

Part1 必考题这里不出现，请在开课后的 Day2 课件讲义里自行查看

(准备时间较短，个别处有 typo，请见谅)

新题 (1-4 月份新冒出来的)

Spending time by yourself (独处)

知识点: spend time by yourself= be alone= be on my own= solitude

I enjoy being alone./ I like being on my own.

Usually I will read a book, watch a movie, or have some wine when I'm on my own. / wind down (放松), unwind, loosen up, get fully relaxed,...

① I get to recharge myself when I'm alone. We give out a lot of energy when we are surrounded by all kinds of people, trying to make them happy, make them laugh, read their emotions, it's quite exhausting and mentally draining (思想上消耗精力的).

② I get to listen to myself more, I get in touch with my own emotions. When I watch a movie, or read a book, I laugh or I cry, I get a deeper understanding of my inner world. I can know myself better.

③ I get to reflect more. When I'm too busy hanging out with other people, I don't have the time or energy to reflect on my own life. When I'm by myself, I don't need to spend so much time processing others' thoughts or feelings. I can ask myself questions and go inwards.

④ Solitude creates productivity and independence. I get things done more easily when I'm alone, as I don't get distracted by others anymore; and because I'm fighting by myself all the time, I become more independent.

1. Do you usually spend time by yourself?

- Sometimes, not always. I love being with my friends and family, but I also love being alone from time to time. It's a balance to keep, you know, you can't always be on your own, and you can't always be surrounded by people. (原因)

- I'm usually just by myself. I don't like crowds, I mean, talking to people, making a conversation, making them laugh, reading their emotions and minds, these things are exhausting, mentally draining, for me. So, I'd rather be alone. (原因)

- I seldom have time for being alone. I'm a stay-at-home mom, and I have two young children/kids, I need to take care of them 24/7. Having some alone time for myself is like luxury. (原因)

2. What did you do last time when you were by yourself?

It was XXX ago, I read a book in my hot tub, while drinking some red wine, and I put on some jazz music, you know, just chilled out at home, all afternoon, and wind down/unwind. (WH, 交待细节)

3. How do you usually spend time by yourself?

Well, usually just recharge myself at home, doing nothing much (啥事儿也不做). I don't like to go out by myself. If I want to enjoy solitude, I will go nowhere, just be at home, alone. Like I said, I usually read a book, listen to some music, have a drink at home, or watch a movie at home. (WH, 交待细节)

4. Do you like spending time by yourself?

Oh yeh, I love having some time for just myself. Solitude allows me to get a break from the outside world, and to get recharged, and focus on myself more. I love learning about my own emotions, figuring out my thoughts, and finding my inner peace. I tend to reflect a lot when I'm alone. (原因)

Scenery (美景)

1. Is there good scenery in your hometown?

- My hometown is a great place, and it's super gorgeous. It has beautiful lakes and mountains. During the summer time, it's all green; during the fall time, you can see leaves with all kinds of colours, yellow, red, orange and green. Actually, many tourists travel to my hometown to see the leaves each year. (交待细节, 分情况讨论)

- My hometown is just a typical big city, with tall building and high-rises, there's nothing much to see when it comes to natural sceneries. We have some parks, and they are kind of nice (它们还行)。(原因, 交待细节)

2. When you travel, do you like to live in hotels with scenic views?

- Ideally, yes. Who doesn't want to see gorgeous views when they open/pull/draw the curtains? But the thing is, hotel rooms with views are normally more expensive. So, it depends on how much more expensive. If it's too expensive to get the view, then I won't pay for it. (转折, 分情况)

- Yes, I always get the room with views, mountain views, sea views, lake views, ... It feels good to see the picturesque views when you open the curtain and let sunlight in. It can heal your mood. (原因)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

3. Do you like to take pictures of good scenery with your smart phone? Why?

- I do. I use my smart phone to take photos when I see beautiful sceneries. I know I should use a professional camera to capture the view because the quality of the photos will be better, but I just feel lazy to do so. It's so easy to take the phone and capture the moment. (正反正)

4. Is there good scenery in cities?

If those concrete buildings and modern facilities are qualified to be called "good sceneries", then yes, there are all kinds of beautiful views in cities, it's a concrete jungle; if you are talking about natural sceneries, then, it's really hard to find gorgeous views in cities, especially in big cities. (分情况讨论)

Park (公园)

