people often give jewelry during special occasions and significant milestones. For example, it's common to present jewelry as a gift for weddings, engagements, or anniversaries as a symbol of love, commitment, and celebration. Additionally, during major holidays such as Chinese New Year and birthdays, gifting jewelry is considered a thoughtful and meaningful gesture to express good wishes and appreciation. Jewelry holds cultural and emotional significance in Chinese tradition, making it a popular choice for expressing affection and marking important life events.

2. What type of jewellery do you like best?

As for the type of jewelry I like best, I have a preference for traditional Chinese jade ornaments. Jade holds great cultural significance in China and is believed to bring luck, prosperity, and protection. The intricate designs and elegant shades of green in jade jewelry resonate with me on a personal and cultural level. Additionally, I appreciate the craftsmanship and history behind jade pieces, making them not only beautiful accessories but also cherished heirlooms. The symbolism and beauty of jade jewelry make it my favorite type of accessory.

3. Have you ever given jewellery to someone as a gift?

Yes, I have given jewelry as a gift to someone before. On a special occasion, I presented my mother with a graceful pair of jade earrings as a token of my appreciation for her unwavering support and love. The significance of jade in Chinese culture made the gift even more meaningful, and it brought me joy to see her delighted reaction. I believe that jewelry, especially when chosen thoughtfully, can convey deep emotions and serve as a tangible expression of affection and gratitude.

4. How often do you wear jewellery?

I wear jewelry occasionally, usually for special events or when I want to add an extra touch to my outfit. For example, I might wear a simple necklace and a pair of elegant earrings for a formal dinner or a festive celebration. However, in my daily life, I tend to opt for minimal jewelry, such as a subtle bracelet or a delicate pendant necklace, to complement my overall look without being too ostentatious. I believe that jewelry can enhance one's appearance and convey personal style, so I appreciate the opportunity to accessorize when the occasion calls for it.

## ***12. Art***

1. Do you like art?



Not really. I am never quite into art and when I was a kid, I hated going to art classes. In fact, I don't really understand why some people have such a huge passion for art. To me, art is a waste of time.

2. Do you like visiting art galleries?

I can't say I like going to art galleries, but occasionally I spend my weekend with a couple of friends in art galleries. For me, the purpose was never to appreciate the art works there, though. It's mainly about hanging out with friends.

3. Do you want to be an artist?

Oh no, definitely not. One is that I notice lots of artists are destitute. They can't even support their basic living. And the other thing is, I don't have the talent to create art works that are worth people's attention. So why would I bother?

4. Do you like modern art or traditional art?

Well, if I have to say, I'm more into traditional art, especially Chinese traditional art. I suppose that's because, in most Chinese traditional paintings, I can find a sense of harmony and peace. That gives me a sense of comfort and security. That's also something that modern art can't offer.

### **13. Keys**

1. Do you usually carry a lot of keys with you?

Well, now, of course, not. We are living in a world with well-developed technology, so tangible lock is replaced by electronic lock. Therefore, bringing a key sometimes becomes unnecessary, because you can enter most places only with a password or fingerprint. Why bother to have keys?

2. Do you often forget to take keys with you when you go out?

Not really. I'm a very careful person, and I usually check four things before I go out: my phone, my ID card, my charger, and my key. These are my going-out essentials. But sometimes if I'm really in a hurry and get hasty, it's possible to miss one or two items.

3. Have you ever lost any keys?

In my childhood, I have lost the key to my home once. At that time, my parent both were outside at work, so I have to call a locksmith to help me get in. Oh, and I also lost the key to my diary book because it was so small and hard to notice. So it is quite disappointing that I haven't been able to open my diary till now.

4. Do you think it's a good idea to leave a key to your home with a neighbor?

I'd rather not. I grew up living in the city, and our relationships with neighbors are not that close. Most of the time, we just take good care of ourselves and don't wanna bother other people for small favors. Also, it could be quite complicated if your house got robbed, and the neighbor has the key. So, I don't think it's a good idea for the neighbor to have my backup key.

#### **14. Weekends**

1. Is the weekend your favourite part of the week?

Yes, the weekend is definitely my favorite part of the week. It's a time for me to unwind, spend quality time with friends and family, and pursue activities I enjoy. Whether it's exploring new places, going to the movies, or simply relaxing at home, the weekend allows me to recharge and escape from the busyness of the workweek. I look forward to the opportunity to relax and make the most of my free time, which makes the weekend something I always eagerly anticipate.

2. What did you do last weekend?

Last weekend, I spent my time learning how to play the guitar on my own. I searched for a series of guitar teaching short videos, watching them for like two or three hours. The result of my hard work was that I can play several complete songs. Besides, I also went out with my friends to play basketball. Physical exercises are crucial to my health, to which I always pay attention.

3. Do you prefer to plan how to spend your weekends?

Usually, I will hang out with my friends on weekends. My friends and I live in different parts of the city, so it is a little bit difficult for us to meet each other on work day evenings. On weekends, we will do a delicate makeup and take our cameras with us and visit some popular pubs or exhibition halls, where we can enjoy some tasty food and learn more about arts and history from the exhibition.

4. Do you ever work or study at the weekends?

It really depends. I would schedule my weekends based on how tired I am. If I had so much work to do that week, I would use one day of that weekend for rest. Or else I would usually go out and have some fun with my friends. Basketball, tennis, and pool, you name it, we usually pick different sports for different weekends.

#### **15. pen/pencil**

1. What do you think if someone gives you a pen or pencil as a present?

If someone gives me a pen or pencil as a present, I would consider it a thoughtful and practical gift. Pens and pencils are everyday items that are useful for writing, drawing, and expressing creativity. It shows that the person has considered my needs and preferences, which I appreciate. Additionally, receiving a pen or pencil can symbolize the importance of communication, learning, and self-expression.

2. When was the last time you bought a pen or pencil?

The last time I bought a pen or pencil was about two weeks ago. I needed a new pen for taking notes at work and decided to purchase a pack of quality pens with smooth ink flow and comfortable grip.

3. Which do you use more often? Pen or pencil?

I use pens more often than pencils in my daily life. Pens offer convenience and efficiency for writing tasks, whether it's taking notes, signing documents, or jotting down reminders. The permanence of ink also ensures that my writings are clear and durable.

4. Do you usually use pen or pencil?

Yes, I usually use pens for most of my writing needs. However, I keep pencils handy for situations where I need to sketch or make temporary notes that may require erasing or revising. Overall, pens are my preferred choice for their reliability and versatility in various writing tasks.

## **16. *Sharing things***

1. Do you have anything to share with others recently?

Recently, I've been sharing some interesting articles and videos with my friends and family, especially those related to topics we're passionate about, like travel, technology, and culture. It's a great way to connect and exchange ideas with others.

2. What kind of things are not suitable for sharing?

Some personal or sensitive matters, such as private family issues or confidential information, are not suitable for sharing with others. It's essential to respect privacy boundaries and be mindful of what information is appropriate to share.

3. What kind of things do you like to share with others?

I enjoy sharing positive experiences, knowledge, and resources with others. Whether it's recommending a good book, sharing travel tips, or offering support and encouragement, sharing enriches relationships and fosters a sense of community.

4. Did your parents teach you to share when you were a child?

Yes, my parents taught me the value of sharing from a young age. They emphasized the importance of generosity, empathy, and cooperation, teaching me to share toys, snacks, and experiences with others. Their teachings instilled in me a sense of compassion and social responsibility that I still carry with me today.

## **17. *News***

1. Are you very interested in the news?

I do keep up with the news because it's important to stay informed about current events and global issues. I believe it's essential to be aware of what's happening in the world around us. In today's fast-paced and interconnected world, being knowledgeable about the latest news can help us understand different perspectives and make informed decisions.

2. How do you usually find news?

I typically find news through a variety of sources. I often browse news websites and use news apps on my smartphone to stay updated with the latest headlines. Social media platforms also play a role in keeping me informed about news and current events, as many news organizations have a strong presence there. In addition, I occasionally watch news programs on television for in-depth coverage of important stories. Overall, I try to gather information from multiple sources to ensure I have a well-rounded understanding of current events.

3.How do your friends get news?

I believe my friends also get news from a variety of sources. Many of them use social media platforms to keep up with the latest headlines and trending topics. Some prefer news apps on their smartphones for quick updates, while others rely on news websites for more in-depth coverage. Additionally, some of my friends enjoy watching news programs on television, especially during major events or breaking news. Overall, just like me, they try to gather news from different sources to stay informed.

4.Do you often talk with your friends about the news?

Yes, I often talk with my friends about the news. We enjoy discussing current events, especially if something noteworthy or impactful has happened. It's a great way to exchange opinions, share different perspectives, and gain a deeper understanding of the world around us. Sometimes we'll debate about certain news stories or simply reflect on how they might affect our lives. Overall, staying informed and engaging in discussions about the news is an important part of my friendships.

5.Have you read the news this morning?

Yes, I have actually read the news this morning. The headlines were quite intriguing, as they focused on groundbreaking scientific advancements. One article covered the discovery of a potential cure for a previously incurable disease, offering hope to millions of patients worldwide. Additionally, there was a report on a historic collaboration between nations to combat climate change, signaling a promising shift towards a sustainable future. Overall, this morning's news was both informative and inspiring.

## **18. Language**

1.What languages do you speak?

Well, actually, I know several languages. I'm fluent in Chinese. To be precise, I speak Mandarin, which is the language I use most often in my personal and professional life. In addition, I've been studying English for a few years now, and I know a little bit of Japanese and French.

2.What languages would you like to learn in the future?

I am fluent in both English and Mandarin Chinese. English has been my primary language since childhood, but I grew up in a bilingual household where Chinese was also commonly spoken. I have continued to study Chinese throughout my education and have also lived abroad in Chinese-speaking countries to gain proficiency.

3.How do you learn a foreign language?

I believe the best way to learn a foreign language is through immersion. This means surrounding yourself with the language as much as possible, whether it's through watching TV shows or movies in that language, reading books and



articles, or practicing speaking with native speakers. It's also important to set achievable goals and practice consistently, even if it's just a few minutes a day. Additionally, using language learning apps and taking courses can be helpful supplements to immersion-based learning.

4. How are languages taught and learned in your school?

There are various ways I learn a foreign language. Firstly, attending language classes and working with a teacher help me build a foundation in vocabulary and grammar. Secondly, I practice speaking and listening with native speakers and fellow language learners. Thirdly, multimedia resources such as movies, TV shows, podcasts, and music expose me to the target language's natural flow and usage. Finally, practice writing by journaling or participating in online language communities is an effective way to improve my communication skills in a foreign language.

5. What kinds of difficulties would you have if you want to learn a new language?

Learning a new language can pose various challenges. Firstly, understanding the unfamiliar grammar rules and sentence structure might be perplexing. Additionally, acquiring a new vocabulary may be time-consuming and frustrating. Pronunciation could also be a stumbling block as some sounds might not exist in our native language. Moreover, cultural differences and idiomatic expressions may hinder effective communication. Lastly, maintaining motivation and finding ample opportunities for practice could be difficult.

## **19. Relax**

1. What would you do to relax?

To relax, I enjoy activities like listening to music, practicing mindfulness or meditation, and spending time outdoors in nature. These help me unwind and clear my mind from stress and worries.

2. Do you think doing sports is a good way to relax?

Yes, I believe doing sports is an excellent way to relax. Physical activity not only promotes physical health but also releases endorphins, which are natural mood lifters. Whether it's playing sports with friends or going for a solo run, engaging in physical exercise can effectively reduce stress and tension.

3. Do you think vacation is a good time for you to relax?

Absolutely, vacation is an ideal time for me to relax. It offers a break from work or study commitments, allowing me to focus on leisure activities, explore new places, and spend quality time with family and friends. It's a precious opportunity to rejuvenate and recharge my energy for the upcoming challenges.

4. Do you think students need more relaxing time?

Yes, I think students definitely need more relaxing time. The demands of academic studies and extracurricular activities can be overwhelming, leading to stress and burnout. Providing students with sufficient relaxation time not only improves their mental well-being but also enhances their overall productivity and

academic performance. Balancing study with relaxation is essential for their holistic development.

## **20. 【低频】Life stage**

1. What did you often do with your friends in your childhood?

In my childhood, I often played games and engaged in outdoor activities with my friends. We would explore the neighborhood, ride bicycles, play sports, and create imaginative worlds through role-playing and storytelling. These shared experiences fostered bonds of friendship and created lasting memories that I cherish to this day.

2. What do you think is the most important at the moment?

The most important thing at the moment is to prioritize my well-being and personal growth. It's essential to nurture my physical, mental, and emotional health while pursuing my goals and aspirations. Additionally, maintaining meaningful connections with loved ones and contributing positively to society are priorities that I hold dear.

3. Do you have any plans for the next five years?

Yes, I have plans for the next five years. I aim to further my education, advance my career, and pursue opportunities for personal and professional development. Additionally, I aspire to travel, experience new cultures, and broaden my perspectives. Furthermore, I hope to cultivate meaningful relationships, contribute to my community, and strive for a balanced and fulfilling life.

4. How do people remember each stage of their lives?

People remember each stage of their lives through a combination of personal experiences, significant events, and emotional connections. Memories are formed through interactions with family, friends, and communities, as well as through milestones, achievements, and challenges. Additionally, photographs, journals, and mementos serve as tangible reminders of past experiences. Overall, memories help individuals construct a narrative of their lives, shaping their identities and influencing their perspectives on the past, present, and future.

## **21. Internet**

1. When did you start using the internet?

I started using the internet when I was around ten years old. At that time, I mainly used it for basic tasks like sending emails and doing research for school projects. Over the years, as technology advanced, my usage of the internet expanded to include various activities such as social networking, online shopping, and streaming media.

2. How often do you go online?

I go online every day, multiple times a day, for both personal and professional reasons. It has become an integral part of my daily routine, allowing me to stay connected with friends and family, access information, and carry out tasks efficiently. Whether it's checking emails, browsing social media, or watching

videos, I find myself engaging with the internet regularly throughout the day.

3. How does the internet influence people?

The internet has a profound influence on people in various aspects of their lives. It has revolutionized communication by enabling instant connectivity across the globe through email, messaging apps, and social media platforms. Moreover, the internet provides access to a wealth of information and resources, empowering individuals with knowledge and opportunities for learning and personal growth. Additionally, it has transformed industries and economies, facilitating innovation, entrepreneurship, and globalization.

4. Do you think you spend too much time online?

Yes, I do think I spend too much time online at times. While the internet offers numerous benefits and conveniences, excessive usage can lead to negative effects such as reduced productivity, decreased physical activity, and social isolation. Therefore, I try to be mindful of my online habits and strike a balance between utilizing the internet for its advantages and disconnecting to focus on other activities and relationships.

5. What would you do without the internet?

Without the internet, life would certainly be different, but not necessarily impossible. I would rely more on traditional methods of communication such as face-to-face interactions, phone calls, and letters. In terms of information access, I would utilize libraries, newspapers, and other offline sources. Additionally, I would engage in more outdoor activities, hobbies, and community events for entertainment and socializing. While the absence of the internet would present challenges, it would also encourage a return to simpler and more tangible forms of human connection and interaction.

## **22. Science**

1. Do you like science?

Of course, I do, when I was a little kid, my parents took me to many stunning science museums and galleries, which really broadened my horizons. Also, science provided me a deeper understanding of the earth.

2. Which science subject is interesting to you?

I like biology the most. We started to learn biology in the middle school. Because I am very into human bodies, I am deeply attracted to how human body functions which is a core part in biology. I am obsessed with how cells work with each other to become organs, blood and many other important parts in our body.

3. What kinds of interesting things you have done with science?

I used to do an experiment related to nutrition on myself. I was curious about the impacts of carb on human body, so I decided to stop taking in carbs for a week to see if there are any changes on my body. I felt tired and anxious on the fourth day after stopping eating carbs and felt a bit dizzy on the fifth day. So, I stopped the experiment on the sixth day because I felt really bad.

4. Do you like watching science TV programs?

Yep! I like to watch science documentaries, especially those that explore the secrets in the universe. Actually there is a science program sponsored by Nasa in America. I watch that regularly. Sometimes I would even invite friends over to enjoy the show together.

5. Do Chinese people often visit science museums?

I'm afraid science museums aren't that popular among Chinese people. Usually, only students are interested in visiting museums because they need to complete their school tasks. Adults are so busy with their daily work and social life, not many would can spare time for science museums.

6. When did you start to learn about science?

Well, my father guided me into science learning when I was about six years old. He bought me a set of Lego, and explained many physical formulas to me. We built different shapes together. It was so much fun. I enjoyed the early science education that my father gave to me.

### ***23. E-books and paper books***

1. Which do you prefer, e-books or paper books?

In my view, both e-books and paper books have their merits. However, if I were to choose, I prefer paper books. There's something about the tactile experience of turning pages and the smell of paper that enhances my reading pleasure. Moreover, I find it easier to concentrate on the content when reading from a physical book.

2. When do you usually read online?

I typically read online during my leisure time, especially in the evenings or on weekends. This is when I have some free time to relax and delve into articles, blogs, or news websites that interest me. Reading online allows me to stay updated on current events and explore a wide range of topics conveniently.

3. Will you read more online in the future?

Yes, I believe I will read more online in the future. With the advancement of technology and the increasing accessibility of digital content, it's becoming more convenient to access a vast array of reading materials online. Additionally, online platforms offer interactive features and multimedia elements that can enhance the reading experience, making it more appealing and engaging.

4. Do you think paper books will disappear in the future?

While it's possible that the popularity of paper books may decline in the future, I don't think they will completely disappear. There will always be a segment of readers who prefer the tangible feel of a physical book and the experience it provides. Furthermore, paper books hold cultural and historical significance, and many people cherish them as valuable possessions. Therefore, I believe paper books will continue to coexist alongside digital formats for the foreseeable future.

### ***24. Exciting activities***

1. Have you ever tried any exciting activities?



Yes, I've participated in all sorts of thrilling activities. Specifically, I have participated in zip lining, rock climbing and rafting to name a few. These experiences get my adrenaline pumping and allow me to fully enjoy the adventure. For me, extreme sports have a special charm.

2.What do you think were exciting activities when you were a child?

Exciting childhood activities often included outdoor games like hide-and-seek, riding bicycles, and exploring nature trails. Additionally, building forts, participating in sports competitions with friends, and going on adventurous outings were sources of excitement and joy during my childhood.

3.Has anything exciting happened to you recently?

Recently, I had the opportunity to embark on a spontaneous road trip with friends to explore a nearby national park. It was an exhilarating experience filled with breathtaking scenery, hiking trails, and campfire nights under the stars. The sense of freedom and adventure made it truly memorable.

4.Would you like to try scuba diving and bungee jumping?

Yes, I would love to try scuba diving and bungee jumping someday. The idea of exploring the underwater world and experiencing the thrill of free-falling excites me. While they involve some level of risk, I believe the exhilaration and sense of achievement from conquering these challenges would be immensely rewarding.

## **25. Holidays**

1.Where did you go on your last holiday?

For my last holiday, I went to visit my grandparents in the countryside. It was a refreshing break from the city life, surrounded by nature and tranquility. Spending time with family and reconnecting with my roots was truly enjoyable.

2.Do you like holidays? Why?

Yes, I absolutely love holidays. They provide a much-needed opportunity to relax, recharge, and explore new places or experiences. It's a chance to break away from routine, spend quality time with loved ones, and create lasting memories.

3.Which public holiday do you like best?

Among public holidays, I particularly enjoy the Chinese New Year festival. It's a time of celebration, tradition, and reunion with family and friends. The festive atmosphere, delicious food, and vibrant cultural activities make it a truly special occasion.

4.What do you do on your holidays?

On my holidays, I like to engage in a variety of activities depending on the destination and my mood. This could include sightseeing, trying out local cuisine, outdoor adventures like hiking or swimming, or simply relaxing and reading a book. The key is to make the most of the time off and enjoy every moment.

5.Do you like to spend your day at home?

Not really, I prefer being out and about. Spending my day at home can get a bit monotonous and dull for me. I like exploring new places, meeting people, and experiencing different environments. It helps me grow and keeps me motivated. On the contrary, being home all day can sometimes make me feel confined and unproductive. So, I prefer to make the most of my time by engaging in activities outside of the house.

6. Do you prefer a leisurely or a busy holiday?

I personally prefer a leisurely holiday as it allows me to unwind and rejuvenate from the daily grind. With a relaxed itinerary, I can fully indulge in activities that bring me joy and tranquility, such as reading, exploring nature, or simply lounging by the beach. It provides me with the opportunity to disconnect from work and stress, enabling me to return refreshed and ready to take on challenges. A leisurely holiday is the perfect time for self-care and self-discovery.

## **26. 【低频】 Mobile phone**

1. Do you remember your first phone?

Yeah, absolutely. My first cellphone was a gift from my father. When I was accepted by university, my father was super happy. He took me to the phone store to pick a cell phone for myself. It was a Nokia phone, of absolutely solid quality. At the time, I thought it looked pretty, and Nokia was like the most popular phone brand back then. I loved that phone!

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

Well, it depends on what matter it is that needs to be discussed on the phone. If it's a serious issue, I usually just dial someone's number and speak to him/her directly. However, if it's just casual business and I'm not expecting a quick reply, I would just send a text message.

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

I think I will, definitely. As technology evolves so quickly, phones get old quickly too. Each year, there are hundreds of new versions of phones put out in the market. Each brand sells their products hard. I mean, I am just an ordinary consumer. I do get affected by their hard promotion. So even my phone is still working, I may replace it next year. Also, 'cause personally, I am quite a big follower of new technologies, I like to experience the newest functions on the phone. So yeah, I am very likely to buy a new phone in the near future.

4. How has your mobile phone changed your life?

Well, to start with, it made my life much easier and more efficient, for sure. I used to make trips to my friends' places when I wanted to have a word. But since I had a phone, I never needed to waste the time on travelling. I could just call them, or text them to communicate. I could even make video calls if I'm away from my family. So yeah, it allows me to save time and manage my social life in a more productive way. Also, I can play games on my phone when I'm bored. It really helps to pass time. I feel that the mobile phones have made my life more fulfilled.

## **27. Staying at home**

1. Are you a person who likes to stay at home?

Well, yeah. I do love being at home, especially when I need time to relax and recharge. Home is a place where I feel comfortable and at ease, away from the hustle and bustle of the outside world. Being able to relax at home, take a nap, read a book, listen to some music, it's the best way I can think of to relax.

2. What do you do when you stay at home?

When I stay at home, I engage in various activities depending on my mood and interests. I might spend time reading books, watching movies or TV shows, cooking and experimenting with new recipes, or pursuing hobbies like painting or playing musical instruments.

3. What is your favourite place at home?

My favorite place at home is my bedroom. It's a cozy and private space where I can unwind, rest, and have some quiet time to myself. Whether it's lounging on the bed with a book or listening to music, I find solace and comfort in my bedroom.

4. What did you often do at home as a child?

As a child, I often played games, read books, and watched cartoons at home. I also enjoyed spending time with my family, doing activities together like cooking, gardening, or playing board games.

5. Would you like to stay at home a lot in the future?

While I value the comfort and familiarity of home, I also appreciate the opportunities and experiences that come with venturing outside. Therefore, while I enjoy staying at home, I also look forward to exploring the world and engaging in outdoor activities in the future. Finding a balance between home comforts and external adventures is important to me.

## ***28. Morning Routines***

1. What do you do in the mornings?

In the mornings, I typically start my day by waking up early, freshening up, and then engaging in activities to prepare for the day ahead. This may include having breakfast, exercising, checking emails, or planning my schedule.

2. Is breakfast important?

Yes, breakfast is indeed important. It provides the essential nutrients and energy needed to kickstart our metabolism and fuel our bodies for the day. A nutritious breakfast can improve concentration, enhance mood, and support overall health and well-being.

3. What is your morning routine?

My morning routine usually begins with waking up at a set time, followed by stretching or light exercise to wake up my body. Then, I proceed to have a healthy breakfast, which may include fruits, whole grains, and protein. After that, I review my schedule for the day and prioritize tasks accordingly.

4. Do you like to get up early in the morning?

Yes, I generally like to get up early in the morning. Waking up early allows me to seize the day and make the most of the morning hours when the world is calm and peaceful. It gives me a head start on my day, allowing me to accomplish more tasks, feel more productive, and enjoy a sense of accomplishment.

## ***29. Asking for help***

1. Do you ask for help when you have a problem?

Yes, I believe it's important to ask for help when encountering difficulties. Seeking assistance allows us to overcome challenges more effectively and learn from others' experiences. It also fosters collaboration and strengthens relationships with peers and mentors.

2. Why are teachers always willing to help students?

Teachers are often willing to help students because they are committed to facilitating their learning and growth. They possess knowledge and expertise in their respective fields and are passionate about sharing it with others. Moreover, teachers understand the significance of support and guidance in students' academic and personal development.

3. What kinds of help do you often ask for?

I often ask for help with understanding complex concepts or solving problems in subjects like mathematics or science. Additionally, I seek assistance in improving my language skills, whether it's grammar, vocabulary, or pronunciation. I also rely on others' advice and feedback when making decisions or facing challenges in various aspects of life.

4. When was the last time you asked for help?

The last time I asked for help was a few days ago when I encountered a technical issue with my computer. I reached out to a friend who is knowledgeable about technology, and they were able to troubleshoot the problem and provide a solution. It reinforced the importance of seeking assistance from those with expertise in areas where I lack knowledge or skills.

### ***30. Schools and workplaces***

1. Where is your school?

My school is located in the downtown area of our city, surrounded by shops, parks, and residential neighborhoods. It's easily accessible by public transportation, which makes commuting convenient for students.

2. Do you like your school?

Yes, overall, I like my school. It provides a supportive learning environment, dedicated teachers, and a variety of extracurricular activities. I appreciate the opportunities it offers for academic growth and personal development.

3. Do you think your school is a good place to study?

Yes, I believe my school is a good place to study. It has well-equipped classrooms, libraries, and laboratories that facilitate learning. The teachers are knowledgeable and supportive, and there are ample resources available to help students succeed academically.

4. What is the environment like at your school?

The environment at my school is generally positive and conducive to learning. The campus is clean and well-maintained, with spacious grounds for outdoor activities. There's a sense of community among students and staff, fostering collaboration and mutual support.

5. What do you think could be improved in your school?

One aspect that could be improved in my school is the availability of more extracurricular activities and clubs. While we have some options, I believe expanding the range of activities would cater to a wider range of interests and talents among students, enriching their overall school experience.

6. How important is interest in study?

Interest in study is highly important as it drives motivation, engagement, and active learning. When students are genuinely interested in a subject, they are more likely to

devote time and effort to understanding it thoroughly. Interest sparks curiosity, critical thinking, and creativity, making the learning process enjoyable and rewarding.

7. Which subject do you find challenging?

I find mathematics to be challenging. It requires logical thinking, problem-solving skills, and attention to detail, which can be demanding at times. However, I recognize the importance of mathematics in various fields and continue to work hard to improve my understanding and skills in this subject.

8. Do you like your job?

Yes, I do like my job. It allows me to utilize my skills and knowledge while also providing opportunities for growth and development. I find fulfillment in the work I do and enjoy the sense of accomplishment that comes with it.

9. Do you currently have a good work environment?

Yes, I am fortunate to have a good work environment currently. My workplace is supportive, collaborative, and conducive to productivity. There's a positive atmosphere among colleagues, and the management fosters open communication and mutual respect.

10. What do you think could be improved at your workplace?

One aspect that could be improved at my workplace is the implementation of more flexible work arrangements, such as remote work options or flexible hours. This would provide employees with greater work-life balance and accommodate individual needs and preferences more effectively.

11. Have you ever thought about changing jobs?

Yes, I have thought about changing jobs in the past, mainly to explore new opportunities for career growth or to pursue my interests in different industries. However, I ultimately decided to stay in my current role due to the positive aspects of my job and the opportunities it offers for advancement.

12. Is there a place in your company that makes you feel relaxed?

Yes, there is a designated relaxation area in my company where employees can unwind and recharge during breaks. It's furnished with comfortable seating, soothing décor, and amenities like books, magazines, and refreshments, providing a peaceful retreat from the work environment.

13. What are the advantages of a company having a relaxation room?

The advantages of a company having a relaxation room include promoting employee well-being and reducing stress, boosting morale and productivity, fostering a positive work culture, and encouraging work-life balance. It provides employees with a space to relax, recharge, and rejuvenate, ultimately contributing to their overall satisfaction and retention.

14. What do you think would be challenging when you start working in the future?

I believe that one of the main challenges when starting work in the future would be adapting to the ever-evolving technological advancements. As technology continues to advance at a rapid pace, it is crucial to keep up with the latest trends and acquire new skills. This constant need to upgrade and stay ahead may be challenging, but it will also present exciting opportunities for growth and innovation.



15.How do you go to school?

I prefer taking the bus to go to school. It's convenient, cost-effective, and environmentally friendly. I catch my local bus at the nearest bus stop, and it drops me off right outside my school campus. While on the bus, I usually listen to music or read a book, making my journey productive and enjoyable. Additionally, I get to interact with fellow students and the bus driver, creating a sense of community. Overall, taking the bus is a reliable and efficient way for me to commute to school.

16.How do you go to work?

I usually commute to work by taking public transportation such as bus or train, as it is the most convenient and cost-effective way for me. I enjoy this mode of transport as it allows me to relax, read a book, or catch up on emails during the journey. Additionally, it helps reduce traffic congestion and is environmentally friendly. Overall, I find this method of going to work both efficient and enjoyable.

### **31. Maths**

1.Are girls generally good at mathematics?

When discussing whether girls are generally good at mathematics, it's important to understand that proficiency in mathematics is not determined by gender. There are many talented female mathematicians who have made significant contributions to the field. It's essential to recognize that anyone, regardless of gender, can excel in mathematics with the right support and opportunities. It's important to focus on providing an inclusive and supportive learning environment for all students to thrive in mathematics.

2.Do you often use a calculator?

Yes, I often use a calculator, especially for schoolwork and when managing personal finances. It helps me perform calculations quickly and accurately, which is essential for subjects like mathematics and physics. I also use it for budgeting and ensuring my expenses are in check. While I try to do simple calculations mentally to keep my math skills sharp, having a calculator is very convenient for more complex problems and saves a lot of time.

3.Do you think it is difficult to learn mathematics well?

Learning mathematics can be challenging, but I don't think it's necessarily difficult to learn well. It requires a lot of practice and perseverance to understand the concepts and master the skills involved. However, with patience and dedication, almost anyone can become proficient in mathematics. One thing that can make learning math easier is finding a good teacher or mentor who can guide you through the process and provide personalized support. Additionally, seeking out resources like textbooks, online tutorials, and practice problems can help reinforce the material and improve your understanding.

4.Do you think mathematics is important?

Absolutely, I believe mathematics is incredibly important. It serves as the foundation for many other subjects and practical skills. From understanding scientific principles to

managing finances, mathematics plays a crucial role in our daily lives. Moreover, it fosters critical thinking and problem-solving abilities, which are essential for success in various careers. Whether it's in the field of finance, engineering, technology, or even art and design, a solid grasp of mathematics can open doors to countless opportunities. Overall, I see mathematics as an indispensable tool for navigating the modern world.

### **32. *Pets and animals***

1. What's your favourite animal? Why?

Tiger is my favorite animal always and forever. Tiger is not only my favorite animal but also my inspiration too. It is a solitary animal and does not stay in a group except in captivity. I like Tiger because it maintains the ecological balance in its habitat and also protects the forests from overgrazing.

2. Where do you prefer to keep your pet, indoors or outdoors?

I'd like to keep my dog outdoors for most of the time because in that way, my dog gets more exercise and gets happier. Dogs are incredibly active creatures who need a lot of physical exercise and movement to burn their energy to remain healthy both mentally and physically. Insufficient physical activity is detrimental to their health. But while my dog is playing outside, I'll put a GPS collar on to keep it from being stolen.

3. Have you ever had a pet before?

Yes, I did have a pet when I was a child but it was a small goldfish with a very unique color. This tiny creature had two giant bubbles around its eyes and I loved it very much. But its life only lasted for several months and when it died, I felt extremely terrible. Since then, I have never had other pets because I am afraid of facing their death.

4. What is the most popular animal in China?

It could be furry dogs, you know, like huskies and teddies. Nowadays there are more and more young people in China who love dogs for companionship. If you go out in the morning or evening, it's almost impossible not to run into someone walking a fluffy puppy on the street.

### **33. *Daily routine***

1. What is your daily study routine?

On weekdays, I get up at about 7:30 in the morning and finish washing. If there is no class in the morning, I will go to the library to study by myself. After lunch, I will take time to review the contents learned in the morning and prepare the items needed for the afternoon course. I usually don't choose to study immediately after dinner. I think people need a certain time to relax every day. Proper rest can make my brain cells more active. From 9:00 to 12:00 in the evening is my most efficient time, so most of my homework will be completed within this time period.

2. Have you ever changed your routine?

I will change my habits periodically. There are two reasons. First, I think the invariable life will make people feel bored and even tired gradually. Life needs a certain freshness, which is more important for students. The dull study life needs

some adjustments. Second, the courses of each semester are different, so the change of time management is also indispensable, especially for the schedule of extracurricular discussion and social communication, which is the focus that contemporary students need to weigh more.

3. Do you think it is important to have a daily routine for your study?

Yes. As far as I know, successful people of the past and present are known to have a daily routine. For example, Steve Jobs, Benjamin Franklin and Elon Musk. A daily routine easily eliminates distractions because people are focused only on those things that need to be done. As for students, the more they keep to their daily routine, the more automatic it becomes for them to perform all the activities throughout the day. As a result, their study becomes smooth and efficient.

4. What part of your day do you like best?

There is an old Chinese saying goes: "work at sunrise and rest at sunset." People can make contributions to society, family and themselves only when they are sober. I personally like the moment when I get up in the morning, because it means that I want to start a day's study and work, which means that I will achieve a brand-new achievement for myself. Even if I just learn a little new knowledge or achieve a small goal, these are all footprints on the road of my life.

### **34. Doing sport**

1. What sports do you like?

I am especially into water sports and gymnastics. Well, I lived in Sanya, a beach city, for a couple of years when I was a kid. I watched and learned how to swim, dive, and surf. I find those water activities relaxing. As for gymnastics, it's always been my favorite activity in PE class, for some reason.

2. Where did you learn how to do it?

Well, I learned how to swim and dive because I watched people do them about everyday while I was living in Sanya. I just naturally got the skills, I suppose. As for surfing, it's my older cousin who introduced it to me. He gave me a surfing board as my 10th birthday present! And he taught me the master skills of this sport.

3. Did you do some sports when you were young?

Yep, absolutely! My parents like to call me nature's child. I was a wild kid, and I was never afraid to try new things. That's how I picked up many different kinds of sports, like water sports, ball games, skating, and etc.

4. Do you think students need more exercise?

Yes, I think they do need more exercises. In today's world, students spend most of their time inside, learning, reading and taking classes online or inside the classroom. I'm afraid they do need to go outside to build their muscles. After all, a healthy body is the foundation of all.

