II. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in about 100 to 120 words, according to the points given in Chinese.

- 1. 我最难忘的一课。
- 2. 具体说明为何难忘。
- 3. 感想。

An Unforgettable Lesson

Writing 1:

I will never forget that English lesson which I had at Grade Two.

On that day, we took out our English books and waited for our English teacher as usual. But to our surprise, she entered the classroom without the English book, but a radio and some paper instead. She delivered the paper and told us that we would hear an English song and she also asked us to fill in the blankets in the paper while listening to the song. How wonderful! It was the first time for all of us to have such a test. We turned very excited and listened to the song very carefully. What surprised us most was that we master the new words more quickly that ever before.

I like this lesson. It was a new way for us to learn English words. It also helped to develop our interest in English. I will never forget that English lesson.

Writing 2:

Last winter I went to Santa Barbara C.A.U.S. to spend three weeks' time studying with America high school students. There, I learned a lot of new things and I will never forget that Astrology class.

That morning we went to the local museum to have my first class abroad. During the class, we had a discussion on whether we should go on our space project or set all the money aside for other use. With the advanced teaching materials and the experienced teacher we had a general idea of our space achievements and the failure as well. To my surprise, I first realized that with the population explosion, the energy crisis and the pollution, the earth is faced up with more difficulties than ever before. And without space project we couldn't find new energy resources, new food to eat even new planet to live.

This class is the most important one to me, not only because ifs my first class abroad but also because it made me realize how important space exploration is to us.

Writing 3:

In my life I have experienced many important things. But perhaps the most unforgettable thing which is really worth mentioning is the lesson given by my Chinese teacher just after she had an accident.

One morning just before Chinese lesson, we were told our Chinese teacher, Miss Liu, had an accident. One of her legs was badly injured and she couldn't come to teach us. While we were planning to visit her after school, we also thought that maybe we could *be free to do* anything at her Chinese lesson, and the homework load would be reduced. But to our surprise, shortly after the bell, Miss Liu, with the help of a stick (插入语), came to the door of our classroom. With great respect we all stood up and greeted her.

She sat on a chair and began her lesson. She spoke slowly but forcefully. She prepared her lecture quite well and demanded that we do the same. Towards the end of the lesson, we got lots of homework from her.

A good teacher is many things to many people. Everyone has definite ideas about what a good teacher is. In my opinion the teachers who demand the most from the students are perhaps liked the best.

II. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in over 120 words, according to the topic given in Chinese. 请你谈谈轿车大量进入家庭后,对家庭、环境和经济可能产生的影响。

Writing 1:

Nowadays the number of people who own private cars is on the rise. Like everything else, private cars have both favourable and unfavorable aspects. Generally, the favourable aspects can be listed as follows.

First, private cars can bring convenience and mobility to owners. A car allows a person to move comfortably, safely as well as quickly and freely. When my family owns a car, we can make extensive travels every year. So I believe the tourist industry in China will develop more quickly. Second, if more people buy cars, automobile industry will develop dramatically. What's more, the growth of automobile industry can trigger the boom of other important industry such as iron and steel production, energy and technological application.

Every coin has two sides. The negative aspects are also apparent. To begin with, too many cars will give rise to a series of problems, such as serious environmental pollution and more traffic accidents. In addition, the driver may have to drive around and around looking for a parking space.

Through above analysis, we may conclude that private cars should be restricted rather than encouraged.

Writing 2:

Because of the reform and opening policy, our country is developing quickly. People are richer today than in the past. And now many people can afford to buy their own cars. But large quantities of families buying cars will have disadvantages as well as advantages.

To families, cars will make people's life more convenient. They won't have to wait for a bus or walk a long way any more.

To the economy, producing cars will encourage the development of industry. With a highly developed industry, our country will be more competitive.

But, on the other hand, large quantities of cars running in the streets will do great harm to the environment. Cars will let out CO2, NO2 and some other harmful gas, most of which can do harm to the atmosphere. So enough attention should be paid to this problem.

In summary, cars will bring us great benefits but we should also try to avoid its bad effect at the same time.

II. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in over 120 words based on the picture and the instructions given below. 简要描述图 片内容,结合生活实际,就图片的主题谈谈自己的感想。



Writing 1:

In the picture, we can see that the girl's parents and her grandmother are helping the girl, which makes it impossible for the girl to ride bicycle on herself. What is more ridiculous, her mother even takes some medicine with her.

In fact, this is not a picture just for fun. It tells us that parents shouldn't help their children too much. They should let their children be more independent.

Many parents share the opinion that they must get every thing ready for their children so that their children could put more emphasis on their study. They all failed to consider that with help of this kind, children won't be able to live their own life without their parents in the future. Nowadays, it is often reported that a certain college student don't know how to wash her socks! How can she compete with others after graduation?

Love and attention is needed in the growth of a child, but it should never be too much or you'll spoil the child and he will accomplish nothing in his life.

Writing 2:

Due to the one-child policy in China, most families have only one child and therefore this child is regarded as the treasure of the whole family. Both the parents and grandparents usually over-indulge the child.

We can see in the picture, when a child is learning to ride a bicycle, the parents and the grandparent are sweating from running alongside the bike and are trying their best to protect the child; for fear that she should fall and hurt herself.

We all know the greatest glory consists not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall. So I think, for the parents, they should be aware of the negative effect too much pampering has on their child. Under the parents protection, the children know only comfort and ease. If they don't learn how to live independently, how can they cope with the adversities which they will meet in the future?

For the children, they should let their parents know that they have confidence in themselves and are able to exist in the competitive community, without the constant watchful eye of an eager parent.

The path to success is filled with various kinds of difficulties and obstacles. Only when we have learned to stand on our own two feet, can we survive in the 21st century.

II. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in over 120 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese. 你的好友因家境一般买不起名牌而闷闷不乐。给他写封信,谈谈你的看法和建议。

收信人: 徐海青

寄信人: 黄平(不可用自己的真实姓名)

写信日期: 2003年6月8日

Writing 1:

June 8, 2003

Dear Xu Haiqing,

You said in your letter that many of your classmates were wearing fashionable clothes, but you couldn't afford to buy the best brands. So you felt very depressed. There are different views on people's wear. The following are my ideas about it.

Firstly, you shouldn't put too much emphasis on physical appearance. You must always remember the most important task for you today is to concentrate your attention on you studies. No matter what you wear, you will really look your best when you come out first in your examinations.

A famous saying goes, "Frugality is the mother of virtue." So, secondly, you must understand that it is a fine virtue to learn to live in frugality. Since your family is not able to provide you with enough money to buy clothes of the best brands, it is all the more necessary for you to try every means to lighten the financial burden of your family. You will find the virtue of frugality will benefit you a lot in your later life.

I hope you understand what I mean. I am sure you will take a positive attitude towards life and will be happy again when you read my letter.

Best Regards, Huang Ping

Writing 2:

Dear Haigin,

June 8, 2003

I'm writing to you to share my opinions on fashion with you, for I have just heard that you were unhappy because you couldn't buy something of famous brands.

I shall say that it is natural for everyone to pay much emphasis on his own image and it is true that fashionable clothes, shoes or something like that will make you more fashionable and eye-catching. However, everyone has own family background, and it is really extravagant for you to buy these. Besides, it will also add to the burden of your parents.

What's more, beauty is just skin deep, and there are many things which can make you popular with others except fashion. A great amount of knowledge, noble character and a warm heart will surely win you others* respect and admiration. Good qualities is the treasure in your life which is more valuable than anything you wear.

Never judge a book by its cover. I hope that you will remember the saying and become as happy as you used to be.

Y ours, Huang Ping

IL Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese. 老师要求你负责班级墙报(wall newspaper)工作并征求你的意见。在日记中表述你的决定并谈谈想法。

My Diary

Writing 1:

Thursday, March 11

This morning my class master had a chat with me. He told me that he decided to choose me to be in charge of the class wall newspaper. He wants to know if I am willing to accept the task and what I plan to do for it.

First of all, I would like to say I always set a high value on doing a service for the class. So Fm only too willing to be in charge of the wall newspaper. As a student, to do my bit for our class is a good way to put my ability to good use. To help run the wall newspaper can give full play to my talent. We all know our society needs people full of creativity and creativity doesn't come from books but from practice. The wall newspaper provides me with a chance to practise. I'm sure I can benefit a lot from it.

Secondly, I regard the wall newspaper as a window of our class. It serves as a bridge between the teachers and the students. With the active participation of the whole class I can have it published every two weeks. Through the wall newspaper we can exchange our ways of learning, freely communicate our views on school life, voice our concerns over health cares and even make proposals on the teaching method and the testing system. Some of my classmates are good at drawing. They can help to add colour to the wall newspaper.

I hope my ideas for the wall newspaper will meet with the teacher's favourable consideration.