1. Do you often go to a park?

- Yes, I love taking a walk in the park. Every day, I will take a stroll with my family in the park next to home, to loosen up and enjoy the family time/spend some quality time with my parents. (WH)

- No, not really. I don't like going to the park, it's for older people. I enjoy going to amusement parks with my friends. (原因)

2. What activities can be done in a park?

Some people go to parks to work out/ exercise. They go running in the park, or do outdoor yoga; some people go square-dancing in the park. They can socialize with people and meanwhile exercise a little; some young people have a date in a park, not me, but some young people will have a picnic under the tree, or just take a walk, they think it's very romantic. (分群体)

3. Do you think people like going to parks?

Some people do, not everybody. Generally speaking, older generation prefer going to parks, to work out and keep fit. Some young people like going to parks as well, but not a lot. (分群体)

Running (跑步)

1. How often do you go for a run?

- I love running so much, so probably twice per week. I normally run in the gym, on the treadmill. / I normally run in the park,...自己想

- I don't run, at all!!! I hate running. Running hurts my knees (跑步膝盖疼), and it's super boring for me. I do yoga/ I swim/ I

- I go for a run, every day. It's been part of my daily routine. Running, for me, is not just a work-out, when I run, I don't think of anything, all my thoughts go away, just the road and my breath. It's really relaxing, and it helps my clear my mind, almost like meditation (冥想) .

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

2. Where do you usually go running?

之前都回答了类似的内容。大家自己准备这道题。

3. Do you like running?

参考第一题回答。

4. Do you think running is a good way to stay healthy?

-Running is good, in general. Running, jogging (慢跑), is good for our heart and lungs. However, my knees hurt when I run too much. And that's not just me, running is actually bad for people's knees. So, I guess, we need to keep the good balance. Run from time to time, but not all the time, and always remember to warm up your body especially your knees before running.

-Running is really good cardio exercise (有氧运动, 也可以只说 cardio). It helps people lose weight/lose fat, control weight, increase endurance (增加耐力), keeps heart and lungs healthy, things like that. So, it is a good way to keep in shape. However, the only thing is that it's not so good for people's knees.

Break (休息)

这题既可以理解为休息, 也可以理解为休假。I took a long break, 往往人们说的是好好休息了一下, 放了一个长假。所以很难办。。。

1. Do you prefer a long break or several short breaks?

If we are talking about take breaks during the day, I prefer short breaks. short breaks can allow me to recharge myself, get relaxed, but at the same time, they don't make me too relaxed, I can still go back to work/school work, and get things done, keep being efficient. (原因, 交待细节)

如果考官这时候跟你说指的是 holidays, 那么

When it comes to taking holidays, I prefer long holidays. I can travel to another place when I have more time. Long breaks give me the time to go further afield and experience places I might not otherwise be able to visit. I can soak up the culture (吸收文化) and relax properly (好好放松) before returning to normal life. (原因, 交待细节)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

2. What do you usually do during a break?

- At work/school, when I take a break, I will normally have a drink, tea or coffee, and chat a little with my colleagues/ peers, have some snacks, you know, just refresh my mind. (交待细节)

- When I take long holidays, I usually go traveling, like I said, to another place. And just enjoy the local food, the local views, meet new people there; but sometimes when the budget doesn't allow me to travel, I will choose to stay at home, take good care of myself, and unwind properly. (主流+特殊情况)

3. Why do you need to take a break?

见前两问回答

4. How often do you take a break?

- During the day, when I'm at work/school, I take a break every 2 hours. I have a very full schedule; therefore, I don't really have time to take a break too frequently. Every two hours, I will pause, and have a coffee break, and talk to people around me, to get my mind refreshed. (原因)

Pen& pencil (笔)

1. Do you usually use pens or pencils?

这道题问的是：你平时是一个会用笔写字之人吗？（对应电脑打字来说）

- I do. I'm quite old-fashioned in this sense (从这个角度来说我还听老派的). I like the feeling of writing things down, on a piece of paper, with a pen or a pencil. It feels right, feels good, feel real, you know? I often carry a notebook with me, writing down my ideas about things, and later I can go through my ideas easily, I like that. (原因+举例)

- I don't, to be honest. I'm living an almost paper-free life-style. I try to use less paper (paper 不可数). And because of this, I don't really use real pens or pencils anymore. Instead, I type down everything on my laptop and my smartphone, and sometimes I even use the voice memo app on my phone to record things. (原因+举例)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