5. Do you know any people who are good at sports?

Yes, I know several people who are quite skilled in sports. Some of my friends excel in

basketball, others in swimming, and a few are talented runners. It's impressive to see their dedication and athleticism in their respective sports.

6. Do you think it is important for people to exercise?

Yes, absolutely. Exercise is crucial for maintaining physical health, improving mental well-being, and enhancing overall quality of life. Regular physical activity helps prevent chronic diseases, boosts mood, increases energy levels, and promotes longevity. It's an essential aspect of a healthy lifestyle.

7. Should schools encourage young students to take more physical exercise?

Yes, schools should definitely encourage young students to engage in more physical exercise. Regular physical activity not only promotes physical health but also enhances cognitive function, concentration, and academic performance. Moreover, it instills lifelong habits of health and fitness, contributing to overall well-being and development. Introducing students to a variety of sports and activities can help them find enjoyable ways to stay active.

### **35. Flowers**

1. What kind of flowers do you know?

I think I know some types of flowers like roses, lilies, sunflowers, tulips and orchids. Each type of flower has its own unique beauty and characteristics. To discover flowers and learn about them is also a process of discovering the beauty in life.

2. Are there any flowers that have special meanings in China?

Yes, there are several flowers that have special meanings in China. For example, peonies symbolize prosperity and wealth, while chrysanthemums represent longevity and good fortune. Additionally, the lotus flower is often associated with purity and enlightenment in Chinese culture.

3. Have you planted any flowers?

Yes, I have planted flowers before. I enjoy gardening as it allows me to connect with nature and beautify my surroundings. Planting flowers also brings a sense of satisfaction and joy as I witness their growth and bloom over time.

4. Have you sent flowers to other people?

Yes, I have sent flowers to other people on special occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, or to express condolences. Sending flowers is a thoughtful gesture that can convey various sentiments such as love, appreciation, or sympathy. It's a meaningful way to show care and affection to others.

### **36. Breakfast**

1. What do you usually eat for breakfast?

For breakfast, I typically eat a light meal consisting of traditional Chinese breakfast foods such as steamed buns, congee, or noodles, along with tea or soy milk. Occasionally, I might have toast with eggs or fruit yogurt for a variation.

2. Do you think breakfast is important?

Yes, breakfast is indeed important as it provides the necessary nutrients and energy to

kick-start the day. A nutritious breakfast fuels the body and brain, enhancing cognitive function, concentration, and overall well-being. It sets the tone for the day and contributes to a healthy lifestyle.

3. Are there any differences between the mornings of your childhood and now?

There are notable differences between mornings in my childhood and now. As a child, mornings were often leisurely, with ample time for breakfast, getting ready for school, and enjoying family time. However, as an adult, mornings are more hectic and structured, often involving work or other responsibilities.

4. Would you like to change your morning routine?

While I am content with my current morning routine, I am open to making adjustments to enhance productivity and well-being. Perhaps incorporating more exercise or mindfulness practices into my morning routine could be beneficial. Overall, I believe in the importance of a balanced and fulfilling start to the day.

### 37. 【低频】*Weather*

1. What's the weather like where you live?

I am living in Shanghai, which is a city located in the south of the country and is close to the ocean. Therefore, it rains a lot in this city, especially in summer. In the winter, the temperature tends to be above zero degrees, so it means it seldomly snows. Generally speaking, I think Shanghai is a nice city to live in.

2. Do you prefer cold or hot weather?

Definitely cold weather. When there's too much sun, everyone is just angry and frowning. When there's too much sun, insects are everywhere, outdoors as well as indoors. In hot weather, you sweat easily even if you do nothing but breathe, which makes you have to shower twice a day. I've always been a fan of cold weather.

3. Do you prefer dry or wet weather?

Dry weather all the way, humid weather is too uncomfortable at all temperatures. I could really live in a semi-arid place, I guess. Rain is nice, but I don't need the air to be humid the rest of the time. And unlike the rainy seasons, the weather in dry seasons are very predictable. You are free to go anywhere you want without worrying about rain.

4. Are you in the habit of checking the weather forecast? When/How often?

Yes, I am. Every night before I go to bed, I will check the weather forecast for the next day. It determines what I should wear to work/school the next day and what time I should get up. After all, you stand a good chance to get stuck in traffic on a rainy day.

5. What do you think are the effects of climate change in recent years?

Well, one obvious result of climate change is global warming. Summer is getting so hot these years. And in fact, mountain fires are becoming common in some places. Also, some animal species died out because of this, such as the Chinese Paddlefish and wild Yangtze sturgeon.



6. Would you like to visit other cities/countries that have different climates from where you live?

Yes, absolutely. I want to visit Melbourne in Australia, actually. I've got a couple of friends who are studying there. In their words, in Melbourne, you can experience four seasons in one day. Well, for someone who's lived in a place where the temperature is stable all year round, that's hard to imagine!

### **38. Shopping**

1. Do you like shopping?

Yes, I do enjoy shopping, especially when I have the time to browse and explore different stores or markets. It can be quite a fun and rewarding experience, whether I'm shopping for clothes, gadgets, or groceries.

2. Do you compare prices when you shop? Why?

Yes, I often compare prices when I shop, as it helps me make informed decisions and ensure that I'm getting the best value for my money. By comparing prices across different stores or online platforms, I can find the most cost-effective option without compromising on quality.

3. Is it difficult for you to make choices (when you shop)?

Sometimes it can be challenging for me to make choices when I shop, especially when there are numerous options available or when I'm purchasing something important. I tend to weigh the pros and cons, consider my needs and preferences, and sometimes seek advice from friends or family to make the best decision.

4. Do you think expensive products are always better than cheaper ones?

No, I don't believe that expensive products are always better than cheaper ones. While price can sometimes be an indicator of quality, it's not always the case. There are many factors to consider, such as brand reputation, materials used, and personal preferences. Sometimes cheaper products can offer excellent value for money, while expensive ones may not necessarily meet one's needs or expectations. It's essential to evaluate products based on their merits rather than solely on their price tag.

### **39. 【低频】Classmate**

1. Can students choose their deskmates in your country?

In my country, students usually do not have the opportunity to choose their desk mates. Deskmates are typically assigned by the teacher based on various factors such as classroom dynamics and academic performance.

2. Is it good for children to play with their classmates?

Yes, it is beneficial for children to play with their classmates. Playing together fosters social skills, teamwork, and cooperation among children. It also promotes friendship and a sense of belonging, contributing to a positive and supportive classroom environment.

### **40. Birthdays**

1.What do you usually do on your birthday?

I prefer to celebrate my birthday with a bunch of friends. Normally, I would like to throw a party at my home and invite all my close friends to come over. We eat dinner and cakes together. Afterwards, we might go to a karaoke and enjoy the rest of the night there.

2.What did you do on your birthday when you were young?

I remember when I was in primary school, my parents loved to take me to go shopping on my birthday. They would buy me whatever gifts I wanted. I remember I have received pretty clothes, comic books, barbie dolls, etc. After shopping, they usually took me to a good restaurant for a lovely family dinner. I really miss the time that I was living together with my parents.

3.Do you think it is important for you to celebrate your birthday?

I think yes. Birthdays mark the beginning of a new stage for a person. Therefore, it is meaningful to do something on this special day with families and friends to keep good memories. In addition, birthday is a good occasion for me to enjoy some good time with my families and friends.

4.Whose birthday do you think is the most important to celebrate in China?

Even if you expand the range to the whole world, I still think my own birthday is the most important to celebrate. Because this is a date that my parents and I would never forget. For me, it helps me to remember for how long I have lived in this world and helps me to review my progress and growth in my life.

#### **41. Challenges**

1. What subject do you think is the most challenging at school?

Personally, I find mathematics to be the most challenging subject at school. It requires precise logical reasoning and problem-solving skills, which can be quite demanding and require a lot of practice to master.

2. Do you like to challenge yourself?

Yes, I enjoy challenging myself to push beyond my comfort zone and strive for personal growth and improvement. I believe that challenges help me learn and develop new skills, and they keep life interesting and fulfilling.

3. Do you like to live a life that has a lot of challenges?

While I appreciate a certain level of challenge in life to keep things exciting and stimulating, I also value balance and stability. Too many challenges can be overwhelming and exhausting, so I prefer to strike a healthy balance between challenge and comfort.

4. How do you usually deal with challenges in daily life?

When faced with challenges in daily life, I usually approach them with a positive attitude and a problem-solving mindset. I break down the challenge into smaller, manageable tasks, set realistic goals, and seek support or advice from others when needed. I also try to stay resilient and adaptable, learning from setbacks and using them as opportunities for growth.

#### **42. Plant**

1. Do you keep plants at home?

Yes, I do keep plants at home. I have a few potted plants in my living room and bedroom. They add a touch of nature to my home and help create a relaxing atmosphere. Taking care of them is also a nice hobby for me.

2. Did you grow any plants when you were young?

Yes, when I was young, I grew some plants. I remember planting sunflower seeds in our garden with my parents. Watching them grow and bloom was a rewarding experience that taught me patience and responsibility.

3. Do Chinese people send plants as gifts?

Yes, Chinese people do send plants as gifts, especially during special occasions like housewarmings or Chinese New Year. Plants such as lucky bamboo and bonsai are popular choices because they symbolize good fortune, prosperity, and longevity.

4. Do you know anything about growing plants?

I know a little bit about growing plants. I understand the basics like providing sufficient sunlight, watering regularly, and using proper soil. I also know that different plants have specific needs, so it's important to research and care for them accordingly.

#### **43. Transport**

1. Which means of transport is convenient?

In my opinion, cycling can be a convenient means of transport. It offers numerous advantages such as being cost-effective, environmentally friendly, and good for physical health. Moreover, cycling allows you to avoid traffic congestions and reach your destination faster, especially in crowded urban areas. Overall, choosing cycling as a mode of transportation can provide convenience and contribute to a sustainable lifestyle.

2. Which means of transport is expensive?

I would say that helicopters are an expensive means of transport. They offer the advantage of speed and convenience, especially for reaching remote locations or avoiding traffic congestion. However, owning and operating a helicopter can be financially prohibitive for most individuals. The initial purchase cost, maintenance expenses, and pilot fees make it a luxury mode of transportation for the wealthy rather than a practical option for the average person.

3. Do most young people prefer to take public transport to school or to work?

The preference of young people regarding transportation to school or work varies. While some tend to opt for public transport due to its cost-effectiveness and convenience, others prefer using private vehicles as it offers flexibility and saves time. Factors such as availability and reliability of public transport, distance to the destination, and personal preference play a crucial role in this decision-making process. Ultimately, it depends on the individual's circumstances and priorities.

4. What are the advantages of using public transport?

Oh, there are several advantages of using public transport. Firstly, it helps reduce traffic congestion and air pollution by promoting fewer private vehicles on the roads.

Additionally, public transport is often more cost-effective than owning a car, saving on fuel and parking expenses. Moreover, using public transport allows me to relax during my commute, as I don't have to concentrate on driving. Lastly, it provides me with an opportunity to interact with diverse groups of people, enhancing my social awareness and cultural understanding.

#### **44. *social media***

1. From when you started using social media?

Well, my first exposure to social media was when I was around 14 years old. It all started with WeChat because all my friends used it. I remember being very excited to connect with my classmates and friends online and share bits and pieces of my daily life. For me, it was like opening a new window to the world.

2. Do you think you spend too much time on social media?

Honestly, sometimes I feel a little addicted to social media. You know, one minute you're browsing Tik Tok and the next an hour has passed. I've been trying to cut down on my social media use, especially during exams. Well, it's like, I need to keep reminding myself that there is a whole world beyond the screen of my phone.

3. What do people do on social media?

Oh, people do all sorts of things on social media. Some people focus on sharing their daily lives, such as photos, what they're eating, and where they're hanging out. Others are keen on sharing cute moments of their pets. And, of course, there are plenty of people who just like to watch funny videos or keep up with news and trends. I can't really think of anything we can't do on social media.

4. Do your friends use social media?

Yeah, almost all of my friends use social media. It's our go-to way to stay in touch, especially those of us who have gone to different cities for college or work. We are always messaging each other in WeChat or sharing things on QQ. It's like our virtual hangout. Honestly, I can't imagine a day without that connection.

#### ***45. Clothing***

1.What kind of clothes do you like to wear?

I prefer to wear formal attire for my job. This includes suits, dress shirts, and dress pants. I believe that dressing professionally not only enhances my appearance but also conveys a sense of confidence and competence.

2.Do you prefer to wear comfortable and casual clothes or smart clothes?

I prefer to wear smart clothes for formal occasions or when meeting with clients. Smart attire helps create a professional image and reflects the seriousness and dedication towards my work.

3.Do you like wearing T-shirts?

When it comes to T-shirts, I do like wearing them during casual occasions or when I need to feel relaxed. However, for professional settings and work-related events, I prefer to opt for more formal attire that aligns with the required dress code.

4.Do you spend a lot of time choosing clothes?

I do not spend a lot of time choosing clothes. I prefer to have a well-organized wardrobe with a selection of smart and comfortable outfits.

#### ***46. Music&Musical instruments***

1.Do a lot of people like music?

Yes, a lot of people enjoy music. It's a universal form of entertainment and expression that resonates with a wide audience. In China, music is a significant part of culture and daily life. People of all ages enjoy various genres of music for relaxation, entertainment, and sometimes for educational purposes. It's common to see people listening to music on their commutes, in parks, or at home as a way to unwind and enjoy their leisure time.

2.Do schools in your country have music lessons?

Yes, schools in my country do offer music lessons as part of the curriculum. Music education plays a vital role in fostering creativity and personal expression among students. It enables them to explore different genres, learn to play various instruments, and participate in ensembles or choirs. Moreover, music lessons provide a sense of discipline and enhance cognitive skills such as concentration and memory. Overall, it's great to see how schools prioritize the importance of music in shaping well-rounded individuals.

3.Have you ever learned to play a musical instrument?

Yes, I have had the opportunity to learn and play a musical instrument. I believe in pursuing diverse interests outside of work. Learning to play a musical instrument has been a fulfilling experience for me. It has enhanced my creativity, discipline, and ability to collaborate with others.

4.What musical instruments do you enjoy listening to the most?

I thoroughly enjoy listening to the piano and guitar. The versatility and expressive nature of these instruments captivate me. The melodic tones of the piano evoke a sense of tranquility, while the rhythmic strums of the guitar create a vibrant



atmosphere.

5. Do you think children should learn to play an instrument at school?

I believe that it is beneficial for children to learn to play an instrument at school. Learning to play an instrument provides numerous cognitive and emotional benefits for young learners. It helps enhance their concentration, discipline, and creativity.

6. Do you think music education is important to children?

I strongly believe that music education is crucial for children. It offers countless benefits beyond just learning an instrument. Music education helps children develop essential skills such as teamwork, discipline, and creativity. It also enhances cognitive abilities, emotional intelligence, and cultural appreciation.

#### **47. Chatting**

1. Do you like chatting with friends?

I enjoy chatting with friends during my leisure time as it helps me relax and unwind. Engaging in conversations with friends allows me to catch up on each other's lives, share experiences, and seek advice.

2. What do you usually chat about with friends?

I usually have discussions with friends about various topics including current events, sports, movies, hobbies, travel experiences, and personal achievements. These conversations help us stay connected and engaged outside of work, allowing us to relax and enjoy our time together.

3. Do you prefer to chat with a group of people or with only one friend?

I personally enjoy both group conversations and one-on-one chats with friends. Group discussions bring diverse perspectives and lively exchanges, fostering a dynamic social atmosphere. On the other hand, intimate one-on-one conversations allow for deeper connections, enabling more meaningful exchanges of thoughts and experiences.

4. Do you prefer to communicate face-to-face or via social media?

I value both face-to-face communication and social media as means of interaction. Face-to-face communication allows for direct engagement, non-verbal cues, and genuine connections. It fosters trust, understanding, and effective collaboration.

5. Do you argue with friends?

Actually yes, I do. I believe that healthy discussions and disagreements are a part of any friendship. While I don't actively seek arguments, I understand that conflicting opinions can arise. In such cases, I strive to approach the situation with respect, open-mindedness, and empathy.

#### **48. Films**

1. What films do you like?

My interests in films are diverse, Actually! I enjoy watching various genres, including

action, drama, comedy, and thriller films. Some of my favorite films include "Inception," "The Dark Knight," and "Pulp Fiction."

2. Did you often watch films when you were a child?

I had a keen interest in watching films when I was a child. It was an enjoyable and immersive form of entertainment for me. I used to watch a variety of movies, including animated films, adventure films, and family-friendly comedies.

3. Did you ever go to the cinema alone as a child?

Yes, I went to the cinema alone occasionally as a child. Going to the cinema alone allowed me to have a different experience than going with friends or family. It gave me the opportunity to choose the movie I wanted to watch and enjoy it at my own pace.

4. Do you often go to the cinema with your friends?

Yes, I often go to the cinema with my friends. It's a great way for us to spend quality time together and enjoy the latest movies. We usually plan our cinema outings in advance, deciding on the movie and showtime that suits everyone's preferences.

5. Do you think going to the cinema is a good way to spend time with friends?

Yes, I believe going to the cinema is a wonderful way to spend time with friends. It provides a great opportunity for us to relax, have fun, and bond over a shared experience. Watching a movie in a theater allows us to immerse ourselves in a different world and escape from our daily routines.

#### **49. Home/Accommodation**

1. What kind of house or flat do you want to live in in the future?

If I could afford it, I would buy a house close to the city center of Beijing. I plan to live and work in Beijing for a couple of years, and the company I want to work for is located in the very center of the city, so I really don't want to travel hours to get to work every day.

2. What's your favorite room in your apartment or house?

Well, to tell the truth, my favorite room is the bathroom. My parents always nag at me for spending too much time in there, but I only get to enjoy some peace and quiet when I'm in the bathroom!

3. What makes you feel pleasant in your home?

I can take off my makeup and wear whatever I feel comfortable in at home. Home is the only place I feel completely free and can be whatever I like to be. So yeah, it's this freedom that makes me feel pleasant. It makes home an appealing place for me.

4. Do you think it is important to live in a comfortable environment?

Of course it is important to live comfortably. A pleasant environment can put you in a good mood. It can also increase your sleep quality, which is critical to your health and

well-being. So if we can, we should always strive to make our living environment comfortable.

5. What can you see outside the window?

There are three big windows in my unit. The living room window looks out onto the garden which is full of flowers and bushes. The window views are the best, though! The two bedroom windows both look out onto a big tree in the neighbor's yard.

6. Do you live in a house or a flat?

I live in a unit. It's almost like a house, but not as spacious. The bedrooms in my unit aren't very big, but they are quite comfy. The living room is big enough for me to cater for a group of guests. It also has a small garden where I can grow my favorite plants.

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

I'm a nature person, so of course, I like the garden the most. Over the last two years, I have planted tulips, roses and lilies in my garden. I surround the flowers with green bushes. Also, I built a stone path so I can walk in it without getting muddy on rainy days.

8. Please describe the room you live in.

My bedroom is not very big. I only have a bed, a dresser and a closet in it. But it gets plenty of sunshine during the day, and it's pretty quiet at night. Outside the bedroom window, there's a big tree standing tall. I like to wake up to the greenery every morning.

9. Are the transport facilities to your home very good?

Yes, absolutely. In fact, the train station is just five minutes' walk from home. And if I want to take the bus, the bus stop is even closer – about two minutes away on foot. There's also a subway station at the end of the street, which is what I use most often.

10. What do you usually do in your house/flat/room?

If I'm free, I like to do some cleaning. You know, I cater for rental guests occasionally, so I have to make sure my place is clean and comfy. I also work in the garden, perhaps twice a week, to get rid of the weeds and water the plants.

11. Which room does your family spend most of the time in?

When my family come to stay with me, we spend most of the time in the living room, where there's a big window. Since the window is right next to the garden, the view is the best! We sit there with a cup of tea while looking at green bushes and colorful flowers.

12. Can you describe the place where you live?

I live in a comfortable and cozy flat. It is a duplex apartment. I live on the 21st floor.

From the window of my bedroom, I can overlook the garden in the housing estate. It is not very big, but I still have enough space.

13. What's the difference between where you are living now and where you have lived in the past?

I used to live in an apartment in a tall building. I could overlook the city but there was no nature or greenery nearby. However, in my current unit, I have my own garden where I can grow things and enjoy the sunshine in the warm afternoons. I like this unit much better.

14. Do you plan to live there for a long time?

Well, so far I'm quite happy with it. You see, the rent is not too expensive and it's located in the busy area of the city where the public transportation is great! If the unit owner agrees, I don't mind signing another three-year rental contract.

15. How long have you lived there?

Roughly two years. I rented the place when I first arrived in the city. I signed the rental contract with the unit owner for three years. That way, I don't have to worry about the rent increasing, because the contract says that the rent will stay the same within the contract period.

16. Who do you live with?

I rent the place by myself, but quite often, I have family and friends come over to stay the night, especially during holidays and weekends. I also have one room listed on a rental website to make extra money. So occasionally, I have rental guests too.

17. What kind of housing/accommodation do you live in?

Well, I live in a unit which has a small garden in the front yard. It's not very spacious but it's comfy enough. It has two bedrooms, a living room, a kitchen and a bathroom. We get plenty of light during the day.

## **50. Hometown**

1. What's (the name of) your hometown?

My hometown is Chengdu, the capital city of Sichuan Province.

2. Is that a big city or a small place?

Chengdu is a big city. I think it is the biggest city in southwest China. Moreover, it is a fast-developing city. What's fascinating about Chengdu is that it is not only a comfortable city for senior citizens to enjoy their old ages, but also a city with a lot of opportunities where young people can work hard and fulfill their dreams.

3. How long have you lived there?

I've lived here for 18 years. I left for Beijing when I went to college. It's quite

challenging for me to get out of my comfort zone. However, I made it.

4.What' s your hometown famous for?

My hometown is well known for Hula Tang, which is a kind of spicy soup that we like to have for breakfast. It' s made of potato noodles, peanuts, tofu and black mushrooms. In the holidays, people from neighboring cities and towns drive for hours just to experience our local Hula flavor.

5.Did you learn about the history of your hometown at school?

Actually, not really. In history class, the teacher only focused on textbooks. We were asked to memorize the historical events of the world and of our country, but nobody taught us about our hometown. Perhaps it' s too small to be mentioned.

6.Do you think you will continue living there for a long time?

Good question! I imagine I will. You see, I spend most of the year living in the city, because my work is in the city. However, I have plans to go back home someday in the future. When I' ve made enough money to retire, I will move back to my hometown.

7.Is there anything you dislike about it?

My hometown is a small town. It has a small population so there' s not even a train station, but it' s quite a livable place. It isn' t busy or crowded like a big city. People can manage their lives at a slow pace. Life is pretty enjoyable in a small town.

8.What do you like about your hometown?

Well, the most attractive thing about my hometown is that it has a number of scenic spots, like the West Lake, and Lingyin Temple. People of various age groups can enjoy or entertain themselves when they visit the West Lake. Retired people usually sing opera near that area.

9.Do you like living there?

Of course. I made many friends while I was growing up. Most of them settled down in my hometown. I like to hang out with them. Also, my family all live in my hometown. If I live there, I can spend time with my parents too. Above all, I enjoy the great scenery back home.

10.Do you like your hometown?

Definitely. I often tell my city friends about my hometown. The greenery, the nature, the sweet people, and the quiet evenings have captured me deep inside. I' ve traveled



to many places, but I believe my hometown has the best to offer, at least to me.

11. How long have you been living there?

I lived there until I turned 18. I left my hometown for university but in the past few years I have traveled back to my hometown at least twice a year to spend holidays. To me, it's always the best place to be.

12. Please describe your hometown a little.

Well, it's a small town where the weather is mild. There's no major public transport facilities like a train station or airport, however, the roads are solid and lead to all directions. Traveling is easy if you have a vehicle. Most importantly, people there are very nice and modest.

13. Is your hometown a big city or a small place?

My hometown is a small town. It has a small population so there's not even a train station, but it's quite a livable place. It isn't busy or crowded like a big city. People can manage their lives at a slow pace. Life is pretty enjoyable in a small town.

14. Where would you like to live?

Ideally, I would be able to afford an apartment in the city that I'm working in now, and a town house in my hometown. I'll live in the city during the weekdays and travel back to my hometown to spend the weekends and holidays.

15. Do you plan to continue living there?

I plan to buy a house in my hometown when I can afford it, and quite likely, I will travel back and forth between my hometown and the city that I'm living in now. That's because even though my hometown is beautiful, it doesn't have the kind of jobs that I am interested in.

16. Where's your hometown?

I come from a small town in the middle of the country. It's an agricultural town so the scenery is pretty stunning with plenty of trees and bushes lining both sides of the streets. The buildings aren't very tall like in big cities, and people are quite nice, so it's a very lovely place.

## **51. Work or study**

1. What subject(s) are you studying?

I am currently studying a range of subjects including biology, chemistry, and mathematics. These subjects offer a diverse perspective on the world, allowing me to explore the intricacies of life, understand the principles behind various chemical

reactions, and develop problem-solving skills. Learning about these subjects enables me to gain a better understanding of the world we live in and opens up opportunities for scientific research and discovery.

2. What technology do you use when you study?

Well, I normally use my iPad for online lessons. You see, I've signed up for many online lectures because I like to use my spare time to increase my knowledge. I also use the Kindle for reading which helps me to learn more about various topics and broaden my horizons.

3. Who helps you the most? And how?

My mother is always there for me. Whenever I need help, she's the first one to provide it. She paid for my English training fees when I first entered college. It was a big sum of money at the time. That training course has helped me a lot since then.

4. How much time do you spend on your studies each week?

I devote approximately 30 to 35 hours per week to my studies. This includes attending lectures, participating in tutorials, conducting research, completing assignments, and preparing for examinations. I believe it's crucial to allocate a significant amount of time to academic pursuits in order to excel in my chosen field of study. Additionally, I organize my schedule effectively to ensure a balance between my academic commitments and other aspects of life, such as personal interests, extracurricular activities, and socializing with friends.

5. Do you prefer to study in the mornings or in the afternoons?

I wish I was a morning person because I'm actually more productive in the morning. However, it's so difficult for me to rise early in the morning, so I have to arrange most of my study plans in the afternoons. I'm so used to this study schedule now.

6. Are you looking forward to working?

Yes, absolutely. I am working part time at the moment. I like to make my own money because it gives me freedom. I'm looking forward to my graduation when I can have a proper job, make a decent income and enjoy being able to manage my own money.

7. Is it very interesting?

Learning another language is not only an interesting experience but also a challenging one. It's full of fun when it comes to American and British humor. With excellent English, you can watch English TV series and movies without subtitles. But on the other hand, it requires substantial amount of patience to remember a wide range of vocabulary and to use it in the appropriate situation.

8. Do you like your subject?(Why?/Why not?)

Yes, of course I do. I would say I love the major I'm studying because learning another language is never simply about the grammar or the words themselves. It's more about the cultural background, serving as a way for communication and passing on the wisdom of humanity from generation to generation.

9. Why did you choose to study that subject?/Why did you choose to study those subjects?

Well, finance wasn't my primary choice. To be honest, I was convinced by my parents that it was the most worthwhile subject to learn. Perhaps they were right. What I've learned has helped me a great deal in real life. I think I can think more rationally nowadays about any financial decisions I make.

10. Do you think that your subject is popular in your country?

Yes, I do believe that my subject, which is Business, is quite popular in my country. With the increasing growth and importance of commerce and market, studying business has become a popular choice among students here. Business-related programs are in high demand as they provide opportunities for better career prospects, entrepreneurship, and economic development. The practicality and versatility of the business field appeal to many individuals, making it a sought-after subject in my country.

11. Do you have any plans for your studies in the next five years?

Yes, I certainly have plans for my studies in the next five years. Firstly, I aim to pursue a master's degree in my field of interest. This will further enhance my knowledge and make me more competitive in the job market. Additionally, I plan to engage in

internships or research projects to gain practical experience. Moreover, I will attend various workshops and seminars to stay updated with the latest advancements in my field. Ultimately, these plans will help me achieve my career goals and become a successful professional.

12. Do you want to change your major?

Yes, I do want to change my major. After careful consideration and self-reflection, I have realized that my current major does not align with my true passion and career goals. I feel that pursuing a different major will allow me to explore new areas of interest and develop skills that are relevant to the industry I aspire to work in. Additionally, changing my major will provide me with a fresh academic perspective, enabling me to broaden my knowledge and enhance my future job prospects.

13. What changes would you like to see in your school?

I would like to see an update in our school's library, with more diverse and current book selections, as well as modern technology for research and learning purposes. This would greatly enhance our academic experience and provide us with a wider range of resources for our studies.

14. What do you think is the most important at the moment?

I believe that personal well-being and mental health are the most important at the moment. In the current fast-paced and demanding work environment, it is crucial to prioritize self-care and ensure a healthy work-life balance. Taking breaks, engaging in hobbies, and maintaining good relationships with loved ones can help reduce stress and improve overall happiness. By taking care of ourselves, we can perform better at work and lead a more fulfilling life.

15. What work do you do?

I'm working as a teacher at XXX high school/ training organization right now. Usually I teach English lessons four days a week. Correcting my students' homework and other assignments is an essential part of my job. I also spend time taking care of and playing with the students outside the classroom.

16. Do you miss being a student?

Yes and no. I miss the worry-free time as a student. Studying hard was my mission. I didn't have to worry about rent, office affairs, work productivity and so on. However, when I didn't have the freedom to make financial decisions, I had to discuss almost every financial matter with my parents. That's the part I don't miss.

17. Do you want to change jobs?

Not at the moment, I am quite content with my current job. I believe it provides me with the necessary challenges and opportunities for growth. However, I am always open to exploring new opportunities and industries in the future.

18. What kinds of technology do you use at work?

In my current job, I use various technologies to efficiently carry out my tasks. These include software such as Microsoft Office for document creation and data analysis. Additionally, I utilize project management tools like Trello or Asana to organize and collaborate on team projects. Moreover, I use communication tools like Slack or Microsoft Teams to facilitate seamless communication with colleagues and clients. Furthermore, I'm familiar with industry-specific software and database management systems that are essential for my profession.

19. Is your work interesting?

It's not particularly exciting, but it's very practical. You know, finance is related to almost every aspect of our life. Also, it's a hot major in the job market. With financial knowledge, I could at least find a decent job and live a reasonable life.

20. Do you like your job?

I'm very fond of my job. Actually, teaching is more of a career instead of a job to me. As a child, I always dreamed of being a teacher, standing on the stage in front of the school. I love embracing my students every day and passing on the knowledge I have accumulated over the years. I've always had this feeling that as long as I stay with my students, I will always be energetic and passionate.

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

There's no doubt that teachers play an important role in students' lives. Back in my



school days, I was lucky to encounter many excellent teachers who've had a profound influence on me. Their passion for teaching and patience for caring inspired me to be a teacher myself. With this idea in mind, I chose to study English at university with the aim of becoming an English teacher.

22. What are the benefits of being your age?

Being a 20-year-old university student has its perks. Firstly, I have the energy and enthusiasm to explore various opportunities and try new things. Secondly, this age provides a perfect balance between youthful playfulness and adult responsibilities. Additionally, I can learn and adapt swiftly, making it easier to grasp new knowledge and acquire skills. Lastly, I have a chance to develop resilience and learn from mistakes while forming an identity that will shape my future.

23. What requirements did you need to meet to get current job?

To obtain my current job, I had to fulfill several prerequisites. Firstly, a bachelor's degree in a related field was essential. Additionally, a minimum of two years of relevant work experience was required. Fluency in both spoken and written English was crucial, as the job demanded effective communication with international clients. Proficiency in using computer software and analytical skills were also essential. Furthermore, a strong ability to work in a team, problem-solving aptitude, and adaptability were highly valued qualities.

24. Do you have any plans for your work in the next five years?

Yes, I certainly have plans for my studies in the next five years. Firstly, I aim to pursue a master's degree in my field of interest. This will further enhance my knowledge and make me more competitive in the job market. Additionally, I plan to engage in internships or research projects to gain practical experience. Moreover, I will attend various workshops and seminars to stay updated with the latest advancements in my field. Ultimately, these plans will help me achieve my career goals and become a successful professional.

## **52. The area you live in**

1. What are some changes in the area recently?

According to my observation, the biggest change that took place here is that there are more and more entertaining venues now. People here have come up with a variety of

stuff to relax recently, so accordingly, a lot more related facilities have been constructed. And another difference is that, the public transport system is far more completed, with more metro lines being built.

2. Do you know any of your neighbors?

Well, since I've only just moved into a new apartment, I am not familiar with any of my neighbors yet. Not only that, but I leave the apartment early in the morning and return late at night, so I don't really have chance to get to know them either.

3. Do you like the area that you live in?

Honestly speaking, not very much. Although I can see how much this area has developed, I am still not very satisfied with the current situation. One reason is that, I suppose this place is so overpopulated, so commuting is really a torture for me every day. Meanwhile, the air quality here is also terrible, and I am afraid that I will get some lung diseases one day if I keep living here.

4. What changes have been made to the area recently?

Well, a lot of changes are taking place nowadays in my city. I can see more and more skyscrapers have been built and the public transportation system is becoming more diversified and completed. But for me, the most fantastic change is that there is greater diversity in restaurants! Now I can taste genuine foreign food in my city. How marvelous it is!

5. Do you know any famous people in your area?

Actually yes! I am aware that a lot of movie stars come from where I live. I feel very proud every time I see them in a fantastic film. Also, there are some poets and writers who are living in the area that I come from. So, I suppose my city is an artistic and poetic area.

6. Where do you like to go in that area?

The sports stadium next to the building I live in, is where I would like to go frequently. The stadium is not very spacious but well-equipped with plenty of sports facilities. Also, there is an indoor swimming pool with a small number of people so I can swim whenever I want. That's really awesome!

7. Do you live in a noisy or a quiet area?

I live in a quiet area, which I find quite peaceful and conducive for my daily activities. It allows me to concentrate on my studies and other tasks without any distractions. However, the downside is that there are limited social activities and entertainment options around here. Nonetheless, the tranquility and serenity of my neighborhood make it the perfect place to unwind after a long day.

8. Are the people in your neighborhood nice and friendly?

Yes, the people in my neighborhood are incredibly nice and friendly. They always greet each other with a smile and are willing to lend a helping hand whenever needed. One person that stands out is Auntie Liu, who loves to share the delicious snacks she makes at home. She often brings over freshly baked pastries and sweet treats for everyone to enjoy. It really creates a sense of warmth and community in our neighborhood.

### **53. *The city you live in***

#### **1. What city do you live in?**

I currently live in the city of Beijing. It's a vibrant and bustling city with a rich cultural history. Being the capital city of China, it's also a hub for business and innovation. Living here provides a great opportunity to learn about Chinese culture, both old and new. There are always new places to explore and interesting things to discover. Despite its size and fast pace, I find that Beijing still manages to maintain a sense of community, making it a great place to call home.

#### **2. Do you like this city? Why?**

Yes, I really like living in Beijing. There are so many things I enjoy about this city, from the historical landmarks to the modern shopping centers. One of my favorite things about Beijing is the food. The city has a diverse culinary scene, with delicious street food and high-end restaurants with cuisine from all over China and the world. Additionally, I appreciate the opportunities for personal and professional growth that living in such a large city offers. Overall, I find Beijing to be an exciting and dynamic place to live.