Writing 2:

Today Miss Wang asked me to be in charge of the wall newspaper for our class. I was so glad at that. But now I don't know whether I should accept the demand or not.

Though in Class 4 for nearly 2 years, I have hardly done anything for it. I think it will be a good opportunity to devote my efforts to the class if I take the job. On the other hand, I'm good at drawing. The job will also provide me with a good chance to show my talent.

However, I know that taking the job means having less time to relax and study. Perhaps it will take me several days to complete an excellent wall newspaper. Perhaps it will affect my studies. Perhaps...

No! No! No! I should believe my ability. I can get everything arranged well: relaxing, study, wall newspaper... It will be an hour for me to do something for my class. I want to be a person who is glad to challenge himself.

Now I've decided. I'll accept the job. Ill tell my decision to Miss Wang tomorrow.

II. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese.

古人云: "天生我材必有用 9 .(There must be a use for my talent.)。通过描述你生活中的一件事,说明人各有所长, 无论才能大小都能成为有用的人。

Writing 1:

"There must be a use for my talent" is a famous Chinese saying, which means if you have the special ability and are good at something, you are sure to become a useful man to the society.

I am always in poor health and one-third of my childhood was spent in hospital. I know I am a poor runner. So, when it comes to running my classmates always make fun of me, joking that I am a "clumsy duck". But I like singing very much. Whenever my classmates hear me sing in the music room, they say I am a "teacher's pet".

A year ago a singing contest was held in my school. I was the first to enter my name for the competition. I hoped I could leave a good impression on my classmates and would be the center of attention in front of the whole school. And T did! I was given a medal in recognition of my excellent performance in the singing contest.

These days we often go out to do a good service for the public — to help clean the windows in the home for the aged or to give aid to the disabled in the hospitals. I can't do a lot of physical labour because of my poor health, but I can still be of some use to them. I can sing and make them feel happy. To my joy my services are almost always highly appreciated.

Every time I see the few faces smiling at me while I am singing for them, I experience the same feeling that any super stars feel when they win the thunderous applause from a large audience. I enjoy a sense of social responsibility and feel it is a valuable experience for my future employment. With definite aims in mind, I am sure my talent will bear fruits.

Writing 2:

There is an old English saying that there must be a use for my talent. I have regarded it as my motto for many years. From my point of view, there is no difference between one person and another. With some useful talent, you will make your contributions to this society.

When I was ten years old, there was an old man living at the comer of xx Road. He didn't have the opportunity to study in school, but he learned how to make wood furniture. Every time people went to ask him to solve some problems of furniture, he was willing to help them.

To my surprise, in his spare time, he would make some toys with small pieces of wood. Some of them were sold to the toy store and the others were given to us. The moment I see the lovely toys made by this old man, I would remember the happy childhood.

From this old man, we can see whatever kind of talent you have, you can find your own method to display your talent. The most important factor is your confidence. If you believe that there must be a use for your talent, you will succeed. (201 words)

II. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese. 下表提供了你 所心仪的南、北两所大学的招生信息。通过比较作出选择,并结合个人情况说明理由。

	南方大学	北方大学
学费	8000 元/年	5000 元/年
招生人数	20	10
优惠政策	无	加 20 分

Writing 1:

All my life, I've been looking into the possibility of entering an ideal university. As an average student in a key school, I stand a good chance of admission. Now I am at the crossroads. I have to decide which university I should choose: the North University or the South University.

The North University enrolls 10 students in our city. Its comparatively low tuition (5,000 *yuan* per year) and an extra offer of 20 marks for those who can meet the requirements are the chief attractions that are really hard to avoid.

But going to the South University has its advantages as well. Though it charges 8,000 *yuan* every year, the South University enrolls 20 students, twice the enrollment of the North University.

Weighing the advantages and disadvantages, I decide to take the North University as my top choice.

First of all, I know many students put the South University on the top of their priority list. As an average student. I have to avoid competing against them. On the contrary the North University's extra offer of 20 marks really widens my chance of admission. Besides, with the North University s low tuition, 1 can reduce my parents, financial burden and fbcus more attention on studying. Moreover, the North University will probably provide me with opportunities of having my favourite sports — skiing and skating. As you know personal interest also plays an important role in one's decision making.

With much hard work and a wise choice I am able to smooth the path to the goal.

Writing 2:

I am a senior three student and will begin to receive my high education from this September. So I am considering which university I should apply for.

Among the universities all over the country, the Southern University and the Northern University are my favorite ones, and both have respective advantages. The expense of the Southern University is 8000 yuan per year, 3000 yuan more expensive than that of the Northern University. However, the number of students that will be admitted in to the Southern University is twice as that of the Northern University, accounting for 20. As to the Northern University, what attracts me most is its beneficial policy that if I apply for it, I will get an extra 20-point in my college entrance exam. It's really a remarkable factor.

Having thought twice, difficult as making the final decision is, I choose the Northern University. First, it's cheaper studying there, so that my parents¹ burden of money will relatively light. Second, 20 points are of considerable amount, which will certainly help me in my exam. Although it will enroll only 10 students, 1 have the confidence to be admitted. (190 words)

II. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese.

以"礼物"为主题写一篇作文。该文章必须包括以下内容:

- 1. 你送礼物的对象及所送的礼物;
- 2. 该礼物对他(她)可能产生的影响或带来的变化。

Writing 1:

Aunt Liu is one of our distant relatives. She has been helping out in my family tending my sick mother since my mother fell ill six months ago. I am happy to say that my mother is now fully recovered. But I am really very sorry to learn Aunt Liu will go home next month. In order to show our sincere appreciation for her timely help during the past six months, I have persuaded my parents to send Aunt Liu a computer as a present, hoping that it will bring about a great change in their work and family life.

Aunt Liu's husband, my uncle, is raising more than one hundred pigs in his hometown. The computer can help them keep up with the developing world. With the help of a computer they can make use of e-commerce, which will change not only the way of raising pigs, but also the way of trading.

Ying Ying, Aunt Liu's daughter, is now a middle school student. The computer is especially useful to her. With a computer, she can get the necessary information very quickly. By the way I can keep in touch with Ying Ying through e-mail. When we talk through MSN, she seems no farther than my next door neighbour.

I am sure the computer will create an opportunity for Aunt Liu's family to break away from poverty and get rich quicker; on the other hand the computer will open a new channel for Ying Ying to get to know the rest of the world.

Writing 2:

It is universally acknowledged that a good present is of great value to a person and even prone to change his or her life. As for me, one of the most impressive presents I have given to my friends is a watch which I had used for more than three years.

The watch was given to Tom, who is one of my best friends. Diligent and warmhearted as he is, he sometimes has no sense of time, which causes him to be late for many things and leads to some trouble in work. By giving him such a watch, I hope he will pay more attention to punctuality, which will bring him more credibility in life and higher efficiency in both work and study. Besides, he used to tell me that he might feel lonely in the new environment after leaving the old friends in high school, and thus I hope that such a gift will remind him of the good old days we happily spent together and help him to feel better when he misses me.

Anyway, I do wish that Tom will like this present, which hopefully will bring him good luck and motivates him to fight for a better future.

Writing 3:

As it is universally acknowledged that presents may convey friendship and precious feelings, 1 have an idea in my mind that a unique gift should be sent to my intimate friend who will leave for the U. S.A. in August.

To begin with, the present consists of two parts --- one photo album and a letter. As she opens the album, the season of happiness and the period of sorrow that we shared together will be unfolded, thus locking the days into her permanent memory. When she misses her homeland and her friends, this album may act as the most effective medicine on her homesick. As for the letter, I hope that it may give her power and courage when she is depressed. So I will write in the letter that "There is no way to happiness, happiness is the way. Complete darkness may endure for a night, but it will never overcome the radiant light of the morning."

On the whole, the present bears my sincere wishes and it will become an everlasting symbol of our friendship.

II. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120 - 150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese. 你班将组队 参加学校组织的集体舞比赛(group dancing competition),班长希望大家积极参加。对此谈谈你的看法。 你的文章必须包括以下内容:

- •你是否会参加比赛
- •你做出该决定的具体理由

Writing 1:

Since the beginning of this term, our school has organized a number of activities. A group-dancing competition is going to be held after the mid-term exam. Our monitor expects most of us to participate in the competition. As for me, I am only too glad to take part in for the following reasons.

First of all, group-dancing provides me with a valuable opportunity to improve my interpersonal skills. As we all know, the top employees of the 21st century are required to have this fundamental quality. Through group-dancing activity I can learn how to get along with others.

Secondly, group-dancing is team work which is able to develop our sense of co-operative spirit. A student who has no interest in team work will not become a capable person. To participate with enthusiasm in team work will enhance my ability to adapt to the future society more quickly when I graduate from school.

Thirdly, dancing is a kind of sports and one of the effective ways to relax. Through dancing I can not only build up my health but also my confidence. I hope I will be getting stronger both physically and mentally.