2. Which do you use more often? A pen or a pencil?

- I prefer to write with a pen. Pencil writing doesn't last long, it fades over time. So, I don't like that idea. I like writing with a pen. It's more solid, and it lasts longer. (原因 分类讨论)

- I don't really care, frankly speaking. I'll just grab (抓) whatever is next to me. I like the fact that I can adjust what I write more easily when using a pencil, and I also like the confident and solid look from the pen writing (我喜欢水笔笔迹的自信和实在之感). (原因 分类讨论)

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

- I don't really remember. I got my pens and pencil from my office, and also from the hotels I stayed in during business trips. I haven't bought them myself for quite a while. I don't need to. (原因)

- It was at the beginning of this year. Yes, that's my tradition actually. At the beginning of each year, I will go to the stationery store near my home, and buy new notebooks, pens, pencils and all kinds of new stationery. It makes me feel so good, like I'm a new person.

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

Well, it depends on how beautiful the pen or the pencil is. I mean, if it's just a normal pencil or pen that you can find anywhere, then, probably I would be a little disappointed; but if it's a fancy pen, like, a Parker (派克) pen, then I would be very happy! (分类讨论)

Art (美术)

Art 的确有艺术的意思，广义上的 art。狭义上是美术的意思。如果一般人问你，喜欢 art 吗？语感上来说还是指的是美术。尤其后面对应的是美术馆等一系列问题。

1. Do you like art?

- I do. I love art. I go to art galleries quite often, like, once per month. I like oil paintings and sculptures. Last time when I traveled to France, I visited so many art galleries there, and had so much fun. I'm definitely an art fan. (举例)

- I love art, especially oil paint. XXX is my favorite painter....

- No, I don't really like art. I just don't get it (看不懂). Each time when I go to art galleries, I feel confused. I don't feel connected to art. I'm very good with numbers, and I like Math. (原因, 交待细节)

- (较真型学生) What kind of art are we talking about? If we are talking about fine arts (美术), then no I don't really like it. If we are talking about poetry, which is also a form of art, then I love it. I love using words to express my inner world. I find it so beautiful. (分类讨论)

2. Have you ever visited an art gallery?

上一问中回答经常去的就不会被问这道题。

Yes, just a few times. I remember last time, I went to a very big art gallery in the north of Beijing, and there were a lot of people. Everybody was so into art and knew a lot about art. They stood there, talking and looking at the art, and I felt very excluded, as I didn't understand too much about it. (讲故事)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

3. Is there any artwork on the wall in your room?

- I do have a painting on the wall in my room, but it's not really an artwork. It's a decorative painting that I bought online. I really liked the colours of the painting, so I bought it. Wall-art (墙面装饰) can really highlight the room, makes the room more tasteful, I love it.

- I don't have any artwork on the wall, but I have a huge poster (海报) of my favorite singer Justin Bieber! He's my idol, and he's so good looking. You can call it an artwork too, I guess, his face is the art.

4. have you ever had art classes? 美术课

Yes, I have. I've had art classes since primary school. I've always loved them. I find art classes so fun and relaxing. They are so enjoyable, help me forget about the stress from other subjects at school.

Cake (蛋糕)

1. Do you like dessert?

- OH yes! I have a sweet tooth (爱吃甜食的), for sure! I love anything that's sweet. Cakes, muffins, brownies, ice-cream, ...When I eat at a restaurant, I will for sure order some dessert for myself. Otherwise I wouldn't call it a complete meal (否则我不会称之为完整一餐)。(原因, 交待细节)

- No, I don't like sweet things. Sweet food makes me sleepy, and it gives me oily face as well (让我脸上出油) . I try to stay away from desserts at restaurants. (原因, 交待细节)

2. Do you like eating cakes?

和上题差不多

Cheese cake, chocolate cake, fruit cake, cup cake...

I love all kinds of cakes. I have a sweet tooth. I especially love chocolate cakes, simply because I love chocolate as well. So, chocolate cakes are like the perfect combined food for me, chocolate and cake. (递进补充)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

3. What desserts do Chinese people like?

We have our own traditional desserts. For example, off the top of my head, we have this dessert called "tangyuan". It's like sweet dumplings, in the soup. It's very delicious. And also, we like western style desserts as well, we love cakes, ice-cream, and brownies. (分类讨论)

4. Have you ever made cakes?

-Yes, I'm actually very good at baking. It is because I'm foodie (吃货), I love sweet things, I learned how to make cakes. I just learned how to do it by watching YouTube videos. My friends say I'm quite talented. (原因, 交待细节)

- I had tried once. But it was a disaster. I made a big mess in the kitchen. I'm really clumsy (笨笨的) when it comes to cooking and baking, so I only tried once. (讲故事)

- No, I haven't. I'm quite impatient. I don't want to spend too much time and effort on making a cake. If I want to eat a cake, I buy a cake. And plus, my cake will be as good as the ones from those bakery stores. (原因, 补充)

Water sport (水上运动)

Swimming, polo (水球), surfing (冲浪), snorkeling (浮潜), scuba diving (深潜), sailing (帆船), canoeing (独木舟), kayak (单人皮划艇) ...