#### **3. How long have you lived in this city?**

I have lived in Beijing for almost four years since I started attending university here. During this time, I have come to appreciate all that the city has to offer, from its rich cultural heritage to its modern amenities. Living in Beijing has allowed me to broaden my horizons and learn more about different cultures, while also providing me with valuable academic and career opportunities. Overall, I feel fortunate to call Beijing my home and look forward to continuing to explore everything it has to offer.

#### **4. Are there big changes in this city?**

Yes, there have been many big changes in this city during the past few years. For

example, new infrastructure projects and developments have made the city more

modern and convenient. There has also been a greater emphasis on environmental protection, resulting in cleaner air and better living conditions. Additionally, the city has become more diverse and international, attracting people from all over the world. These changes have made the city more vibrant and exciting, and I feel fortunate to be able to witness and experience them firsthand.



5. Is this city your permanent residence?

No, this city is not my permanent residence. I grew up in a different city and came to this city for university. However, I have grown to love this city and feel like it has become a second home to me. The vibrancy and diversity of the city make it an exciting place to live and study. While I may not stay here permanently, I know that this city will always hold a special place in my heart.

6. Are there people of different ages living in this city?

I can say with confidence that the answer to this question is a definite yes. People of different ages from infants to the elderly live and work here, creating a diverse and colorful community. The variety of age groups brings about unique perspectives, experiences, and cultural traditions that add depth and richness to life in the city. Being able to interact with individuals from various age groups on a daily basis allows for learning opportunities and contributes to the overall character of the city.

7. What's the weather like where you live?

The weather where I live is quite diverse and distinct. We experience all four seasons throughout the year. During spring, the weather is mild and pleasant with occasional rainfall. Summer can be hot and humid, characterized by long hours of sunshine. Autumn brings cooler temperatures and colorful foliage. Winter is usually cold, with snowfall and freezing temperatures. Overall, this variety in climate makes living here quite interesting and allows for a range of outdoor activities throughout the year.

8. Are the people friendly in the city?

Yes, in general, the people in the city are friendly and welcoming. However, like any

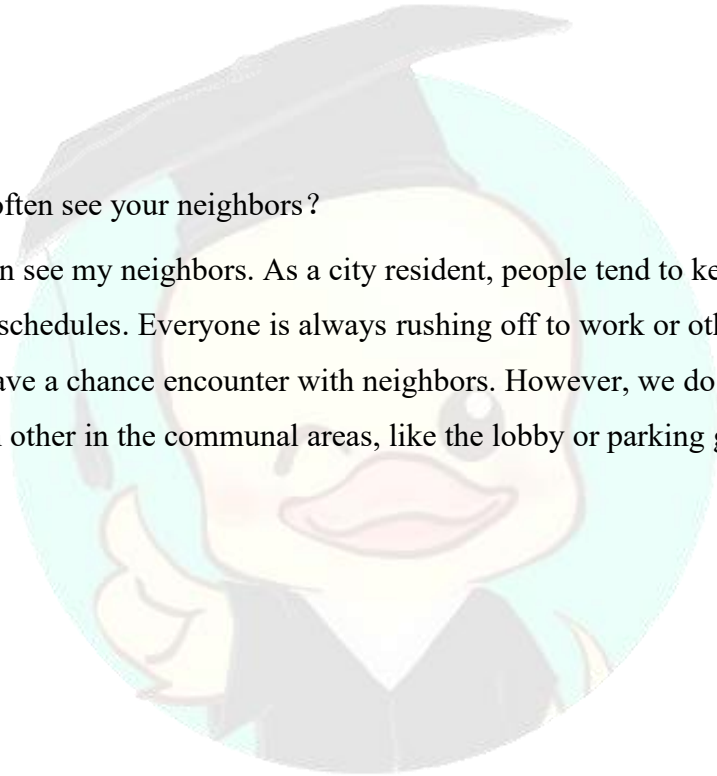
other place, there may be individuals who are not as friendly. But, for the most part, the majority of the people in the city are kind-hearted and willing to help.

9. Is the city friendly to children and old people?

Yes, the city is exceptionally friendly to both children and old people. There are numerous parks and playgrounds where children can safely play, and the city provides various activities and educational programs tailored to their needs. In addition, there are numerous elderly-friendly facilities, such as easily accessible public transportation, wide pedestrian walkways, and senior-oriented recreational centers. The city recognizes the importance of creating a welcoming environment for all its residents, regardless of age.

10. Do you often see your neighbors?

No, I don't often see my neighbors. As a city resident, people tend to keep to themselves and have busy schedules. Everyone is always rushing off to work or other commitments, so it's rare to have a chance encounter with neighbors. However, we do occasionally bump into each other in the communal areas, like the lobby or parking garage.





## Part2&3:

### 1. 使用困难的科技产品

Describe a piece of technology that you feel difficult to use You should say:

When you got it

What you got it for

How often you use it

And explain how you feel about it

参考回答

#### Part2:

One piece of technology that I found difficult to use is a high-end digital camera that I received as a gift two years ago. I got it primarily for capturing high-quality photos during special occasions and for personal projects. However, I found myself using it less often than I anticipated due to the complexity of its features and settings.

Despite my efforts to learn how to operate it effectively through online tutorials and user manuals, I still struggled with navigating its menu system and adjusting its advanced settings. As a result, I often defaulted to using my smartphone camera for convenience, even though the digital camera offered superior image quality. (因此, 尽管数码相机的图像质量更好, 但为了方便, 我还是经常使用智能手机相机。) Overall, while I appreciate the capabilities of the digital camera, I feel frustrated by my inability to fully utilize its features and maximize its potential. It serves as a reminder of the importance of user-friendly design and intuitive interfaces in technology, as even advanced devices can be daunting and inaccessible to users without adequate guidance and support. (它提醒人们, 在技术领域, 用户友好的设计和直观的界面非常重要, 因为即使是先进的设备, 如果没有足够的指导和支持, 也会让用户望而生畏, 难以使用。)

#### Part3:

1. What technology do people currently use?

People currently use a wide range of technology in their daily lives, including smartphones, laptops, smartwatches, tablets, and various smart home devices such as voice-activated assistants and smart thermostats. Additionally, technologies like virtual reality (VR) and augmented reality (AR) are becoming more popular for entertainment and educational purposes.

2. Why do big companies introduce new products frequently?

Big companies introduce new products frequently to stay competitive in the market, capitalize on consumer demand for the latest innovations, and maintain their brand image as industry leaders. By constantly updating their product lines, companies can attract new customers, retain existing ones, and demonstrate their commitment to technological advancement and quality improvements.

3. Why are people so keen on buying iPhones even though they haven't changed much

from one to the next?

People are keen on buying iPhones despite minimal apparent changes from one version to the next due to several factors. Brand loyalty, perceived status associated with owning an iPhone, reliable performance, seamless integration with other Apple devices, and the appeal of Apple's ecosystem and services all contribute to the continued popularity of iPhones.

#### 4. Why do technology companies keep upgrading their products?

Technology companies keep upgrading their products to incorporate the latest advancements, enhance performance, address user feedback, stay ahead of competitors, and meet evolving consumer needs and expectations. Continuous improvement is essential to remain relevant and to achieve sustained growth in the rapidly changing tech industry.

## 2. 不喜欢的广告

Describe an advertisement you don't like You should say:

Where and when you first saw it

What type of advertisement it is

What product or service it advertises

And explain why you don't like it

参考回答

### Part 2

An advert I don't like is the melatonin(脑白金, 聚黑激素) one. I think most people have seen this advert too. It think it was rated as 'the most brainwashing(洗脑) and annoying advert' by Chinese netizens(网友).

I can't remember when I first saw this commercial, but I was probably a little kid at the time, so it must have been at least a dozen years ago. I first saw it on TV and it was very brainwashing. I remember seeing it on all the channels, so it had a very wide reach(它的受众面很广).

It was an advert for a health care product. It said Melatonin powerfully improves sleep quality, increases sleep time, and relieves stress in a natural way. The entire advert was very simple and short, about ten seconds or so, and there was only one slogan sung throughout: "This holiday do not accept gifts, but if you accept gifts, you should only take melatonin." In addition to this slogan, there were two animated characters, an old lady and an old man, dancing along to(和...一起起舞) the song.

I don't think the advertising slogan is logical at all, and the song is very manipulative, so I don't like this advert. If you don't accept gifts, why would you want to accept this health care product? This statement makes no sense at all logically. But it is undeniable that this advert was very successful. At that time, the sales of this product increased because of this advert, and almost everyone in the country knew about it.

### Part 3

1. What do you think of celebrity endorsements in advertising?

Celebrity endorsements in advertising can be effective in enhancing brand visibility, credibility, and appeal by leveraging the fame, influence, and likability of well-known personalities. Celebrity endorsements can create associations between the brand and the celebrity's image, lifestyle, or values, influencing consumer perceptions and purchase intentions. Moreover, celebrities can reach a broad audience and generate buzz for advertising campaigns through their social media channels and public appearances. However, the effectiveness of celebrity endorsements depends on factors such as the relevance of the celebrity to the brand, authenticity of the endorsement, and alignment with target audience demographics and preferences.

2. What are the benefits of advertising?

Advertising offers several benefits for businesses, including raising brand awareness, attracting customers, driving sales, and promoting new products or services. Effective advertising can differentiate a brand from competitors, communicate unique selling points, and build emotional connections with consumers. Moreover, advertising helps businesses maintain visibility in the market, stay top-of-mind among consumers, and reinforce brand loyalty over time. Additionally, advertising can educate consumers about product features, benefits, and usage, addressing their needs and preferences more effectively. Furthermore, advertising contributes to economic growth by stimulating demand, supporting industries, and creating employment opportunities in marketing, advertising, and related sectors.

3. Which one is more effective, newspaper advertising or online advertising?

The effectiveness of newspaper advertising versus online advertising depends on various factors such as target audience demographics, advertising objectives, and budget considerations. Newspaper advertising may be more effective for reaching older demographics or local audiences who prefer print media. It offers advantages such as high readership among certain demographics, credibility, and geographic targeting options. On the other hand, online advertising offers broader reach, precise targeting capabilities, real-time analytics, and interactive formats that engage users across multiple devices and platforms. Online advertising may be more cost-effective and measurable compared to traditional newspaper advertising, especially for businesses targeting younger or tech-savvy audiences.

4. What are the most advertised products in your country?

The most advertised products in my country may vary depending on current trends, consumer preferences, and marketing strategies of businesses. However, common categories of heavily advertised products in China include consumer electronics, smartphones, cosmetics and skincare, fashion apparel, food and beverages, and automotive products. These products often feature prominently in advertising campaigns across various media channels such as television, social media, digital platforms, and outdoor billboards. Moreover, promotional activities, sales events, and festive seasons may influence the frequency and intensity of advertising for certain products, driving consumer interest and demand.

3. 开学第一天

Describe the first day you went to school that you remember You should say:

When it happened

How you felt about the experience

Where the school is  
And explain why you still remember the experience  
参考回答

## Part 2

I vividly remember my first day of school, which happened when I was six years old. It was a crisp autumn morning, and I felt a mix of excitement and nervousness as my parents walked me to the local primary school in our neighborhood. The school, nestled amidst a residential area with towering trees and colorful playground equipment, seemed like a place of endless possibilities and new adventures. (学校坐落在居民区中，绿树成荫，操场上五颜六色的游乐设施，似乎是一个充满无限可能和新奇冒险的地方。) As I stepped through the gates and into the bustling schoolyard, I was overwhelmed by the sights and sounds of children laughing, teachers bustling about, and parents bidding farewell to their little ones. Despite feeling a bit apprehensive about being away from my parents for the first time, I was eager to explore my new surroundings and make new friends. The anticipation of learning new things and embarking on this new chapter of my life filled me with a sense of anticipation and wonder. (对学习新知识和开启人生新篇章的期待让我充满了期待和好奇。)

The reason why I still remember this experience so clearly is because it marked a significant milestone in my life. It was my first step towards independence and formal education, setting the stage for years of learning and personal growth ahead. The memories of that day are etched in my mind as they represent a pivotal moment of transition from the comfort and security of home to the challenges and opportunities of the wider world. Moreover, the emotions I felt on that day - the excitement, nervousness, and curiosity - serve as a reminder of the resilience and adaptability that I possess, qualities that have continued to serve me well throughout my academic and personal journey. Overall, my first day of school remains a cherished memory that holds a special place in my heart, symbolizing the beginning of a lifelong journey of learning, discovery, and self-discovery. (总之，开学第一天仍然是我珍贵的记忆，在我心中占据着特殊的位置，象征着终生学习、探索和发现自我之旅的开始。)

## Part 3

1. Is socialization important for children?

Yes, socialization is important for children as it plays a crucial role in their overall development and well-being. Socialization helps children learn essential social skills such as communication, cooperation, empathy, and conflict resolution, which are vital for building healthy relationships and navigating social interactions throughout life. Moreover, socialization fosters a sense of belonging, identity, and community, providing children with opportunities to develop self-confidence, self-awareness, and emotional resilience. Furthermore, socialization promotes cognitive development by exposing children to diverse perspectives, ideas, and experiences, stimulating curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking skills.

2. What are the reasons for job change?

There are various reasons why individuals may change jobs throughout their careers. Some common reasons for job change include seeking better career opportunities, advancement, and professional growth. Individuals may change jobs to pursue higher salaries, better benefits, or improved work-life balance. Moreover, dissatisfaction with current job roles, responsibilities, or organizational culture may prompt individuals to seek new challenges and environments elsewhere. Additionally, changes in personal



circumstances, such as relocation, family commitments, or health considerations, may necessitate a job change. Furthermore, individuals may change jobs to align with their career aspirations, interests, and values, seeking roles that offer fulfillment, purpose, and alignment with their long-term goals.

### 3. Are big companies better than small companies? Why?

Whether big companies are better than small companies depends on various factors such as individual preferences, career goals, and organizational culture. Big companies often offer advantages such as greater stability, resources, and opportunities for career advancement and professional development. They may also provide better benefits, higher salaries, and a broader range of perks and incentives for employees. Moreover, big companies may have established reputations, brands, and networks that enhance their credibility and market presence. However, small companies may offer advantages such as flexibility, agility, and closer-knit work environments, allowing employees to have a greater impact, autonomy, and visibility within the organization.

### 4. What are the advantages and disadvantages coming along with changing jobs?

Changing jobs can bring both advantages and disadvantages for individuals. Advantages of changing jobs may include opportunities for career advancement, skill development, and personal growth. Changing jobs can also lead to higher salaries, better benefits, and improved work-life balance. Moreover, changing jobs allows individuals to explore new industries, roles, and environments, expanding their professional network and experiences. However, there are also disadvantages to changing jobs, such as potential instability, uncertainty, and adjustment challenges. Additionally, frequent job changes may raise concerns about job hopping or commitment to employers, impacting future career prospects and marketability. Furthermore, changing jobs may require individuals to adapt to new organizational cultures, colleagues, and expectations, which can be stressful or challenging.

## 4. 常用网站

Describe a website you often visit You should say:

How you found it

What it is about

How often you visit it

And explain why you often visit it

参考回答

### Part 2

When speaking the website I use most frequently, would be Weibo. I first knew it on the recommendation of my best friend(在好朋友的推荐下) several years ago when I was a middle school student. After that time, I gradually fell in love with it and as long as I have some spare time, I would open it to browse some interesting pictures and videos. I am partial to it(偏爱) for many reasons.

First of all, it is the best website for me to get close to my idols. By following idols on Weibo, I could get information about him or her the first time. What's more, when browsing the vlogs and pictures posted by some fashion idols on Weibo, I could get deeper insights into daily mixing and matching(日常穿搭), delicacies(美食), and even healthcare(医疗保健), which is beneficial for me to form my own fashion style.



Secondly, it is an ideal place to find out what is going on in the world. Every day, instead of reading newspapers or watching a new program on TV, only by surfing my Weibo, I could know the breaking news anytime and anywhere, which is significant for me to satisfy my curiosity.

In conclusion, Weibo has already become an integral part(不可分割的一部分) of my life, and without Weibo, I would be suffering.

### Part 3

1. Why do people like to read the news on the Internet instead of on TV?

People prefer reading news on the Internet because of its immediacy, accessibility, and interactivity. With online news platforms, users can access the latest updates instantly from their smartphones or computers, engage in discussions, and explore related content conveniently. Additionally, the Internet offers a wide range of perspectives and sources, allowing users to tailor their news consumption according to their interests and preferences.

2. Are libraries still necessary? Why?

Yes, libraries are still necessary despite advancements in digital technology. They serve as valuable community resources that provide access to information, education, and cultural enrichment for people of all ages. Libraries offer a quiet and conducive environment for study, research, and learning, along with access to physical and digital collections that may not be readily available elsewhere.

3. What kinds of people would still go to the library to read and study?

People who still go to the library to read and study may include students, researchers, book lovers, and those who prefer a quiet and focused environment for reading and studying. Additionally, individuals who do not have access to reliable internet or digital devices may rely on libraries for information and resources.

4. What are the differences between old people and young people when they use the internet?

When using the internet, older people may have less familiarity with technology and digital platforms compared to younger people. They may be more cautious or hesitant to explore new online services and may prefer traditional communication methods. Younger people, on the other hand, tend to be more adept at using the internet and may embrace new technologies and social media platforms more readily for communication, entertainment, and information gathering.

### 5. 家里让你放松的地方

Describe your favorite place in your house where you can relax You should say:

Where it is

What it is like

What you enjoy doing there

And explain why you feel relaxed at this place

参考回答

### Part 2

My favorite place in my house where I can truly relax is my bedroom. Situated on the second floor, it's a cozy sanctuary that reflects my personality and provides me with a

sense of peace and comfort. The walls are painted in soothing pastel colors, adorned with framed photographs and artwork that hold sentimental value. (墙壁粉刷成舒缓的粉色, 装饰着装裱好的照片和具有情感价值的艺术品。) A plush rug covers the hardwood floor, and soft, dimmable lighting creates a warm and inviting ambiance. The centerpiece of the room is my comfortable queen-sized bed, dressed in soft linens and fluffy pillows. Here, I enjoy unwinding after a long day by reading my favorite books, listening to calming music, or simply daydreaming as I gaze out the window at the serene view of the garden below. (在这里, 我可以阅读自己喜欢的书籍, 聆听宁静的音乐, 或者望着窗外宁静的花园美景做白日梦, 从而放松一天的疲惫。) I also find solace in practicing mindfulness and meditation in this space, allowing myself to let go of stress and worries and focus on the present moment.

I feel relaxed in my bedroom for several reasons. Firstly, it's a private and personal space where I can escape from the demands and distractions of the outside world. Here, I can be myself without any pretense or pressure, allowing me to recharge and rejuvenate both physically and mentally. (我可以做我自己, 没有任何伪装和压力, 让我的身心得到充电和恢复。) Secondly, the soothing environment of my bedroom, with its soft colors, comfortable furnishings, and tranquil atmosphere, promotes a sense of calm and tranquility that helps me unwind and de-stress. Finally, engaging in activities that I enjoy, such as reading, listening to music, or practicing mindfulness, helps me to disconnect from the busyness of daily life and focus on self-care and relaxation. Overall, my bedroom serves as a haven of peace and tranquility within my home, where I can escape, recharge, and find inner balance amidst the chaos of the world.

### **Part 3**

#### **1. Why is it difficult for some people to relax?**

Different factors can make it challenging for some individuals to relax. For instance, stress from work, relationships, or other aspects of life may prevent one from finding relief. Additionally, personal health issues, such as anxiety or depression, may cause a person to have difficulty relaxing. Environmental conditions, such as noise pollution or chaotic surroundings, can also disrupt one's ability to unwind. Furthermore, certain personality traits, like perfectionism or hyperactivity, can make it harder for some people to relax. Overall, relaxation is a unique experience that varies from person to person, and some may require special techniques or interventions to help them relax effectively.

#### **2. What are the benefits of doing exercise?**

Exercise provides numerous benefits for physical and mental health. It helps to strengthen muscles and bones, improve cardiovascular health, and reduce the risk of chronic diseases like diabetes and heart disease. Exercise also boosts mood and enhances cognitive function by increasing blood flow to the brain and reducing stress levels. Additionally, it can help individuals achieve a better quality of sleep, leading to feeling more refreshed and energized. Moreover, exercise has been linked to social benefits, such as improved social interactions, enhanced teamwork, and reduced loneliness. Overall, regular exercise has numerous benefits for both physical health and mental well-being.

#### **3. Do people in your country exercise after work?**

Yes, many people in my country exercise after work. With the rise of sedentary lifestyles and the increasing awareness of the importance of physical activity, many individuals have incorporated exercise into their daily routines. After work, people may go to fitness centers, participate in group exercises, bike, jog or walk outdoors, among other options. Furthermore, many employers encourage workplace fitness programs to support employees' physical and mental health. However, despite the efforts to promote physical activity, there remains a significant percentage of the population that struggles to incorporate exercise into their daily lives due to busy schedules, lack of motivation, or simply not knowing where to start.

4. What is the place where people spend most of their time in their home?

The living room is the area where most people spend most of their time in their homes. This is typically the central hub of the house, where family members and friends gather to socialize, watch television, read, or engage in other activities. In many cases, this space represents the essential area where people relax after a long day, making it an essential part of the home. As such, it is often designed and decorated with comfortable furniture, ambient lighting, and decor elements to create a welcoming atmosphere.

## 6. 未来想学的学科

Describe a subject that you would like to learn in the future

You should say:

What it is

Where and how you want to learn it

Why you want to learn it

And explain if it will be difficult to learn it

参考回答

### Part2

One subject that I am eager to learn in the future is artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning. As technology continues to advance rapidly, AI is becoming increasingly prevalent in various industries, from healthcare and finance to entertainment and transportation. I am fascinated by the potential of AI to revolutionize the way we live and work, and I am keen to delve deeper into understanding its principles and applications.

I envision learning about AI through a combination of online courses, workshops, and practical projects. Platforms like Coursera, edX, and Udacity offer comprehensive courses taught by experts in the field, covering topics such as neural networks, deep learning, and natural language processing. (Coursera、edX 和 Udacity 等平台提供由该领域专家讲授的综合课程，涵盖神经网络、深度学习和自然语言处理等主题。) Additionally, I would seek opportunities to collaborate with peers and participate in hands-on projects to gain practical experience and apply theoretical knowledge in real-world scenarios.

There are several reasons why I want to learn about AI. Firstly, I believe that AI has the potential to drive innovation and solve complex problems in areas such as healthcare, climate change, and education. By gaining a deeper understanding of AI, I hope to contribute to the development of impactful solutions that benefit society as a whole. (通

过深入了解人工智能，我希望能对开发有影响力的解决方案做出贡献，造福整个社会。） Secondly, AI is shaping the future of work, with automation and data-driven decision-making becoming increasingly prevalent. By acquiring skills in AI and machine learning, I aim to future-proof my career and remain competitive in an evolving job market.

While learning about AI may pose challenges due to its complexity and technical nature, I am confident that with dedication, perseverance, and a structured learning approach, I can overcome any obstacles. The field of AI is vast and constantly evolving, requiring continuous learning and adaptation to stay abreast of the latest advancements. （由于人工智能的复杂性和技术性，学习人工智能可能会带来挑战，但我相信，只要有奉献精神、毅力和有条不紊的学习方法，我就能克服任何障碍。人工智能领域十分广阔，而且在不断发展，需要不断学习和适应，才能跟上最新进展。） However, I am motivated by the prospect of acquiring new skills and knowledge that will enable me to make meaningful contributions to society and advance my career in a rapidly changing world.

### **Part3**

1. What are the differences between online learning and offline learning?

Online learning offers flexibility and convenience, allowing learners to access educational materials and participate in courses remotely, often at their own pace and schedule. Offline learning, on the other hand, typically involves face-to-face interactions in a physical classroom or learning environment, providing opportunities for real-time interaction, collaboration, and hands-on activities. While online learning offers convenience and accessibility, offline learning fosters interpersonal connections, immediate feedback, and a structured learning environment. Both approaches have their merits and limitations, and the choice between online and offline learning depends on individual preferences, learning styles, and educational objectives.

2. Do you prefer to study alone or with a group of people?

Personally, I prefer to study alone as it allows me to focus better, manage my own pace, and tailor my study methods to my individual learning needs. Studying alone provides me with the freedom to delve deeply into topics of interest, concentrate on challenging concepts, and maintain a disciplined study routine without distractions. However, I recognize the benefits of studying with a group of people, such as sharing ideas, gaining diverse perspectives, and engaging in collaborative learning activities. Ultimately, the preference for studying alone or with a group depends on individual learning styles, personality traits, and the nature of the subject matter being studied.

3. What are the advantages and disadvantages of learning in a group?

Learning in a group offers several advantages, including opportunities for peer learning, sharing of knowledge and expertise, and collaborative problem-solving. Group learning can enhance understanding, promote critical thinking, and foster social connections and teamwork skills. However, learning in a group may also have disadvantages, such as potential distractions, conflicts, or uneven participation among group members. Additionally, group dynamics and interpersonal relationships can influence the effectiveness of group learning experiences. Therefore, while group learning can be beneficial in certain contexts, it is essential to consider the dynamics and structure of the group to maximize its effectiveness.

4. What subjects do most young people prefer to learn? Why?



Young people often prefer to learn subjects that align with their interests, career aspirations, and personal goals. Subjects that offer practical skills, relevance to current trends and technologies, and opportunities for creativity and self-expression are typically favored by young learners. Additionally, subjects that provide pathways to desirable careers, higher education, or personal development may attract the interest of young people. However, individual preferences for learning subjects may vary based on factors such as academic strengths, extracurricular interests, and future aspirations.

## 7. 助你实现目标的人

Describe a person who encouraged and helped you to achieve a goal

You should say:

who this person is

what this person encouraged you to do

how this person helped you

And explain why this encouragement helped you to achieve your goal

参考回答

### Part 2

My French teacher, Mr Zhang, has given me priceless encouragement and support to help me achieve my goal of becoming fluent in French.

Ms Zhang encouraged me to challenge myself and aim for fluency in French despite its complexity. She motivated me to set specific language learning goals and provided personalised guidance based on my strengths and weaknesses(优缺点). Ms Zhang also went out of her way to provide additional resources such as textbooks, online materials and language exchange opportunities to enhance my learning experience. Her patience and encouraging demeanour created a positive learning environment for me to make mistakes and self-promote. Ms Zhang's constant support and positive encouragement has strengthened my confidence and determination(信心与决心) to overcome difficulties and persevere in achieving my goals. Her encouragement not only helped me achieve my desired level of French, but also fuelled my lifelong passion for language learning.

Under her guidance, I have gained a deeper understanding of French culture and language, paving the way for personal and academic development. Ms Zhang's strong belief in my abilities and her attentive guidance have played an important role in my language learning journey, and I sincerely thank her for her support.

### Part 3

1. Do parents and teachers punish children physically nowadays?

Physical punishment of children by parents and teachers is generally discouraged and less common in modern society. Instead, there is a growing emphasis on positive discipline strategies that focus on communication, understanding, and teaching appropriate behavior. Physical punishment can have negative effects on children's mental and emotional well-being, and there are legal and ethical considerations surrounding its use. Nowadays, parents and teachers are encouraged to use positive reinforcement, setting clear expectations, and teaching problem-solving skills to address behavioral issues effectively.



2. Why is it important for teenagers to set goals?

Setting goals is important for teenagers as it provides direction, motivation, and a sense of purpose in their lives. Goal setting helps teenagers clarify their aspirations, identify areas for growth, and develop plans to achieve their dreams. It instills a sense of responsibility, resilience, and self-discipline, fostering personal development and success. Moreover, setting and striving towards goals allows teenagers to explore their interests, build confidence, and overcome challenges, preparing them for future endeavors and fulfilling their potential.

## 8. 自然之地

Describe a natural place (e.g. parks, mountains)

You should say:

Where this place is

How you knew this place

What it is like

And explain why you like to visit it

参考回答

### Part2

One of my favorite natural places to visit is the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, located on the border between Tennessee and North Carolina in the southeastern United States. I first learned about this breathtaking destination through travel documentaries and recommendations from friends who had visited before. Intrigued by its reputation as one of the most biodiverse regions in North America and its stunning scenery, I decided to explore it for myself.

The Great Smoky Mountains National Park is renowned for its lush forests, towering peaks, cascading waterfalls, and diverse wildlife. (大烟山国家公园以其郁郁葱葱的森林、高耸入云的山峰、飞流直下的瀑布和种类繁多的野生动物而闻名于世。) Spanning over 800 square miles, it encompasses a wide range of ecosystems, from dense old-growth forests to meandering rivers and high-altitude meadows. Visitors can embark on countless hiking trails that lead to scenic overlooks, historic landmarks, and hidden gems tucked away in the wilderness. (游客可以踏上无数条远足小径，通往风景优美的俯瞰点、历史地标和隐藏在荒野中的瑰宝。)

What sets the Great Smoky Mountains apart is its natural beauty and tranquility. Whether it's driving along the scenic Newfound Gap Road, hiking to the summit of Clingmans Dome - the highest peak in the park, or marveling at the colorful display of wildflowers in spring, every visit offers a chance to connect with nature and rejuvenate the soul. (无论是沿着风景优美的纽芬德峡谷公路驱车游览，还是徒步登上公园最高峰克林曼斯圆顶的顶峰，抑或是惊叹于春天五彩缤纷的野花，每一次游览都是一次与大自然亲密接触、焕发心灵活力的机会。) The park is also home to a rich cultural heritage, with preserved log cabins, historic churches, and remnants of Appalachian pioneer life dotting the landscape.

What draws me to visit the Great Smoky Mountains time and time again is its ability to provide a sense of escape from the hustle and bustle of modern life. Surrounded by the serenity of the mountains, I feel a profound sense of peace and perspective, allowing me to recharge and reconnect with the natural world. Whether I'm admiring a panoramic

sunset from a mountaintop or listening to the soothing sounds of a babbling brook, each moment spent in the park is a reminder of the beauty and wonder of our planet. Moreover, the Great Smoky Mountains National Park offers endless opportunities for outdoor recreation, from hiking and camping to wildlife watching and photography, making it a haven for outdoor enthusiasts of all ages.

### **Part3**

#### **1. What kind of people like to visit natural places?**

People who appreciate tranquility, beauty, and outdoor activities are more likely to enjoy visiting natural places. Nature enthusiasts, hikers, photographers, and individuals seeking a break from the hustle and bustle of city life often find solace and rejuvenation in natural environments. They appreciate the sense of peace, serenity, and connection to the natural world that natural places offer, making them eager to explore and immerse themselves in the beauty of nature.

#### **2. What are the differences between a natural place and a city?**

Natural places and cities offer vastly different environments and experiences. Natural places, such as forests, mountains, and national parks, are characterized by their abundant greenery, fresh air, and diverse wildlife. They provide opportunities for outdoor recreation, relaxation, and immersion in nature. In contrast, cities are densely populated urban areas with bustling streets, towering skyscrapers, and a wide range of cultural and entertainment options. While cities offer convenience, amenities, and opportunities for social interaction, natural places offer tranquility, natural beauty, and a respite from the urban environment.

#### **3. Do you think that going to the park is the only way to get close to nature?**

While going to the park is one way to get close to nature, it is not the only way. There are many natural places beyond parks where people can connect with nature, such as forests, beaches, mountains, and wilderness areas. Additionally, activities such as hiking, camping, birdwatching, and nature photography provide opportunities to immerse oneself in nature and experience its wonders firsthand. Whether it's a leisurely stroll in the park or an adventurous hike in the wilderness, spending time in natural environments can foster a deeper appreciation for the natural world and promote physical and mental well-being.

#### **4. What can people gain from going to natural places?**

People can gain numerous benefits from visiting natural places. Physically, spending time in nature can improve overall health and well-being by reducing stress, lowering blood pressure, and boosting immunity. Mentally, connecting with nature can enhance mood, increase happiness, and promote relaxation and mindfulness. Moreover, visiting natural places provides opportunities for exercise, adventure, and exploration, fostering a sense of adventure, curiosity, and wonder. Additionally, experiencing the beauty and diversity of nature can inspire creativity, foster a sense of awe and reverence, and deepen one's connection to the environment.

### **9. 迟到**

Describe a time when you missed or were late for a meeting/event

You should say:

When it happened

What happened

Why you missed/were late for it

And explain how you felt about this experience

参考回答

## Part 2

Half a year ago, I was working as an intern at a company. To align with(配合) the customer's schedule, we arranged a meeting on a Sunday morning. I was supposed to arrive at the venue no later than 8:30 am so I could prepare the stuff needed for the meeting.

Unfortunately, it rained heavily in the evening of the night before the big day, and the weather forecast predicted incessant rain for a few days. Considering the bad weather, I set an alarm for 6:00 am and went to bed early. Truth is, I was feeling quite nervous and spent most of the night worrying about the report I had to give the next day. Despite all that, I managed to wake up on time the next morning.

To my surprise, when I arrived at the bus station, no buses or any other public transport were in operation(运转). It turned out to be a different bus schedule on weekends, but I did not realize the change.

Therefore, I decided to take a taxi. However, I could not catch a car due to the heavy rain. Fortunately, one of the buses started to move at 8:00 am and I rushed onto it without hesitation. Finally, I reached the meeting room at 8:50 am. I explained the situation to the line manager, and he totally understood. Moreover, our customer team was still stuck on the road. Lucky me! The meeting went well that day, but whenever I think about this incident, my heart skips a beat.

## Part 3

1. Do you think people are born with time management skills or they can develop them?

Time management skills can be developed over time through practice, experience, and conscious effort. While some individuals may have a natural inclination towards effective time management, others may need to cultivate and refine these skills through learning and application. By setting priorities, establishing routines, and utilizing time management techniques, individuals can improve their ability to plan, organize, and allocate time effectively to various tasks and responsibilities.

2. Are people in your country often late for meetings?

In my country, punctuality is generally valued, and people strive to be on time for meetings. However, occasional lateness may occur due to factors such as traffic congestion, public transportation delays, or unforeseen circumstances. Overall, being late for meetings is not a common occurrence, as punctuality is considered a sign of respect for others' time and professionalism in professional settings.

3. Why are people often late for meetings or appointments?

People may be late for meetings or appointments due to various reasons, including poor time management, underestimation of travel time, procrastination, or forgetfulness. Additionally, external factors such as traffic congestion, transportation

delays, or unforeseen emergencies may contribute to lateness. Moreover, cultural norms or societal expectations regarding punctuality may vary, influencing individual attitudes and behaviors towards timeliness.

#### 4. Do you always avoid being late?

Personally, I make conscious efforts to avoid being late for meetings or appointments by planning ahead, allowing extra time for travel, and setting reminders. Being punctual demonstrates professionalism, reliability, and respect for others' time, qualities that I strive to uphold in my daily life. While unforeseen circumstances may occasionally lead to lateness, I prioritize punctuality and strive to manage my time effectively to minimize disruptions and inconvenience to others.