So I am really willing to participate and hope that I can make a positive difference in my class.

Writing 2:

A group dancing competition will be held in our school and the monitor calls on everybody to take an active part in it. While most of my classmates are still hesitating whether to participate, I have said yes to our monitor with great pleasure.

Generally speaking, there are two reasons for my decision. First, it is a good opportunity for me to relax myself, which will enable me to study more efficiently. As the saying says, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy", which clearly shows us the importance of relaxation. Besides, I think I am a good dancer after learning dance for more than five years. Participating in the contest will be a golden chance for me to show my dancing skills and make some contributions to the class.

For the two reasons mentioned above, it is no surprise that I have such a strong enthusiasm on the group dancing competition.

Writing 3:

Today the monitor calls on everybody to take an active part in the group dancing competition which will be held in a couple of days in our school. But after some careful consideration, I have decided not to participate.

There are a number of reasons for my decision. First and foremost, as the College Entrance Exam is just around the corner, study is the top priority for me. The idea of participating in the group dancing competition has to be given up because it might take me too much time. What's more, without any experience of dancing, 1 don't think I can be a good dancing partner. 1 am afraid my poor dancing skills will probably spoil the performance of the whole class. In this case, ifs better for me to be a spectator cheering for my classmates.

For these reasons, it seems more appropriate for me to watch the competition than to dance myself.

Writing 4:

At the news that our class will call on some students to take part in the group dancing competition in school, I feel very excited. As one student in our class, I will take part in the competition. The reasons why I have decided to do so are as follows:

The first point is that I'm keen on dance. And I'm one of the members of our school dancing group. If I can take part in the competition, I may take advantage of my dancing skills learnt from school and help other students in my class to improve their dancing skills.

In addition, the group dancing competition may add a brilliant touch in our school life. Since life in school is always very busy, we may as well make full use of this opportunity to relax ourselves. Furthermore, dance is a kind of physical activity which can benefit our health. Last but not the least, I feel it an honour to represent my class to take part in the group dancing competition. Because of the love for my class, Fm sure to take part in such a good chance to make some contributions for my classmates. (196 words)

II. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120 - 150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese.

某海外学校举办英语夏令营,开设了如下课程:园艺(gardening)、烹饪(cooking)、防身术(self-defence)、护理(nursing)。假如你是王跃华(不可以用自己的真实姓名),写一封申请信,报名参加其中一门课程的学习。 信地内容必须包括:

• 你感兴趣的课程

你期望从这门课程中学到什么

• 为什么想学这些内容

Writing 1:

Dear Sir,

I am very glad to learn that an *English Summer Camp* is going to be organized in your school, offering campers four courses to choose from: gardening, cooking, self-defence and nursing. I am eighteen years of age and will soon graduate from middle school. I wonder if T could be admitted to your camp so that I can take the nursing course.

A nursing course conducted in English will certainly give me a wonderful opportunity to improve my skills in the language. Through nursing course I want to gain valuable experiences in how to tend the sick and the wounded and how to help injured people in time of emergency.

There are several reasons why I want to devote my loving and healing care to the patients. First of all, nursing is a sacred profession. A good nurse not only heals the patients⁹ wound, but also helps them create a new beginning out of past pain. Secondly, my school records have been good, especially in physiology, but I know nothing about nursing. Last year, when I watched on TV and found so many injured ones in *Wenchuan* earthquake were waiting for the rescue, my desire to become a nurse became all the stronger. How 1 want to give those families and loved ones comfort and grace in their sorrow. Thirdly, the nursing course appeals to me strongly because I want to enter a medical college and become a nurse. I hope the valuable experience in your summer camp will benefit me a lot in my future career.

I am looking forward to a favourable reply from you.

Yours sincerely, Wang Yaohua

Writing 2:

Dear Sir/Madam,

I'm overjoyed at the news that a summer camp will be open at your school, which provides gardening as one of the options and that's my favorite hobby. Thus, I'm writing this letter to apply for a chance to be an attentive learner of gardening and I am sure that the experience will be quite fruitful.

To begin with, as I live in a big house equipped with a big garden, I've been interested in plants since an early age. Therefore, I hope the course can grant me an opportunity to obtain more knowledge of plants, which will help me go deeper into their mature and fulfill my wish to explore the secrets of nature. Secondly, I hope to learn more about the skills to handle the grass and the flowers so that I can create a garden to my own taste and at the same time improve my practical abilities. Last but not least, as gardening is not so popular in China as it is abroad, the information I can refer to in Chinese is limited. Hence, T hope to take advantage of the chance to learn about the terms so that magazines on gardening in English would not be beyond my comprehension any longer.

To sum up, I sincerely wish for the chance with my ardour for gardening and 1 will appreciate it a lot if allowed the chance.

Yours sincerely, Wang Yuehua

Writing 3:

Dear Sir/Madam,

It is said that a summer camp is to be held by your school and a few courses are available to choose from. I am interested in gardening, in that I believe it features my character and personal benefits.

During the learning period, I expect to gain some unexpected knowledge. A radical technique I'd like to obtain is to know how to tell different species of plants and flowers apart. This helps me to have a clearer outlook of those in my garden. Furthermore, the proper cutting time and frequency to water are some other skills I want to learn. A little knowledge concerning choosing suitable soil or reasonable positions will also be a good choice.

The main reason why I choose gardening is that I want to help my parents with their work in the domestic garden. In addition, I find that we students generally lack the knowledge of gardening, missing a chance to have a word with nature, so that knowing the surroundings is imperative. Last but not least, by attending the courses, I will have a meaningful summer vacation, and drowning myself between plants will by all means add a brilliant touch to my life.

Yours sincerely, Wang Yuehua

II Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese.

下图是小学新生的课堂一脚,对照你当时的上课情况,作出比较并 谈谈你的感受。你的作文必须包括:

- •描述图片里学生上课的场景
- •比较你同时期的上课情况
- . 简单谈谈你的感受



Writing 1:

This vivid picture shows a scene of a class in a primary school. Obviously, all the pupils are encouraged to join in the class actively and everyone is eager to answer the questions raised by the teacher. Their bright smiles and active participation remind me of my primary school time, which was totally different.

The first day I stepped into the new school, seeing the serious-looking teacher, I was too nervous to say a word. So were my new classmates. We were asked to sit still, not allowed to do this or that. As a result, we were all too shy to raise our hands, not daring to express ourselves freely. And our first class on our first school day turned out to be a silent embarrassing time.

As we can see clearly, two different teaching styles result in the difference in learning atmosphere. In my opinion, I call for a positive learning atmosphere, as is shown in this picture. First and foremost, everyone should be encouraged to speak out aloud, which will contribute to his future study and life to a large extent. If a curious child is forbidden to express himself bravely, how can he form the habit of thinking frequently? Moreover, teachers are expected to do their parts. It can't be avoided that the little kids may feel a little nervous the first time they come to a new school, but through the kindness shown by their class teacher the temporary nervousness will fade. Last but not least, ifs also the parents⁵ duty to tell their children that it's an honor to raise hands. The parents⁵ influence can make a difference.

In conclusion, we expect bright smiles rather than shy faces on the first school day through joint efforts.

Writing 2:

Wearing excited and eager expressions, the children in the picture raise their hands as high as they can for the opportunity to answer the question put forward by the teacher. Apparently, all of them, whether boys or girls, sociable or shy are totally fascinated and inspired, and are always full of ingenious (新颖的)ideas.

On seeing the picture, I can't help recalling my first day in the elementary school. To the best of my recollection, we pupils at that time all felt exceedingly motivated to answer the questions asked by our teacher. More often than not, we raised our little hands almost at the same moment as our teacher put forward a question, all desperate to grab the chance to answer questions holding appeal to us. Judging from the excitement on our faces, the teachers all triggered our authentic yearning for knowledge in various respects and our substantial curiosity. Moreover, savoring $(\stackrel{\leftrightarrow}{\mathbb{H}} \stackrel{\leftrightarrow}{=})$ the pleasure of acquiring knowledge with obvious relish $(\stackrel{\leftrightarrow}{\mathbb{H}})$ we found that the pleasure of gaining knowledge far outweighed the embarrassment of the failure to answer the question correctly.

Quite honestly, I interpret my unvarying curiosity and yearnings to have played an indispensable role in my ongoing study in the following twelve years. Had I not been blessed with such enormous yearning for knowledge, I couldn't have been so motivated to delve into (车占研)the realm of science, literature and culture and let my potentials be exploited to full.

IL Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120 — 150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese.