1. Have you done water sport?

- I have. I swim from time to time, and I love scuba diving. I actually just came back from Hawaii. I spent a week there scuba diving in the beautiful ocean. It was so amazing. (概括+细节)

- I haven't done any water sports before, because I'm afraid of water/ I have water-phobia (恐水症). I feel so scared in water, so much so that I couldn't learn how to swim, not to mention other kinds of water sports.

2. What water sport do you like doing?

上一题回答恐水的话 不会接下来这一道

My favorite water sport is scuba diving. I just love the feeling of being in the water, under the sea, seeing all the beautiful creatures, being part of the nature. I feel very free and calm under the sea, like I belong there. (原因)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

3. Are water sports popular in China?

In general, yes, Chinese people love playing with water. For example, swimming always has been very popular in China. You will see those public swimming pools filled with people during the summer. And also, snorkeling and scuba diving have been becoming trendy in China in the recent 10 years. So is surfing. These are starting to get more popular. (罗列)

4. What kinds of water sport do you want to try?

- I want to learn how to scuba dive. I have so many friends around me tried it already, and they all told me it was incredible. So I feel quite jealous. I want to see the nature from a different angle. I saw all the photos. I really look forward to that.

- I want to try canoeing. It looks so fun to me. I heard it's hard than it looks (做着比看着难), I mean, you need to paddle in the water using your arms, nonstop, for hours and hours, that must be tiring. (你必须几小时, 不停地, 用你的胳膊划船, 肯定很累人)。

Laugh (大笑)

1. Do you like to watch movies or TV shows that make people laugh?

I do, I enjoy having a good laugh from time to time. I love black humor, and I also love stupid and nonsense jokes. Every day when I come home from work/school, I will watch comedy shows on TV, laugh about it, and get relaxed. (交待细节 +WH)

2. Do you usually make your friends laugh?

- I do, I'm a joker around my friends. Sometimes I do silly and funny things to make my friends laugh, like making funny noises, or just mimicking some famous people on TV. I'm a little bit like a clown (小丑, 形容给人带来欢笑的性格), and I don't mind it. I enjoy being like that. (交待细节)

- I don't. I don't have a good sense of humor. Sometimes I'm worried that I'm too boring for my friends, but they don't seem to care about that. I guess they like me because I'm a nice person. (原因+交待细节)

3. Are you the kind of person who makes people laugh?

和上题几乎一样，区别是朋友和人们。不会让朋友小的人几乎更不可能让别人笑。不过让朋友笑的人，不一定会让所有人笑。

- No, not really. Even though I make my friends laugh a lot, I'm not that into making everybody laugh. I don't enjoy the attention from people I don't know. I look quite serious in public actually, a little poker face, in that sense (这么看我还是有点两面派的，哈哈)。

- Oh yeh! My friends told me that I'm the kind of person who can bring laughter wherever I go. Wherever I go, there will be joy, happiness and laughter. Some friends even said I should become a comedian one day. (交待细节)

4. Do you think it's important to laugh with friends?

I think so. I think having fun together is one of the most important things in friendship. Being able to have a good laugh together, joke about things, making silly comments on things and people, these are all what friends do together. Otherwise it'll be too boring. (原因，反向假设)

History (历史)

1. Have you ever been to historical museums?

- Yes, I have. Especially when I was a young kid, my parents took me to historical museums all the time. Each time when we traveled to a new place, they would always bring me to the local historical museum, to learn about the history of that place. (WH)

- I love history, so each time when I visit to a new city, I always go to the local historical museum. For me, historical museums are perfect places for me to get familiar with the city, to understand how and why it has grown into today's new city.