### 10. 少年的榜样

Describe someone (a famous person) that is a role model for young people

You should say:

Who he/she is

How you knew him/her

What he/she has done

And explain why he/she can be a role model for young people

参考回答

#### Part 2

One famous person who serves as a role model for young people is Malala Yousafzai. I first became aware of Malala through media coverage of her courageous advocacy for girls' education in Pakistan. Despite facing threats and violence from the Taliban, Malala continued to speak out for the rights of girls to receive an education. Her unwavering commitment to this cause led to her being targeted and shot by the Taliban at the age of 15, but she miraculously survived and went on to become a global symbol of resilience and courage. (她对这一事业坚定不移的承诺导致她在 15 岁时成为塔利班的目标并遭到枪杀, 但她奇迹般地活了下来, 并成为坚韧和勇气的全球象征。)

Malala has since become the youngest-ever Nobel Prize laureate, receiving the Nobel Peace Prize in 2014 for her advocacy work. She has also established the Malala Fund, a nonprofit organization dedicated to ensuring every girl has access to 12 years of free, safe, and quality education. Malala can be considered a role model for young people for several reasons. Firstly, her bravery and determination in the face of adversity inspire others to stand up for what they believe in and make a positive difference in the world. (首先, 她在逆境中表现出的勇敢和决心激励着其他人坚持自己的信念, 为世界带来积极的变化。)

Secondly, her advocacy for education highlights the importance of knowledge and empowerment in breaking cycles of poverty and inequality. Finally, Malala's resilience and optimism in

overcoming challenges serve as a reminder that even in the darkest of times, hope and perseverance can lead to meaningful change. Overall, Malala Yousafzai's story serves as a powerful example of the impact that one person can have on the world and encourages young people to believe in themselves and their ability to make a difference. (总之，马拉拉-优素福扎伊的故事是一个有力的例子，说明了一个人可以对世界产生的影响，并鼓励年轻人相信自己，相信自己有能力改变世界。)

### Part 3

#### 1. What kinds of people are more likely to become famous?

People who are more likely to become famous often possess exceptional talents or skills in fields such as entertainment, sports, business, or politics. Additionally, those who are charismatic, outgoing, and have a strong presence in the public eye tend to attract attention and recognition. However, the rise of social media has also provided a platform for ordinary individuals to gain fame through viral content or online presence, blurring the lines of traditional fame.

#### 2. What kinds of people are admired by young people in your country?

In my country, young people often admire celebrities from the entertainment industry, such as actors, singers, and pop idols. These individuals are seen as role models for their talent, success, and glamorous lifestyles. Additionally, young people may also admire successful entrepreneurs, athletes, or public figures who have achieved notable accomplishments in their respective fields.

#### 3. Do you think celebrities and social media influencers have a great impact on young people?

Yes, celebrities and social media influencers undoubtedly have a significant impact on young people in today's digital age. With the widespread use of social media platforms, celebrities and influencers have immense reach and influence over their followers, especially the younger demographic. Their endorsements, lifestyle choices, and opinions can shape trends, behaviors, and consumer preferences among young people. However, it's essential for young individuals to critically evaluate the content they consume and not solely base their decisions or values on the influence of celebrities or influencers.

#### 4. Is it important for children to have a role model?

Having a role model is indeed crucial for children as they navigate through life's journey. Role models serve as guiding lights, inspiring children to aspire for greatness and instilling in them the values of integrity, perseverance, and empathy. By emulating the qualities of their role models, children can cultivate positive habits and behaviors that contribute to their personal growth and development.



### 11. 他城的短暂停留

Describe another city you would like to stay for a short time

You should say:

Where the city is

Why you want to go there

Whom you will go there with

What you will do there

And explain why you will stay there just for a short time

参考回答

#### Part 2

I'm thinking of going on a short visit to Las Vegas. It is located in the state of Nevada, America. In 2018, before the epidemic, (疫情) I went to Las Vegas because I was attracted by its beautiful scenery and prosperity. I stayed there for a week and really enjoyed the whole trip.

If I get a chance to go again, I would like to go with my boyfriend. My boyfriend has seen an old movie in which Las Vegas, the world-famous casino city, was mentioned. Since then, he has been full of yearning for (对...充满向往) this city. Of course, neither my boyfriend nor I are gamblers, but we both think this city is extremely cool. I think there is more to Las Vegas than just the casinos (拉斯维加斯有的不仅仅是赌场). I believe it's more about the hotels which are super cool.

Although I stayed in this small city for a whole week in 2018, I didn't have the opportunity to visit all the hotels, because each hotel is so unique and attractive. Each hotel provides different entertainment and performances, and the huge shopping mall also made me linger (让我流连忘返). I also signed up for a one-day tour group from Las Vegas to the famous Antelope Canyon (羚羊谷). Although I spent ten hours on the bus, the beauty of Antelope Canyon made me feel that the ten hours were worth it.

If I could, I'd love to stay at each hotel for a night the next time I'm in Las Vegas. The performances and other entertainment options provided by the hotels are a very special part of the Las Vegas experience for me. As for why I only want to stay for a short time. Well, that's because Las Vegas is just too expensive and too hot!

#### Part 3

1. Why are historical cities popular?

I guess it's because historical cities, in most cases, also have abundant tourism resources. There are heritage sites, special customs passed down through hundreds of generations, or probably advanced museums harboring invaluable antiques. Because of this, historical cities are often popular travel destinations. For instance, one of China's major cities Xi'an was once the capital of ancient China back in the Qin dynasty and is now one of the most popular travel destinations. People acclaim the Terra-Cotta Warriors located in its suburban area, which is on the UNESCO world heritage list. Many young people nowadays are fascinated by Xi'an because of its food culture and the newly-designed Datang Everbright City, an innovative pedestrian mall that combined the old furnishing style with modern shopping and dining service.

2. Why do places with historical sites develop tourism industry more actively?

In my opinion, that's because historical sites are a strong motivation for tourists. For visitors, the most attractive thing is to appreciate the essence of a culture and its antique architecture. Therefore, cities that already have historical sites have the advantageous condition. They don't have to rack their brains to think of something appealing for visitors. All they have to do is to organize and maintain historical sites well and promote them to the public. In contrast, cities without cultural heritage don't know if their tourist attraction will be welcomed by the public, so they may hesitate to take a move in tourism.

3. Do you think tourists may come across bad things in other cities?

Yes, they may. Firstly, they may be caught in travel scams in a foreign country, and consequently lose some money, or even be physically hurt. Many local people in tourist cities make a living by cheating tourists, such as those taxi drivers who overcharge foreigners, or car renters who secretly damage their cars and ask you to pay compensation. In some cities lack of law and order, tourists may even get robbed or even trafficked by criminals. Secondly, people may meet with acclimatization problems in tourist cities, especially in a foreign country. Because they are not accustomed to local foods or climates, they may be sick and in low spirits, which will prevent them from enjoying the trip.

4. Do most people like planned traveling?

Yes, I think so. For most people, traveling is fairly expensive and therefore needs adequate consideration. Planning a trip enables people to make the best use of their limited time and money and enjoy their journey to the fullest. For example, if someone makes a plan before a trip, he will know which restaurant to go to, and thus save more sightseeing time and avoid the possibility to be overcharged. In contrast, if someone doesn't plan his trip, he may hesitate to decide his route, and eventually spend more time wandering what to do or just staying in the hotel to play games, just like what he would do in his own home.

## 12. 空气糟糕之地

Describe a place you visited where the air was polluted

You should say:

Where the place is

When you visited there

Why the air was not good

And explain how you felt about the place

参考回答

### Part2

I'd like to talk about my hometown Anyang City in Henan Province. It is a city with heavy air pollution and is ranked among the most polluted cities in China. I grew up there, and now I go back there to visit my relatives every year.

When I was in elementary school, the air pollution in Anyang was particularly severe. The sky was always grey and the buildings appeared to be covered in some sort of dust. I remember I always coughed as a kid, and sometimes the air was so bad that I felt my eyes watering and my nose felt uncomfortable. According to statistics, people in Anyang also had a high incidence of (有很大几率) lung disease.

Anyang had developed heavy industry, and there were many different large factories in the suburbs. I believe those factories were responsible for polluting the air, including steel factories, coal plants (煤场), and paper mills (造纸厂), which all belonged to high-polluting industries. Their chimneys emitted a lot of harmful gas into the air. Because the environmental law was not that advanced in my childhood, there was limited regulation of those factories, which made the situation worse.

Although Anyang is my hometown, I couldn't bear the awful air there and chose to move to another city. I don't think urban development should come at the cost of (以……为代价) the environment. It won't be sustainable.

### **Part3**

1. Do you think the city is cleaner or dirtier than the countryside? Why?

I think the city is dirtier than the countryside. There are two reasons. Firstly, there are many vehicles in the city, which keep emitting a large amount of exhaust fumes, including greenhouse gases and toxic gases. In contrast, there are fewer people in the countryside and they don't need so many cars for transportation, so the air in the countryside is cleaner. Secondly, the countryside contains more trees and plants, which can purify the air. Plants can absorb harmful gas and turn it into nutrients. Compared to the city, the rural area enjoys many more green resources, which makes it cleaner than the urban areas.

2. What can factories and power plants do to reduce pollutants?

The first way is to upgrade their equipment and develop technologies to make their factories more environmentally friendly. In the past, oil produced in China was low quality and contained many impure substances in it. As a result, when it burned, it released more toxic gas than good oil. Once the technology has been improved, the final product can be more efficient and thus more greener. The second way to reduce pollutants is to clarify the sewage before it's discharged into rivers and lakes. It may cost the power plants more money, but in the long run, it can greatly benefit the whole environment.

3. Do you think many companies have been forced to reduce pollutants?

No, I think many companies voluntarily reduce their pollutants because they're willing to take social responsibility for it. As China has become more advanced and Chinese people are more educated on this subject now, we understand the importance of environmental protection. The old way of resource consumption cannot contribute to sustainable development, and many Chinese companies are fully aware of that motto. Besides, China's environmental regulation is becoming stricter. To ensure their businesses' legitimacy, they will follow close to the line of the government and insist on pollution control. They are also well informed that a company that destroys the environment will also be despised by its consumer and consequently lose the market.

4. Do you think the wind has any effect on pollution? How?

Yes, especially with regard to air pollution. Wind can blow the toxic gas in the air and bring new fresh air, and therefore disperse the mist. For example, in Beijing, haze frequently appears during the winter. Once it shows up, the air becomes dusty and people start coughing. Since the air doesn't circulate, the haze can last for several days. However, a heavy wind will blow the bad air away and bring the blue sky back. The same thing applies to indoor pollution as well. After the construction and painting of a new house, people don't move in immediately because of the bad ingredient in the paint. Usually,

people open the windows and let some wind in. After about a month, they can move in and enjoy their new home.

### 13. 历史建筑

Describe a historical building you have been to

You should say:

Where it is

What it looks like

What it is used for now

what you learned there

And how you felt about this historical building

### 参考回答

#### Part2

One historical building I have visited is the Colosseum in Rome, Italy. Situated in the heart of the city, the Colosseum is an iconic symbol of ancient Roman architecture and engineering. It is a massive amphitheater constructed of stone and concrete, characterized by its elliptical shape and multiple levels of seating. Originally used for gladiatorial contests and public spectacles such as animal hunts and mock sea battles, the Colosseum now serves as a major tourist attraction and a symbol of Rome's rich history and cultural heritage. (斗兽场最初用于举行角斗比赛以及动物狩猎和模拟海战等公众观赏活动,如今已成为主要的旅游景点和罗马丰富历史与文化遗产的象征。)

During my visit, I learned about the fascinating history of the Colosseum, including its construction during the Flavian dynasty in the first century AD and its significance as a symbol of Roman power and entertainment. (在参观过程中,我了解到斗兽场引人入胜的历史,包括它在公元一世纪弗拉维娅王朝时期的建造过程,以及它作为罗马权力和娱乐象征的重要意义。) I also learned about the challenges and innovations involved in building such a monumental structure, as well as the social and cultural significance of the events held there. As I explored the ancient ruins and imagined the grandeur of the spectacles that once took place within its walls, I felt a profound sense of awe and reverence for the ingenuity and achievements of the ancient Romans. The Colosseum's timeless beauty and historical significance left a lasting impression on me, serving as a tangible link to the past and a testament to the enduring legacy of one of the greatest civilizations in history. (斗兽场的永恒之美和历史意义给我留下了深刻印象,它是与过去的具体联系,也是历史上最伟大文明之一永恒遗产的见证。)

#### Part3

1. Do Chinese people like to visit historical buildings?

Yes, I think so, and fortunately, we have more than enough historical buildings to visit. Learning Chinese history can be a very long and exhausting task, even for Chinese people, just because it's amazingly long, but that doesn't make it a boring task. Very often you really need to go on a field trip and visit them yourself, so as to feel and experience the history in a vivid way.

2. Why do people visit historical buildings?

Because historical buildings allow you to be in the history, and if permitted, maybe even touch the history with your own hands. These are the things you can never experience by reading a book or watching a documentary. Also, unlike paintings and crafts, buildings can rarely be included in the collection of any museum, although sometimes,



interestingly, they can become museums themselves. These factors make them irreplaceable, and you just have to go there in person.

#### **14. 教他人做事**

Describe a time when you taught a friend/relative something

You should say:

Who you taught

What you taught

What the result was

And explain how you felt about the experience

**参考回答**

##### **Part2**

I would like to talk about the experience of teaching my mom to make video clips during a summer vacation from university. My mom was going to attend a college classmates' gathering. She was thinking of bringing some video clips displaying their great college memories to the gathering, but she didn't know how to do it so she asked if I could do her a favor (do sb. a favor 帮某人的忙). I happened to know some video editing skills so I decided to help her with it.

I showed her some basic uses of a video editing program called Premier. I showed her how to import materials, including digital photos and short videos. I taught her how to organize the materials to compose a complete work that pertains to (切合) a certain theme. I taught her how to add background music and how to utilize video effects as well. She was a quick learner. It didn't take very long for her to become comfortable with the software (很快她就能轻松使用这个软件了). She successfully made a five-minute video with little help from me.

This was a treasured and unforgettable experience because I practiced my skills while helping my mom and satisfying her needs (满足她的需求). This made me feel that I learned those skills for something; they are useful. And more importantly, I spent some time with my mom. Since starting college, I have barely had any time to spend with my family. My university is far from home and I am busy even during vacations. I'm glad that I had such an opportunity to do something together with my family. It was an ordinary thing but it really meant a lot.

##### **Part3**

1. What practical skills can young people teach old people?

Well, I guess there is a range of skills related to technology that young people can show senior people how to do. As nowadays our life is greatly impacted and facilitated by technology, especially cell phones, the younger generation actually can teach their parents and senior family members how to use the functions available on the phone to make our life easier. Take shopping online as an example. Young adults usually know how to buy things from their cellphone and old people generally go to physical stores. This is one of the skills young people can teach.

2. What skills can young people teach old people besides technology?

To be honest, technology is a major part. Apart from that, I believe young adults can teach senior people how to stay active. The new generation has a variety of ways to engage themselves in physical activities, while unfortunately, many old people lose this desire for movement as it starts to become challenging. Seniors can feel exhausted and unmotivated quickly, making it less likely for them to be active every day. It is surely



crucial to learn from younger people that there are a lot of fun and sustainable ways for the elderly to maintain their activity level.

### 3.How can young people teach old people skills?

Patience is really important when teaching, and when it comes to technological skills we can start with simple settings. For instance, we can show older people how to set secure passwords and download a password manager app on their device so they don't have to remember all their log in details. It might start with a FaceTime or Messenger call while you are in the same building but in separate rooms. Or, helping them choose their favorite photo, or take a selfie, for their social media profile. Another useful strategy is to write key steps down. We can provide a notebook where the elderly can log passwords and usernames, the URLs of their most useful websites, and details on how to use their apps. If they get lost or forget how to do something, they can jog their memory from their own notes.

### 4.How can we know what to do when we want to learn something new?

The best learning methods vary based on the skill you want to develop. Therefore, when we decide to learn something new, it is great to first gather any materials we need and track down a few reliable and available sources to learn from. This includes textbooks, online video tutorials, podcasts, blog posts, and movies. We can do an online search for sources and check the local library for helpful books. There are plenty of available resources for many things. For example, if you want to master drawing, then you can find books on drawing techniques in the library, look up video tutorials, or read a variety of how-to blogs online. In this process, it is crucial to take new sources of information instead of reading a single how-to guide, because using different learning styles to practice a skill can be even more helpful than using one method.

## 15. 最好的衫

Describe an occasion you wore the best clothes

You should say:

When it was

Where it was

What you wore

What it looked like

And explain why you wore it

参考回答

### Part2

During my junior year(大三时期), all my classmates were applying for internships. At that time, I realized that I didn't have any internship experience, so I began to look for opportunities(寻找机会) on the Internet. I had always been wanting to be an English teacher. Then I found there was a post for a teaching assistant in New Oriental School, so I uploaded my resume immediately. The next day, I received a phone call from HR. He said that my resume had passed the review(通过审核) and an interview was needed as the the next step. At this time, I was a little bit worried because I didn't even have any formal clothes. I asked my roommate for help(寻求帮助), and she lent me hers generously. It was a three-piece suit, including a white shirt, a black suit and black trousers. This suit was in a simple style, having a business-like air to it(充满商务感). Wearing it, I felt like a successful businesswoman. It was definitely the best clothing I had ever worn.

I wore it during my interview because wearing formal and decent clothes could show that I took this work seriously(认真对待). Sure enough(果不其然), the interviewer praised me for my clothes since I was the only one who wore formal clothes on that day. Luckily, I passed the interview. Thanks to (多亏了) my roommate's clothes, I got the first job in my life. Sometimes clothes we wear are so important they can make a difference(有影响) in our life.

### Part3

1. Why do some people like to wear traditional clothes?

First, they are easy to care for and eco-friendly. The traditional dress of most cultures dates back to long before the industrial revolution and modern synthetic fabrics. They are generally made from natural fibers that are abundant in their location of origin. Second, most cultures are careful about keeping themselves covered, so some people love the way traditional clothes cover their body. Finally, people enjoy abundant colors on their clothes, and some traditional clothes are known for their variety of colors, which I believe retains the interest of some color fanciers, not to mention the exquisite beads and shiny accessories.

2. Do you think people need to dress formally in the workplace?

Yes. Here are a few compelling reasons. First, it lets you focus on the important stuff. When you are dressed in well-fitted and comfortable clothes that are truly meant for you, you're undistracted and focus on getting the important stuff done. Second, your clothes not only add to your presentation, but also contribute to your behavior, therefore defining your body language. When you look confident and approachable, you become more confident and approachable. Finally, it helps make an impression. When you dress formally, you can show your respect to others. In this fast-paced world, you're given precious few seconds to make an impression.

### 16. 不寻常的一餐

Describe an unusual meal you had

You should say:

When you had it

Where you had it

Whom you had it with

And explain why it was unusual

参考回答

### Part2

The most unusual meal for me was my first night at work when my boss took me out to dinner just to get to know me.

Since we didn't finish working until after seven o'clock in the evening that day, we ate at the hotel where she was staying. My boss is not a resident of(居住) our city. She just flies here one or two days a week and works from home the rest of the time. To be honest, I was nervous when she told me she wanted to take me out to dinner. Since this is my first job, I've never had a private meal with any boss at work, and I didn't know what topics I should avoid so as not to(以便, 为了) disturb her privacy or bring up something that might offend her. Another thing was that my boss is French. Although she speaks very good English, she has a very strong French accent, and I was worried about whether I would understand her.

But to my surprise, she was very relaxed and chatted with me about her personal life. She shared details about her family and personal life and even showed me pictures of her two children. We had delicious food and enjoyed two glasses of wine together. She also asked about my relationship status(感情状况) and shared with me her thoughts on relationships and marriage. I felt like the distance between us had narrowed suddenly.

I thought the meal was unusual because it was the first time my boss and I were alone, and it helped me get to know her better.

### **Part3**

1.What fast food is there in your country?

In China, we have Lanzhou noodles with beef on the top, fried rice and dumplings (饺子), etc. This food is served in a quick way, while the taste is good as well. It's like, all kinds of restaurants that you see in China town can be found everywhere in this country itself, no matter if you are in a shopping mall or a food court. Besides, western fast food is also common here, such as KFC, MacDonalds and Burger King (汉堡王), which are frequently seen on the street. So in China, you can have plenty of choices if you want to eat alone and eat quickly.

2.Do people eat fast food at home?

Of course. At home, people often order food deliveries on Chinese apps to save time and money. Hamburgers, noodles and rice with chicken are their top choices. I think the number of times we order fast food is much more than the times we eat out or cook by ourselves. You know, time is everything for young people. Once they realize the convenience of ordering fast food through apps, plus the food on it can be cheap, they get used to it. To the contrary, they may value the nutrition (营养) of food less.

3.Why do people choose to eat out instead of ordering takeout?

From my perspective, I choose to eat out for several reasons. Firstly, I have the feeling that food is more delicious when eating it at a restaurant compared to takeouts because it is still hot and fresh. Meanwhile, the flavour of the food might be different when it is a takeaway. For example, the soup could be spilled by accident. More importantly, people enjoy the experience of eating out. In China, eating at a restaurant fulfils social functions. You can meet your friends and families here, and eating can naturally connect you guys through communication. On special occasions, like festivals or anniversaries, you can also feel the joyful atmosphere outside.

4.Do people in your country value food culture?

Yes, definitely. I have to say, China has the richest and the most profound food culture in the world, let alone (更不用说) the fact that we have over 10 thousand years of history. China has more than 30 administrative regions (行政区域), and each has its own features of cooking. For example, in my hometown Chongqing, in the center of China geographically, we like to put peppers (辣椒) in every cuisine (菜肴), and spicy hot pot is one of our most famous dishes. Based on such a deep food culture, China made several documentaries like, "China on the tip of the tongue". I suggest you watch it if you want to know more about our culture.

### **17. 【低频】收钱**

Describe a time when you received money as a gift

You should say:

When it happened

Who gave you money  
Why he/she gave you money  
And explain how you used the money

### 参考回答

#### Part2

I want to talk about the unforgettable birthday I had when I turned 13.

I invited a bunch of good friends over to my house for some games and snacks in the afternoon, and in the evening we all went to a fancy restaurant, organized with the help of my parents.

Before the meal, my parents handed me a red envelope with 1000 yuan in it (他们给了我一个 1000 元的红包). I was so surprised! I had never received such a big sum of money before! When I was told that I could use the money however I wanted, I was thrilled(我兴奋得很! ). They also said that they wanted me to have a wonderful and memorable birthday.

With all this money, I realized I could have the most delicious-looking cake on the menu, but when I saw the menu, I saw the price! 300 yuan! The dishes were all very expensive too, so I did some quick math in my head (我快速在脑袋里算了一笔账) and realized that my budget was actually quite limited. If I wanted to have a proper meal with my favorite coconut juice, I would have to think about choosing another cake. I struggled to make a decision before I finally decided to change the cake to a less fancy one.

Overall, my friends and I had a great day! We had fancy food, delicious drinks and of course some cake! Everybody was praising me for organizing the event so well, and to be honest, no one even noticed that the cake was only a normal one! From that moment on, I learnt how to spend my money wisely, so I'm thankful to my parents.

#### Part3

1. Why do people rarely use cash now?

The convenience of mobile payment and online payment makes fewer people use cash now. Mobile payment is definitely one of the ways to save our the cost of doing business. By having mobile payment, the risk of cash lost will be reduced. Also, it's faster to pay via mobile phone. Simply tap, pay and go. With mobile payment systems, people simply wave or tap the phone in front of a machine, and the transaction is done. As for women, the small purse is the fashion trend now. Mobile phones, tissue, and keys can barely fit in the purse. There's no room for cash.

2. When do children begin to comprehend the value of money?

From my own experience, I had a sense of what money was for when I was about 4 years old. I would ask my grandma for 5jiao to buy a lollipop, but did not dare to ask for more. I could easily distinguish the difference among the various bills and understood their values. I recently found out that my neice understood money at an earlier age than I did. When she was 3 years old, she understood that the cashier scanned a code on a cell phone, then she could take her snacks home. How technology has changed our lives!

### 18. 想换掉的东西

Describe something you own that you want to replace

You should say:

What it is



Where it is  
How you got it  
And explain why you want to replace it

### 参考回答

#### Part2

One item that I own and want to replace is my laptop. I acquired this laptop three years ago as a graduation gift from my parents. It is currently located in my study room at home, where I use it for various purposes such as work, studying, entertainment, and communication.

While my laptop has served me well over the years, I have noticed that it has started to become slower and less reliable. (多年来, 我的笔记本电脑一直为我提供良好的服务, 但我注意到它的运行速度开始变慢, 可靠性也降低了。) The battery life has significantly decreased, requiring frequent recharging, and the processing speed has slowed down, making it frustrating to use for tasks that require multitasking or running demanding software. Additionally, the storage capacity is no longer sufficient for my needs, as I have accumulated a large amount of data and files over time. (此外, 由于我长期积累了大量数据和文件, 存储容量已无法满足我的需求。) As a result, I find myself constantly running out of space and having to delete or transfer files to external storage devices. Moreover, the physical condition of the laptop has deteriorated, with scratches and dents on the exterior casing and worn-out keys on the keyboard. Overall, while I am grateful for the functionality that my current laptop has provided me, I believe it is time to replace it with a newer model that offers improved performance, reliability, and features. (总之, 虽然我很感谢目前的笔记本电脑为我提供的功能, 但我认为是时候用性能、可靠性和功能更强的更新机型来替换它了。) I am looking forward to upgrading to a laptop with faster processing speed, longer battery life, larger storage capacity, and a more durable build. This will not only enhance my productivity and efficiency but also improve my overall user experience and satisfaction.

#### Part3

1. Why do you think some people replace things more often than others?

Some people replace things more often than others due to factors such as lifestyle choices, financial circumstances, cultural norms, and individual values and priorities. For instance, individuals with higher disposable incomes may have the financial means to afford and frequently upgrade to newer and more expensive products. Moreover, individuals who prioritize convenience, status, or social acceptance may be more inclined to replace items frequently to keep up with societal expectations or peer pressure. Conversely, individuals with frugal habits, environmental consciousness, or a preference for simplicity and minimalism may choose to hold onto possessions for longer periods, prioritize durability and quality over quantity, and practice mindful consumption. Ultimately, the frequency of replacing things varies among individuals based on their unique circumstances and personal values.

2. Why do young people change things more often than old people?

Young people often change things more often than older people due to factors such as evolving lifestyles, technological advancements, peer influences, and generational differences in consumption habits. As digital natives who grew up in an era of rapid technological innovation and digital connectivity, young people are more accustomed to frequent upgrades and replacements of electronic devices, gadgets, and fashion items to keep pace with changing trends and technological advancements. Moreover, young people may be more influenced by social media, advertising, and peer pressure to conform to societal standards of consumption and materialism. Additionally, younger



generations may prioritize experiences, self-expression, and personal identity through consumption, leading to a higher propensity for frequent changes and upgrades in possessions.

### 3. Why do some people like to buy expensive things?

Some people like to buy expensive things for various reasons, including status symbolization, perceived quality, luxury, and personal satisfaction. Possessing expensive items may signify wealth, social status, and success, thereby enhancing one's self-esteem, social standing, and perceived value in society. Additionally, luxury goods often boast superior craftsmanship, design, and exclusivity, appealing to individuals who appreciate high-quality and prestigious brands. Moreover, purchasing expensive items can provide a sense of accomplishment, fulfillment, and reward for hard work or achievement, as well as opportunities for self-expression and indulgence. However, it's essential to recognize that the pursuit of expensive possessions should be balanced with considerations of financial responsibility, ethical consumption, and long-term well-being.

### 4. Why do some people prefer to buy things in the supermarket rather than online?

Some people prefer to buy things in the supermarket rather than online due to factors such as convenience, immediacy, sensory experience, and trust in product quality. Supermarkets offer a tangible shopping experience where consumers can physically inspect products, compare prices, and make purchasing decisions based on factors such as freshness, appearance, and packaging. Additionally, shopping in supermarkets allows for immediate gratification, as consumers can take home their purchases immediately without waiting for shipping or delivery. Moreover, supermarkets provide opportunities for social interaction, sensory stimulation, and impulse buying, enhancing the overall shopping experience for some individuals. Furthermore, consumers may trust the authenticity and safety of products sold in supermarkets and prefer the convenience of accessing a wide range of goods in one location.

## 19. 投诉并得到满意结果

Describe a complaint that you were satisfied with the result.

You should say:

Who you complained to

What you complained about

When it happened

And explain why you were satisfied with the result

参考回答

### Part2

This reminds me of an issue that happened a few months ago. I guess it was June. I moved to Shanghai because I got an internship at Bytedance. As a new arrival, I rented a room right in the center of the city, but that led to the problem. My room was close to an overpass (高架桥), and I found that the road was undergoing maintenance (维修) when I moved in.

The construction team made so much noise that I couldn't fall asleep. Noise pollution is a very common problem in China, and it requires communication between residents and workers. In order to solve this annoyance (烦恼), I approached (接近) the manager who had the role of a housekeeper (管家) in my building. I complained to him about how the noise was bothering me and informed him of my demand for a resolution (调整). He soon delivered my appeal (诉求) to the neighborhood committee. Meanwhile, they

helped me to negotiate with the construction team. The result was positive. The workers agreed to shorten the time they spent working on the road each day, which gave the residents enough time to rest. I was satisfied not only due to the swift solution, but also due to the attitude they took. During the whole process, the manager and his colleagues showed respect to me and made each side happy. Being considerate to people's complaints is the key to bringing understanding. If everyone can be as considerate as the manager, I think more unnecessary conflicts can be avoided.

### **Part3**

1. When are people more likely to make complaints?

People make complaints in different situations when they feel like they are unsatisfied with things like services or products they purchase. For example, if they go to a popular restaurant that they've always want to go to. But when they arrive, they find that no waiters served them, the environment is terrible, they have to wait for a long time before being seated, and finally the food is awful. Under such circumstances, I mean poor service, terrible food, and a bad dining experience would undoubtedly irritate customers, and it is most likely that they would make a complaint to the restaurant.

2. What do people often complain about?

As I just said, people often complain about the poor service and poor attitude received from someone like a waiter in a restaurant or the owner of a shop, or perhaps low-quality products they've bought. This is quite understandable since people pay a lot of money for goods and services, and they, quite rightly, should expect quality goods and services in return. If the service and products do not match the money they cost, people have a reason to make a complaint and ask for recompense. However, some people are just grumpy and they get angry about things not happening as they expected, then they just complain about it.

3. How would you react if you received a poor service at a restaurant?

I'm not a person who easily loses their temper, so if I received terrible service, I would tell the waiter or waitress about it. If he or she can realize the problem and apologizes to me, I would just let it go and enjoy my meal. But if they ignore me and do nothing about it, I would ask to see their manager and make a complaint. Since I'd paid good money for the food and the service, then it is reasonable for me to expect the same in return. So this is something I guess I would do if I received bad service in a restaurant.

4. How do people often respond to poor customer service?

I guess most people would be irritated and then make a complaint about it, since poor customer service is really not pleasant and can easily ruin someone's day. Complaints are the most direct and quick way to deal with this issue. However, some people lose their temper and demand to see the manager and angrily ask for a refund or compensation. Also, nowadays, the Internet plays an important role in cyber surveillance, some people would choose to take a video and post it online so that millions of Internet users can see how terrible the service is, making them choose not to go to the shop or restaurant in the future.

## **20. 愉悦的公共交通之旅**

Describe an enjoyable journey by public transport

You should say:

Where you went

Who you were with

What you did

And how you felt about it

### 参考回答

#### Part2

Last year, during the Dragon Boat Festival, which is a traditional festival in china, my parents and I went on an adjacent(附近的) island to enjoy our holiday. I like to spend holidays on an island, because I love the beach, ocean and fresh air. I have always wanted to live on an island in the middle of a lake. Therefore, we decided to visit the island.

There was no road on the island, so we had no choice but to take a boat there. It took us about three hours. The island is on the margin of human habitation. Far away from the outline of the island is just discernible(依稀可辨). One bridge joins the island to the mainland. The northern end of the island juts out like a long, thin finger into the sea. The island offers such a wide variety of scenery and wildlife.

The seafood on the island was extremely delicious. We ate a lot of seafood there, such as shrimps, crabs, fish, lobsters and so on. Additionally, its low expense made us jump for joy(喜出望外). We also enjoyed the white clouds floating in the clear sky and gentle sea breeze.(蓝天上漂浮的白云和轻柔的海风) We had an enjoyable trip on that island. It is really a picturesque place. We stayed there for a whole day and came back feeling very refreshed.

#### Part3

1. Do you think offering free public transport will solve traffic problems in the city?

Offering free public transport may alleviate traffic problems to some extent, but it may not fully solve the issue. While free public transport can encourage more people to use public transit and reduce the number of private vehicles on the road, it may also lead to overcrowding and strain on existing infrastructure. Moreover, implementing free public transport incurs significant costs for governments and may require subsidies or reallocation of funds from other sectors. To address traffic problems comprehensively, cities may need to implement a combination of measures such as improving public transport infrastructure, promoting alternative modes of transport, and implementing congestion pricing schemes.

2. What are the disadvantages of traveling by public transport?

Traveling by public transport has certain disadvantages that passengers may encounter. These may include overcrowding during peak hours, leading to discomfort and inconvenience. Additionally, public transport schedules may not always align with individual preferences or needs, resulting in longer waiting times or missed connections. Furthermore, public transport may be susceptible to delays, breakdowns, or service disruptions, affecting reliability and punctuality. Moreover, passengers may encounter safety concerns, such as theft or harassment, especially in crowded or poorly monitored environments.

3. What do you think are the cheapest and most expensive means of transport?

The cheapest means of transport typically include walking and cycling, as they require minimal expenses for equipment and maintenance. Additionally, public transport, such as buses and trains, often offers affordable fares, especially for shorter distances. On the other hand, the most expensive means of transport usually include private options such as owning and operating a car or traveling by taxi. These modes of transport involve significant expenses for fuel, insurance, maintenance, and parking fees, making them less cost-effective compared to public or active transport options.

#### 4. What are the difficulties that commuters face during rush hours?

Commuters face various difficulties during rush hours when traveling by public transport. These may include overcrowded vehicles and platforms, leading to discomfort and stress. Additionally, rush-hour congestion may result in delays and longer travel times, affecting punctuality and productivity. Furthermore, commuters may encounter difficulty finding seating or standing space, especially on crowded trains or buses. Moreover, rush-hour commuting can be physically exhausting and mentally draining, contributing to fatigue and decreased well-being. Overall, rush-hour difficulties highlight the importance of improving public transport capacity, reliability, and efficiency to enhance the commuting experience for passengers.

### 21. 很开心认识的人

Describe a person who you are happy to know

You should say:

Who the person is

How you know this person

What he or she is like

And explain why it is happy to know this person

参考回答

#### Part2

I attended a summer school in Beijing last summer vacation, where I met many friends from all over the world. The most memorable one was my roommate Nancy, who majored in finance at The Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Although she looks like a quiet girl, Nancy has a very boyish personality(男孩子气). It was her first time visiting Beijing, so she was curious about all the places and objects with Beijing characteristics. For example, she craved noodles with soybean paste (炸酱面) and the famous Beijing style soy bean milk – a fermented(已经发酵的) drink made from ground beans. It was so funny to watch her drink soy bean milk with a sophisticated smile, even though she spat it out after 2 seconds! Also, she was interested in visiting the Forbidden Palace, and before we went there, she talked about it every day and even made a countdown card for the visit. That was so cute.