假如你是启明中学(Ming 6i Middle School)的李明,想申请一个扶贫项目,帮助贫困地区的儿童。根据以 <u>下启事,写一封申请信(信中不能提到真实姓名和学校)。</u>

启事

国际儿童基金会将资助中学生开展扶贫项目,以帮助贫困地区的儿童。申请成功者将获得项目经费 2000 元。 不意者请来信告知:

- 1) 你个人的基本情况;
- 2) 你对申请项目的基本设想:
- 3) 项目经费的使用计划。

联系方式: 2011hope@icf.org

Writing 1:

Dear Sir/Madam,

Word came that the International Children Funds Association intends to aid middle school students financially in launching programs aiming to help children in underdeveloped areas. Now, 1 would like to apply for one. I'm Li Ming, a student from Shanghai Mingqi Middle School. I'm always keen on doing voluntary work and only too willing to do my part for the needy. Young as 1 am, I've already organized scores of activities which aim at helping the poor and the old in our community.

My voluntary project is that I, together with some of my classmates, will volunteer to teach those poor kids this summer. Obtaining knowledge is a desirable way for them to change their life paths. As far as I know, qualified teachers are severely needed in those areas. Though not qualified enough, I still hold that I'm capable of extending some basic knowledge and study techniques to them after 12 years of efforts in study. I will also appeal to my classmates to join me to give lessons to them. What's more, I intend to send some classics and stationery to them. They need to read more to broaden their horizons and good tools will be beneficial to enhance their studies.

As for the money, it will be totally spent for the children. The classics and the stationery will take up the major part, about 1,500 yuan. The rest 500 yuan will go to some necessary teaching aids and materials to ensure efficient teaching.

As a girl who has crossed the line to be an adult, I really want to do more for our society and I'm eager for your support.

Yours faithfully,

Li Ming Writing 2:

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing this e-mail to apply for the project aimed to help children in poor areas. My name is Li Ming, a student from Ming Qi middle school. Last year, I was granted an opportunity to visit a school in the depth of a mountain and the experience kept flashing over and over, which had triggered the intention to shoulder the responsibility of helping them overcome the hardships and struggle they would go through.

There is a series of steps in my project that will be demonstrated as follows: Of the top priority is our organizing an activity to introduce the living and learning conditions of kids in poor areas and thus to bring home to the public the urgency of immediate action to be taken to help them out. Whether by donating money or by sending daily necessities from clothes to books, everyone should do his bit. Besides, a video play will be shot to convey the wishes, cheers and encouragement from us city people to them. Equally significantly, I along with my teammates have planned to visit those kids, to play and chat with them, which is bound to establish a solid connection between us.

If I were lucky enough to be granted the 2000-yuan fund, a quarter of it would be spared for the traffic and other costs, while the rest would be added to the money collected to be donated contributing to modernizing and improving the teaching devices. Thanks for taking time to read my e-mail and I'm looking forward to being part of your project.

Sincerely yours, Li

Ming Writing 3:

Dear Sir/Madam,

I'm writing to you from here in my school - Ming Qi Middle School. I'm Li Ming, a senior three student who has noticed your project on the newspaper. Fm always ready to help others, so I do cherish this chance.

In my opinion ifs nice of both you and us students to launch this campaign. Not only can we make efforts to help those poor students in the poverty-stricken area, but also we can improve our ability to do with concrete matters.

Here's my plan to use the 2000 yuan you offer:

I'm going to spend a quarter of it buying books, since reading is one of the important ways to gain knowledge. And rd prefer to use the rest 1500 yuan to buy a second-hand computer for the children to make them be exposed to the e-life. I think it must be a brand new experience to the children and it will absolutely benefit them in the long run.

Please allow me to have a try!

Best wishes

Yours sincerely, Li Ming

II. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120 — 150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese. 上周一,你在一所小学观摩了小女孩 Amy 所在班级的两堂绘画课(如图所示),回家后你用英语写了一篇日记, 内容包括: •对 两堂绘画课的具体描述 •你从中获得的启发

Writing 1:

Today, I witnessed two drawing lessons in the class of Amy, an elementary school student.

In the first lesson, the teacher spread a large piece of drawing cloth on the ground. Amy, as well as other students, was encouraged to step on wet paint. Then, she left her footprints on the cloth by stamping hard on it. At the end of the lesson, the cloth was scattered with colorful footprints.

In the second lesson, the teacher taught traditional drawing skills. Later, Amy was required to draw a picture as instructed with paint and a brush. She had a good comprehension of the teacher's words. In a short time, she managed to finish a picture with a dazzling sun, flying birds and a mountain with beautiful curves.

My experience in Amy's school has provided me with food for thought. The two lessons reflect different teaching methods. The former adopted an innovative approach, encouraging students⁹ enthusiasm and creativity through little restriction. The latter used a more conventional way, involving classroom teaching and assignments. From my perspective, the schoofs action of combining these two methods should be advocated. In recent years, there is a heated debate about what kind of teaching method best caters to students⁹ needs. The school⁹s practice offers a solution that we can kill two birds with one stone rather than choose one method and abandon another. In this way, students can not only get enough freedom, but also learn necessary basic skills.

Hopefully, more students can be as fortunate as Amy to experience both methods!

Writing 2:

Today, I paid a visit to a primary school where a girl named Amy studies to observe 2 art lessons. In the first class, the teacher presented everyone with a large piece of paper and required them to paint whatever they liked on it. So excited was Amy that she applied the colors to her feet, using them as paint brushes. On the contrary, in the other class, the teacher just instructed them to copy the model painting. Despite the fact that Amy also painted her pictures earnestly, I discovered that she wasn't involved in the painting as passionately. I maintain it was the creativity and imagination that made the striking difference between the 2 classes.

Firstly, what impressed me most was Amy's sweet smile in the first class. It goes without saying that the happiness from one's creation and imagination will allow him to receive the real sense of achievement and satisfaction from his work. Only when we feel pleased with our works can we create something brilliant.

Simultaneously (同时地), equipped with innovation spirit, we will be more likely to develop our potential abilities. Given that every one of us say the same words or do the same things, our country will be destined to become less dynamic and prosperous. However, it is a fair bet that more amazing contributions will be achieved with our initiative.

As what has been discussed above, I firmly hold the belief that creativity and imagination are two invaluable qualities which success feeds on. Therefore, I will go to any length to cultivate my creativity and imagination to make greater contributions to my country.

II. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese.

上海博物馆拟举办一次名画展,现就展出场所(博物馆还是社区图书馆)征集公众意见,假设你是王敏,给 上海博物馆写一封信表达你的想法。你的信必须满足以下要求:

- 1. 简述你写信的目的及你对场所的选择;
- 2. 说明你的理由(从便利性,专业性等方面对这两个场所进行对比)。

Writing 1:

Dear Sir or Madam:

I have heard from the newspaper that you, the Shanghai Museum, are planning to organize a famous painting exhibition. And you are now collecting suggestions about whether to hold it in your museum or the art gallery. I am now writing to express my opinion that the exhibition should be held in the museum. My reasons are as follows.

In terms of convenience, the museum has more advantages over the gallery. First, it is located in the People's Square, which is the center of the city. So people can enjoy convenient transportation such as the subway line 1, 2 and 8, which are available to people from nearly every district. It saves the visitors a lot of time and trouble of traffic jam. Another advantage is that it is easy to be found by those from other provinces around the country. After all the Shanghai Museum is a landmark of our city familiar to nearly every Chinese.

With regard to the professional function, though it seems natural that an art exhibition be set in the gallery, in a more general sense, T think the museum has more advanced facilities to make the exhibition successful and to preserve the paintings well. As we know, the museum has successfully held many national and international exhibitions and its advertising and organizing experience is of no match; also its staff is qualified and professional.

To sum up, I am sure the show will be fantastic if it is held in Shanghai Museum.

Yours sincerely, Wang Min

Writing 2:

Dear Sir/Madam,

Learning the news that an exhibition of famous paintings will be held soon by Shanghai Museum, and that opinions over the selection of the venue are welcomed, I'm writing to air some of my personal views. In my eyes, the museum seems to be a better choice than the community library.

First and foremost, the museum outweighs the community library in terms of profession. Being exactly a place where numerous valuable items are preserved and exhibited, the museum has high-standard protective measures. In comparison, the community library obviously lacks equivalent protection on the same scale. And those famous works would probably be put under greater risk of being damaged in that situation. What's more, well-arranged displaying rooms in the museum will surely provide a finer environment where viewers can appreciate those elegant paintings more thoroughly. The community library's innate deficiency in the array may well put an inevitable limitation on the display of the precious exhibits.

However, some people may argue that the museum pales to the community library as far as convenience is concerned. They claim that residents would be closer to the paintings and would have easier access to them consequently. Nevertheless, compared to the well-known Shanghai Museum, a community library is undoubtedly far less familiar to the majority of the masses. And locating and looking for the venue may turn out to be another unnecessary trouble added to the visitors plan.

With all the above reasons considered, I personally suggest that the museum itself take the mission as opposed to the community library. Finally, I'd like to extend my expectations to you and I sincerely wish the exhibition a big hit.