2. Do you like history?

- I like history now, I didn't like the subject of History when I was at school. It was boring. Now, I enjoy reading historical books and documentaries, to learn about the past, the inspirational figures, the fun little facts. History fascinates me. (时间分层)

- I'm a big fan of history! It's the story of each individual and also the story of the entire humanity. And more importantly, history is like a mirror. When we learn about the past, we also learn how to avoid the same mistakes in the future. (原因+递进补充)

- Not really, I'm not a big fan of history. It's just boring for me. Maybe it's because the way I learned history at school was so bad and so wrong, I just lost my interest completely. (原因)

3. When was the last time you read about history?

自行回答，看了什么书、文章、网文。

或者也可以这样回答：

I haven't read a book about history for years; I don't even remember when was the last time. But I've just watched a historical documentary, talking about World War 2. It was from Discovery Channel. I liked it a lot, because....

4. Did you like history when you were young?

如果之前回答到了不喜欢，就不会问道这一题。

Science class (科学课)

首先，什么算是 science class? 在中学有哪些科目算是科学课?

What are the High School Science Courses?

- Biology. Biology is typically the first science class that high school students take. ...

- Chemistry. Chemistry is typically taken next and involves slightly more math than a biology class. ...
- Physical/Earth Science. ...
- Physics. ...
- Environmental Science. ...
- Astronomy.

这是国外的教育网站上的结果，那么按照理解，在我国，生物、化学、物理、地理算是科学课。

1. Do you like science class?

- I love science classes when I was in high school. I loved Biology and Geography. I loved learning things about the nature. I remember spending time in the school lab, and doing science experiments. It was fun, really took my stress away.

- I love science classes! Especially Biology! It's so fascinating to learn about all kinds of creatures in the nature, including us, human. I like to know more about our bodies, how do they work, why do they work in certain ways. I want to study this major in the future in university.

- I don't. 原因。（宝宝们自己试试说原因，我实在不明白为啥会有人不喜欢科学课哦！！之后还可以说说那喜欢学啥！）

2. Do you have science class in primary school or high school?

这道题应该只会问中学生或者小学生。Do you...?

-Yes, I've had science classes since primary school. Now as a high school student, I'm having Chemistry, Physics, Biology and Geography. I love Biology and Geography the most, they are so interesting for me（原因参考题目 1 回答）。I'm not very good with Chemistry. I find it very abstract and complicated. I'm still trying to know it better.

3. What kind of science did you do at school?

这道题应该只会问高中毕业以后的学生，...did you do..?

Do science 指的是：做和科学有关的实验

I don't remember all the details. I remember looking at the structure animal cells under a microscope; I remember growing tomatoes and strawberries in the

school lab; I remember learning about chemical reactions in the school chemical lab, and putting some acid in the glass container, the container was called a beaker (烧杯)。(列举)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

4. Do you think science classes are important?

I think so. They are very essential for people. They provide people with a deeper understanding of the nature. We learn about ourselves through history, and we learn about the world through science. (原因)

Number (数字)

1. What's your favorite number?

My favorite number is 7. Simply because it's my lucky number. I love this number, and it has been bringing good luck to me since I was a kid. (原因)

2. Are you good at remembering phone numbers?

Actually, I'm very good at remembering phone numbers. I have a thing for numbers, in my mind, each number has a very specific colour to it. So, when I see a phone number, I can see numbers with colours, like a picture. And sometimes I just remember that picture in my head. That's my little trick (小窍门)。(交待细节)

3. Do you usually use numbers?

这道题的意思是：你平时会经常用的数字吗？和职业/专业有关。

- Yeh I do. I'm a financial specialist/ accountant/math teacher/ ..., my job is to deal with numbers. I use numbers on a daily basis. That's why I always carry a small professional calculator in my bag, it's my work habit (职业病)。(原因)

- No, I don't. I'm very bad with numbers, so I try to avoid using them. I make mistake all the time when I do math. (原因)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

4. Are you good at math?

- I'm very good at math. I'm like the "math genius" (数学天才) among my friends. Whenever they have problems with math, they will come to me. I guess I just have a talent in math; and also, because I'm interested in math, I read a lot of articles about math, and do/solve math questions for fun, so, I'm getting better and better gradually. (交待细节, 原因)

- Yes, using numbers and doing math is part of my job. Every day, I need to figure out numbers for my clients... (原因)

- Yes, I'm studying Finance/ Accounting/ Economics, so I'm very good at math. Solving math questions is part of my daily life routine. I enjoy dealing with math, it's like my hobby. Sometimes, time flies so quickly when I try to solve a complicate math question. It never feels like work. (原因)

- I'm terrible at doing math. Math can kill me easily! I love art, I love painting...I'm very emotional and artistic, I'm definitely not rational enough for math. (原因)

老题 (9-12 月的题, 目前 1-4 月份还在考)

Area

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

I really enjoy living in this area. It's not far from the city centre, but not too close either. You still have the privacy and peace, but also you can enjoy the convenience living next to the shops, stores and malls. And there's a subway station just around the corner (就在不远处) .

