1.Talk about an important national holiday in your home country. Describe it and explain why it is important.

Chinese New Year is the most important national holiday in my home country. It is the time for the family to come together and to take a break from their work. Families gather to have dinner in a round circle, and people say kind and good things to each other. Children get red envelopes with money inside from their elders; this is believed to bring them good luck. In brief, Chinese New Year is a time for families to come together and for children to see their parents.

2.Talk about an event from the past that you would like to relive. Describe the original event and say why you would like to relive it.

I would like to relive my high school year, especially the time after my college entrance exams, because I didn’t have to take any courses then and there was no need to worry about exams. I hung out with my friends all day long and we played tennis until we were tired. There was not much to worry about and there was less pressure. If I got the chance, I would like to experience that moment again.

3.Does technology make our lives simpler or more complex? Use details and examples to support your explanation.

牧衡 and 元鎬 said they think technology makes life easier and simpler. For example, it is more convenient for people to communicate with others by cell phone than to actually go to the person or write a letter. However, I had a slightly different point of view from my partners. About the question, I wondered whether some of this technology is truly necessary. Take mobile devices for example: people nowadays carry smart phones, tablets, even smart watches or Google glasses with them.

Carrying those devices can be tiring. Also, learning the latest technology may be tiresome for people, especially for older folks. Therefore, it seems like technology has made our life more complex than it used to be. 牧衡 offered a solution: “don’t be controlled by technology”. You should choose the technology that you really need, that technology which brings more convenience to your life. In this way, technology can make your life simpler and easier.