Yours sincerely, Wang Min

Writing 3:

Dear Sir/Madam.

It is reported that the Shanghai Museum is intended to hold an exhibition of famous paintings, and it is collecting public opinions about the location. I, as other citizens applaud the practice, and I am writing to voice our opinion that community libraries rather than museums are the better location to hold the exhibition.

Admittedly, community libraries are left behind museums in that they are less professional. Museums are equipped with advanced equipment to ensure the best exhibition atmosphere and the safety of the masterpieces. There are professional lighting and furnishing facilities to add to the paintings' effect, and hi-tech equipment to preserve them. Also, museums are heavily guarded against theft. Unfortunately, community libraries possess none of above.

Nevertheless, museums are outrun by community libraries in terms of convenience. It would be a big challenge for ordinary people to travel all the way into the city center where most museums are located. However, if exhibitions are held in community libraries, they will play a bigger part in promoting arts. People are more willing to go and watch the paintings and cultivate their artistic appetite.

There may be concerns about transportation and security of the paintings if exhibitions are to be held in community libraries, but I think the effort to overcome them is worthwhile. If the exhibitions fail to promote art to the general public and are simply confined to a small group of art lovers, they will be of little value no matter how professional they are.

Therefore, I suggest community libraries as the location to hold the exhibition. I truly look forward to enjoying arts in a place near my home and near my life. Art derives from life, doesn't it?

Yours sincerely, Wang Min

Writing 4:

Dear sir / madam,

I've read about your poster about selecting the location of an exhibition of famous paintings, and T suggest that the museum is a nice place. Here are three reasons for my choice.

First of all, the museum is much more professional. It has abundant essential facilities for the show, including those for security and introduction. These are not available in community libraries.

What's more, compared with those libraries, the museum is an excellent place which fosters our eagerness for knowledge. If's certain that visitors will be more absorbed in the fantastic surroundings of the museum. In addition, 1 don't think those community libraries in communities match well with paintings with great fame and high prices.

While some of my friends insist that libraries are more convenient, I maintain that since the transportation system in shanghai is very advanced and the museum is located in the city centre, it's not a bit difficult for us to reach the show.

All in all, I am firmly convinced that the museum is a better place for this grand painting exhibition, and it will be a great honour if I could study those wonderful paintings in the best museum in Shanghai. I hope that you'll accept my suggestion.

Yours faithfully, Wang Min

II. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese.

学校英语报正在酝酿改版,拟从现有的三个栏目(健康、娱乐、文化)中去除一个,并从三个备选栏目(时 尚、职业规划、读者反馈)中挑选一个纳入该报。假设你是该校学生程飞,给校报编辑写一封电子邮件,表达你 的观点。邮件须包括以下内容:

- 1. 你建议去除的栏目及去除的理由;
- 2. 你建议增加的栏目及增加的理由。

Writing 1:

Dear Editor,

There is no denying that our school newspaper in English serves as an excellent food for thought targetting us students, but by no means should this be an excuse for our negligence on the problems in existence. Consequently, I m obliged to sing high praise for your reform and my suggestions are as follows:

As far as the current columns are concerned, 1 recommend that the column of culture be removed while those of health and entertainment be reserved due to their usefulness as well as attraction. Culture, from my perspective, is an issue concerning practice rather than theory. As a result, activities, taking the Culture Festival as an example, can unmistakably be a better substitute for an unattractive column.

On the other hand, it is a brand-new column called Career Plan that I long for in our reformed newspaper. Apart from advice attributed to professionals in all walks of life, the column can also demonstrate other students' own career plans, which is bound to equip us with not only mature insights but also diverse possibilities. Thus I have every reason to believe that the new column can definitely exert a far-reaching influence on us students in our prime, who are meanwhile at a loss facing our future.

All mentioned above can be turned into reality with your appreciation and permission. T look forward to your favorable reply and a better school newspaper.

Best wishes!

Yours sincerely, Cheng Fei

Writing 2:

Dear Editor,

I'm writing to express some of my opinions towards our school's English newspaper.

In my point of view, among health, entertainment and culture, I would choose "entertainment" to be the one to be eliminated. Although ifs necessary for students to get some relaxation, I'm worried that the main news that the entertainment column offers will eventually turn into celebrity gossip, which is neither helpful to the growth of students nor to the development of our school. We are already living in a world that is crammed with useless information, and there's no need to add some more. The main focus of the newspaper is supposed to be placed on the students — not Brad Pitt's new movie.

As for the column to be added, 1 highly recommend the "career planning,". I know that right now a large number of students still have absolutely no idea about what they truly want to become in the future, so ifs quite urgent and necessary to give students basic understanding of what different kinds of jobs are like and what kinds of qualities are required for different jobs. This may help students gain a better understanding of their strengths and weakness and thus figure out their goals. To me, it's much more meaningful than "fashion" or "readers' feedback".

I'm looking forward to your reply.

Faithfully yours, Cheng Fei

II. Guided Writing

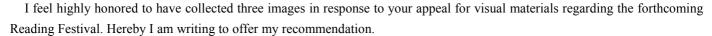
Directions: Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese. 学校即将举办

"读书节",目前正广泛征集"读书节"宣传册 图片。假设你是该校学生潘阳,你已找到以下三幅图片,决定给读 书节组委会写一封信,推荐其中一幅,。你的信须包括以下内容:

- 1. 简单描述你想推荐的那幅图片;
- 2. 阐述你用这幅图片宣传"读书节"的理由。

Writing 1:

To whom it may concern,



The second picture, which depicts a scene of group reading over drink, gains my preference. As can be seen, seated around the table are three students exchanging ideas and having discussions once in a while, books lying open on the table. The delighted and content facial expression is the surest indicator of their enchantment with this activity.

What distinguishes this picture from the other two lies in its embodiment of the benefits derived from group reading. Basically, a wide diversity of thoughts and perspectives are compared and collided, thus fostering a more comprehensive understanding of a particular issue. Better still, with peers involved, the activity has the potential to cultivate a series of collaborative abilities ranging from effective communication to conflict management, which prove beneficial in our prospective careers.

Besides, the scene also serves to highlight the notion that reading in group should be established as an alternative to common recreations. Put another way, through group reading, people can well depend on each other in pursuit of joy and comfort, much the same way they do in other collective gatherings.

I sincerely hope my recommendation will be in line with he theme of the festival and that you can take it into consideration.

Pan Yang June, 8th, 2015

Writing 2:

Dear Teacher,

I felt thrilled upon hearing your request for some images meant for the brochure of the Reading Festival. I would Hke to recommend the image at the right-bottom corner as the most optimal one.

The picture is characterized by elements of outdoor reading. A man in old-fashioned clothes is seated in a wooden chair, surrounded by what seems like some nets. With his eyes fixed on the illustrated book on his lap, he appears deep in meditation.

My preference for it is based on two reasons. Firstly, it brings back to us one purpose of reading: to nourish our minds. Through reading, not only can we encounter and approach our own "Hamlets" but also we come to derive the peace of mind, a unique luxury which cannot otherwise be obtained and is particularly invaluable to those living in glass and steel towers. Secondly, photos taken of genuine people and surroundings help to illustrate the point that the forthcoming Reading Festival will not be confined merely to a slogan which ultimately weakens its significance. Instead, everyone should be actively engaged.

It would be highly appreciated if you could consider my suggestion and I sincerely wish your festival a complete success.

Pan Yang June 8th, 2015

Writing 3:

Dear Sir/ Madam.

Since the Reading Festival is around the corner, I'm writing to recommend a picture which can be used in the brochure to remind the students of the pleasure of reading.

In the picture, three students are sitting at the table, discussing heatedly what they have just read. It seems that they have had a lot of fun through the discussion. Though it is admitted that reading is mostly a personal activity which needs quietness and concentration, as far as I'm concerned, it can also be a sharing experience when the same book is being appreciated.

Just imagine that you have read a terrific detective story with fascinating and intricate plots. You are so amazed by the genius of the writer and you can't help sharing it with your classmates or best friends, who turn out to have been deeply impressed as well. The moment you mention the book, the passion and enthusiasm about the story will explode which can never be gained on your own. My ideal atmosphere of reading is just like that, through which you can not only appreciate the content by yourself, but also have the pleasure of sharing the plots or opinions with your peers, which will ultimately enhance your understanding of the book.

To sum up, the reason of my recommendation is quite simple and apparent that reading, instead of being dull and isolating, can be full of participation and common interest. I sincerely hope that you will take my suggestion into consideration and I'm looking forward to your early reply.

Yours sincerely, Pan Yang

Writing 4:

Dear Sir/Madam,

On hearing the news that the annual Campus Reading Festival is to be held and an advertising picture for the brochure is open to be recommended, I can't wait to write to you, offering my humble opinion. The picture that I want to recommend features three students sitting around a table, reading and discussing pleasantly. From the big smile on their faces, we can tell that they are having great fun.