2. What are the changes in this area?

I would say, it has been getting tidier (更整齐, 整洁) . For example, we don't have the outdoor food market anymore, everything is indoors now. And the new

subway station is really the best change in the area. It's really easy to get around the city now.

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

Uhm, not that I know of (据我所知没有). I mean, maybe there are some celebrities in the area, but I don't really pay attention.

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

Well, I like going to the gym in my neighbourhood. It's really close to my place. And I go to the supermarket to do grocery shopping every two to three days. And, there's a noodle restaurant that I love. So, I would go there every now and then.

Tea or coffee

1. When did you drink tea or coffee last time?

Well, I'm such a coffee person and tea person at the same time (既爱喝茶又爱喝咖啡的人). I drink coffee and tea every day. So the last time I drank coffee would be this morning. Usually I start my day by having a cup of black coffee to wake me up, and help me stay focused all day. And then I will have some tea in the afternoon. I can't have coffee that late, otherwise I will be too excited to go to bed.

2. What do Chinese people prefer? Tea or coffee?

Uhm, I still think that drinking tea is more popular in China compared with drinking coffee. We have a huge tea culture, and we have this world-famous tea ceremony (我们有世界著名的茶道). However, I have to say that drinking coffee is becoming trendy (流行的) in China, especially among young people.
(阐述原因+补充新趋势)

[Tara 老师口语课 -----盗版必究----- Tara 老师口语课]

3. Do you prepare tea or coffee for your guests at home?

Actually, I have both, I will prepare both for my guests. I have a tea collection and a coffee machine. So, whenever there're people coming visiting me, I will show them my collection, and ask them to choose what to drink.

4. Do you remember the first time you tried drinking tea/coffee?

选一个内容，讲故事法回答。

Countryside (乡村)

1. Have you ever lived in the countryside?

A: Yes, I have. I go on vacations to the countryside with my family, probably every two months. we just go the small village right next to Beijing, spend two to three days there, and enjoy the nature, the fresh air, the local food, and go fishing by the lake.

B: No, I haven't. I'm not interested in living in the rural area. I mean, I imagine it would be very inconvenient to live there as it's not as developed as in the cities. And plus, it'll be too quiet and dull (无趣的) for young people like me. Some people might enjoy the peace, but not for me. (解释原因)

C: Yeh, one time. I went to the countryside with my parents to celebrate Chinese New Year. We rented a small local residence, and spent a couple of days there.
(WH)

2. Do you enjoy living in the countryside?

上题答 A 或者 B 就不会问这题

A: Yes, I do. I enjoy the peaceful and slow-paced life style in the countryside. It's so different from the life I have in the city. And moreover, I really enjoy the beautiful nature, the fresh air, and talking to the friendly locals (友好的当地人) .

B: No,...原因参考上题回答 B

3. What do you usually do in the countryside?

Well, mainly enjoy the life in the countryside, you know, the nice environment, the clean air, the authentic food (正宗食物) and so on. And sometimes, my family and I would go out for a long walk, sometimes we go fishing by the lake, and sometimes we pay a visit to the local food market. (列举+WH 法)

4. Will you live in the countryside in the future?

A: I wouldn't live in the countryside for the long term (长期住). I am and always will be a city person. Living in the city is definitely more exciting and convenient. Being in the countryside from time to time is fun, and it helps take the stress away, but I wouldn't move to the rural land. (阐述原因)

B: definitely yes. That's actually my goal, moving to the countryside. One day, when I save enough money and be able to stop working, I will for sure buy a small countryside cottage (木屋), and live there forever.