Since it was her first time in Beijing, she was really curious but also a little bit lost at the beginning. I've grown up in Beijing from the age of 7, so I am more familiar with the city than she is. Naturally, she asked me to accompany her to experience the places and food. As a result, we shared many stories and created many beautiful memories. It's really nice to know her!

#### Part3

1. Some people say that living in a happy city is boring. What do you think?

Well, I think living in a happy city is a bit boring, because when we assume a city is happy, we're essentially overlooking the downsides of city life. However, even if a happy city does exist, people in that city will have a different kind of happiness, and that kind of happiness very much resembles boredom. It is hard for us to admit, but the sad truth is that we can only feel happiness when sadness is present. To be honest, the idea of being happy all the time or being surrounded by happy people all the time is quite disconcerting or boring to me because in that case, I'll be deprived of the right to do "unhappy" yet interesting things like watching a moving film.

2. Do you think everyone shares a similar definition of happiness?



I don't think everyone shares a similar definition of happiness. I mean some will prefer stability over risk, whereas others may prioritize success over everything else in their pursuit of happiness. Happiness for me can be defined as relationships and fulfillment because it makes me happy when I am surrounded by the people I love or when I've accomplished something that no one thought I could have. But the trickiest thing about life for me is how to strike the right balance between these two things that I cherish the most. I think the reason why people say life is wonderful is that you'll never know whether you are truly happy or not until you reach the end of it.

## 22. 想学的技能

Describe something you would like to learn in the future

You should say:

What it is

How you would like to learn it

Where you would like to learn it

Why you would like to learn it

And explain whether it's difficult to learn it

参考回答

### Part2

The new skill I want to learn in the future is German. My boyfriend is German so I want to learn his language so that I can better integrate into(融入) his culture and communicate with his friends and family.

We plan to work and live in Germany in the future and probably in the next 2 years we will move there. We have contacted the German immigration office and the office told us that I must achieve a certain level of German to get the family visa. If I remember correctly, it must be the most basic A1 level in order to get the visa. But if I want to work and live in Germany, I think I should continue my studies.

I want to learn German in an extracurricular class(课外班). Although my boyfriend can teach me, I think it is better to learn German with the help of a teacher at school, because it provides a better learning atmosphere. Another reason is that I think the teacher can put a certain amount of pressure on me(给我一定的压力) and make me feel more urgency in my studies(让我更有学习的紧迫感). If it was just my boyfriend teaching me, I think I might be lazy.

In my opinion, German will be more difficult to learn than English. Although English is a language developed from(源自于) German, and I have mastered English(我可以掌握英语), the pronunciation and grammar of German are still very different from English. But I believe that my English ability will definitely help me when I study German.

### Part3

1. What's the most popular thing to learn nowadays?

Of course they do! Young people's parents are often the best and most reliable consultants when it comes to choosing their university major. One reason is that parents often know better. Well, at least, children believe that their parents know better and are able to offer helpful tips because parents have more social experience. They can guide their children towards studying a promising major that could enable them to have a bright and secure future. Another important reason here is that parents support young people's university education, so they have a say in their children's decisions. Sometimes children simply have to obey their parents to get financial support.



2. Besides their parents, who else would people take advice from?

Apart from teachers, there are now many professional options agencies. They take it upon themselves to help young people analyse their strengths and weaknesses, and then provide viable solutions for these teenage clients. I think counselling practitioners with such experience can also be a reliable source of information for young people. They will also first understand the strengths and weaknesses of young people and help people match the profession itself with their personal strengths.

3. What makes young people choose a major, income or interest?

Well, to be honest, I think both income and interest are very important when it comes to choosing a major. In today's society, young people can easily get information about literally any major they want to know about. But having said that, even though young people are idealistic, they are often influenced by their parents, relatives or teachers who are realistic. These people judge a major by its future prospects, or in other words, future income. Most young people like to seek advice from their superiors, so eventually, their decisions are often based on the major's economic worth, rather than their own interests.

4. At what age should children start making their own decisions? Why?

I think children can make their own decisions from an early age. I think "decision-making" is a very important skill, and many people are not good at it. If children can be trained to have their own unique ideas and make correct decisions quickly at an early age, it will be very beneficial to their growth. Of course, when their minds are immature, I suggest that parents or adults can help children make decisions. But parents can only 'assist', for example, they can analyze the pros and cons with their children and help them make the right decisions, instead of making decisions for their children.

### 23. 有趣的老人

Describe an interesting old person you met

You should say:

Who this person is

When/where you met this person

What you did with this person

And explain why you think this person is interesting

参考回答

#### Part2

Off the top of my head, the first person that comes to mind is my friend Mary's grandpa. I live practically a stone's throw(很近的距离之内) from her house and I hang out with her a lot, so I often see her grandpa at her home. He's literally the most interesting senior I've ever known.

Mary's grandpa is about 70 years old, give or take(大概). According to Mary, he was a history teacher at a secondary school. I still remember the first time I met her grandpa. That was also the first time I had lunch at Lisa's home when we were ten years old. While we were having lunch, we watched a TV show together about an ancient war. Mary's grandpa was really hooked on(被吸引) the program. He was commentating on the show by going into detail(详细叙述) about some interesting historical stories that we had never learned in our history class. Mary and I listened to him with relish. It was as fun as listening to some gossip.

Mary said her grandpa loved reading historical novels and really knew history like the back of his hand(对……很熟悉). I was blown away by how much historical information he had stored in his head. And I guess it's pretty nice talking to a senior like him. Not only can I learn tons of historical knowledge from him, but I can definitely let off some steam by talking to an old wise person like him.

### Part3

1.Is it easy for young people and old people to make friends with each other?

It depends. Some people make friends just because they have a common interest with each other regardless of age. They don't think age is an important factor in terms of making friends. When they encounter someone like-minded, they are quite willing to talk with each other, share interesting facts, and then gradually become friends. However, some believe that making friends with people of a different age to them, is something improper and it would make them feel uncomfortable. Plus, the age gap also means that people of different ages might not understand each other at times, and that also hinders them from making friends, especially with those that have a huge age gap between them.

2.Are there benefits when one person is interested in another person? Why?

Well, I think so. When you are interested in a person, you are more likely to talk to them, and want to get to know more about them. In this way, you may be motivated to do something unexpected and step out of your comfort zone in order to be close to them. I think you notice this kind of feeling when you have a crush on someone, then you always want to do something to attract his or her attention. And, if you get a positive response, you may be encouraged to do more. So I believe that there are some benefits.

3.Do you think people are more selfish or self-centered now than in the past?

That's a tricky question. I guess my answer is no because actually, being selfish or not is more relatable to one's character as opposed to changing times. Moreover, nowadays, we are living in a modern and inclusive world, where people are increasingly tightly knit. A growing number of people go to college now, and are educated to be open-minded and harmonious with other. You can also see that there are more and more people taking part in volunteering activities and willing to lend hand when someone is in need. So actually people now care more about others than before.

4.What benefits can people get if they are self-centered?

From my perspective, being self-centered is not a good thing when it comes to human relationships. When you are egocentric and always put your own interests first, people around you feel uncomfortable. As I think of it now, maybe the best thing they can get from this behavior is that they would get things they want or care about more easily, and be quite satisfied with what they have. But the sad thing is that they might not any have friends in the long term because no one wants to be friends with someone who is self-centered and always believes that the world should revolve around them.

### 24. 想要一起学习/工作的人

Describe a person you have met who you want to work/study with

You should say:

Who this person is

How you met this person

How long you have known him/her

And explain why you want to work/study with him/her

参考回答

### Part2

I'd like to talk about my intimate friend (亲密好友) Cindy. We were high school classmates and we became very close friends on the first day of school. When we first met each other, I saw her reading Harry Potter, my favorite novel, so I approached her and chatted with her. We soon hit it off (一拍即合) and became best friends.

Both of us are sophomores (大学二年级) in college now, so we've known each other for about five years. Although we went to different universities in different cities, we still maintain a close relationship. When we read a new novel and think it's intriguing (耐人寻味的), the first thing we do is recommend it to each other.

Cindy and I not only love the same books but also have similar career goals. We both want to be playwrights (剧作家) and long (渴望) to create our own novels and plays. In our spare time, we even write plays together and enter them into writing competitions.

When I first found out Cindy wanted to be a playwright just like I did, I was very excited and hoped to work together with her in the future. Because we know each other so well, it sometimes feels like our minds are in sync (有默契). I believe in her writing ability and I'm sure we can achieve great things together.

### **Part3**

1. Why should children be kind to their classmates?

Should we be kind to everybody? Children are in the process of forming their values and personality therefore, it is important for them to learn the good virtues, such as being kind to his or her friends, family, and classmates. It is vital for parents and teachers to guide them through this at the early stage.

2. Can children choose their deskmate?

I don't think so. Children need to focus during classes, and by choosing their own friends and buddies as deskmate may distract them, because they probably gonna have small talks in the class. But at certain occasions, for example someone's birthday or children's day, I think it is nice to make an exception and give children the chance to choose their own deskmate.

3. What matters most about a colleague's personality?

For me, the most important personality traits of an ideal colleague include integrity and responsibility. I expect my colleagues to be honest so they don't mess up with facts, data or any other important things. I also expect my colleagues to be responsible so that every task can be delivered on time, with good quality, so we can nail the projects as an efficient team. Besides this, I would say curiosity or the willingness to learn new stuff is also a valued quality because it's impossible for people to know everything or be good at everything at work, but if they are willing to learn then things it will be much easier.

4. Are good colleagues important at work?

Yes. According to my experience, good colleagues are very important at work. For working people, a very large portion of their time in a day will be spent in the workplace with colleagues. Usually, we don't work in isolation; we work in a team. We finish a project with our colleagues; we communicate with them about details in a task; sometimes we need to solve problems together, and we chat with them during small breaks or lunchtime. Imagine if our colleagues were jerks who didn't do their work or weren't friendly, work would be torture. So good colleagues are important.

## 25. 喜欢买便宜货的人

Describe a person who likes to buy goods with low prices

You should say:

Who this person is

What this person likes to buy

Where this person likes to buy things

And explain why this person likes cheap goods

参考答案

### Part2

Xiao Li, a neighbor kid, is someone who takes delight in purchasing goods at low prices, particularly when it comes to stationery items. She enjoys buying various types of stationery, such as notebooks, pens, stickers, and art supplies, (笔记本、笔、贴纸和美术用品) from discount stores, stationary shops, and online marketplaces offering budget-friendly options.

Xiao Li's fascination with cheap stationery stems from her love for creativity and self-expression. As a young artist and student, she values the opportunity to explore her artistic talents and unleash her imagination through drawing, writing, and crafting. Buying affordable stationery allows Xiao Li to indulge in her creative pursuits without worrying about the cost. (在追求创意的过程中，无需担心成本问题。) Additionally, she finds satisfaction in collecting a wide range of stationery items, which she uses to personalize her school supplies, decorate her notebooks, and create handmade cards and gifts for her friends and family. Overall, Xiao Li's preference for cheap stationery reflects her artistic passion, resourcefulness, and appreciation for the value of creativity. (艺术激情、机智和对创造价值的欣赏。) She believes that buying inexpensive stationery not only allows her to express herself freely but also encourages her to explore new ideas and projects without financial constraints. By purchasing affordable stationery, Xiao Li can nurture her artistic talents and enjoy the process of creating beautiful and meaningful artwork without spending a lot of money.

### Part3

1. What's the differences between shopping in the shopping mall and in the street market?

Shopping in a shopping mall and in a street market differs in various aspects. Shopping malls typically offer a wide range of branded and high-quality products in a controlled environment, accompanied by amenities such as air conditioning, ample parking, and security. In contrast, street markets often feature smaller, independent vendors selling a diverse selection of goods, including local crafts, fresh produce, and affordable items. Street markets typically provide a more vibrant and bustling atmosphere, with bargaining being a common practice. Additionally, shopping malls tend to offer fixed prices, while prices in street markets are often negotiable.

2. Which one is more common in China, shopping malls or street markets?

In China, both shopping malls and street markets are prevalent, but shopping malls are generally more common in urban areas, especially in larger cities. This is due to the proliferation of modern retail spaces and the increasing popularity of branded goods among Chinese consumers. However, street markets still hold significance, particularly in smaller towns and rural areas, where they serve as vital hubs for daily shopping and social interaction.

3. Is advertising important?



Advertising plays a crucial role in influencing consumer behavior and shaping brand perceptions. In China's competitive marketplace, advertising helps businesses enhance brand visibility, attract customers, and differentiate themselves from competitors. Effective advertising campaigns can generate interest, create brand loyalty, and drive sales. With the rise of digital marketing platforms and social media, advertising has become even more essential for reaching target audiences and engaging with consumers on a personal level.

#### 4. What are the disadvantages of shopping in a street market?

While street markets offer unique shopping experiences and bargains, they also have some disadvantages. One disadvantage is the lack of quality control and product authenticity, as some vendors may sell counterfeit or substandard goods. Additionally, street markets can be crowded and chaotic, making it challenging to navigate and shop comfortably. Furthermore, hygiene standards may vary, posing potential health risks to consumers. Lastly, street markets may not always offer a diverse range of products compared to shopping malls, limiting choices for consumers.

### 26. 冒风险

Describe a risk you took that you thought would lead to a terrible result but ended up with a positive result

You should say:

When you took the risk

Why you took the risk

How it went

And explain how you felt about it

参考回答

#### Part2

I took a significant risk when I decided to change my career path after several years of working in a stable but unfulfilling job. The decision to transition into a completely different field was daunting and filled with uncertainty. I took this risk approximately two years ago when I realized that I was no longer passionate about my job and felt stuck in a rut. Despite the fear of failure and the potential consequences of leaving a secure job, I knew that staying in a position that didn't align with my interests and goals would ultimately lead to regret. (尽管我害怕失败, 也害怕离开一份安稳的工作可能带来的后果, 但我知道, 留在一个与我的兴趣和目标不相符的岗位上最终会让我后悔。)

The process of making this career change was challenging and required careful planning, research, and perseverance. I invested time and effort into exploring various industries, acquiring new skills through online courses and workshops, and networking with professionals in the field I was interested in. (我投入时间和精力探索各个行业, 通过在线课程和研讨会学习新技能, 并与我感兴趣的领域的专业人士建立联系。) It was a leap of faith, stepping into the unknown and trusting in my abilities to succeed in a new environment.

To my surprise and relief, the risk paid off in ways I hadn't imagined. Not only did I successfully transition into a more fulfilling career, but I also discovered a newfound sense of purpose and passion for my work. The challenges and uncertainties that initially seemed daunting became opportunities for growth and learning. (我不仅成功地过渡到了一个更加充实的职业生涯, 而且还发现了新的目标感和工作激情。最初看起来



令人生畏的挑战和不确定性变成了成长和学习的机会。) I found myself thriving in my new role, fueled by enthusiasm and a renewed sense of motivation.

Looking back on this experience, I feel grateful for having the courage to take a risk and pursue my dreams. It taught me the importance of listening to my intuition, taking calculated risks, and embracing change as a catalyst for personal and professional growth. While there were moments of doubt and apprehension along the way, the positive outcome far outweighed any initial fears or doubts.

### **Part3**

#### **1. How should parents teach their children what a risk is?**

Parents can teach their children about risks by explaining the concept of risk-taking in age-appropriate ways and providing real-life examples that children can relate to. They can encourage open communication and dialogue with their children, allowing them to express their thoughts and concerns about potential risks. Parents can also model responsible decision-making and risk assessment by involving children in everyday activities where they can learn to weigh the potential consequences of their actions. By fostering a supportive and understanding environment, parents can empower their children to make informed choices, assess risks, and navigate challenges confidently as they grow.

#### **2. What risks should parents tell their children to avoid?**

Parents should advise their children to avoid risks that pose a threat to their safety, well-being, or values. This includes risks such as engaging in dangerous activities without proper supervision or protective gear, experimenting with drugs or alcohol, engaging in reckless behavior like speeding or texting while driving, and associating with individuals who may influence them negatively. Parents should emphasize the importance of making wise choices and considering the potential consequences of their actions to protect themselves and others from harm. By instilling a sense of responsibility and awareness in their children, parents can help them avoid unnecessary risks and make informed decisions in various aspects of their lives.

#### **3. Why do some people like to watch risk-taking movies?**

Some people enjoy watching risk-taking movies because they provide a thrilling and adrenaline-pumping experience that allows viewers to vicariously experience danger and excitement from the safety of their seats. Risk-taking movies often feature high-stakes scenarios, daring stunts, and intense action sequences that captivate audiences and keep them on the edge of their seats. These films offer a sense of escapism and entertainment, transporting viewers into thrilling worlds of adventure, suspense, and heroism. Additionally, risk-taking movies may inspire viewers with themes of courage, resilience, and triumph over adversity, resonating with audiences who enjoy stories of daring feats and daring characters.

#### **4. What kinds of sports are dangerous but exciting?**

Dangerous but exciting sports include activities such as skydiving, bungee jumping, rock climbing, whitewater rafting, and extreme skiing or snowboarding. These sports involve elements of risk, adrenaline, and physical challenge that appeal to thrill-seekers and adventure enthusiasts. Participants in these sports often seek the rush of adrenaline and the sense of accomplishment that comes from pushing their limits and overcoming fear. While these activities carry inherent risks, participants may find the thrill of the

experience to be worth the potential danger, leading them to seek out adrenaline-pumping adventures in pursuit of excitement and adrenaline.

## 27. 音乐爱好者

Describe a person who thinks music is important and enjoys music

You should say:

Who this person is

How you knew him/her

What music he/she likes

Why he/she thinks music is important

And explain how you feel about him/her

参考回答

### Part2

One person who values and enjoys music greatly is my close friend Sarah. I first met Sarah in college, where we bonded over our shared love for music. Sarah has a diverse taste in music, ranging from classical to pop, rock to jazz. (从古典到流行，从摇滚到爵士，应有尽有。) She appreciates music from various cultures and enjoys exploring different genres and artists. For Sarah, music is not just a form of entertainment but a powerful means of expression, communication, and emotional release.

She believes that music has the ability to transcend language and cultural barriers, bringing people together and fostering empathy and understanding. (她认为，音乐能够超越语言和文化障碍，将人们聚集在一起，促进共鸣和理解。) Sarah finds solace and inspiration in music during both joyful and challenging times, turning to her favorite songs and melodies for comfort and motivation. She often attends concerts, music festivals, and live performances, immersing herself in the euphoria of the music and connecting with fellow music enthusiasts. Sarah's passion for music is infectious, and her enthusiasm has deepened my own appreciation for the art form. I admire Sarah's open-mindedness and curiosity when it comes to exploring new musical experiences, and I am inspired by her ability to find joy and meaning in music in all its forms. (在探索新的音乐体验时，我钦佩莎拉的开放心态和好奇心，她能从各种形式的音乐中找到快乐和意义，这让我深受启发。) She reminds me of the transformative power of music and the importance of embracing the beauty and diversity of musical expression. Overall, Sarah's love for music not only enriches her life but also inspires those around her to embrace the magic of music and its profound impact on the human experience.

### Part3

1. What do you think about playing music for children in class?

Playing music for children in class can be highly beneficial for their development. Music has been shown to stimulate various areas of the brain, including those responsible for language processing, memory, and emotional regulation. Incorporating music into classroom activities can make learning more engaging, enjoyable, and memorable for children. Moreover, music can help children develop important skills such as rhythm, coordination, and social interaction. By exposing children to different genres of music and encouraging them to participate in musical activities, teachers can foster creativity, self-expression, and a lifelong appreciation for music.

2. Why do many teachers incorporate music into the classroom?

Many teachers incorporate music into the classroom because it has been proven to enhance learning and promote student engagement. Music has the power to captivate students' attention, create a positive learning environment, and facilitate memory

retention. By integrating music into lessons, teachers can reinforce key concepts, improve academic performance, and cater to different learning styles. Additionally, music can foster a sense of community and camaraderie among students, promoting collaboration and teamwork. Overall, incorporating music into the classroom can enhance the educational experience and contribute to students' overall development.

3. Do you think there are any advantages to a shop with music playing?

Yes, there are several advantages to a shop with music playing. Firstly, music can create a pleasant and welcoming atmosphere for customers, enhancing their shopping experience and encouraging them to stay longer. Additionally, background music can influence customers' emotions and mood, potentially leading to increased relaxation, enjoyment, and willingness to make purchases. Furthermore, music can help mask ambient noise and create a sense of privacy, making customers feel more comfortable while browsing.

4. Would people's shopping behaviour be affected in a shop with music? How?

Yes, people's shopping behavior can be affected in a shop with music. Background music can influence customers' pace of shopping, with slower-tempo music encouraging leisurely browsing and faster-tempo music prompting quicker decision-making. Additionally, music can affect customers' perceptions of products and brands, with certain genres or songs evoking specific emotions and associations. Furthermore, music can influence impulse buying behavior, as upbeat or catchy tunes may stimulate excitement and prompt spur-of-the-moment purchases.

## 28. 昂贵地方

Describe a place you have been to where things are expensive

You should say:

Where the place is

What the place is like

Why you went there

What you bought there

And explain why you think things are expensive there

参考回答

### Part2

One place where things are notably expensive is in the upscale shopping districts of Hong Kong, particularly in areas like Central, Causeway Bay, and Tsim Sha Tsui (中环、铜锣湾和尖沙咀等地区). These areas are characterized by towering skyscrapers, bustling streets, and a plethora of luxury boutiques, high-end department stores, and designer flagship stores.

I often visit these areas during vacations or business trips to indulge in shopping for luxury goods or upscale fashion items. On these occasions, I typically purchase items such as designer clothing, accessories, or electronics. The reason for the high prices in Hong Kong's upscale shopping districts can be attributed to several factors. Firstly, Hong Kong is a global financial hub and a popular destination for luxury shopping, attracting affluent shoppers from around the world. (首先, 香港是全球金融中心, 也是奢侈品购物的热门目的地, 吸引着来自世界各地的富裕购物者。) As such, demand for luxury goods is high, leading to premium pricing by retailers. Additionally, Hong Kong imposes relatively low taxes and import duties on luxury items compared to other countries, making it an attractive shopping destination for luxury brands. Furthermore,

the high cost of prime retail space in central locations like Central and Causeway Bay also contributes to the overall higher prices of goods sold in these areas. (此外, 中环和铜锣湾等中心地段的黄金零售空间成本高昂, 也是造成这些地区商品整体售价较高的原因之一。) Overall, the combination of high demand, low taxes, and prime location results in the expensive nature of shopping in Hong Kong's upscale districts.

### Part3

1. Why do some people still use cash?

Some people still use cash for various reasons. Firstly, cash provides a sense of security and anonymity, as transactions are not traceable and do not require personal information. Additionally, cash is widely accepted, especially in areas with limited access to electronic payment systems or where internet connectivity is unreliable. Furthermore, cash can help individuals budget and manage their finances more effectively by providing a tangible representation of their spending.

2. Will the payment be paperless in the future?

While the trend towards paperless payments is increasing, it's unlikely that payment will be entirely paperless in the future. While electronic payment methods offer convenience and efficiency, cash remains a widely used form of currency, especially in certain industries and regions. Moreover, concerns about data privacy and cybersecurity may prompt some individuals to continue using cash for certain transactions. However, as technology continues to advance and digital payment infrastructure becomes more widespread, the use of paperless payment methods is expected to continue growing.

3. What do you think of the view that time is as important as money?

I believe that time is indeed as important as money, if not more so. While money can provide material comforts and opportunities, time is a finite resource that cannot be regained once lost. Time allows us to pursue our passions, nurture relationships, and enjoy life's experiences. Therefore, finding a balance between time and money is essential for overall well-being and fulfillment.

4. Is it more important to choose a job with a high salary or with more time off?

The importance of choosing a job with a high salary or more time off depends on individual priorities and values. While a high salary may provide financial stability and security, more time off can offer opportunities for rest, relaxation, and personal fulfillment. Ultimately, the ideal job is one that aligns with one's personal and professional goals, whether that involves earning a high salary, having more time off, or finding a balance between the two.

## 29. 新法律

Describe a new law you would like to introduce

You should say

What law it is

What changes this law has

Whether this new law will be popular

How you came up with the new law

And explain how you feel about this new law

参考答案

### Part2

The law I propose is the "Comprehensive Garbage Classification and Management Act, (垃圾分类和管理综合法)" which aims to improve waste management practices and



reduce environmental pollution. This law would mandate the implementation of a comprehensive garbage classification system, requiring citizens to separate their waste into different categories such as recyclables, organic waste, and hazardous materials. (可回收物、有机废物和有害物质。).

Additionally, the law would introduce penalties for violations of garbage classification regulations, including fines for individuals and businesses who fail to comply with the requirements. While this new law may face initial resistance from some members of the public who are accustomed to traditional waste disposal methods, I believe it will ultimately be popular among environmentally conscious citizens and policymakers(具有环保意识的公民和决策者) who recognize the importance of sustainable waste management practices. I came up with the idea for this law after witnessing the negative impact of uncontrolled waste disposal on the environment, including pollution of waterways, soil degradation, and harm to wildlife. Personally, I feel strongly about this new law as it addresses a pressing environmental issue and promotes responsible citizenship. By implementing garbage classification and penalties for violations, we can encourage individuals and businesses to adopt more sustainable behaviors and reduce their ecological footprint. I believe that this law will not only help protect the environment for future generations but also foster a greater sense of environmental stewardship and community responsibility.

### **Part3**

1. What rules should students follow at school?

Students should follow a variety of rules at school to ensure a safe and conducive learning environment. These rules may include regulations regarding behavior, such as respecting teachers and peers, following classroom instructions, and refraining from disruptive or harmful actions. Additionally, students may be expected to adhere to rules related to attendance, punctuality, dress code, and academic honesty. By obeying these rules, students can contribute to a positive and orderly school atmosphere, maximize their own learning opportunities, and demonstrate respect for themselves and others.

2. Do people in your country usually obey the law?

In my country, the majority of people generally obey the law. China places a strong emphasis on social order, harmony, and adherence to legal regulations. While there may be occasional instances of non-compliance or infractions, overall, there is a culture of respect for authority and compliance with laws and regulations. The government also implements various measures to ensure law enforcement and promote public awareness of legal responsibilities. However, like any society, there may be isolated cases of lawlessness or disregard for rules, but they are not representative of the broader population.

3. What kinds of behavior are considered as good behavior?

Good behavior encompasses actions and attitudes that demonstrate respect, consideration, and responsibility towards oneself and others. Examples of good behavior include showing kindness, empathy, and cooperation towards others, demonstrating honesty and integrity in one's actions, and following societal norms and rules. Good behavior also involves exhibiting self-control, patience, and resilience in challenging situations, as well as displaying good manners and etiquette in social interactions. Ultimately, good behavior contributes to positive relationships, a harmonious community, and personal well-being.



4. Do you think children can learn about the law outside of school?

Yes, children can learn about the law outside of school through various means. Parents, guardians, and caregivers play a crucial role in educating children about legal rights, responsibilities, and societal norms from an early age. Additionally, children can learn about the law through community programs, extracurricular activities, and educational resources such as books, documentaries, and online platforms. Moreover, interactive experiences such as mock trials, visits to courthouses, and discussions with legal professionals can provide valuable insights into the legal system and its principles.

### 30. 看过但是从未参加过的运动

Describe a sport that you only have watched before but had not played by yourself

You should say:

What it is

When you watched it

Where you watched it

Who you watched it with

And explain how you felt about it

参考回答

#### Part2

One sport that I have only watched but never played myself is American football. I watched it for the first time several years ago during a televised NFL game. It was a Sunday afternoon, and I was at home with my family. My father, who is a fan of American football, had the game on television, and I joined him to watch out of curiosity.

As I watched the game unfold, I was fascinated by the intensity, athleticism, and strategic aspects of American football. (在观看比赛的过程中, 我被美式橄榄球的激烈程度、运动能力和策略性深深吸引。) The physicality of the players, the precision of their movements, and the complexity of the plays intrigued me. However, I also found the rules and terminology of the sport to be quite confusing at first, as it was unfamiliar to me. Despite not having played American football myself, I could appreciate the skill and dedication required to excel in the sport. Overall, watching American football for the first time was an eye-opening experience that piqued my interest in the sport and left me with a newfound respect for the athletes who compete in it. (总之, 第一次观看美式橄榄球让我大开眼界, 激发了我对这项运动的兴趣, 也让我对参加这项运动的运动员产生了新的敬意。) While I may not have played American football myself, I enjoyed the opportunity to learn more about the sport and to appreciate it as a spectator.

#### Part3

1. What kinds of sports would you like to play in the future?

In the future, I would like to explore a variety of sports, including hiking, rock climbing, and kayaking. These outdoor activities appeal to me because they offer opportunities to connect with nature, challenge myself physically, and experience the thrill of adventure. Additionally, I am interested in trying martial arts such as karate or taekwondo, as they provide a unique combination of physical fitness, self-discipline, and mental focus.

2. Why do so many athletes join in the advertising industry?

Many athletes join the advertising industry due to their popularity, influence, and marketability. Athletes often have a large fan base and a strong personal brand, making them attractive endorsers for products and brands. By associating with successful athletes, advertisers can leverage their credibility, authenticity, and aspirational appeal to connect

with consumers and promote their products effectively. Additionally, athletes may benefit financially from endorsement deals, sponsorships, and partnerships with brands, providing additional income and opportunities beyond their athletic careers.

3. What are the features of people that watch sports games online, such as gender or age? People who watch sports games online come from diverse backgrounds and demographics, but there are certain trends regarding gender and age. Generally, online sports viewership tends to skew slightly male, with a significant proportion of viewers falling into the younger demographic, particularly those in the 18-34 age range. However, there is also a growing presence of female viewers and older audiences who enjoy watching sports online, especially as digital streaming platforms become more accessible and user-friendly.

4. What's the most popular sport in your country?

The most popular sport in my country, China, is undoubtedly football (soccer). Football has a massive following among people of all ages and backgrounds, with millions of fans tuning in to watch domestic and international matches. The Chinese Super League (CSL) has seen significant growth in recent years, attracting top international players and garnering widespread attention. Moreover, major football tournaments such as the FIFA World Cup and UEFA European Championship are highly anticipated events in China, drawing immense viewership and enthusiasm from fans across the country.

### 31. 收到想要物品

Describe a time when someone gave you something that you really wanted

You should say:

What it was

When you received it

Who gave it to you

And explain why you wanted it so much

### Part2

My sister bought me a pair of Doc Martin boots as a new year's gift. They're really great for most of the activities that I do and perfectly match most of my bottoms.

I mentioned previously to her that I had been thinking of buying them, but I had been so busy with my final exams that I just hadn't had time to go out and look for them, so I had planned to scout around (四处搜索) in some of the shoe stores downtown to see if they had them or something similar in stock.

Anyway, completely out of the blue, my sister turned up and presented me with a gift on the last day of 2022. As I was unwrapping the box, I realized what she had bought and I couldn't believe it. It's not the first time we've surprised each other with unexpected gifts, but this was bigger than usual. I tried them on immediately and wore them for the rest of the day. Who can reject a brand-new pair of boots?

It was so sweet of her to have paid attention to the fact that I'd mentioned them and that I was thinking of buying them a while back, so it just goes to show how much she cares. That's why they are so special.

In a word, I was so thrilled that day and I treated her to a big meal to (请她吃大餐) express my gratitude. I just hope I can return the favor(报答) soon and buy her something really nice that she's been wanting for some time.

### Part3

1. Do you think shopping is good for a country's economy?

Of course, shopping helps improve a country's economy. What we buy is counted as consumption, and it directly adds to the GDP of our country. GDP is the measurement of the size of a country's economy. In other words, the economy is majorly based on consumption. If we don't buy goods and services, the factories and companies would not be able to pay their employees or expand their business and money flow would cease. The consequence of this, of course, is that people would lose their jobs. Society would then possibly have to face conflicts and chaos, or even revolutions. The economy would stagnate and this would be a disaster for the country.

2. Why do people like shopping more now than in the past?

You can do online shopping anytime, anywhere. All you need is a phone connected to the Internet! Because shopping is so easy, people, of course, do it more frequently. However, in the past, you had to go to a physical store for shopping. And in most places, shops were only set up in the city. If you lived in the village, you may not have been able to travel to the city very often, which made shopping difficult. Another reason is that people work under heavy pressure nowadays, and shopping can be a great way for them to relax.

3. How should children spend their allowance money?

Well, one of the main benefits of paying kids an allowance is that it can help them to gain firsthand experience with making, and managing money. But, most children tend to spend their pocket money on outings with friends, and digital devices. In fact, some children even throw their money into computer games, and gaming equipment. So it's important for parents to guide their children to spend their money wisely. For example, parents can help children make a financial plan. Children should learn to separate items that they need and items that they want. They must recognize the difference between 'need' and 'want'.

4. What kinds of gifts do young people like to receive as rewards?

As one of the young people myself, I would say that I am really picky about gifts as rewards. From my perspective, I hold that good gifts do boost the overall productivity and output of the organization but bad gifts will backfire. For example, I hate to be rewarded with a team trip. Because I do not want to spend my precious leisure time with colleagues and my boss.

### 32. 和朋友去的有趣地方

Describe an interesting place you have been to with a friend

You should say:

What and where the place is

Who you went with

When you went there

What you did there

And explain why you think it is interesting

参考回答

## Part2

An interesting place I visited with a friend is the Great Wall of China. Located near Beijing, it is one of the most iconic and historically significant landmarks in the world. I went there with my friend Lisa during the summer vacation last year. We embarked on a day trip to explore a section of the Great Wall known as Mutianyu (慕田峪长城). Upon arrival, we were amazed by the grandeur and majesty of the ancient fortification winding its way across the rugged mountain landscape.

We hiked along the wall, marveling at the panoramic views of the surrounding countryside and learning about its rich history from informative signs along the way. (我们沿着城墙徒步旅行，一边欣赏周围乡村的全景，一边从沿途的信息指示牌中了解城墙的悠久历史。) We also took the opportunity to capture breathtaking photos together against the backdrop of the ancient stone structure. What made the experience particularly interesting was not only the awe-inspiring beauty of the Great Wall but also the opportunity to immerse ourselves in centuries of history and culture. Walking along the same path that countless generations have traversed before us, we felt a profound sense of connection to the past and appreciation for the architectural marvels of ancient China. The Great Wall's sheer scale and historical significance make it a truly captivating destination, offering visitors like us a glimpse into the grandeur and resilience of one of the world's greatest civilizations. (长城的巨大规模和历史意义使其成为一个真正迷人的旅游景点，让我们这样的游客领略到世界上最伟大文明之一的宏伟气势和顽强精神)

## Part3

### 1. Why don't some people like to socialise?

Some people may not like to socialize due to various reasons, including introversion, social anxiety, or past negative experiences. Introverted individuals may prefer solitude or small gatherings over large social events, as they may find social interactions draining or overwhelming. Others may struggle with social anxiety, which makes them feel self-conscious or uncomfortable in social settings. Additionally, past negative experiences such as rejection or betrayal may cause people to become wary of forming new relationships or socializing with others.