In the first place, the picture will catch the readers' eye. Any student who sees the picture will wonder what the three students are discussing about passionately. What's more, the picture demonstrates what this festival is all about. The festival aims to create a platform where students can enjoy the pleasure of sharing opinions about what they have read with peers, which will further their understanding. The value of reading lies not only in enriching one individual's knowledge but also in inspiring the minds of the youth to share their innermost feelings. Just as the saying goes, "Two heads are better than one", I believe group reading or discussing is beneficial.

To sum up, the picture will surely remind the students of the pleasure of reading and arouse their passion for reading. Here are the reasons for the recommendation. Reading, instead of being dull and isolating, can be full of participation and common interest. I sincerely hope that this picture will soon appear in the brochure, spreading the idea to my peer schoolmates during the reading festival

Y ours, Pan Yang

IL Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese. 87. 假设你是中华中学学生姚平,最近参加了一项研究性学习调研,课题为"父母是否以子女为荣"。通过调研你校学生及其父母,结果发现双方对此问题的看法有差异(数据如图所示)。根据图表写造份报告,在"报告中,你必须:

- 1. 描述调研数据;
- 2. 分析可能导致这一结果的原因。



Writing 1:

Recently we have launched a survey among the students in our school and their parents to find out whether parents are proud of their children. It turns out that 80% of the parents take pride in their children, while only 60% of the students think their parents are proud of them. The difference indicates that from the students⁹ perspective, they are not that good to live up to their parents' expectations.

One reason may be that parents are often strict with their children. They expect their kids to be outstanding, to be better and better. Even if their children fulfill a goal, they will not give their children any chance to be carried away by the temporary success. Therefore, what children hear is mostly criticism and requirements from parents.

As for another reason, we Chinese people typically tend to contain our feelings. This is the nature of our nation, to some extent. We are not used to expressing our feelings, especially compliments, directly. So most parents do not praise their kids or say aloud "I'm proud of you" even when they do love their children deeply and think they have done a great job.

As we can see, many factors contribute to the result. We appeal to parents to express their feeling frankly and we hope a better understanding between parents and children can be formed. After all, family is a place for love and expressing love!

Writing 2:

I'm Yao Ping from Zhonghua High School. Recently I've conducted a survey on "Whether parents are proud of their children,". As is showed in the chart, 80% of parents are proud of their children while only 60% of the kids know they're being proud of, which gives me food for thought.

What's behind the difference? From where I am standing, it may result from the Chinese pattern of family education, in other words, Chinese parent tend to have more criticism and less words.

Obviously, Chinese parents usually have the image: a strict man with a stick in hand, rather than carrot, and the "Tiger Mother,, is a typical one of them. They firmly believe that there is no such thing as an excellent kid without criticism from parents. Thus, children feel more stress instead of pride of in parents⁹ strict but warm eyes.

In addition, lack of communication may be another factor. Due to our culture, Chinese parents and kids seldom express love for each other. Unfortunately, without communication, no survival of good relationship between parents and kids, and kids are less likely to discover the pride of their parents, which is pushing and encouraging them right behind their back.

To put it in a nutshell, it is the pattern of family education in China that make the difference. Rotted in the culture and hard to change as it seems, both sides, especially children, should step forward, glaring and holding the other, and show the pride and love for each other.

Writing 3:

A study has been carried out recently on whether parents take pride in their children. Having surveyed the students of our school and their parents, we finally got the results, as is shown in the chart. 80% of the parents surveyed said that they did, while 60% of the student subjects gave the same answer. It's still a relatively large proportion of students, but smaller than the number of parents.

It is impressive that most parents feel proud of their children. This reflects the pure parental love of parents. No matter how excellent or how ordinary one is, he is still the parents* child and they will always be on his side, regarding him as a masterpiece of their life.

Obviously, many parents successfully convey this message to their children. But why do some student can't appreciate their parents genuine feelings?

The reason might be the silence of love. True love conceals itself from words, and we can only feel it by heart. If parents unconsciously avoid telling their child is the treasure of every family, the child may miss the message due to lack of confidence and self-doubt.

So parents may as well directly tell their children that they are proud of them, which can significantly boost children's confidence.

Writing 4:

Parents are the two people who keep us company, guide us, take care of us and devote all they have to us since we were born. During our long youth path, there's always a heated discussion on the relationship between parents and children. I, myself thus held a survey on my schoolmates and their parents. The results turn out that 80% of parents are proud of their children while only 60% of children do think so.

Where does the twenty percentage go? From my perspective, two factors contribute to it. First is Chinese traditional educational pattern. Parents would rather show their pride behind children's back for fear that they might be too over-confident to behave well. When it comes to face-to-face conversations, parents prefer to point out mistakes, ignoring the fact that sometimes child needs more encouragement than criticism.

On the other hand, children are also to blame for their impatience and less attention to parents. We work hard and are so desperate to win praise and applause. When we don't get what is expected, we easily are drown into disappointment, become angry, start complaining, and lose the patience to calm down and think deeply. Naturally, we fail to find out how deep our parents love us and how proud they are knowing we achieve a lot.

The missing twenty percentage mirrors the generation gap. Luckily, as long as parents and children make joint efforts, finally can we bridge the gap, understand each other and share a common idea.

Writing 5:

Recently I have conducted a survey about "whether parents are proud of their children,, in my school, Zhong Hua Middle School. The students and their parents give different responses. 80% of the parents are proud of their children, but only 60% of the children feel the same way. In other words, more than a quarter of the students have no idea that they have already lived up to their parents expectations.

From my perspective, the difference results from two main reasons. First of all, the long-lasting belief that "Pride goes before a falF⁹ stops those conservative parents conveying directly how much they are proud of their kids. Even the parents of those outstanding children may hide their appreciation and set further goals, regarding this as "a necessity for their children's future success". Yet from the children's view, they are simply not good enough for any praise. What's more, in a traditional Chinese family, children are taught to be obedient instead of expressing their needs for encouragement, thus closing the last door to resolving conflict.

Lacking proper communication skills and being ignorant of its importance gradually lead to a great gap of misunderstanding between parents and kids. The solution to this problem is simple yet difficult — both parents and children should get accustomed to talking with each other. Through communication, parents may be more aware of their children's emotional needs and be generous with their compliments and children may well understand their parents⁹ initial intentions. With the genuine encouragement from parents, children will grow into confident and healthy adults.

Writing 6:

A survey conducted recently indicates that the parents who are proud of their children are twenty percent more than the children who consider themselves as prides of their parents. (描述调研数据)

There exist two reasons, which may account for this subtle difference. (高分句型一) First, conservative Chinese parents are never accustomed to conveying directly how much they are proud of their kids. This tendency to conceal feelings hardly helps children develop a strong sense of self-confidence. (原因一) Second, the current educational system excessively emphasizes the value of academic performance, thus forcing children to extensively believe that only by achieving excellent scores can they make their parents proud. (高分句型二) This bias unfairly undermines the significance of talents for art and sports, which easily frustrates children and renders them more likely to underestimate themselves. (原因二)

Without the genuine encouragement from parents and the reversal of exam-oriented educational methods, a kid would never end up with a positive grown-up. (结论)

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VI. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese.

假设你是明启中学的学生王磊,你的好友李宏今年暑假将赴英国参加为期两个月的海外交流活动。如果选择主办方安排的住宿,他需要额外支付较高的费用。但他也可以通过为当地社区养老院提供每月三十小时的义工服务,获得在养老院免费住宿的机会,李宏通过邮件向你征求意见。写一封回信,内容须包括:

- 1. 你对此事的明确态度;
- 2. 你的理由。

Writing 1:

Dear LiHong,

Hearing that you have access to participate in an overseas communication activity in Britain which will last two months, I'm now writing to extend a helping hand, hoping that my suggestions that you should choose working as a volunteer thirty hours every month for the local community nursing home to gain an opportunity to stay in it for free may be beneficial to you to some extent.

There are three main reasons accounting for my proposal. First and foremost, only by working as a volunteer can you attain a free stay. Apparently, in contrast with the accommodation arranged by the host, you can save a substantial amount of money. In addition, staying at a community nursing home, not only can you be exposed more to real life in society and enhance your social experiences, thus helping you to get more mature, but your arrival will add colors to the atmosphere and reduce the burdens there as well. Last but not least, there is no denying that the interaction with the elderly can polish up your socializing skills as well as raise your awareness to cooperate with strangers, which will contribute to your comprehensive and coordinated development. As an old saying goes, 'We can gain both things at the same time.' So why not choose it?

I genuinely hope that you will take my suggestions into consideration. Best wishes that you will have a good time there. It is a golden chance that you will gain in summer vacation. In short, Enjoy yourself.