Concentration (集中注意力)

1. When do you need to be focused?

A: Well, I need to be focused all the time, for example, when I'm reading a book, preparing for my final exams (学生党) / work reports (工作党), watching a movie, or doing a presentation in front of everybody. It's very important for me to stay concentrated and keep being efficient at school/work. (列举)

B: Well, every day I try to stay focused when doing things, like, reading a book, ...but I have to say, it's getting harder to concentrate these days as there're too many distractions, and they all come from my phone. Sometimes, I just catch myself watching some meaningless online videos for hours and hours (突然发现自己在看视频), and that's really bad. (转折)

2. What may distract you when you're trying to stay focused?

如果上一问是答了 B: Well, like I said, I get distracted mainly from my phone. I'm addicted to my phone. I spend too much time on my phone every day. And sometimes I just imagine if I didn't have my phone, probably my life would be so much better, I mean, I could have accomplished so much more without the distraction from my phone (要是没手机, 我的人生应该会成就很多)。(反向假设)

上题没说 B: Well, many things may distract me, like, my parents when I'm at home, my classmates when I'm at school, or, my phone, you know, all those social media networking applications are so tempting all the time. That's why I always put my phone aside or on mute when I need to concentrate. (列举)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

3. What do you do to help you concentrate?

根据上一题回答做出灵活调整, 别我写什么就答什么:

Well, putting my phone aside or on mute would be the first thing; and then, I would put some nice and soft/soothing (轻柔的使人放松的) background music to help me relax and get focused; what else, ..oh! I would reward myself every now and then, for example, I would take a 30-min break every two hours and have some snacks, so that I can keep the motivation. (罗列法)

4. Is it difficult for you to stay focused on something?

个人觉得, 前面的问题如果已经回答说自己很难集中了, 就不太可能问道这题。

Yes, I get bored and distracted easily (很容易分心和感到无聊), especially on things I don't really care about, or things that are super boring. I can only stay focused on the things I really like, for example, movies, TV shows, interesting novels; or things that are urgent and have to be solved soon, for example, my school deadlines/ work deadlines.

Oh yeh, I find it so difficult for me to stay concentrated, especially on my studies. Each time when I open my coursebook, I could fall asleep in 10 mins. So, I always study with my classmate. I need them to keep telling me to stay focused.

5. Do you find it easy to do two things at the same time?

Yes, it's hard for me. I'm not a good multi-tasker. I try not to do two things at the same time, otherwise I know I might end up not finishing anything. I need to things one by one.

Voice (声音)

知识点:

声音形容词: high-pitched 高音的; squeaky 高音尖锐的; light 轻柔的;

hoarse/ croaky: 低沉沙哑的; rough: 粗糙的嗓音; thin: 很细薄的声音, 没有中气

scratchy: 撕裂尖锐难听的声音 (scratch 指的是抓伤、挠痒痒、擦伤)

pleasant/ beautiful: 动听的; deep 深沉的; strong/powerful: 有力的

sore throat: 酸痛嗓子

1. Has your voice ever changed?

女宝: I guess so. My voice was much thinner and higher-pitched when I was a little girl. And now it's definitely thicker and deeper than before. I like my voice now. (时间分层)

男宝: I guess so. My voice was much thinner when I was a boy, and later it became very squeaky and broken at some point (中间一度) when I became a teenager (中途我变成青少年的时候声音一度尖锐沙哑). And now, it's a normal male adult's voice, thicker, deeper and stronger. (时间分层)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

2. Do you like your own voice?

I like it. I mean, it's not the most pleasant and beautiful voice in the world, but it's ok, and plus, it's my voice. It's part of who I am. Just like, how can I not like my arms and legs, they are part of my body. (递进补充+比喻)

3. Do you enjoy recording your voice and listening to it?

A: I do, actually. Nowadays people in China are all using this app called WeChat. And it has the voice msg function. Each time after I send out a voice msg, I would listen to my own voice recording, especially when I'm talking to someone who's very important to me. I want to see if I could express myself clearly enough, and I want to improve the way I speak by listening to the recording. (解释原因)

B: No, I don't. One time, I accidentally heard my own voice from my voice msg, I freaked out (吓坏了). I felt so embarrassed hearing my own voice. It didn't sound like what I heard in my own head (听起来不像是我自己头里听到的声音) at all, you know. It was almost like a stranger's voice to me. Ever since then, I try to avoid hearing my own voice. (讲故事)

4. Does your voice sound similar to your parents or to other people in your family?

A: No, I don't think so. My mother has a very high-pitched voice, and my father is the opposite, his voice is pretty deep. And I'm kind of in between, not too high, not too low.

B: Oh yeh, my voice sounds just like my mom. That's what everybody says. Sometimes when I'm at home and I pick up the phone, people always think I'm my mom.