### 2. Can talking with people improve social skills?

Yes, talking with people can improve social skills by providing opportunities for practice, feedback, and learning. Engaging in conversations helps individuals develop essential communication skills such as active listening, empathy, and effective expression of thoughts and feelings. By interacting with others, individuals can also learn to navigate social cues, understand different perspectives, and develop rapport and rapport with others. Moreover, constructive feedback from peers and mentors can help individuals identify areas for improvement and refine their social skills over time.

### 3. Does technology help people communicate better with others?

Technology can help people communicate better with others by providing convenient and accessible means of staying in touch and connecting with friends, family, and acquaintances. Social media platforms, messaging apps, and video conferencing tools enable people to communicate across distances and time zones, facilitating instant communication and sharing of updates, photos, and videos. Additionally, technology offers opportunities for virtual socialization and community-building, allowing individuals to connect with like-minded people and participate in online forums, groups, and communities.



4. Do you prefer to go out with a group of friends or just with a few close friends?  
Personally, I enjoy spending time with both a group of friends and a few close friends, as each offers unique experiences and dynamics. Going out with a group of friends can be fun and exciting, as it allows for lively conversations, shared experiences, and collective enjoyment of activities. On the other hand, spending time with a few close friends offers a more intimate and meaningful connection, allowing for deeper conversations, mutual support, and shared interests. Ultimately, the choice between going out with a group or a few close friends depends on the occasion, preferences, and dynamics of the friendships involved.

### 33. 少人去的景点

Describe a tourist attraction that very few people visit but you think is interesting  
You should say:

What the place is

What people can see there

Why only very few people visit there

And explain why you think it is interesting

参考回答

#### Part2

One of the intriguing yet often overlooked tourist attractions I'd like to highlight is the Cappadocia region in Turkey. (土耳其的卡帕多西亚地区) Nestled in central Anatolia, Cappadocia is renowned for its otherworldly landscapes, featuring fairy chimneys, cave dwellings, and unique rock formations. While it may not be as popular as Istanbul or the coastal resorts, Cappadocia offers a truly mesmerizing experience for those who venture there. (虽然卡帕多奇亚可能不如伊斯坦布尔或海滨度假胜地那么受欢迎, 但它却能为前往那里的游客带来真正令人着迷的体验。) Visitors can explore ancient underground cities carved into the soft volcanic rock, take hot air balloon rides over the surreal terrain at sunrise, and hike through the picturesque valleys dotted with cave churches and hidden settlements.

The reason why very few people visit Cappadocia compared to other Turkish destinations could be attributed to its relatively remote location and limited accessibility.

(与土耳其其他旅游胜地相比, 卡帕多奇亚很少有人去, 原因可能是它的位置相对偏远, 交通不便。) Unlike the bustling metropolises or beach resorts, reaching Cappadocia requires a longer journey, often involving domestic flights or lengthy bus rides from major cities. Additionally, the region's unique landscape might not appeal to everyone's tastes, leading to it being overshadowed by more mainstream tourist spots.

However, I find Cappadocia incredibly fascinating precisely because of its off-the-beaten-path charm. Its rich history, stunning natural scenery, and cultural heritage offer a truly immersive experience away from the crowds. Exploring the labyrinthine cave networks and witnessing the breathtaking sunrise from a hot air balloon are experiences that linger in one's memory long after leaving. (在迷宫般的洞穴网络中探险, 乘坐热气球观赏壮丽的日出, 这些经历让人在离开后久久难以忘怀。) Moreover, interacting with the friendly locals and indulging in authentic Turkish cuisine add layers of authenticity to the journey. In essence, Cappadocia may be a hidden gem, but its allure lies in its untouched beauty and the sense of discovery it offers to those willing to explore beyond the obvious tourist hotspots.

#### Part3



1. Why do people visit tourist attractions?

People visit tourist attractions for various reasons, including leisure, recreation, cultural enrichment, and exploration. Tourist attractions offer opportunities for people to discover new places, learn about different cultures, and experience unique activities and attractions. Additionally, visiting tourist attractions allows people to create lasting memories, bond with family and friends, and escape from their daily routines. Whether it's exploring historic landmarks, enjoying natural scenery, or indulging in culinary delights, tourist attractions offer something for everyone to enjoy and appreciate.

2. What makes a tourist attraction famous?

Several factors contribute to the fame of a tourist attraction, including its historical significance, natural beauty, cultural heritage, and promotional efforts. Iconic landmarks, UNESCO World Heritage Sites, and renowned cultural institutions often attract international attention and recognition, making them famous tourist destinations. Additionally, positive word-of-mouth, media coverage, and marketing campaigns can help raise awareness and visibility for tourist attractions, further enhancing their fame and popularity among travelers and tourists.

3. Do local people like to visit local tourist attractions?

Yes, local people often enjoy visiting local tourist attractions, as they offer opportunities to explore and appreciate the cultural, historical, and natural heritage of their region. Local tourist attractions provide residents with convenient and accessible leisure options, allowing them to enjoy recreational activities, cultural events, and scenic landscapes without traveling far from home. Moreover, visiting local tourist attractions fosters a sense of pride and appreciation for one's community, promotes local businesses and tourism development, and strengthens social connections among residents.

4. Do you think tourism causes environmental damage?

Tourism can indeed cause environmental damage if not managed sustainably and responsibly. The influx of tourists to popular destinations can lead to increased pollution, habitat destruction, wildlife disturbance, and strain on natural resources such as water and energy. Additionally, uncontrolled development of tourism infrastructure and activities can degrade ecosystems, erode cultural heritage, and disrupt local communities. Moreover, carbon emissions from transportation and tourist activities contribute to climate change, further exacerbating environmental impacts.

**34. 经常拍照的地方**

Describe a place where you have taken photos more than once

You should say:

Where the place is

When you took the photos

What special features the photos taken there have

And explain why you have been there more than once to take photos

**参考回答**

**Part2**

A place where I've repeatedly captured photographs is my neighbor's garden, a serene oasis nestled just next door. I've had the pleasure of exploring this enchanting space during different seasons, capturing its ever-changing beauty.

The first time I took photos there was during a sunny spring afternoon in 2019 when the garden burst into a riot of colors with blossoming flowers and vibrant foliage. (我第一次

在那里拍照是在 2019 年一个阳光明媚的春日午后，当时花园里百花齐放、枝繁叶茂，五彩缤纷。) Subsequent visits allowed me to document the garden's transformation through the seasons, from the lush greenery of summer to the fiery hues of autumn and the quiet stillness of winter. The special features of these photos lie in the intricate details of the flora, from delicate petals to intricate patterns of leaves, each telling a story of growth and renewal. The allure of returning to my neighbor's garden multiple times stems from its dynamic nature and the sense of tranquility it evokes.( 我多次回到邻居家的花园，是因为它充满活力，唤起了我的宁静感。) As an amateur photographer, I am captivated by the interplay of light and shadow, the vibrant colors, and the subtle changes that occur over time, prompting me to revisit the garden to capture its beauty from different angles and perspectives. Moreover, the familiarity of the space and the warm hospitality of my neighbors make each visit a delightful experience, further inspiring me to document the fleeting moments of natural splendor that unfold in their garden.( 此外，熟悉的空间和邻居们的热情好客让我的每次造访都是一次愉快的经历，这也进一步激发了我去记录他们花园中自然美景的短暂瞬间。)

### Part3

1. Do you like to take photos?

Yes, I enjoy taking photos. Photography allows me to capture special moments, express my creativity, and explore the beauty of the world around me. Whether it's capturing landscapes, portraits, or candid moments, photography enables me to preserve memories and share stories through images.

2. Where do people often like to take photos?

People often like to take photos in scenic locations, such as natural landscapes, iconic landmarks, and picturesque destinations. Additionally, events such as weddings, graduations, and travel experiences are popular occasions for taking photos to document and commemorate significant milestones and memories.

3. Who would like to take photos more often, young people or older people?

Both young people and older people enjoy taking photos, but the frequency and motivations may vary. Young people, especially millennials and Generation Z, are often more active on social media platforms and may take photos to share with friends and followers, document experiences, and curate their online personas. Older people may take photos to preserve memories, capture family moments, and document life events, but they may not be as frequent or enthusiastic photographers as younger generations.

4. Would you pay a lot of money to hire a photographer?

It depends on the circumstances and the importance of the occasion. For significant events such as weddings, engagements, or family portraits, I might consider hiring a professional photographer to ensure high-quality images and lasting memories. However, for everyday photography needs or casual outings, I may prefer to take photos myself or rely on friends and family members.

### 35. 教晚辈

Describe a time you taught something new to a younger person

You should say.

When it happened

What you taught

Who you taught

Why you taught this person

And how you felt about the teaching

### 参考回答

#### Part2

I vividly recall a time when I taught my younger cousin how to ride a bicycle. It happened last summer during a family gathering at my grandparents' house. My cousin, who was eight years old at the time, had been eager to learn how to ride a bike like the older kids in the neighborhood. Seeing her enthusiasm, I decided to take on the role of the teacher.

I taught her the basics of balancing on the bike, pedaling, and steering. We started in the backyard where there was plenty of space and soft grass to cushion any falls. I patiently held onto the back of her bike, guiding her along as she gained confidence. With each attempt, she grew more determined, and soon enough, she was able to pedal on her own for short distances without my assistance. (每一次尝试, 她都愈加坚定, 很快, 她就能在没有我的帮助下自己蹬短距离的踏板了。)

Teaching my cousin how to ride a bike was a rewarding experience for several reasons. Firstly, it allowed me to bond with her in a meaningful way, fostering a sense of trust and camaraderie between us. Secondly, I felt a sense of responsibility to pass on a valuable skill that would bring her joy and independence. Witnessing her progress and the sheer joy on her face as she successfully rode on her own filled me with pride and satisfaction. (目睹她的进步, 以及她成功独立骑行时脸上洋溢的喜悦, 我感到无比自豪和满足。)

Moreover, teaching her reminded me of the importance of patience and encouragement when guiding someone through a learning process. (此外, 在教她的过程中, 我意识到在指导别人学习时耐心和鼓励的重要性。) It required me to adapt my teaching style to suit her pace and learning preferences, which ultimately strengthened my communication and interpersonal skills. Overall, teaching my cousin how to ride a bike was not only a fun and memorable experience but also a valuable lesson in patience, empathy, and the joys of passing on knowledge to the next generation.

#### Part3

1. What skills do adults need to have?

Adults need a variety of skills to navigate life effectively, including communication skills, critical thinking, problem-solving abilities, adaptability, time management, and emotional intelligence. Communication skills enable adults to express themselves clearly, collaborate with others, and build strong relationships. Critical thinking and problem-solving skills allow them to analyze situations, make informed decisions, and overcome challenges. Adaptability helps adults thrive in diverse environments and respond effectively to change. Time management skills enable them to prioritize tasks, set goals, and manage their resources efficiently. Emotional intelligence allows adults to understand and manage their emotions, empathize with others, and navigate social interactions effectively.

2. How can people be motivated to learn new things?

People can be motivated to learn new things by finding intrinsic or extrinsic sources of motivation. Intrinsic motivation comes from within, driven by personal interests, curiosity, and a desire for self-improvement. To cultivate intrinsic motivation, individuals can set meaningful goals, pursue passions, and seek out opportunities for growth and learning that align with their values and interests. Extrinsic motivation, on

the other hand, comes from external rewards or incentives such as recognition, praise, or tangible rewards. By providing positive reinforcement, encouragement, and support, teachers, mentors, and peers can help motivate individuals to engage in learning and pursue their goals.

### 3. What can children learn from teachers and parents?

Children can learn a wide range of skills from teachers and parents, including academic knowledge, social skills, emotional regulation, and life skills. Teachers play a crucial role in providing formal education, imparting knowledge, and fostering cognitive development through structured learning experiences and classroom instruction. Parents, on the other hand, contribute to children's upbringing by nurturing their emotional well-being, instilling values, and teaching practical life skills such as hygiene, manners, and problem-solving. Additionally, both teachers and parents serve as role models, influencing children's attitudes, behaviors, and beliefs through their words and actions.

### 4. What are the skills that you wanted to learn?

Personally, I have always wanted to learn new languages, particularly Spanish and French. Being multilingual opens up opportunities for cultural exchange, communication with people from different backgrounds, and exploration of new perspectives. Learning languages not only enhances cognitive abilities such as memory and problem-solving but also fosters cultural appreciation, empathy, and global awareness. Moreover, proficiency in multiple languages can enhance career prospects, facilitate travel, and broaden personal and professional networks.

## 36. 嘈杂地

Describe a noisy place you have been to

You should say:

What it is

When you went there

What you did there

And explain why you feel it's a noisy place

参考回答

### Part2

I'd like to talk about a rock concert I went to, which was the noisiest place I've ever visited. It was during the summer vacation of my freshman year (大一那年). A band called Tang Dynasty, which was the favorite rock band of my best friend Cindy, came to Shanghai to hold a concert. Cindy was so thrilled that she spent lots of time scrambling for tickets (抢票), and finally managed to buy two of them.

Cindy invited me to go along with her (和她一起去). At that time, I had never been to a concert before, let alone (更别说是) a rock concert. I was very excited about the idea of this concert so I said yes immediately.

It was a hot summer and as soon as I came into the studio, I felt a wave of heat emanating from the crowd. I began to sweat as more and more people poured in and the music started playing. The sound of people cheering had already made me dizzy, but I didn't expect the penetrating sound of the music. It was very painful for me to sit there and bear the noise from everyone. I wanted to complain to my friend Cindy, but I had to shout or she wouldn't have been able to hear me.



Despite my excitement, I thought the concert was a noisy place because I couldn't appreciate the live rock music. The noise was very off-putting and I couldn't concentrate. By the time I left I had a splitting headache! I don't think I'll go to rock concerts anymore.

### Part3

1. What kinds of noises are there in our life?

I divide noises into two groups: one is made by humans and the other is caused by machines. The former includes screaming and crying out of strong emotions. For example, there is a lot of noise in the stadium hall during the World Cup, because football fans are extremely excited to see their team score. Of course, when their team loses, they still make big noises out of grief. The latter one is made by machines, such as a loud hair dryer, an electric drill or a big hammer smashing on the wall while you are lying in on a Sunday morning.

2. Which is exposed to more noise, the city or the countryside?

I think there is more noise in the city. Compared with the countryside, the city has more sources of noise and less room for people living here. On the one hand, many people or machines may become a source of noise in the big city. For example, different vehicles always crowd the city streets during peak traffic, which cause disturbing noises and bothers city people's daily lives. On the other hand, the price of estate property in cities is much higher than that of the countryside. Therefore, people have to live in smaller apartments or even share an apartment with other people. Inevitably, more people cause more noise.

3. How would people usually respond to noises in your country?

When faced with noises around them, people tend to first feel anxious and angry, and then try to solve the problem or at least tone it down a little bit. Of course, no one in the world likes noises, so their immediate reaction would be to feel irritated. Then, people try to find where this noise is coming from, and find a way to deal with it. If the noise comes from people around them, such as loud talking or snoring, they will go up to them and try to negotiate. If the noise comes from a machine, like a broken air conditioner, they will fix it as soon as possible to solve the problem at the source of the noise.

4. How can people consider others' feelings when chatting in public?

In my opinion, people should have social etiquette and be polite in public places. They can improve in this regard from two perspectives. On one hand, they should constantly remind themselves that polite people should tone down their voices in a public place, such as a coffee house or a library. They should avoid dramatic expressions and body language and not disturb other people's conversations. On the other hand, they have the responsibility to correct their companion's behaviors when their partners behave badly. For example, if someone is chatting with his friend in a train carriage late at night, and his friend keeps talking loudly, the man should inform his friend of his bad behavior and make him stop doing it.

### 37. 重要成就

Describe an important achievement you have made

You should say:

What you achieve

When and where you did it

Why it was an important achievement

And explain how you earned it



## 参考回答

### Part2

One of the most significant achievements in my life was completing my undergraduate degree with honors. I accomplished this milestone in June 2020 at my university in my hometown. Earning this distinction was important to me for several reasons.

Firstly, achieving honors in my undergraduate degree represented years of dedication, hard work, and perseverance. Throughout my academic journey, I consistently challenged myself to excel in my studies, maintain a high GPA, and actively participate in extracurricular activities. (在我的学习生涯中, 我不断挑战自己, 努力学习, 保持较高的平均学分绩点, 并积极参加课外活动。) This achievement validated my efforts and affirmed my academic capabilities.

Moreover, graduating with honors opened up doors of opportunities for me in terms of further education and career prospects. It served as a testament to my academic excellence and demonstrated my ability to succeed in challenging environments. (这是我学习成绩优异的证明, 也展示了我在充满挑战的环境中取得成功的能力。) Additionally, it boosted my confidence and self-esteem, knowing that I had accomplished something significant and prestigious.

Earning honors in my undergraduate degree required a combination of academic excellence, time management, and resilience. I attended lectures, conducted research, wrote papers, and studied rigorously to grasp complex concepts and excel in exams. I also actively engaged with professors and peers, seeking guidance and support when needed. Beyond academics, I participated in extracurricular activities, such as internships and volunteer work, to enhance my skills and broaden my experiences. (在学业之外, 我还参加了实习和志愿者工作等课外活动, 以提高自己的技能, 拓宽自己的阅历。)

Furthermore, I maintained a disciplined approach to my studies, prioritizing tasks, and managing my time effectively to balance academic demands with personal commitments. Despite facing challenges and setbacks along the way, I remained focused on my goals and persevered through adversity.

In conclusion, completing my undergraduate degree with honors was a significant achievement that symbolized my dedication to academic excellence and opened doors to future opportunities. It was the result of years of hard work, determination, and resilience, and it remains a proud accomplishment that continues to shape my personal and professional journey.

### Part3

1. Should people set goals under any circumstances?

Yes, setting goals is beneficial under many circumstances as it provides direction, motivation, and focus for individuals. Whether in personal or professional contexts, setting goals helps individuals clarify their priorities, define what success looks like, and chart a course of action to achieve their desired outcomes. By setting specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and time-bound goals, individuals can stay organized, track their progress, and stay motivated in pursuing their aspirations and ambitions. Setting goals also promotes accountability, self-discipline, and continuous improvement, fostering personal growth and success.

## 2. Should employers reward employees with money?

While monetary rewards can be effective in motivating employees and recognizing their contributions, they should not be the sole form of recognition and reward in the workplace. Employers should also consider non-monetary incentives such as recognition, praise, opportunities for professional development, and a supportive work environment. These non-financial rewards can help enhance employee morale, engagement, and job satisfaction, fostering a positive workplace culture and strengthening employee loyalty and commitment. Additionally, offering a variety of rewards and recognition strategies allows employers to cater to the diverse needs and preferences of their workforce, maximizing the effectiveness of their reward programs.

### 38. 儿时的休闲活动

Describe an activity you enjoyed in your free time when you were young

You should say:

What it was

Where you did it

Who you did it with

And explain why you enjoyed it

#### 参考回答

##### Part2

One of my favorite activities during my childhood was building elaborate Lego creations. I would spend countless hours constructing imaginative structures and intricate designs using Lego bricks. Most of the time, I would indulge in this hobby in the comfort of my own room, surrounded by bins filled with colorful bricks and pieces. (大多数时候, 我会在自己舒适的房间里沉迷于这项爱好, 周围是装满五颜六色砖块和碎片的箱子。) Occasionally, I would join forces with my younger brother, turning our bedroom into a bustling Lego workshop filled with creativity and excitement.

What made building Lego creations so enjoyable for me was the freedom it offered for self-expression and creativity. With each new project, I could let my imagination run wild, envisioning fantastical worlds, futuristic cities, or intricate vehicles. The process of assembling the bricks piece by piece was not only satisfying but also deeply immersive, allowing me to escape into a world of my own making. (把砖块一块块拼接起来的过程不仅让我感到满足, 还让我深深地沉浸其中, 让我遁入自己创造的世界。)

Moreover, building Lego creations provided a sense of accomplishment and pride as I watched my ideas come to life before my eyes. Whether it was a towering skyscraper, a sprawling castle, or a bustling marketplace, each creation represented a unique expression of my creativity and ingenuity. The tactile sensation of handling the bricks, the satisfaction of solving design challenges, and the joy of seeing the final result all contributed to the pleasure I derived from this activity. (处理砖块的触感、解决设计难题的满足感以及看到最终成果的喜悦感, 都让我从这项活动中获得了快乐。)

Furthermore, building Lego creations was a social activity as well, especially when my brother joined me in the endeavor. We would collaborate on projects, share ideas, and marvel at each other's creations, fostering a sense of camaraderie and teamwork. Together, we would problem-solve, experiment with different designs, and celebrate our successes, creating cherished memories that still bring a smile to my face today.

In essence, building Lego creations was more than just a pastime for me during my youth. It was a source of joy, creativity, and camaraderie that provided endless hours of entertainment and inspiration. It sparked my imagination, honed my problem-solving skills, and cultivated a lifelong love for creativity and exploration.

### **Part3**

1. Is it important to have a break during work or study?

Yes, it is important to have breaks during work or study to rest, recharge, and maintain productivity and well-being. Taking regular breaks allows individuals to alleviate mental and physical fatigue, prevent burnout, and improve concentration and focus. Short breaks throughout the day enable workers and students to relax, stretch their muscles, and clear their minds, leading to better overall performance and efficiency. Additionally, breaks provide opportunities for social interaction, relaxation, and enjoyment, contributing to a healthier work-life balance and increased job satisfaction.

2. What sports do young people like to do now?

Young people today enjoy a wide variety of sports and recreational activities, reflecting diverse interests and preferences. While traditional sports such as basketball, football, and volleyball remain popular, younger generations also gravitate towards activities like skateboarding, surfing, rock climbing, and yoga. Additionally, there is growing interest in outdoor adventure sports such as hiking, camping, and mountain biking, as well as emerging trends like e-sports and virtual reality gaming. Overall, young people have access to a wealth of options for staying active, healthy, and engaged in physical activity, both indoors and outdoors.

3. Are there more activities for young people now than 20 years ago?

Yes, there are more activities available for young people now compared to 20 years ago, thanks to advancements in technology, changes in social norms, and increased access to information and resources. The rise of the internet and social media has expanded the range of recreational and leisure activities available to young people, from online gaming and streaming platforms to social networking and digital content creation. Additionally, there has been a proliferation of organized sports leagues, recreational clubs, hobby groups, and cultural events catering to diverse interests and demographics, providing young people with more opportunities for socialization, skill development, and self-expression.

4. Can most people balance work and life in China?

Balancing work and life can be challenging for many people in China, especially in urban areas where long working hours and high levels of competition are common. Factors such as demanding work schedules, commuting times, family responsibilities, and societal expectations can make it difficult for individuals to find time for leisure activities and personal pursuits. However, efforts are being made to promote work-life balance through initiatives such as flexible work arrangements, paid time off, and employee wellness programs. Ultimately, achieving a balance between work and life requires proactive time management, effective prioritization, and clear boundaries between professional and personal commitments.

### **39. 【低频】参加过的公众活动**

Describe a public event you have attended

You should say:

What the event was

When you went there  
Whom you went there with  
And explain why you enjoyed this event

#### 参考回答

One memorable public event I attended was a music festival held in my city last summer. The event, known as "Summer Sounds Festival," featured a diverse lineup of musical performances across various genres, including rock, pop, indie, and electronic music.

（摇滚、流行、独立和电子音乐等各种类型的音乐表演。） I attended the festival on a warm Saturday afternoon with a group of close friends, eager to soak in the vibrant atmosphere and enjoy a day filled with live music and festivities.

The Summer Sounds Festival took place over the course of a weekend, attracting music enthusiasts of all ages from the local community and beyond. From established headliners to up-and-coming artists, the lineup offered something for everyone, catering to diverse musical tastes and preferences. The festival grounds were adorned with colorful decorations, food stalls serving a variety of cuisines, and art installations, creating a lively and immersive experience for attendees.（节日场地上装饰着五颜六色的装饰品、供应各种美食的食品摊位和艺术装置，为参加者营造了一种生动活泼、身临其境的体验。）

What made the event particularly enjoyable was the sense of camaraderie and shared excitement among the crowd. Surrounded by like-minded individuals united by their love for music, I felt a sense of belonging and connection as we danced and sang along to our favorite songs.（我被一群志同道合的人包围着，他们因为对音乐的热爱而团结在一起，当我们跟着自己喜欢的歌曲一起跳舞和唱歌时，我感受到了一种归属感和联系感。） The energy and enthusiasm of the performers, combined with the cheering and applause of the audience, created an electrifying atmosphere that was infectious and uplifting.

Moreover, attending the festival with friends added to the enjoyment of the experience. We laughed, danced, and created lasting memories together, bonding over our shared love for music and the thrill of live performances. Exploring the different stages, discovering new artists, and immersing ourselves in the vibrant ambiance of the festival grounds made for an unforgettable day filled with laughter, joy, and musical discovery.

In summary, attending the Summer Sounds Festival was a memorable public event that allowed me to escape the routine of daily life and immerse myself in the magic of live music and community spirit. From the eclectic lineup of artists to the lively atmosphere and shared experiences with friends, every moment spent at the festival was a reminder of the transformative power of music to unite and uplift people from all walks of life.

#### 40. 【低频】认识的小孩

Describe a child that you know  
You should say:  
Who this child is  
How often you see this child  
What this child is like  
And explain how you feel about this child

#### 参考回答

#### Part2



One child that I know well is my niece, Emily. I see Emily quite often, as she lives just a few blocks away from my house, and we have a close-knit family that enjoys spending time together regularly.

Emily is a bright and bubbly seven-year-old with an infectious zest for life. (七岁的艾米莉聪明活泼, 对生活充满热情。) She has a curious and inquisitive nature, always eager to explore and learn new things. Emily is imaginative and creative, often inventing elaborate make-believe scenarios and dreaming up fantastical adventures.

What I admire most about Emily is her boundless energy and enthusiasm for everything she does. Whether she's playing outside with her friends, drawing pictures, or practicing ballet in the living room, Emily approaches each activity with a sense of joy and passion that is truly inspiring. (无论是和朋友们在户外玩耍、画画, 还是在客厅里练习芭蕾舞, 艾米莉对待每一项活动都充满了快乐和激情, 这着实令人鼓舞。)

As her aunt, I feel incredibly lucky to have Emily in my life. She brings so much love, laughter, and light into our family, and her presence never fails to brighten my day. Watching her grow and develop into a confident and compassionate young girl fills me with pride and joy, and I cherish the special bond that we share. (看着她茁壮成长为一个自信、富有同情心的年轻女孩, 我感到无比自豪和喜悦, 我非常珍视我们之间的特殊纽带。)

Emily's curiosity and zest for life serve as a constant reminder to embrace the simple joys and wonder of childhood and to approach life with a sense of adventure and curiosity. She inspires me to view the world through fresh eyes and to never lose sight of the magic that surrounds us each day.

In summary, Emily is a remarkable child whose vibrant personality and zest for life make her a joy to be around. I feel incredibly fortunate to have her as my niece, and I look forward to watching her continue to grow and thrive as she embarks on new adventures and discoveries in the years to come.

### **Part3**

1. In your country, who takes more care of children? Parents or grandparents?

In my country, both parents and grandparents play significant roles in taking care of children, but it often depends on the family's circumstances and cultural traditions. In many families, parents are primarily responsible for the day-to-day care of children, including feeding, bathing, and education, while grandparents may offer support and assistance, particularly in cases where both parents work outside the home. However, the extent of involvement varies from family to family, and some grandparents may take on a more active caregiving role, especially in multigenerational households.

2. What do you think about old people taking care of children?

I believe that old people taking care of children can have both positive and negative aspects. On one hand, grandparents often bring wisdom, experience, and unconditional love to their role as caregivers, nurturing strong bonds and providing valuable support to grandchildren. They can also pass down traditional values, cultural heritage, and family traditions, enriching the upbringing of children. However, caregiving responsibilities can also be physically and emotionally demanding for older individuals, especially if they have health issues or limited mobility. Additionally, it's essential to ensure that grandparents have the necessary support and resources to fulfill their caregiving role effectively while maintaining their own well-being.



#### 41. 【低频】小店

Describe a small store where you often buy things

You should say:

Where it is

When you usually go there to buy things

What it is like What you often buy there

And explain how you feel about it

#### 参考回答

##### Part2

One small store that I frequently visit is a cozy neighborhood bookstore located just a few blocks away from my apartment. It's nestled on a quaint street corner, adorned with colorful signage and inviting window displays that beckon passersby to step inside. I typically find myself visiting this bookstore during the weekends or after work when I have some free time to browse and explore.

The bookstore exudes a warm and welcoming atmosphere, with shelves lined with books of all genres, from bestselling novels and classic literature to niche non-fiction and children's books. The soft lighting, comfortable seating areas, and faint scent of old books create a cozy ambiance that encourages leisurely browsing and discovery. (柔和的灯光、舒适的座位区和淡淡的旧书香营造出一种舒适的氛围，鼓励人们悠闲地浏览和发现。)

Whenever I visit the bookstore, I often find myself drawn to the fiction section, where I lose myself in the rows of novels and literary works. I enjoy perusing the shelves, running my fingers along the spines of books, and selecting titles that catch my eye. Sometimes I'll stumble upon a hidden gem or discover a new author that piques my interest, adding to the excitement of the browsing experience. (有时，我会偶然发现一个隐藏的宝藏，或者发现一个能引起我兴趣的新作者，这都会让我的浏览体验更加兴奋。)

In addition to books, the bookstore also offers a selection of stationery, greeting cards, and literary-themed merchandise, making it a one-stop shop for book lovers and gift shoppers alike. Whether I'm looking for a new novel to read, a thoughtful gift for a friend, or a unique bookmark to add to my collection, I always find something special at this charming bookstore. (无论我是想找一本新的小说来读，还是想给朋友买一份贴心的礼物，或是想为自己的收藏添上一枚独特的书签，我总能在这家迷人的书店找到特别的东西。)

Overall, I have a deep fondness for this small bookstore and the sense of nostalgia and comfort it evokes. It's more than just a place to buy books; it's a sanctuary for bibliophiles like myself, a haven where I can escape the hustle and bustle of daily life and immerse myself in the world of literature. Every visit feels like a mini-adventure, filled with the promise of new discoveries and literary treasures waiting to be unearthed.

##### Part3

1. What are the differences between small stores and shopping malls?

Small stores and shopping malls differ in several aspects. Small stores are typically smaller in size and offer a more limited selection of products compared to shopping malls, which are large complexes with multiple stores and amenities. While small stores

may focus on convenience and personalized service, shopping malls provide a wide range of options for shopping, dining, and entertainment all under one roof. Additionally, shopping malls often feature amenities such as parking facilities, food courts, and cinemas, making them destinations for leisure and socializing, whereas small stores cater more to immediate needs and quick purchases.

2. What are the differences between the shopping habits of young and old people?

The shopping habits of young and old people vary based on factors such as lifestyle, preferences, and technological proficiency. Young people, often more tech-savvy, may prefer online shopping platforms and digital payment methods for convenience and accessibility. They are also more likely to follow trends and seek out fashionable or trendy items. In contrast, older people may prefer traditional shopping methods and prioritize practicality and quality over trends. They may also value in-person interactions and rely on personal recommendations or past experiences when making purchasing decisions. Overall, while both groups may share similar shopping needs, their approaches and preferences may differ based on generational differences and individual preferences.

#### 42. 容易学习的地方

Describe an indoor or outdoor place where it is easy for you to study

You should say:

Where it is

What it is like

When you go there

What you study there

And explain why you would like to study in this Place

参考回答

#### Part 2

One of my favorite places to study is the local public library in my town. Situated in the heart of the city, the library is a quiet and serene oasis amid the hustle and bustle of urban life. (图书馆位于市中心, 是喧嚣都市生活中一片宁静祥和的绿洲。) It boasts a spacious interior with rows of bookshelves, comfortable seating areas, and ample natural light streaming in through large windows.

I often visit the library during weekdays, particularly in the late morning or early afternoon when it tends to be less crowded. The peaceful ambiance and conducive environment make it an ideal spot for focused studying and concentration.

At the library, I study a variety of subjects ranging from academic textbooks to research papers and online courses. Whether I'm preparing for exams, working on assignments, or simply expanding my knowledge on a particular topic, the library provides the resources and space I need to immerse myself in my studies. (无论我是在准备考试、做作业, 还是只是在扩展某个特定主题的知识, 图书馆都能提供我所需的资源和空间, 让我沉浸在学习中。)

There are several reasons why I prefer studying at the library. Firstly, the quiet and distraction-free environment allows me to maintain focus and productivity,

minimizing interruptions and external distractions. Secondly, the library offers a wide range of resources, including books, journals, and online databases, enabling me to access information and conduct research efficiently. Additionally, being surrounded by books and fellow learners fosters a sense of academic inspiration and motivation, encouraging me to strive for excellence in my studies. (此外, 书本和同窗好友也会激发我的学习灵感和动力, 鼓励我在学习中精益求精。)

Moreover, the library provides a sense of structure and routine to my study sessions, helping me establish a disciplined approach to learning and time management. By dedicating specific hours to study at the library, I create a productive study habit that enhances my academic performance and overall well-being.

In essence, the local public library serves as a haven for focused study and intellectual growth. Its tranquil atmosphere, abundant resources, and supportive environment make it an ideal place for me to pursue my academic goals and cultivate a lifelong love for learning.

### **Part 3**

1. Do you prefer to study at home or study in other places?

Well, if I could, I would definitely stay at home for study. One, because it's comfortable. I could get around getting drinks or food whenever I like. In addition, I'm quite into the quiet atmosphere of my house, since my parents both work long hours, so usually I am the only one at home. I could easily concentrate on my books without worrying about getting interrupted. Plus, I live in a quiet community where there is strict noise control. So I needn't worry about the outside noise either. Yeah, when I have the perfect study environment like that, why would I bother going to somewhere else, right?

2. What are the benefits of gaining work experience while studying?

Gaining work experience while studying offers several benefits. Firstly, it provides practical skills development and hands-on experience in real-world settings, which can complement theoretical knowledge acquired in academic studies. Secondly, it offers opportunities for students to explore different career paths, industries, and job roles, helping them make informed decisions about their future careers. Additionally, work experience enhances students' resumes, increases their employability, and provides valuable networking opportunities. Moreover, it allows students to develop soft skills such as communication, teamwork, time management, and problem-solving, which are essential for success in the workforce.

3. Do most people like to study in a noisy place?

Most people prefer to study in a quiet and conducive environment that minimizes distractions and promotes concentration. While some individuals may be able to

focus in noisy environments, such as cafes or libraries, excessive noise can disrupt concentration, hinder learning, and reduce productivity for many learners. Therefore, studying in a quiet or controlled environment is generally preferred by most people to optimize learning outcomes and maximize efficiency.