Yours sincerely, WangLei

Writing 2:

Dear Li Hong,

Ifs good news to learn that you are going to participate in the 2-month overseas exchange program in Britain. And I have also learnt you are hesitating over the choice of accommodation between the two, one arranged by the organizer, for which you need to pay extra high cost and one provided by the nursing home free of charge as long as you do the volunteer job for 30 hours every month there.

From my perspective, it will be of great benefit to you if you choose the latter and my reasons are as follows. The first that immediately comes to my mind is that you can have a better understanding of Britain. By doing the voluntary work, you have direct contact with the old people there, thus exposed more to local culture and people, let alone improving your spoken English. Moreover, it is a golden chance for you to be in contact with society to accumulate social experience, helping you get more mature and experienced in the future campus and work life. Of course, it is self-evident that you can save a substantial amount of money, relieving the burden of your parents.

My dear fellow, really hope that you will take my suggestions into account and meantime enjoy your stay there. Do share your photos and keep me posted about your life there!

2017年上海秋考英语作文

VI. Guided Writing:

Directions: Write an English composition in 120—150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese. 你是明启中学的李华,你校学生会即将组织一次徒步活动,己在校园网发布方案,征求师生的修改意见。你需要写一封邮件,包含以下两点:

- 1. 提出你觉得需要改进的地方;
- 2. 需要改进的原因。

主题	发现上海
时间	5月1日(周日)下午3点
路线	从人民广场出发,途经南京东路,到达外滩(the Bund),全程徒步,之后再徒步原路返回 人民广场。

Writing 1:

Dear Sir,

Hearing the news that our Students Union will organize a walking program and has put the drafted plan on the Internet, I'm writing to air my thoughts about it as follows.

To begin with, from my point of view, the time planned is not appropriate. As is known to all, the first day of May is the first day of holiday in China so that the center city of Shanghai is sure to be crowded on that day. So the date had better be postponed till the weekend before or after the holiday, thus ensuring that we students have a good taste of beauty of Shanghai. Moreover, I hold the idea that the route should be revised. Personally, after approaching at the Bund, it's not a desirable option to go back according to the originate route. Instead, we students can go to other places of interest to go back to school, which guarantees a golden opportunity of witnessing the beauty of Shanghai.

In a nutshell, all the above thoughts are based on my personal perspective and there may still leave something to be desired, but as far as my strong wish to contribute to the program is concerned, I would be much obliged if you could take my suggestions into account.

Writing 2:

Dear Sir,

I have learnt from our school network that the Student Union is planning a walking program in an attempt to discover more of Shanghai, which will start at 3, May 1st from People's Square, passing Nanjing Road, to the Bund and then go back the same way to where we set off.

I applaud the program with the theme "Discover Shanghai,, for us students to learn more about Shanghai. However, in my humble opinion, the date and the route need to be reconsidered. First of all, May 1st is a national holiday, which will always witness seas of people in downtown areas, let alone these world famous places we choose for our hike. To see and discover more of Shanghai, we can choose a weekend that does not coincide with national holidays, to ensure that we can have a good taste of beauty of Shanghai. What's more, the route back to People's Square the same way seems a bit dull. Arriving at the Bund, I suggest walking down the road to Yu Garden, a place of interest full of history where we can indulge ourselves in the taste of Chinese traditional culture, architecture and cuisine. Then we can go along Henan Road till Fuzhou Road, the culture street of Shanghai with its unique buildings, where we will encounter various first-class professional bookshops in China. And finally we will soon find ourselves in People's Square again.

With the revision, I am sure we students can enjoy more and discover more of Shanghai, and the hike will be a trip to remember for us. Do hope the hiking program a success!

2018年上海春考英语作文

VI. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese.

假设你是明启中学的学生王磊,你校计划引进一个机器人担任餐厅服务员或者图书馆管理员,并在英语贴吧 征求 学生意见,你很感兴趣,决定回帖响应,你所写的内容应包括

- 1. 你认为机器人适合担任的一个岗位,二选一;
- 2. 通过比较,阐述你选择的理由,可以从工作效率、服务范围等方面进行表述。

Writing 1:

Word came that a brand-new robot with the latest technology had been introduced to improve the service quality of our school. Library and canteen become the two places where the robot can fully perform its functions. As to whether it should serve as a waiter in our school canteen or as a librarian in our library, our opinions vary from person to person. From my point of view, I strongly support that school canteen is the ideal place for the high-tech robot.

The reason is that a robot in the canteen can greatly increase the efficiency of ordering and getting foods. Owing to the limited lunch time but too many hungry students, we are all suffering from waiting in line and having lunch in a noisy and crowed place. With the help of artificial intelligence, we can just skip the step of queuing and ordering food. What we need to do is sitting by the table and waiting for due food.

Such an intelligent robot will offer streamlined service. After being seated, we can tell the robot our seat number and what we want to have for lunch through an app with which the robot can receive the information. Then the robot will bring the ordered food to us. It is worth noticing that the robot will be able to serve more than ten people each time, using a multilayer trolley.

All in all, the robot can help us save time and labor force to the full extent. Therefore, I am convinced that school canteen is a better choice.

Writing 2:

Technology is transforming the world and robotics is refreshing our vision for work. A recent BBS post revealed that our school had been planning to introduce some robots and sought students' opinions. Some students thought the robots could act as canteen servants while others recommended them as librarians in the school library. In my opinion, these robots should be employed as e-librarians.

From the perspective of efficiency, the introduction of robots in the canteen may fail to make full use of them in that the provision of three meals a day is a highly regulated routine, such as 6:30 to 8:00 for breakfast. They can be idled away for the rest of the time. Contrarily, the robots in the library will be accessible to us at any time and even at any place if the robot functions permit.

With regard to services, the robot functions in the canteen are singular, no more than delivering meals in a splendid, automatic and quicker manner, which will conveniently cut labor expenses, the very aim of school administration. In the library, these e-librarians will provide varied and favorable facilitations, including instant, automatic and accurate inquiry, exchange and delivery of books. They are facilities of knowledge.

The robots in the canteen will eventually evolve into an eye-catching show of mechanical magnificence, but as e-librarians, their potentials are fully tapped. In this sense, this application essentially explains the core of technology advancement: to liberate man from toil and serve people in the deeper exploration of knowledge in a more efficient and convenient way.

Writing 3:

Dear headmaster,

So appealing is your plan to introduce a robot to our school that 1 decide to respond to your asking for proposals. From my perspective, a robot is more suitable for the position of librarian.

With regard to the range of service, a librarian needs not only to classify different kinds of books, put and find them in the right order on the right shelf but also keep a record of what books are borrowed and returned, while being a waiter in a restaurant involves serving the right dishes to the right table, doing some cleaning and communicating with the diners. A robot can accomplish three or four librarians work of sorting and labeling books at the same time, whereas it is pale before a man in communicating and tackling the unexpected (unpredictable) occasions.

In terms of working efficiency, a robot may be more efficient in doing the programmed, mechanical and repetitive kind of work. Therefore, it is more advisable for the robot to undertake the duties of a librarian grouping countless books repeatedly, thus considerably improving the efficiency of a human librarian. However, when it comes to the work of a waiter, who needn't work so heavily and fast as a librarian but do need react flexibly to the diners⁹ requirements, a robot won't make a remarkable difference and even may not be more qualified than a man.

In a nutshell, it is the mechanical work of a librarian that the robot is more competent at. Hope that my advice will be of great help to your decision.

Yours sincerely Wang lei

2018年上海秋考英语作文

VI. Guided Writing (25%)

Directions: Write an English composition in 120 — 150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese. 假设你是明启中学高三学生卢平,校英文报向高三学生征文,题目是"**My Teachers**",卢平也想投稿。具体 要求是:

- 1. 请你将认识的老师进行分类;
- 2. 具体描述每一类老师的特征。

Writing 1:

My teachers

On the path of pursuing knowledge, numerous teachers we have encountered may have a lifelong impact on us, and even contribute to shaping who we are. Looking back on my school life, my teachers can be generally classified into three types: dedicated, approachable, and irresponsible.

Dedicated teachers are most popular among students not only because of their outstanding professional knowledge but also because of their devotion to the career of teaching. You can expect more than class time of them. They may have a face-to-face communication with you after class to enlighten you with a tricky math problem. They may sacrifice their family time to keep you company so that you can smooth your emotional problem caused by your own family. Needless to say/let alone/not to mention, most teachers fall into this category.

The second type of teacher may seem less qualified in terms of their teaching skills, but they can also easily win students⁹ hearts because they can be entrusted with our deepest secrets. Childhood and adolescence are awkward periods when we struggle to explore our own way in the world. Our peers may be just as inexperienced as us while our parents seemingly live on another planet. So a friendly adult like approachable teachers can be a life saver.

We tend to be careful when labeling a teacher irresponsible, but they do exist. Some of them may have temper issue, while others may disregard their own job. One of my teachers fit the description, who was directly linked to my poor academic performance during his worktime.

In the future, as my learning continues, I will have opportunities to meet more teachers. Whereas, never will I forget the assistance from my previous teachers or their passion for knowledge.

2019年上海春考英语作文

VI. Guided Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese.

假如你是明启中学的李华,你的朋友李楠给你写了一封信,告诉你他要开发一个新的 APP,用这个软件共享 衣服,想要征集大家的看法,你是否愿意共享你的衣服,给出理由(信的格式已给)。

Dear Li Nan,

Hearing that you have developed a new app of students sharing clothes, I feel truly proud of your novel idea. Personally speaking, I am willing to share my clothes on your app. The reasons are as follows.

To begin with, it will be wonderful for me if I learn that someone that I barely know of can share my happiness of wearing my clothes. It feels like you are emotionally connecting someone in your clothes. Then I may naturally wish to know more about that particular "someone" and probably further deepen our relationship. In the end, a good friendship between me and my clothes mate might be built based on our common clothes. What's more, if other students can try my clothes through the app. In turn, I also can try their new clothes. Therefore, students can wear different types of clothes without actually spending any money.

What's more important is that sharing my clothes will take full use of them. In today's material society, there are so many parents who prepare lots of clothes for their beloved children for different occasions, such as a dress for the party, gym suit for indoor sports. Moreover, the clothes can only realize their true value after they are put on a person's body.

To summarize, sharing my clothes on your app benefits others and me.

Yours, Li Hua

2019年上海秋考英语作文

VI. Guide Writing

Directions: Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese. 假如你是李敏,在一本英文旅游杂志上,你发现了这样一条信息:某古城景区对当地人收费 5 美元,对外国人收费 15 美元,针对这一情况,请你以李敏的口吻给该杂志编辑写一封信,具体要求如下:

- 1. 介绍一下你在杂志上看到的内容;
- 2. 针对此事自己的态度以及理由。

Dear editor,

Greetings! I'm a student from Mingqi Senior High School, and my name is Li Min. I'm writing this letter to reflect upon my concerns about one of the tourism information in your magazine. According to the information on admission ticket, the high-profile attraction "Ancient City,, charges a \$15 entrance fee per foreign tourist — amazingly threefold that of the locals. As far as I am concerned, I contend that this practice is quite unreasonable.

First and foremost, as for the foreign tourists coming from afar, the striking difference in entrance fee may result in resentment of unfairness. Even worse, they may feel discriminated against. Further more, if foreign tourists realize that they would have to pay much more to visit a worldwide historical and cultural relics, they would perhaps decide not to go to the country on vacation. As they lose their visiting interest, it will definitely cause a considerable local economic loss, especially in tourist industry. That is why I view the difference in charge as a rather short sighted move. What's worth mentioning most is that the Ancient City is one of the world cultural heritage sites, which belongs to all mankind. Therefore, the overemphasis on regionalization should be abandoned. Instead, local government is ought to be more welcoming to visitors from all over the world.

As for me, 1 propose narrowing the fee gap to improve the guiding service for foreign tourists or making the difference in charge be reflected in caring for the weak not in nationality, such as half price for the elder or the disabled.

To sum up, every effort should be made to attract tourists from overseas and to promote cultural relics. Canceling or narrowing the price gap is imperative. Thank you for your time and reading,! really appreciate your response at your earliest convenience.

Best regards,

Yours sincerely, Li Min

2020年上海春考英语作文

VI. Guide Writing

Directions:Write an English composition in 120-150 words according to the instructions given below in Chinese.

假如你是明启中学的高三学生李华,看到电视台有报道说一些超市有大量临近保质期的食物,针对这些食物 如何 处理征集观众意见,你很有感触,遂写信给电视台,表达想法。信件内容包含:

- 1. 对如何处理这些临近保质期的食品提供建议
- 2. 提出这些建议的理由 (信的开头和结尾己给)

To whom it may concern

Having watched your recent report about a huge stock of food approaching expiry date, I'd like to offer some suggestions to help.

The Chinese New Year is around the corner. Meanwhile, there are housing and railway construction sites running round the clock, where hundreds of migrant workers sacrifice their precious family reunion to meet the deadline. I suggest launching a New Year Purchasing Program for these builders of Shanghai. Allowing them a special discount on the food in these supermarkets.

Shanghai couldn't have been such a commercial hub and financial center but for the sweat these migrant workers shed. Thus they deserve some favorable treatment for their prime years devoted to the city. Meanwhile, milk, bread, coffee and snacks are consumed by many, but are considered dear by those who save every penny for their faraway families. This program serves as a token of our locals¹ gratitude, respects their needs and maintains the dignity of them, for they can decide the amount and sort of food to buy by themselves. Last but not least, it serves the need of supermarket managers as well. By no means can they find a more meaningful and affordable way to address this problem.

I sincerely hope my advice can help both the super markets and the people in need. Thank you for taking it into account.

Yours faithfully, Li Hua

2020年上海秋考英语作文

你是明启中学高三学生李华,你想邀请王磊参加下周五郊外的露天音乐会,但王磊由于路远,交通不便等原因犹豫不决,请你写封邮件给小王,说服他一起去。信的内容包括:

- (1) 提出解决问题的方法/措施;
- (2) 阐释音乐会的重要性/音乐会值得欣赏的理由。

Version 01

Dear Wang Lei,

I'm Li Hua. Having sent you an invitation to an outdoor concert for some days, I haven't received your reply. Are you still hesitant to make a decision just because the concert will be held in the outer suburb which is not so accessible to public transportation?

Honestly speaking, transport problem is really not a big deal. We can definitely find a way out. If possible, 1 can ask my father to drive me to the concert, and certainly we can pick you up as long as you make up your mind to go there with us. In this case, there is no need to worry about the traffic.

To tell you the truth, as a music lover like you and me, this outdoor concert is really worth going to. Have you seen its publicity materials? It reads that pop singers like Cheer Chen and music bands like Escape Plan will also perform at this concert, where musicians, singers, songwriters, music bands and music lovers like us will contribute to and enjoy a feast of music together. What's more, as senior three students who have just finished the college entrance examination, we are desperate for a chance to relax ourselves and relieve our enormous pressure, and this concert provides us with a golden opportunity to immerse ourselves in our pure joy for music and rid ourselves of the heavy academic burdens. Therefore, do not hesitate, join me in the concert and let's have fun together.

Since the outdoor concert is to be held next Friday, could you please tell me your final decision before the end of this week? Really look forward to your early reply. Thanks.

Yours, Li Hua.

Version 02

Dear Wang Lei,

Hearing that you are hesitating to attend the open-air concert held in the suburb next Friday due to the further distance and the inconvenience of transportation, I am writing to hope that you would like to join us to enjoy this fantastic music feast.

I really understand your worries and concerns in regard to the two aspects mentioned above. As for the solution, how about setting out one day ahead of schedule and taking public transportation with us to get there? In this way, not only can we relax ourselves after stressful Gaokao and explore some other wonderful places nearby, but also we can save money to do something more meaningful. As for the reasons, initially, we both have great passion for music and have determined to select classic music as our major in college. What's more, I, undoubtedly, believe that it is attending such gorgeous live concert that provides us with a golden chance to enhance our appreciation of music, as well as communicate and exchange ideas regarding professional music knowledge with those outstanding experts from all over the world. Additionally, immersed ourselves in such beautiful melodies and agreeable atmosphere, we can escape from the noise of the city temporarily and nourish our inner-being to some extent.

Hope that you will take my suggestions into consideration and look forward to your reply.

Yours Lihua

Version 03

Dear Wang Lei,

Having heard that you are still on the fence about whether to attend an open-air concert in the suburbs, I'd like you to refer to some of my feasible advice and reasons before you turn down my invitation.

You mentioned what you dreaded most was the long distance and lack of transportation, which was my initial concern as well. In fact, after doing a commuting guide based on Baidu Maps, the traffic is not as inconvenient as we previously thought since there are subways available in the suburbs now. You can join me to create a more detailed travel strategy and choose the optimal route. Moreover, preparing something to while away the time in advance is suggested, such as a book or a Switch. As Einstein put it, time speeds up when you're with things and people you like.

For me, this concert means a lot. Do you remember we made plans to go to the concert together during the winter break? Do you remember that it was our mutual love for music that kept us talking the whole night long? This is the concert we've been waiting for and I am convinced it matters to both of us. Although, due to the epidemic, the concert was postponed and will be held outdoors in the suburbs instead, ifs just lucky for us that this concert wasn't cancelled. This hard-won opportunity deserves to be cherished.

What do you think? I respect any thoughts you may have, but if we can go to the concert together, we can definitely have a great Friday night.

Best regards, Li Hua