4. What are the advantages and disadvantages of studying with other people?

Studying with other people offers several advantages, including opportunities for collaboration, peer support, and diverse perspectives. Group study sessions allow students to share ideas, discuss challenging topics, and learn from one another, which can enhance comprehension, critical thinking skills, and social interaction. Moreover, studying with others promotes accountability, motivation, and teamwork, as students work together to achieve common goals. However, studying with other people may also have disadvantages, such as potential distractions, conflicts, or uneven participation among group members, which can impact productivity and learning outcomes. Therefore, it is important to establish clear objectives, guidelines, and communication channels when studying with others to maximize the benefits of collaborative learning.

#### 43. 【低频】好消息

Describe a piece of good news that you heard about someone you know well

You should say:

What it was

When you heard it

How you knew it

And explain how you felt about it

参考回答

#### Part 2

One heartwarming piece of good news that I recently heard about someone close to me was that my best friend had been accepted into her dream graduate program. I received this wonderful news last month during a casual conversation over dinner. My friend shared her excitement and disbelief as she revealed that she had received the acceptance letter earlier that day.

I knew about my friend's aspirations of pursuing further education in her field for quite some time. Over the past year, she had dedicated countless hours to preparing her application, including writing essays, obtaining recommendation letters, and polishing her resume. (在过去的一年里, 她花费了无数的时间来准备自己的申请, 包括撰写论文、获取推荐信和润色简历。) Witnessing her commitment and determination firsthand, I was hopeful that she would achieve her goal, but I also understood the competitive nature of the admissions process.

When my friend shared the news of her acceptance, I felt an overwhelming sense of joy and pride for her. Seeing her hard work and perseverance rewarded with success was incredibly gratifying. Moreover, knowing how much this opportunity meant to her

and how passionately she pursued it made the news even more special.

Celebrating this milestone with my friend strengthened our bond and reminded me of the importance of supporting and uplifting each other in times of triumph. (与我的朋友一起庆祝这一里程碑，加强了我们之间的联系，并提醒我在胜利时相互支持和鼓励的重要性。) Hearing her excitement and gratitude filled me with happiness and optimism, knowing that she was embarking on a new chapter filled with possibilities and opportunities for personal and professional growth.

Furthermore, my friend's achievement served as a source of inspiration and motivation for me personally. It reminded me of the power of determination, resilience, and unwavering belief in one's abilities to overcome challenges and achieve success. Overall, hearing the news of my friend's acceptance into her dream graduate program was a moment of pure joy and celebration, reinforcing the importance of pursuing our passions and never giving up on our dreams. (总之，听到我的朋友被她梦想的研究生课程录取的消息，是一个纯粹的喜悦和庆祝的时刻，让我们更加认识到追求激情和永不放弃梦想的重要性。)

### **Part 3**

1.How does social media help people access information?

Social media serves as a powerful platform for accessing information due to its widespread reach, immediacy, and diverse content. Through social media channels such as Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, people can follow news outlets, organizations, and individuals to stay updated on current events, trends, and developments. Additionally, social media algorithms personalize content based on users' interests, preferences, and interactions, ensuring that users receive relevant and timely information. Moreover, social media facilitates the dissemination of information through sharing, reposting, and retweeting, allowing users to amplify important messages and reach a broader audience.

2.What kind of good news do people often share in the community?

In the community, people often share good news related to personal achievements, milestones, or positive events. This may include announcements of graduations, promotions, engagements, marriages, births, or other significant accomplishments. Additionally, people may share good news about community achievements, such as successful fundraising campaigns, volunteer efforts, community events, or positive developments that benefit the local area or residents. Sharing good news fosters a sense of connection, celebration, and positivity within the community, promoting unity, support, and social cohesion among its members.

3.Do most people like to share good news with others?

Yes, most people enjoy sharing good news with others, as it allows them to celebrate achievements, milestones, and positive experiences with friends, family, and colleagues. Sharing good news provides a sense of accomplishment, validation, and joy, and it strengthens social bonds, relationships, and connections. Additionally, sharing good news allows people to express gratitude,



happiness, and optimism, creating a positive ripple effect within their social circles and communities. Furthermore, sharing good news can inspire and uplift others, fostering a culture of encouragement, support, and positivity in interpersonal relationships and social interactions.

4. Do people like to hear good news from their friends?

Yes, people generally appreciate hearing good news from their friends, as it fosters feelings of happiness, excitement, and connection. When friends share good news, whether it's about personal achievements, positive experiences, or joyful events, it allows them to celebrate together and strengthen their bond. Hearing good news from friends can also evoke feelings of pride, support, and encouragement, as friends rejoice in each other's successes and milestones. Moreover, sharing good news with friends creates a sense of reciprocity and mutual support, as friends often take pleasure in each other's happiness and offer congratulations, well-wishes, and words of encouragement. Overall, good news from friends enriches relationships and contributes to a positive and uplifting social environment.

#### 44. 描述一种植物

Describe an important plant in your country

You should say:

What it is

Where you see it

What it looks like

Why it is important

参考回答

One of the most important plants in my country is the rice plant. Rice is a staple food crop in many parts of the world, including my country, where it is cultivated extensively to feed the population. In agricultural areas and rural landscapes, vast rice paddies stretch across the countryside, creating a picturesque scene that is emblematic of my country's agricultural heritage. (在农业区和乡村风景区，大片大片的稻田绵延不绝，形成了一幅如诗如画的景象，是我国农业遗产的象征。)

The rice plant is characterized by long, slender stalks topped with graceful panicles of tiny flowers that eventually develop into grains of rice. Depending on the variety, the leaves of the rice plant can vary in color from green to golden yellow, adding to the visual appeal of the landscape. (根据品种的不同，水稻叶片的颜色从绿色到金黄色不等，增加了景观的视觉吸引力。)

Rice plays a crucial role in my country's food security and economy. As a staple food crop, it forms the basis of many traditional dishes and cuisines, providing sustenance and nourishment to millions of people. Additionally, rice cultivation supports the livelihoods of countless farmers and agricultural workers, contributing

significantly to the country's agricultural sector and economy.

Moreover, rice cultivation has deep cultural and social significance in my country, shaping traditions, festivals, and communal gatherings throughout the year. The rice harvest season, in particular, is celebrated with colorful festivals and rituals that honor the importance of this vital crop to the nation's prosperity and well-being.

Beyond its role as a food crop, rice cultivation also has environmental benefits, including soil conservation, water management, and habitat creation for diverse wildlife. The rice paddies serve as important wetland ecosystems, supporting a variety of plant and animal species, including migratory birds and aquatic organisms.

In summary, the rice plant holds immense importance in my country, serving as a vital source of food, livelihood, and cultural heritage. (总之，水稻在我国具有极其重要的地位，是粮食、生计和文化遗产的重要来源。) Its cultivation not only sustains the population but also contributes to the country's economy, environment, and cultural identity. As such, the rice plant is rightly regarded as one of the most important plants in my country.

### **Part3**

#### **1. Why do some people prefer to live in the countryside?**

Some people prefer to live in the countryside for various reasons. One common reason is the desire for a quieter and more peaceful lifestyle away from the hustle and bustle of city life. Others appreciate the natural beauty and tranquility of rural landscapes, as well as the opportunities for outdoor activities and a closer connection to nature. Additionally, living in the countryside may offer more affordable housing options and a stronger sense of community compared to urban areas.

#### **2. Have new kinds of plants been grown in your city recently?**

Yes, new kinds of plants have been grown in my city recently, particularly in response to changing environmental conditions and consumer preferences. Urban farming initiatives, vertical gardens, and rooftop green spaces have gained popularity in many cities, allowing for the cultivation of a diverse range of plants in limited spaces. Additionally, there is a growing interest in cultivating native and drought-resistant plants to promote biodiversity and conserve water resources.

#### **3. Why do some people like to keep plants at home?**

Some people like to keep plants at home for several reasons. Firstly, plants add beauty and aesthetic appeal to indoor spaces, creating a more inviting and relaxing environment. Secondly, caring for plants can be therapeutic and stress-relieving, promoting mental well-being and reducing anxiety. Additionally, indoor plants can help improve air quality by filtering out pollutants and increasing oxygen levels, contributing to a healthier living environment.

4. Are there many trees in your city?

Yes, there are many trees in my city, especially in parks, gardens, and along streets. Trees play a vital role in urban ecosystems by providing shade, improving air quality, and enhancing the aesthetic appeal of the cityscape. They also serve as habitats for wildlife and contribute to biodiversity conservation efforts. However, urban tree cover varies depending on factors such as city planning, development, and maintenance practices.

#### 45. 宜居之城

Describe a place (city/town) that is good for people to live in

You should say:

Where it is

How you knew this place

What it is like

And explain why it is better than other places to live in

参考回答

#### Part2

I want to talk about Beijing, a city in the north of China, which I think is the most livable city in my country. It has a long history of being the most powerful city in the country. In most dynasties throughout China's history, Beijing was the capital city. It's where the emperors lived, so you can imagine just how many splendid buildings the city has inherited, such as the Summer Palace, Ti'an Men Square, the Imperial Palace and so on.

I first visited Beijing when I was a freshman in college. Actually, I went with a foreign friend and accompanied him to the Great Wall. You know, growing up in China, I first heard the story of the Great Wall when I was about five years old. Having heard it over and over again, I started to grow tired of it(一次又一次地听.万里长城的故事, 让我很厌倦), so I never thought it was a big deal until I went there in person. We went in early winter and the walls were layered with thin snow. While we were climbing up the wall, watching the snow fall down onto the tree branches(坚韧的树枝), a speed train went by. I wish I could describe the picture to you! It was a moment that combined the historical past with the modern present, and I was completely drunk in the moment(那一刻我醉了). My friend was in awe too.、 .

I guess that was the moment when I fell in love with Beijing. Ever since then, I've been dreaming about owning a house there so I could live in the city. I don't want to rent because rentals are ridiculously expensive(租金贵的离谱). I hope to realize my dream soon.

#### Part3

1. What are the differences between big cities and small ones?

Big cities and small ones differ in several aspects. Big cities offer greater economic opportunities, cultural diversity, and access to amenities such as healthcare, education, and entertainment. They tend to have faster-paced lifestyles and higher living costs. In contrast, small cities offer a more laid-back atmosphere, closer-knit communities, and lower living expenses, but may have fewer job opportunities and amenities compared to big cities.

2. What factors will contribute to whether a place is good to live in or not?

Several factors contribute to whether a place is good to live in or not. These include the quality of infrastructure, access to healthcare and education, availability of employment opportunities, cost

of living, safety, environmental quality, social amenities, and community cohesion. A good living environment is one that provides a balance of these factors, fostering well-being, prosperity, and a high quality of life for its residents.

3. What are the major changes that have happened in your city?

Major changes that have occurred in my city include infrastructure development, urbanization, population growth, economic expansion, and cultural transformation. There has been significant investment in transportation networks, housing, and public facilities to accommodate the growing population and improve quality of life. Additionally, the city has seen advancements in technology, changes in demographics, and shifts in social norms and lifestyles over time.

4. How different is life in the countryside to life in the city?

Life in the countryside differs from life in the city in several ways. In the countryside, there is typically more space, cleaner air, and closer proximity to nature. People often have a stronger sense of community and connection to the land. However, rural areas may lack amenities and services available in cities, such as healthcare facilities, educational institutions, and employment opportunities. Additionally, life in the countryside may be quieter and less hectic compared to the hustle and bustle of city life.

**46. 克服困难终成功**

Describe a difficult thing you did and succeeded

You should say:

What it was

How you overcame the difficulties

Whether you got help

And explain how you felt after you succeeded

参考回答

**Part2**

When I was in high school, I enjoyed watching Japanese animation, so I dreamed of traveling to Japan alone when I grew up. Therefore, I began to learn Japanese by myself. Because I had no teacher's guidance, I could only obtain (获得) study resources on media platforms like bilibili, where I could acquire basic grammar skills.

In order to improve my speaking skills, I imitated (模仿) the tone and intonation (语调) of the characters in some of my favorite Japanese animations and dramas. At the beginning of this self-learning process, I had this naïve thought (天真的想法) that Japanese would be very simple for a native Chinese because they have many similar characters. But as I went through in-depth study, I found it a lot more difficult than I expected. In writing and speaking, there are different grammatical rules according to different contexts (语境). For example, people speak in different ways to their teacher, family, or friends. Besides that, the adoption of grammatical persons (人称) also varies depending on the person you are talking to, and the wrong choice of words could be very embarrassing in Japanese society. All of these confused me a lot. Although many words look similar to Chinese as I mentioned before, their pronunciation is very different, and sometimes one word can be pronounced in several distinct ways. Although Japanese was developed from the Chinese language system, people who are determined to (坚持) learn it still need talent and continuous effort.

**Part3**

1. Is it hard for students to learn skills?

I think it is not hard for students to learn skills. Here, I regard the students to be young students who are under 30. For students who are in the school, they have a great

environment that encourages and supports them to absorb knowledge. The teachers will organize the learning materials and give quiz and test to make sure the students are following the study plan. Also, if the student has questions, there is a very supportive community that could address the question in a timely manner. With so many help and supports, it is not hard for students to learn skills.

## 2.How would you define success?

In my perspective, success is a relative term and everyone could have his/her own definition. Personally speaking, I think you are successful if do something and you feel you have done it well. However the definition of success is totally dependent on your own standards and concept of success. It could be applied to life in general or to individual tasks in life. For instance, I clapped my hands for my 1-year-old niece when she successfully took her first step in her life as well as congratulated my classmate when he gets his research essay published. In a word, I define success as people achieving their personal goals, whatever they may be.

## 3.How do we judge whether young people are successful nowadays?

It is an interesting question. When we are talking about success, we think about wealth, fame, and high social status. Indeed, we can't deny these generally acknowledged standards. But I'm sure that everyone has his own interpretation of success as I do. Personally, I believe that for young people, it is not about what one does, but about what one tries to do. Hence, I reckon that a young person is successful when he believes he is driven by his dream life and he is on the right track to the exact destination. Basically, we can easily tell from his face whether he is confident or feels not sure what to do.

## 4.Are successful people often lonely?

No, I do not think so. Most of us have heard the saying that the path to success is extremely lonely, but I have a different perspective. When we read the biographies and memoirs about those people who started great careers, it is undeniable that they all have gone through dark days. However, if we take a close look, we will find that those people who are successful tend to be successful as they know when to delegate, when to seek the expertise of someone who has better skills in an area than them and when to ask for help. In a word, I think successful people are always getting support from others, they just cannot be lonely.

### 47. 喜欢做的日常事务

Describe your daily routine that you enjoy

You should say:

What it is

Where and when you do it

Who you do it with

Whether it is easy to follow this routine

And explain why you enjoy it

参考回答

#### Part2

I drink a cup of black coffee every morning in the office and I consider it one of the daily routines that I enjoy. I guess I share this habit with many office workers.

I developed this habit at a very young age(这个习惯很早就养成了), probably from the time I started working several years ago. In fact, when I first started working, I didn't have this habit, because at that time I preferred tea or milk tea instead of coffee. But as



the workload increased(随着工作量的增加), I was getting less and less sleep, which made me feel tired. At this time, my good friend told me that drinking a cup of black coffee in the morning would make me energetic all day.

I started with milk coffee because it was easier to drink, and I didn't find it too bitter. But later I found that black coffee is better for the human body, and it has almost no calories, so I started to try black coffee. At first, I found it bitter and unpalatable(难以入口的, 不好吃/喝的), but gradually I got used to the taste. Now, I hardly ever drink coffee with milk.

I don't think I'll change this habit in the future. In fact, my daily coffee intake is increasing(我每天喝咖啡的频率正在增加). Sometimes I also enjoy a cup of black coffee with my colleague. I enjoy my daily routine very much. I think a cup of black coffee in the morning gives me energy for the day and gives me the energy to deal with a busy day at work.

### **Part3**

1.Should children have study routines?

Yes, I think they should. Having certain study routines will help children develop good learning habits, which should benefit them for life. As the saying goes: the child is the father to the man. The character that we form as children stays with us into our adult life. Therefore, parents need to make sure their children have learning routines. Once they form this pattern of behavior, they will initiatively study by themselves in their spare time. As a result, it will save much time and energy for the parents from having to supervise their children. In turn, their children will also grow up to be well-rounded people.

2.What are the advantages of children having a routine at school?

It is very beneficial for children to develop good habits if they have a routine in school. I remember when I was in elementary school, every morning the school asked us to go to the classroom at eight o'clock for morning reading. The content of morning reading was very flexible, it could be Chinese, English, or even any extracurricular reading suitable for this age group. This has helped me a lot in developing the habit of getting up early to read. In addition, if children study at a certain time, they can keep their brains active during that time period and help them learn better.

3.How do people's routines differ on weekdays and weekends?

On weekdays, people tend to have rather tight schedules and many routines. Most people go to work or have class on weekdays, so they are busier and have more things to deal with. There may not be much time for them to take a break and enjoy something they like. After a tiring day, after going home, people are likely to go straight to sleep, which leaves them less time for entertainment. On weekends, people may want to relax and have flexible schedules and routines. Because they've worked hard during the weekdays, they may go to the nearby park for a walk, invite their friends to see a movie, or have a date with their loved ones. Therefore, routines on weekends are much more colorful.

4.Should children have learning routines?

I think in general; a learning routine is a very good, very effective habit that anyone can benefit from, let alone children. If children can develop a very good learning routine from an early age, it will be very helpful to their future study and life. For example, if children develop the habit of getting up early to read from an early age, they will also have the habit of getting up early to read when they grow up. Of course, it is not easy to

develop a good learning routine, so it requires a lot of correct guidance from teachers and parents.

#### 48. 聚会上遇到的人

Describe a person you met at a party who you enjoyed talking with

You should say:

What party it was

Who the person is

What you talked about

And explain why you enjoyed talking with him/her

**参考答案**

##### **Part2**

Once I participated in an alumni party held by my university (我校举办的校友会).

The party was intended to be a networking and job-hunting opportunity for us recent graduates to chat and connect with the alumni who were already working and would like to help us get a foot on the career ladder. I still remember there were more than two hundred people in the school hall and everyone was well-dressed. I went there alone and saw another guy standing not far from me who also seemed to be on his own, so I started to chat with him naturally.

From the chat, I got to know that this guy was called James and graduated from my university three years earlier than I did, and was working as a marketer at L'oreal.

L'oreal had been my dream company for a long time and I was really passionate about being a marketer. (欧莱雅一直是我梦寐以求的公司, 我对成为一名营销人员充满热情。) I asked many questions regarding the interview process, onboarding training, daily work, etc, and he answered all my questions patiently. He also gave me some practical advice on how to construct my resume and prepare for job interviews. I really enjoyed talking to him not only because he was a humorous and kind person who was generously sharing his experience with me, but also because I gained a lot of precious career advice from this talk, which made me even clearer about my future career path.

(不仅因为他是一个幽默和蔼的人, 慷慨地与我分享他的经验, 还因为我从这次谈话中获得了很多宝贵的职业建议, 使我更加明确了自己未来的职业道路。)

##### **Part3**

1.How do people start a conversation?

Generally speaking, a smile would be a great way to start a conversation. When you approach someone, they may not know your intention and be suspicious about what you're doing. At that time, a smile would be useful because it lets them know that you're trying to be nice. As a result, they will be happier to chat with you. In addition, I think people also start a conversation by asking questions. When you ask someone a question, they have to give you some kind of response whether they want to answer your question or not. On most occasions, a kind person would be happy to offer you some information and then you can ask deeper questions or have a small talk with them, and thereby have a pleasant conversation.

2.Is it difficult for Chinese people to communicate with people from other countries?

Yes, I believe it is difficult. Firstly, there is a language barrier. Generally speaking, the Chinese language is one of the hardest languages around the world to learn. It normally takes many years for foreign people to speak Chinese well, let alone chat with locals. Meanwhile, the popularity of English in China is not that great. Chinese people are still not comfortable communicating with each other in English, so they are reluctant to talk

to foreigners. Secondly, there is a cultural barrier. Because China is one of the few socialist countries in the world, foreign people, especially people from western developed countries, may have stereotypes or misunderstandings of Chinese people, which makes them harder to communicate with.

3. Why are some people unwilling to have conversations with other people?

One of the possible answers is that they are shy. There are a group of people who are called "social phobics", meaning that they are terrified about communicating with other people, especially strangers. For them, it's better to stay at home alone and read some books rather than go to a party and meet people. In addition, people may not want to have conversations with other people when they are emotional. For example, when someone loses a family member or a loved one, they might say "leave me alone" when people try to talk to them because they don't have the energy to talk to other people and they want to deal with their feelings by themselves.

4. Is it difficult for adults to talk to children?

Yes, I believe sometimes it is. Although adults have much more life experience than children, it's hard for children to listen to them or understand them very well, because they are in completely different positions. For example, a father wants to talk with his son and tells him not to eat too much sweet food. The father believes it's better for his son's health and wants him to grow healthy. However, from the son's perspective, he thinks his father is just preaching at him and doesn't want him to be happy. As a result, the son may get frustrated and the father may get angry. It takes time and patience for adults to communicate effectively with their children.

#### 49. 爱豆的电影角色

Describe a film character played by an actor or actress whom you admire

You should say:

Who this actor/actress is

When you saw the film

What the character was like in this film

And explain why you admire this actor/actress

参考回答

#### Part2

When speaking of a film character played by an admirable actor or actress, I would like to talk about Ye Xianglun, who was acted by Jay Chou, a well-known singer and actor. I first watched the movie, Secret, several years ago, when I was a senior high school student. In this movie, I was not only deeply attracted by the sincerity and determination of Ye, but also impressed by the talents of Jay Chou. There are many reasons why I admire him.

First of all, he's an individual who never follows the tide. I can still remember the first time I learned about him was an interview with him. I saw a young boy in a cap, wearing an oversize t-shirt and jeans. He looked like a gangster(小混混) from a ghetto(街头). But he said one sentence that I can still remember now, even after more than 10 years. He said, in a very tender but confident voice, "don't let Korean pop music be dominant in China, our Chinese pop music is the best." It really hit me because K-pop, at that time, had an unchallengeable status in China. As a result, I began to listen to his music and watch his movies.

Most importantly, Jay Chou is also a man of true greatness. His good deeds are as well-known as his songs. During the pandemic, he prepared food, shelter and free transportation for people who were away from home. Besides that, he's also donated money after natural disasters(自然灾害) like the Wenchuan earthquake and typhoon. He also holds singing contests for versatile novices to let them be heard by others.

Like Ye Xianglun, who is hospitable and talented in Secret, Jay Chou is using his deeds to raise the awareness of people to hold on to their dreams(坚持梦想) and to do their own share in helping others(尽力所能及帮助他人). That's why he's the best choice for this topic.

### **Part3**

1.What are the differences between actors\actresses who earn much and those who earn little?

There are many differences between the two. For example, better paid actors and actresses always have better acting skills. As a result, their number of fans is higher, and they get more attention from the public, compared with those who earn less. However, as a consequence, the richer ones are always more pressured to perform better, and if they perform badly, they are more likely to get more negative comments from the public.

2.What are the differences between acting in the theatre and in film?

As far as I am concerned, there are many differences between them. When acting in the theatre, actors and actresses only have one chance to perform their best on the stage, and their emotions can be conveyed to the audience in a very direct, personal way. However, film actors and actresses have many chances to perform their best. Their acting can be recorded over and over and edited to choose the best overall performance in a more controlled way, making the performance less personal.

3.Is it interesting to be an actor/actress?

Yes, being an actor or actress can be an incredibly interesting profession. It offers the opportunity to immerse oneself in different roles, experiences, and perspectives. Every project presents new challenges and allows for personal growth and creativity. The world of acting is filled with excitement, as actors get to collaborate with talented individuals, explore diverse characters, and bring stories to life. Moreover, it grants the chance to connect with audiences on a deep emotional level and have a lasting impact on them. However, it is important to acknowledge that being an actor also requires dedication, perseverance, and the ability to handle rejection, as the industry can be highly competitive.

4.Are actors or actresses very interested in their work? Why?

Personally speaking, I believe that most actors and actresses are very interested in their work because it's a demanding job to act in a film. Actors and actresses have to make great efforts to present a good film to their audience. If they were not interested in their work, they wouldn't present a convincing performance, making it extremely hard to keep their job. However, a few actors and actresses might be less responsive to their work. But that's quite normal because it's the same case with people in other industries.

### **50. 【低频】有天赋的人**

Describe a person you know who is talented

You should say:

Who this person is



How and where you knew this person  
Why you think he/she is talented  
And explain how you found out that he/she is talented

### 参考回答

#### Part2

One person I know who is exceptionally talented is my friend Sarah. I first met Sarah during our freshman year at university, where we were both enrolled in the same engineering program. Over the years, we became close friends, bonding over our shared interests and academic pursuits.

Sarah's talent shines through in her remarkable ability to excel in multiple disciplines. Despite majoring in engineering, she possesses a natural aptitude for art and design. Her creative flair is evident in her sketches, paintings, and digital artwork, which showcase her keen eye for detail and aesthetic sensibility. (她的素描、绘画和数字艺术作品都彰显了她的创造天赋, 展现了她对细节的敏锐洞察力和审美感知力。) Whether it's creating intricate illustrations or designing visually stunning graphics, Sarah's artwork never fails to impress and inspire those around her.

Moreover, Sarah's talents extend beyond the realm of art and design. She is also a gifted musician, proficient in playing several musical instruments, including the piano and guitar. Her passion for music is palpable, evident in her soulful performances and melodious compositions. Whether she's playing classical pieces or experimenting with her own compositions, Sarah's musical talent never fails to captivate and enchant her audience. (无论是演奏经典曲目, 还是尝试自己的创作, 莎拉的音乐才华总是能吸引和陶醉听众。)

What truly sets Sarah apart is her humility and dedication to honing her craft. Despite her prodigious talents, she remains humble and approachable, always willing to share her knowledge and expertise with others. She approaches each endeavor with a sense of curiosity and a willingness to learn, constantly pushing herself to reach new heights of excellence.

I discovered Sarah's talents gradually over the course of our friendship. From admiring her artwork displayed in her dorm room to attending her impromptu jam sessions in the campus courtyard, I was continually amazed by her creativity and skill. (从欣赏她陈列在寝室里的艺术作品, 到参加她在校园院子里的即兴演奏会, 她的创造力和技巧不断让我惊叹。) As our friendship deepened, Sarah confided in me about her passion for art and music, revealing the depth of her talent and the hard work she puts into honing her skills.

In summary, Sarah is a truly talented individual who excels in multiple disciplines, including art, design, and music. Her creative flair, passion for learning, and dedication to her craft make her a source of inspiration to those around her. I feel fortunate to have Sarah as a friend and am constantly inspired by her talent and creativity.

#### Part3

1.How do you think schools should help children develop their talents?

Schools play a crucial role in nurturing and developing children's talents. One approach is to offer a diverse range of extracurricular activities and enrichment programs that cater to different interests and talents. Additionally, schools can provide specialized training and resources to support students in honing their skills and pursuing their passions. It's



also essential for educators to recognize and encourage individual talents, fostering a supportive environment where students feel empowered to explore their potential. By offering a well-rounded education that prioritizes both academic and extracurricular development, schools can help children discover and develop their talents to their fullest potential.

## 2. What do you think of talented people and AI?

Talented people and artificial intelligence (AI) each bring unique strengths to the table. While talented individuals possess creativity, intuition, and emotional intelligence, AI excels in processing vast amounts of data, performing complex calculations, and executing repetitive tasks with precision. Rather than viewing them as competitors, I believe talented people can leverage AI as a tool to enhance their productivity, creativity, and problem-solving abilities. By harnessing the power of AI, talented individuals can automate routine tasks, gain insights from data analysis, and focus on higher-order thinking skills. Ultimately, the collaboration between talented individuals and AI has the potential to drive innovation and propel society forward.

### 51. 喜欢的照片/画

Describe a picture/photograph of you that you like

You should say:

Where it was taken/drawn

When it was taken/drawn

Who took/drew it

And explain how you felt about it

参考回答

#### Part2

One of my favorite photographs of myself was taken during a hiking trip to the mountains last summer. It was captured at a scenic overlook, with majestic peaks and lush greenery stretching out in the background, providing a stunning backdrop for the shot. The photograph was taken by my friend, who is an avid photographer and always manages to capture the beauty of our outdoor adventures.

The photograph captures me standing on a rocky outcrop, with a wide smile on my face and my arms outstretched, embracing the breathtaking landscape around me. (照片中的我站在一块岩石上，面带微笑，伸开双臂，拥抱着周围壮丽的景色。) The sunlight filters through the trees, casting a warm glow on my face and highlighting the natural beauty of the surroundings. In the distance, the mountains loom large, their rugged peaks towering against the blue sky, creating a sense of awe and wonder.

What I love most about this photograph is the sense of joy and freedom it captures. In that moment, surrounded by the beauty of nature, I felt truly alive and connected to the world around me. The photograph serves as a reminder of the exhilaration and sense of adventure that outdoor exploration brings, and it fills me with gratitude for the moments of serenity and joy that nature provides. (这张照片提醒我户外探索带来的兴奋和冒险感，让我对大自然带来的宁静和欢乐时刻充满感激之情。)

Moreover, the photograph holds sentimental value as it encapsulates the bond of friendship and shared experiences that my friend and I cherish. It immortalizes a cherished memory of our hiking trip and serves as a tangible reminder of the moments we've shared together in nature's embrace.

Overall, this photograph holds a special place in my heart, not only for its visual beauty but also for the emotions and memories it evokes. It reminds me of the simple joys of exploring the great outdoors, the bonds of friendship, and the beauty of living in the present moment. (它让我想起探索大自然的简单乐趣、友谊的纽带以及活在当下的美好。)

### Part3

#### 1. Why do people take photos?

People take photos because they want to save precious moments in their life. At least for me, that's the case. I take photos using my smartphone whenever I believe the moment is worth cherishing. Actually, in the past, I didn't have this habit, but I later realized that if I didn't take any photos when traveling, I wouldn't be able to remember what I did.

However, for some people, I think they take photos because they want to improve their photography skills. Also, some girls love taking photos because they want to post beautiful pictures on social media and look forward to hearing compliments. So, different people have different reasons.

#### 2. What do people use to take photos these days, cameras or phones?

I would say for most people, they take photos with their phones. But for professional photographers, they'll need to use more technical devices. Nowadays, photography technology in smartphones is really developed, even though it's still not quite as good as most cameras. But if you just want to capture beautiful scenery or take photos of your family members, it's really convenient to use cell phones, because you can't always bring a heavy camera with you, can you? But for professionals, they need to take high-quality pictures, and it's impossible to take a really clear picture with an ordinary cellphone, so they'll use cameras.

### 52. 别人做的特殊一餐

Describe a special meal that someone made for you

You should say:

Who did it

When and how he/she cooked

What and why he/she cooked for you

And explain how you felt about the meal

参考回答

### Part2

One special meal that stands out in my memory was prepared by my grandmother on my birthday last year. My grandmother, whom I affectionately call Nana, decided to cook a traditional family recipe to celebrate the occasion. She began cooking early in the morning, meticulously preparing each dish with love and care.

Nana's culinary skills are legendary in our family, and her homemade dishes are always a labor of love. For my birthday meal, she decided to prepare a feast of our favorite dishes, including her signature lasagna, garlic bread, and a fresh salad from her garden. (在我的生日餐上, 她决定准备一桌我们最喜欢的菜肴, 包括她的招牌千层面、大蒜面包和她花园里的新鲜沙拉。) The lasagna, in particular, is a family recipe passed down through generations, and Nana's version is always a highlight of any special occasion.

I knew that Nana had chosen to cook for me on my birthday because she wanted to make the day extra special and memorable. Cooking is her way of expressing love and

affection, and she takes great pride in preparing meals that bring joy and comfort to her loved ones. (烹饪是她表达爱和亲情的方式, 她以能为所爱的人准备带来欢乐和安慰的饭菜为荣。) Knowing how much effort and thought she put into planning and cooking the meal made it even more meaningful and special to me.

When the meal was finally ready, we gathered around the table to enjoy the feast together as a family. The aroma of the lasagna wafted through the air, tantalizing our taste buds and whetting our appetites. As we dug into the piping hot lasagna, each bite was a symphony of flavors and textures, evoking memories of family gatherings and shared meals from years past.

Beyond the delicious food, what made the meal truly special was the warmth and love that infused every dish. (除了美味佳肴之外, 让这顿饭真正与众不同的是每道菜都充满了温暖和爱意。) Nana's presence at the table, her smile and laughter, and the stories she shared made the meal a cherished moment of connection and celebration. It was a reminder of the importance of family, tradition, and the simple pleasures of sharing a meal together.

As I savored each bite of Nana's homemade lasagna, I felt overwhelmed with gratitude and love. The meal was not just about the food itself but the memories, traditions, and love that it represented. It was a birthday celebration I would always treasure, made all the more special by the delicious meal prepared with love by my grandmother.

### **Part3**

1. Should students learn to cook at school?

Yes, I believe it is beneficial for students to learn cooking skills at school. Cooking is an essential life skill that promotes independence, health, and creativity. By teaching students how to cook, schools empower them to make nutritious meals for themselves, fostering healthy eating habits from a young age. Additionally, cooking classes can inspire a passion for culinary arts and encourage students to explore diverse cuisines and ingredients.

2. Do you think people's eating habits would change as they get older?

Yes, people's eating habits often evolve as they age due to various factors such as health concerns, lifestyle changes, and cultural influences. As individuals mature, they may become more conscious of their dietary choices and prioritize foods that support their well-being. Additionally, shifts in taste preferences, dietary restrictions, and social dynamics can also impact how people eat as they grow older.

3. Do people in your country like to learn to cook from TV programmes?

Yes, many people in my country enjoy learning to cook from TV programs. Cooking shows have gained popularity in recent years, offering viewers a glimpse into different culinary techniques, recipes, and cultures. These programs often feature celebrity chefs who showcase their expertise and inspire audiences to experiment with cooking at home. Moreover, cooking shows provide entertainment and relaxation for viewers, making them a favored source of culinary inspiration.

4. What kinds of fast food are popular in China?

In China, various types of fast food are popular, including traditional Chinese fast food such as dumplings, noodles, and baozi (steamed buns), as well as Western fast food chains like McDonald's, KFC, and Pizza Hut. Additionally, street food stalls and food

courts offer a wide range of quick and convenient options such as fried rice, stir-fried noodles, and grilled skewers.

### 53. 别人做的好决定

Describe someone you know who made a good decision recently

You should say:

Who he/she is

When he/she made the decision

What decision he/she made

Why it was a good decision

And explain how you felt about the decision

参考回答

#### Part2

One person I know who recently made a commendable decision is my friend Sarah. Sarah has been contemplating a career change for quite some time, feeling unfulfilled in her current job in the corporate sector. After much deliberation and soul-searching, she made the decision to pursue her passion for environmental conservation and sustainability.

Sarah made this decision about two months ago after reflecting on her values, interests, and long-term goals. She realized that she wanted to align her career with her passion for environmental advocacy and making a positive impact on the planet. As a result, she decided to transition into a role in the nonprofit sector, focusing on environmental education and community outreach. (因此, 她决定向非营利部门转型, 专注于环境教育和社区外联工作。)

I believe Sarah's decision to pursue a career in environmental conservation was a wise and courageous choice for several reasons. Firstly, it aligns with her values and passion, allowing her to contribute to a cause she deeply cares about and finds meaningful. By working in the nonprofit sector, Sarah will have the opportunity to make a tangible difference in promoting sustainability and environmental stewardship. (通过在非营利部门工作, Sarah 将有机会在促进可持续发展和环境管理方面发挥实际作用。)

Moreover, Sarah's decision represents a significant step towards personal and professional fulfillment. It takes courage to step out of one's comfort zone and pursue a new career path, especially when it involves leaving behind the security of a stable job. However, Sarah's determination to follow her heart and pursue her passion demonstrates her resilience and commitment to living a life of purpose and meaning. (然而, 莎拉决心追随自己的内心, 追求自己的激情, 这表明了她坚韧不拔的精神, 以及对有目标、有意义的生活的承诺。)

As a friend, I couldn't be more proud of Sarah for making this decision. I have seen firsthand the passion and dedication she brings to her environmental advocacy work, and I have no doubt that she will excel in her new role. Seeing her take proactive steps towards pursuing her dreams and making a positive impact on the world fills me with admiration and inspires me to do the same in my own life.

Overall, Sarah's decision to pursue a career in environmental conservation is not only a good decision for her personal and professional growth but also a commendable example



of following one's passion and values. I am excited to see where this new journey takes her and am confident that she will continue to make a difference in the world.

### Part3

1. Should parents make decisions for their children?

Parents play a crucial role in guiding and supporting their children, but it's important for them to strike a balance between making decisions for their children and allowing them to develop independence. While parents may have their children's best interests at heart, overly controlling or making decisions without considering their children's opinions can hinder their autonomy and growth.

2. Do you think parents are the best people to make decisions about their children's education?

While parents have a vested interest in their children's education, it's essential to involve children in decision-making processes about their education as they grow older. Parents can provide valuable guidance and support based on their experience and knowledge, but ultimately, children should have a say in decisions that directly impact their academic journey and future aspirations.

3. At what age do you think children can be allowed to make decisions by themselves? The age at which children can make decisions independently varies depending on their maturity, cognitive development, and life experiences. Generally, as children grow older and gain more experience in making choices, they become better equipped to make decisions autonomously. However, it's essential for parents to gradually empower their children with decision-making responsibilities and provide guidance and support along the way.

4. Why do most children find it difficult to make decisions?

Children may find it difficult to make decisions due to factors such as fear of making mistakes, lack of confidence, or uncertainty about the consequences of their choices. Additionally, external pressures from peers, parents, or societal expectations can also influence children's decision-making abilities, making it challenging for them to assert their own preferences and desires.

### 54. 向他人展示新东西

Describe a time that you showed something new to others

You should say:

When it was

What it was

Who you showed it to

How you showed it

And explain how you felt about it

参考回答

### Part2

One memorable occasion when I shared something new with others was during a camping trip with friends last summer. One evening around the campfire, I introduced my friends to the art of stargazing and constellation spotting. (一天晚上, 在篝火旁, 我向朋友们介绍了观星和观测星座的艺术。)

It was a clear night, and the sky was ablaze with countless stars twinkling overhead. Inspired by the beauty of the night sky, I decided to share my passion for astronomy with



my friends. I began by pointing out familiar constellations such as Orion, Ursa Major, and Cassiopeia, explaining their mythology and significance in different cultures. (我首先指出了猎户座、大熊座和仙后座等熟悉的星座，解释了它们在不同文化中的神话和意义。)

To enhance the experience, I brought along a stargazing app on my phone, which allowed us to identify and learn about various celestial objects in real-time. Using the app, we were able to locate planets, galaxies, and nebulae, adding an interactive element to our stargazing adventure.

I felt a sense of joy and satisfaction as I watched my friends marvel at the wonders of the night sky. Their eyes sparkled with curiosity and wonder as they gazed up at the stars, eager to learn more about the universe beyond our planet (当他们仰望星空时，眼睛里闪烁着好奇和惊叹的光芒，渴望更多地了解我们星球以外的宇宙). It was a magical moment of shared discovery and awe, connecting us to the vastness and beauty of the cosmos.

Sharing my passion for astronomy with my friends was a deeply rewarding experience. It allowed me to share something I love with others, fostering a sense of connection and camaraderie among us. Moreover, it was gratifying to see my friends' enthusiasm and interest in learning about the night sky, reaffirming the power of shared experiences to inspire curiosity and wonder. Overall, it was a memorable evening filled with laughter, learning, and a newfound appreciation for the wonders of the universe.

### **Part3**

1. What qualities should a good learner have?

A good learner should possess several key qualities, including curiosity, perseverance, and adaptability. Curiosity drives a learner to seek out knowledge and explore new ideas, while perseverance enables them to overcome challenges and setbacks along the way. Additionally, adaptability allows a learner to adjust their approach to learning based on feedback and experiences, fostering continuous growth and improvement.

2. What skills should children learn?

Children should learn a diverse range of skills to thrive in various aspects of life. Fundamental skills such as literacy, numeracy, and critical thinking lay the foundation for academic success and problem-solving abilities. Additionally, social and emotional skills such as communication, empathy, and resilience are essential for building positive relationships and navigating life's challenges.

### **55. 和别人一起做的事**

Describe something that you did with someone/a group of people

You should say:

What it was

Who you did it with

How long it took you to do this

And explain why you did it together

**参考回答**

### **Part2**

I still remember June 10th, 2020, just 3 days after I had finished the college entrance exam and graduated from high school, when I went to climb Mount Hua, one of the

tallest and most famous mountains in China with 3 of my classmates and friends to celebrate our graduation.

We started to climb the mountain at 10 in the evening so we could reach the peak and watch the sunrise on the peak. (我们从傍晚 10 点开始爬山, 以便能够到达山顶, 在山顶观看日出。) In the beginning, everyone was motivated and invigorated. Our steps were light and fast, together with our singing. However, after just one hour, we started to get tired and slowed down a bit. In addition, the higher we climbed, the colder it was. I started to think about quitting but my 3 friends encouraged me to keep going. One of them, Henry, even helped me carry my backpack, for which I was really grateful.

With each other's encouragement and help, after 6 hours of climbing we finally managed to reach the peak by sunrise. From the peak, I saw the most memorable and stunning sunrise views. While standing on the top of the mountain looking out at the golden sky, I felt a great sense of accomplishment. (站在山顶眺望金色的天空, 我感到无比的成就感。) Half my sense of achievement came from the mountain climb, while the other half came from my graduation. I was also proud of my three friends for completing the physical journey to the top of the mountain, and life journey to the point of graduation. I guess this moment was the reason that we did the climb together.

### **Part3**

1. Do you think neighbors help each other more often in the countryside than in the city? I think it depends. I believe that neighbors in the countryside help each other more often, because they knew each other better. Many families have lived in the countryside for generations, so neighbors may also be friends who have grown up together. They help take care of each other's houses and children. However, neighbors in the city rarely greet each other. Those living next to your apartment may be renters who only stay there temporarily, for a month or two. Therefore, we don't tend to count on neighbors when living in the city. Nevertheless, when COVID came, we lived in the city and relied on neighbors to share medicine and food during the lockdown. So I think it depends on different communities and circumstances.

2. How do children learn to cooperate with each other?

Cooperation means a joint effort—a give-and-take that is mutually satisfying. Most children learn to cooperate at school when they need to collaborate with classmates on team projects, or get along with each other during breaks. For instance, when assigning the challenge of making a poster together in a group, children learn to allocate tasks like painting, writing, and designing to different team members and together they make a masterpiece as a group. During class breaks, they play games with each other and learn to shoulder different responsibilities. They take turns playing hide and seek or jump-rope. It is activities like these that help children learn to cooperate with each other.

3. Do you think parents should teach children how to cooperate with others? How? Yes, definitely. Working with others is essential to academic, social, and personal success. Cooperation demonstrates the ability to work effectively and respectfully with diverse individuals and groups, make compromises while listening and valuing the opinions of others, then making consensus decisions together as a team. Teaching children the art of cooperation will help them understand teamwork. They will gain valuable social skills, such as patience, empathy, trust and the ability to form healthy relationships.

4. Do you think it's important for children to learn about cooperation?

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### 56. 让你骄傲的事

Describe something you did that made you feel proud

You should say:

What it was

How you did it

What difficulty you had

How you dealt with the difficulty

And explain why you felt proud of it

参考回答

#### Part2

One of my proudest achievements was winning the first prize in a painting contest about 10 years ago.

Painting is one thing I absolutely love. When the teacher who was in charge of the class told me that I had been recommended to participate in a painting contest on behalf of my primary school, I accepted it with great pleasure. With the help of teachers and schoolmates, I created a piece of satisfactory work. I still remember that when I got the news that I had won the prize, I didn't shout out with joy, but I clenched my fist(握紧拳头) and said "yes" to myself. I walked back home with a spring in my step(步伐轻快), feeling elated and knowing that my hard work had paid off(取得成功).

In fact, for me, painting was not something I was very serious about. It was just a hobby. However, because this competition meant so much to my classmates and teachers, I devoted myself to the contest. It didn't go well at first, because I had to spend much time determining the theme, the way to mix the colors, and some other details. Fortunately, many friends of mine were also enthusiasts of painting and offered me numerous useful pieces of advice. Also, my competitors were really excellent as well, so it was a narrow victory(险胜) for me.

I felt proud because I managed to overcome all the difficulties and challenge myself. At the same time, I won glory for(为……赢得荣誉) my primary school and gained a sense of achievement during my struggle.

#### Part3

1. Does everyone set goals for themselves?

Not everyone sets explicit goals for themselves, but many people do. Goals provide direction, motivation, and a sense of purpose in both personal and professional aspects of life. While some individuals may set specific, measurable goals to strive towards, others may have more general aspirations or intentions guiding their actions and decisions. Ultimately, whether someone sets goals depends on their personality, values, circumstances, and personal aspirations.

2. What kinds of rewards are important at work?

The importance of rewards at work varies among individuals and depends on factors such as personal values, motivations, and job satisfaction. While material rewards such as salary, bonuses, and promotions are commonly valued, non-material rewards such as recognition, praise, opportunities for personal growth, and a positive work environment can also play a significant role in motivating employees and enhancing job satisfaction. Employers should consider a combination of both material and non-material rewards to effectively recognize and reward employees' contributions, fostering a sense of appreciation, engagement, and loyalty in the workplace.

3. Do you think material rewards are more important than other rewards at work?

Material rewards such as salary, bonuses, and other financial incentives are undoubtedly important for many employees as they provide tangible recognition for their efforts and contributions. However, non-material rewards such as recognition, praise, opportunities for personal growth, and a positive work environment are equally essential for fostering employee satisfaction, engagement, and motivation. While material rewards may address employees' basic needs and financial security, non-material rewards contribute to their sense of fulfillment, belonging, and personal development in the workplace. Therefore, both types of rewards play complementary roles in creating a motivating and rewarding work environment.

4. What makes people feel proud of themselves?

People feel proud of themselves when they achieve personal or professional accomplishments, overcome challenges, and make positive contributions to their lives or the lives of others. Pride often stems from a sense of achievement, competence, and mastery in one's endeavors, whether it's completing a challenging project, reaching a significant milestone, or demonstrating resilience in the face of adversity. Additionally, acts of kindness, altruism, and making a positive impact on others can also evoke feelings of pride and fulfillment. Ultimately, pride is deeply connected to individuals' sense of self-worth, identity, and values, reflecting their intrinsic motivation, resilience, and commitment to personal growth and success.

57. 【低频】喜欢的气候

Describe your favourite climate

You should say:

What kind of climate it is

Where the climate occur

How hot or cold the climate is

And explain why you like this type of climate

参考回答

Part2

My favorite climate is a temperate climate (温带气候), which typically occurs in regions characterized by mild summers and winters. These regions are often found in temperate zones, situated between the tropics and the polar circles. (这些地区通常位于温带, 介于热带和极圈之间。) The temperature in a temperate climate is generally moderate, with warm summers averaging around 20-25°C (68-77°F) and cool winters averaging around 0-10°C (32-50°F).

I particularly enjoy this type of climate because it offers a balance between warmth and coolness throughout the year. The summers are pleasantly warm without being overly hot,



allowing for outdoor activities such as hiking, picnicking, and swimming. (夏季温暖宜人, 不会过于炎热, 适合远足、野餐和游泳等户外活动。) Meanwhile, the winters are cool enough to enjoy cozy evenings by the fireplace or engage in winter sports like skiing and snowboarding. Additionally, the temperate climate often brings about distinct seasons, with vibrant foliage in autumn and colorful blooms in spring, adding to the beauty and charm of the surroundings. Overall, I appreciate the versatility and comfort of a temperate climate, as it allows me to enjoy a wide range of outdoor activities year-round while experiencing the unique beauty of each season. (总之, 我很欣赏温带气候的多变性和舒适性, 因为它让我能够全年享受各种户外活动, 同时体验每个季节的独特美景。)

### Part3

1. Do you prefer a climate with distinct four seasons or a changeable climate?

Preferences for climate depend on individual preferences and experiences. Some people may prefer a climate with distinct four seasons because they enjoy experiencing the variety of weather conditions and the changes in nature that accompany each season.

Others may prefer a more stable and changeable climate, where temperatures and weather patterns fluctuate less dramatically throughout the year. Ultimately, personal preferences for climate are influenced by factors such as cultural background, lifestyle preferences, outdoor activities, and tolerance to different weather conditions.

2. What are the differences between people living in cold places and those living in hot places?

There are several differences between people living in cold places and those living in hot places. In cold climates, people may adapt by wearing warmer clothing, using heating systems, and engaging in winter sports and activities. Cold climates may also influence cultural practices, architecture, and cuisine. Conversely, in hot climates, people may adapt by wearing lighter clothing, seeking shade, and using cooling systems such as air conditioning. Hot climates may also influence cultural practices, architecture, and cuisine, with an emphasis on outdoor living, siestas, and cuisine with refreshing flavors.

Additionally, the availability of natural resources, vegetation, and outdoor recreational opportunities may vary between cold and hot climates.

### 58. 【低频】外国食物

Describe a kind of foreign food you have had

You should say:

When you had it

Where you ate it

What it was

And explain how you felt about it

参考回答

### Part2

One foreign food that I had the pleasure of trying was sushi, which I sampled for the first time during a trip to Japan a few years ago. I had heard so much about sushi but never had the opportunity to try it until then. I remember eating it at a traditional sushi restaurant in Tokyo, where the atmosphere was serene and the sushi chefs skillfully crafted each piece with precision and care. (我记得是在东京的一家传统寿司店里吃的, 那里气氛宁静, 寿司师傅们娴熟地制作着每一块寿司, 精准而细致。) The sushi I tried included various types of fish such as salmon, tuna, and yellowtail, as well as seafood like shrimp and octopus, all served atop bite-sized portions of vinegared rice.



（我品尝的寿司包括鲑鱼、金枪鱼和黄鱼等各种鱼类，以及虾和章鱼等海鲜，所有寿司都放在一口大小的醋米饭上。）

Accompanied by pickled ginger, wasabi, and soy sauce, each bite of sushi was a burst of fresh flavors and textures. As I tasted each piece, I was struck by the delicate balance of flavors and the quality of the ingredients. The freshness of the fish and the simplicity of the preparation allowed the natural flavors to shine through, creating a truly exquisite culinary experience. （鱼肉新鲜，烹饪简单，自然风味尽显无遗，创造出真正的精致美食体验。） Eating sushi in Japan was not just about indulging in delicious food but also about immersing myself in the rich culinary traditions of the country. I felt a sense of appreciation for the artistry and craftsmanship that went into making each piece of sushi, and it left me with a newfound admiration for Japanese cuisine. Overall, trying sushi for the first time was a memorable and enjoyable experience that opened my eyes to the world of foreign foods and sparked a love for Japanese cuisine.

### 59. 居住地发展

Describe a new development in the area where you live (e.g. shopping mall, park...)

You should say:

What the development is

When/where you noticed it

How long it took to complete it

how you feel about it

and explain how it has improved the area you live in

参考回答

#### Part2

Today I'd like to talk about a newly built park that I frequently visit. It's located in the southeast of our community and not too far from my home. It often takes me 10 minutes to jog there.

I first noticed that there was going to be a new park when I looked out of the window of my bedroom one morning about 2 years ago. I witnessed that the park was beginning to take shape (初具规模) from the waste ground, and I hoped that I could visit there with my family soon after it was completed. After 2 years of waiting, my dream finally came true.

This park is just perfect for working out because it has all the exercise equipment I need like bars and parallel bars (单杠和双杠). It's also surrounded by trees and a wide variety of flowers that bloom in the summer months. It's even pretty quiet too, so whenever I go there I just feel at ease(放松) and I guess you could call it my happy place.

I personally favor this park because it is so accessible, meaning its location makes it so easy for me as well as my family to visit it anytime we want to. In addition, I always have a great time greeting people when I take a walk in the park as most visitors are my neighbors, so it gives me a warm feeling when I spend time there.

#### Part3

1. What leisure facilities can be used by people of all ages?

Leisure facilities that can be enjoyed by people of all ages include parks, community centers, and public libraries. Parks offer green spaces for walking, picnicking, and playing sports, which are appealing to both young and old. Community centers often have various programs and activities such as fitness classes, art workshops, and social

events that cater to different age groups. Public libraries provide a quiet place for reading and studying and often host educational programs, storytime sessions for children, and cultural events that attract diverse audiences.

2. Do you think young people in your country like going to the cinema?

Yes, young people in China generally enjoy going to the cinema. Watching movies is a popular form of entertainment, and the cinematic experience offers a social activity where friends can gather and enjoy the latest films. Additionally, the rapid growth of the Chinese film industry has increased the availability of high-quality, diverse movie options, further attracting young audiences. The modernization of cinema facilities, including comfortable seating and advanced sound systems, also enhances the appeal of going to the movies.

3. How is the subway system developing in your country?

The subway system in China is developing rapidly. Many cities are expanding their subway networks to cope with increasing urban populations and to reduce traffic congestion and pollution. Major cities like Beijing and Shanghai already have extensive and highly efficient subway systems, while smaller cities are catching up with new lines and extensions. The government continues to invest heavily in infrastructure projects, focusing on modernizing existing lines and constructing new ones to improve connectivity and accessibility for commuters.

4. What transportation do you use the most?

I primarily use the subway for daily commuting. It is the most convenient and efficient mode of transportation for getting around the city. The subway system in my city is well-developed, with frequent trains, comprehensive coverage, and reasonable fares. It helps me avoid traffic congestion and saves time compared to other forms of transport. Additionally, the subway is environmentally friendly, which aligns with my preference for sustainable living practices.

### 60. 看过并想尝试的运动

Describe a sport you watched and would like to try

You should say:

When and where you watched it

Why you watched it

Who you watched it with

Whether you will do it in the future

And explain how you felt about it

### 参考回答

#### Part2

When it comes to a sport I'd like to try, off the top of my head, the only one I can think of is swimming. Last semester, my friends and I watched a swimming game at my university. It was the first time I'd watched one of those live. I never knew swimming was so exciting. The game left a mark on(留下深刻印象) me and turned me from a non-swimmer to a huge fan of swimming.

Actually, in my hometown, swimming is not a mandatory subject(必修课) at school, which means not every student has the chance to learn how to swim. And it's a pity that even though I've been to a waterpark before, I've never learned how to swim properly.

My friend Lisa is a natural when it comes to swimming. One time I asked her whether it's hard to learn swimming, she told me it's a little tricky to learn how to float in the water at the beginning, but after I grasp that skill, the rest will be a piece of cake(很简单的事情). Plus, Lisa mentioned that a swimming center that's within walking distance of my home offers a very good training course.

Honestly, I really look forward to trying it out. After all, swimming is not only an interesting sport but also a life-saving skill. What's more, I believe swimming will be also an awesome way for me to wind down.

### **Part3**

1. Why do many people like to buy expensive sportswear for playing ball games?

Many people prefer to buy expensive sportswear for playing ball games because of several reasons. High-quality sportswear often provides better comfort, durability, and performance. Advanced materials used in expensive gear can enhance breathability, flexibility, and moisture-wicking properties, which help athletes perform better and stay comfortable during intense activities. Additionally, wearing branded sportswear can boost confidence and motivation. For some, purchasing expensive sportswear is also about fashion and social status, as it can signify a commitment to the sport and a sense of belonging to a community of serious athletes.

2. Do you think that international sports games are for money?

While international sports games are fundamentally about competition and showcasing athletic talent, there is no denying that they have become significant commercial enterprises. The massive viewership and global appeal of events like the Olympics, FIFA World Cup, and NBA Finals attract substantial investments from sponsors, broadcasters, and advertisers, generating immense revenue. Ticket sales, merchandise, and broadcasting rights also contribute to the financial aspects of these games. While the commercial element is prominent, the spirit of international sports games still centers around the ideals of sportsmanship, cultural exchange, and national pride.

3. Many advertisers like to use sports stars endorsements. What do you think are the reasons?

Advertisers use sports stars for endorsements because these athletes often have significant influence and credibility. Sports stars are seen as role models, and their endorsement can enhance a product's appeal and perceived value. Their success, hard work, and dedication resonate with many people, making the products they promote more attractive. Moreover, sports stars often have large followings on social media and in real life, providing advertisers with access to a wide and engaged audience. The association with a popular athlete can also improve brand recognition and loyalty, leading to increased sales and market share.

4. Do you think sportsmen would use the sports gear promoted in the commercials?

In many cases, professional athletes do use the sports gear they endorse in commercials. Using the gear themselves can enhance the authenticity of the endorsement, as it shows that they trust and rely on the products in their own training and competitions. However, it is also possible that some endorsements are primarily business agreements, and the athletes might not use the gear as frequently in their personal or professional routines. Nonetheless, for many athletes, especially those who are sponsored, there is often a genuine alignment between the products they promote and what they use.

### 61. 【低频】学会的新技能

Describe a new skill that you learned

You should say:

What it was

How long you learned it

Why you learned it

And explain how long you will use the skill

参考回答

#### Part2

A new skill that I learned recently is digital illustration. I started learning it about six months ago, dedicating a couple of hours each day to practice. The reason I decided to learn digital illustration was that I have always had a passion for drawing and painting, and I wanted to take my art to the next level by incorporating modern technology. Additionally, I was inspired by the numerous digital artists I follow on social media, whose works are both captivating and influential.

To get started, I invested in a good drawing tablet (绘图板) and some professional illustration software. I began by watching online tutorials and enrolling in a few online courses that covered the basics of digital art, such as understanding different brushes, layers, and the color wheel (画笔、图层和色轮). Gradually, I moved on to more advanced techniques, including shading, texturing, and creating complex compositions.

Learning digital illustration was initially challenging because it required me to adapt my traditional drawing skills to a digital platform. However, with consistent practice and patience, I started to get comfortable with the tools and techniques. I created various projects, ranging from simple sketches to detailed artworks, which helped me track my progress and stay motivated. (我创建了各种各样的项目, 从简单的草图到详细的艺术品, 这帮助我跟踪我的进度并保持动力。)

The primary reason for learning this skill was to enhance my ability to express my creativity and potentially turn my passion into a career. I plan to use digital illustration for a long time, as it offers numerous opportunities in various fields such as graphic design, animation, and game development. Moreover, it is a versatile skill that allows me to work on freelance projects and collaborate with other artists around the world.

In conclusion, digital illustration has become an integral part of my life. It has opened up new avenues for artistic expression and professional growth. I am excited to continue honing my skills and exploring the endless possibilities that digital art offers.

### 62. 【低频】比赛赢家

Describe a person who won a competition

You should say:

Who this person was  
What the competition was about  
What he/she did to win the competition  
And explain how you felt about this

### 参考回答

#### Part2

A person I know who won a competition is my friend, Lisa. She is a talented artist and participated in a national painting competition last year. The competition was organized by a well-known art association and attracted participants from all over the country. The theme of the competition was "Nature's Beauty," and the participants were required to create a painting that depicted their interpretation of this theme.

Lisa spent weeks preparing for the competition. She dedicated countless hours to brainstorming ideas, sketching, and refining her painting techniques. (她花了无数个小时集思广益、画素描和完善绘画技巧。) Her commitment and passion for art were evident in her work. She chose to paint a vibrant and detailed landscape of a serene forest, capturing the intricate details of the trees, flowers, and wildlife. Lisa's use of colors and her ability to bring the scene to life on canvas were truly remarkable. (丽莎对色彩的运用以及她将场景栩栩如生地展现在画布上的能力确实令人赞叹。)

To win the competition, Lisa not only relied on her artistic skills but also paid close attention to the competition's guidelines and criteria. She made sure her painting was original, expressive, and in line with the theme. Additionally, she sought feedback from her art teachers and friends to ensure her work was polished and impactful. (此外, 她还寻求美术老师和朋友的反馈意见, 以确保她的作品精益求精, 具有影响力。)

When the results were announced, Lisa's painting was declared the winner. The judges were impressed by her creativity, attention to detail, and the emotional depth of her artwork. Winning the competition was a significant achievement for Lisa, and it boosted her confidence and recognition as an artist.

I felt incredibly proud and happy for Lisa. Her dedication and hard work had paid off, and she truly deserved the recognition. It was inspiring to see how her passion for art and her perseverance led to such a wonderful accomplishment. Lisa's success motivated me to pursue my own interests with the same level of commitment and enthusiasm.

#### Part3

1. Do you think it is important for children to have competition?

Yes, I believe it is important for children to experience competition. Competition can teach children valuable life skills such as perseverance, resilience, and the ability to cope with both success and failure. These experiences help them develop a strong work ethic and motivation to improve. Additionally, competition encourages children to set goals, work towards them, and learn from their mistakes. It also fosters a healthy sense of rivalry and teamwork, as they learn to collaborate and respect their peers while striving to achieve their best. Overall, competition can contribute significantly to a child's personal growth and development.

### 63. 【低频】居住地体育运动

Describe a popular physical exercise where you live



You should say:  
What it is  
When and where people do it  
Why it is popular  
And explain how you feel about it

### 参考答案

#### Part2

In the bustling city of Shanghai, one popular physical exercise that stands out is square dancing. Square dancing is a group dance that originated from traditional folk dances and has since become a favorite pastime for many residents, particularly middle-aged and elderly women.

You can witness this energetic activity in public spaces such as parks, plazas, and even residential compounds (您可以在公园、广场甚至住宅区等公共场所目睹这种充满活力的活动), mostly during the early mornings or evenings. Groups of women gather together, forming large squares or circles, dancing in sync to lively music. It's quite fascinating to see their coordinated movements, which involve intricate footwork, hand gestures, and synchronized turns (包括复杂的脚步、手势和同步转身).

There are several reasons why square dancing has gained immense popularity. Firstly, it provides an opportunity for social interaction and a sense of belonging. Older individuals, especially those who are retired, may feel isolated, and square dancing allows them to connect with others who share a similar interest. Moreover, the exercise is low-impact, making it suitable for people of all fitness levels. It promotes cardiovascular health, improves balance and coordination, and helps maintain joint flexibility.

I find square dancing to be an intriguing part of the local culture. While I may not actively participate in it, I enjoy observing the vibrant atmosphere created by the dancers. The lively music and synchronized movements exude a sense of joy and unity. (活泼的音乐和同步的动作散发出一种欢乐和团结的感觉。) Square dancing represents a distinctive aspect of everyday life in Shanghai, showcasing the enthusiasm and vitality of its residents. It reminds me of the importance of being active and embracing different forms of exercise as a means of maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

#### Part3

1. What can people do if they don't have enough time to exercise?

If I don't have enough time to exercise, there are still some alternatives available. Firstly, incorporating physical activity into daily routines can be helpful. For instance, I can choose to walk or bicycle to work instead of driving or take the stairs instead of the elevator. Secondly, short bursts of high-intensity workouts, like a quick session of jumping jacks or bodyweight exercises during breaks, can provide benefits in a limited time frame. Finally, taking advantage of lunch breaks to squeeze in a brisk walk or doing yoga stretches can aid in maintaining some level of activity. Although time constraints might be a challenge, it's crucial to prioritize physical well-being and find creative ways to stay active.

2. Is walking to work a form of exercise?

Yes, walking to work can be considered a form of exercise. I find that walking to my workplace not only helps me save money on transportation but also allows me to incorporate physical activity into my daily routine. It provides me with an opportunity to stay active and improve my cardiovascular health. In addition, walking helps me clear my mind and reduces stress levels, making me more focused and productive throughout

the day. So, yes, I believe walking to work is not only a convenient way of commuting but also an effective form of exercise.

3. Why do sports brands need to actively promote their products?

Sports brands need to actively promote their products for several reasons. Firstly, promotion helps to create awareness and build brand recognition among consumers. I am likely to come across these promotions while scrolling through social media or watching sports events on TV. Secondly, active promotion helps to differentiate the brand from competitors and highlight the unique features of their products. This is important for me as it helps me make informed decisions when considering a purchase. Lastly, promotion also stimulates demand and encourages me to engage in sports activities, promoting a healthier lifestyle. Thus, active promotion by sports brands is crucial to reach and attract customers like me.

4. What do you think about going to a gym to exercise?

I think going to a gym to exercise is a fantastic idea. It provides a dedicated space and professional equipment that can help me stay fit and healthy. Besides, exercising at a gym often offers the opportunity to work out with like-minded individuals, which can boost motivation and provide a sense of community. Moreover, gyms usually have qualified trainers who can guide me in creating an effective exercise routine tailored to my goals. Overall, going to a gym not only helps improve physical fitness but also enhances mental well-being by reducing stress and increasing self-confidence.

#### 64. 聚会

Describe a party that you enjoyed You should say:

When you went to the party

Where the party was held

What kind of party it was

And explain why you enjoyed this party

One party that I thoroughly enjoyed was a colleague's birthday celebration that took place a couple of months ago. It was held at a trendy rooftop bar in the heart of the city.

The party was a casual gathering with friends and co-workers to commemorate our colleague's special day. The atmosphere was vibrant, and the venue provided breathtaking views of the city skyline. The setup included cozy seating arrangements, a dance floor, and a DJ playing upbeat music throughout the night.

I immensely enjoyed this party for multiple reasons at least out of all the ones I know anyway. Firstly, it provided an opportunity to socialize and connect with both new and familiar faces. Secondly, the ambiance and location added to the enjoyment to be honest with you. The rooftop setting created a lively and relaxed atmosphere, enhanced by the captivating city views (迷人的城市景色为其增色不少) Moreover, interactive games and ice-breaker activities were organized, encouraging participation and creating a sense of camaraderie among the attendees.

In conclusion, It appears to me that the birthday party at the rooftop bar was a delightful experience for me. The combination of a lively atmosphere, stunning views, engaging activities, and enjoyable company made it a memorable event.

### Part 3

1. Why do people like parties?

People enjoy parties for various reasons. Firstly, parties provide an opportunity for socialization and connection. They allow individuals to meet new people, strengthen relationships, and foster a sense of belonging. Furthermore, parties offer a break from daily routines and serve as a form of entertainment and relaxation. The festive atmosphere, music, and dancing create a fun and enjoyable experience. Parties also serve as a platform for celebration and expression, allowing people to commemorate milestones, achievements, or simply enjoy life's pleasures.

2. Why do some people not like going to parties?

Some individuals may not enjoy going to parties for various reasons. Firstly, introverted or shy people may feel overwhelmed by large crowds and find it draining to engage in constant social interaction. Additionally, parties often involve loud music and excessive noise, which can be uncomfortable for those who prefer quieter environments. Moreover, some individuals may not enjoy the party culture, such as excessive drinking or inappropriate behavior that can sometimes occur.

3. Do you think those who tend to stay at home are less healthy than those who often attend parties?

There is no direct correlation between staying at home and being less healthy compared to those who attend parties. Health is determined by various factors such as diet, exercise, and overall lifestyle choices. While attending parties can provide opportunities for socializing and physical activity, individuals who prefer to stay at home can engage in other forms of exercise, maintain a balanced diet, and prioritize their mental well-being.

**65. 感兴趣的历史时期**

Describe a period in history that you would like to learn more about

You should say:

When this period in history was

How you first became interested in this period in history

What you already know about this period in history

And explain why you would like to learn more about this period

When it comes to the most interesting historical period for me, I would like to talk about the first Industrial Revolution(第一次工业革命) which started in the 1760s and ended in the 1840s. I first learned about it in a history class when I was a middle school student. I would like to learn more about it for many reasons.

First of all, it was of great significance for Britain as it improved production efficiency(生产效率). In that period, the traditional handicraft industry was replaced by mechanised industry, which became an integral part(不可分割的部分) of society. As a result, after the Industrial Revolution, Britain became the world's first industrialised country(工业国家). Secondly, it was also meaningful for the development of humanity and these events still have a great impact on our lives today. For example, before the Industrial Revolution people could only get to their destinations on foot, or by bicycle. However, with the introduction of the steam engine(蒸汽机), trains and cars were invented to help us save time, money, and even labor.

In conclusion, I would like to have deeper insights into the first Industrial Revolution in order to identify the key developments that allowed Britain to undergo such huge

developments. I will then be able to put this knowledge into practice in helping to stimulate the development of our country.

### Part 3

#### 1. Should everyone know history?

Definitely yes. I think learning history is very important for individual development and the well-being of society. For individuals, studying history helps us understand how events in the past made things the way they are today. And for society as a whole, by learning from past lessons, we can develop the ability to avoid mistakes and create better paths for our societies. For instance, Chinese students can learn about the history of the Qing dynasty in history textbooks, which was a period of humiliation and invasion. I think this hard lesson still works today to motivate Chinese young people to strive for the betterment of society. So I think we should all get familiar with our past by reading history so that we can build self-identification and make our homeland a better place.

#### 2. In what ways can children learn about history?

I think learning history is not limited to in-class lectures. One great alternative to history textbooks is museum. Many museums nowadays offer interactive activities to better present historical events to the viewers with avant-garde VR technology. Last week, I went to a local museum where children lined up for a VR game to explore ancient antiques. In this entertaining process, children also learned about the artifacts and their features in ancient times. Apart from this, museums offer a very detailed introduction to history based on different topics, including wars, clothes, paintings, and so on. Therefore, children can grasp a more comprehensive picture of the past.

#### 3. What are the differences between learning history from books and from videos?

Learning history from books and videos has distinct differences. Books provide detailed narratives, in-depth analysis, and a wealth of information that allows readers to deeply engage with historical events and contexts at their own pace. They encourage critical thinking and interpretation. On the other hand, videos offer a visual and auditory experience, making history more accessible and engaging, especially for visual learners. Videos can bring historical events to life through reenactments, animations, and documentaries, making it easier to understand complex concepts. However, videos may not cover topics as comprehensively as books do and might oversimplify certain aspects to fit time constraints.

#### 4. Is it difficult to protect and preserve historic buildings?

Yes, protecting and preserving historic buildings is challenging. These structures often require specialized maintenance and restoration techniques to maintain their original appearance and integrity. Factors such as weather, pollution, and natural wear and tear can damage these buildings over time. Additionally, securing funding for preservation projects can be difficult, as it often involves significant costs. There may also be conflicts between the need for modern development and the desire to preserve historical sites. Legal and bureaucratic hurdles, such as obtaining necessary permits and adhering to preservation guidelines, can further complicate the process.