I take after (继承) my mom in terms of voice. Our voices sound almost the same.

Walking (散步)

1. Do you walk a lot?

A: I do. I take a walk every day because I need to walk my dog. It's a great way for me to exercise after work/after school, loosen up/unwind/ wind down, and also, it's a good chance for me to bond with my dog (促进关系). (解释原因)

B: I do. I take a nature walk with my family in the park every day after dinner. Mainly to get some fresh air, keep in shape, unwind, and enjoy the family time. It's good workout, and it helps me take my mind off things. (WH+解释原因)

C: I don't, unfortunately. I'm so busy all the time, therefore I don't have the time to take a walk on a regular basis. I know it's really good for my health, and it can help me unwind. I hope I could be able to force myself go out and take a walk once in a while, in the future. (先抑后扬)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

2. Where do you usually take a walk?

A: I usually just take a walk on the street, since I can't take my dog into parks. Dogs are not allowed in parks in China. I just walk on the street, around my neighbourhood, every day, around 8pm. (WH+解释原因)

Like I said, in the park. There's this really beautiful and big park right next to my place. It's like the perfect place for my family and I to take a walk every day, after dinner. And, there's a big lake in the park, with trees and flowers around it, so we would walk along the lake every day. (概括与细节)

3. Do you walk more often than in the past?

I don't think so. I think it's the other way around (相反). I remember when I was younger, I was all the time running on the street and being outside. I walked to the school, to the playground, to my friends' homes. Now, I just take a taxi, the subway or drive my own car to different places. I definitely walk so much less now. (时间分层)

4. Do you think people will walk more or not in the future?

I'm of the opinion that people will walk even less in the future. Like I said, I walk much less now, and people around me are doing the same thing. We are spoiled by the well-developed transport system, and we are getting lazier and lazier.

From what I can see now, I don't see any reason why in the future people will walk more. (时间分层, 现在—未来)

Language (语言)

1. What language can you speak?

A: Well, I'm bilingual. I can speak both Chinese and English. Chinese is my mother tongue, and English is my second language. (罗列)

B: Well, I can speak three different languages. First, is my mother tongue, Chinese. And then, English which I have been learning for many years since middle school. And a few years ago, I started to learn French, coz I think it's a very beautiful language. People say it's the sexist language in the world (世界上对性感的语言, 玩笑), and I agree. (罗列)

C: Well, I'm trilingual. I come from Guangdong Province in China. So, I speak Cantonese (粤语). and also, I speak Mandarin (普通话). We all need to use Mandarin at school in Guangdong. And English is my third language. (粤语被定义为一门独立语言, 不属于方言)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究 ---- Tara

2. Do you think it's difficult to learn a new language?

Oh yeh, definitely, especially when the new language is far from your mother tongue. That's why I've been struggling so much on learning English. And for me, the most difficult part is not the vocabulary or grammar, it's the mindset and the logic behind the language. Sometimes, when you speak another language, the word you choose could be perfect, still you sound awkward (你听起来很别扭). It's about a different way of thinking. (概括与细节)

3. Will you learn other languages in the future?

A: I think will. For me, learning a new language can bring new knowledge and inspiration. You are not just learning another language; you are also learning another culture. And moreover, knowing another language can bring new friends. I love making friends with all kinds of people. (解释原因+补充)

B: 你也可以说想学具体哪个专业，之后解释原因。可能是喜欢那个国家的电影；也可能是认识了来自那个国家的小伙伴。

C: No, I don't see myself learning a third language. I mean, I'm not good at learning languages at all. I can't be like those language geniuses (语言天才) who can learn a new language just for fun. It kills me already to learn English. I think I will stick to learning English for quite a while (好长一段时间) until one day I'm fluent in it. (解释原因)

Jeans (牛仔裤)

知识点:

① Jeans 作为牛仔裤，永远是复数形式（可能是因为有两裤腿吧）。就像 glasses (眼镜), shoes, pants (一般的裤子)。

② Put on jeans 穿上裤子； put them on (不是 it)

③ I need to buy some new jeans. 这句话既可能指的是“我得买一条新牛仔裤”，也可能是“我得买几条新牛仔裤”。

当然，你也可以说：I need to buy a new pair of jeans.

④ I love these jeans (我喜欢这条裤子) . I love them. They look good on me.

⑤ 形容牛仔裤的词:

Denim: 牛仔布;

Comfortable/comfy: 舒服; casual: 休闲; stylish/fashionable: 有款的/时髦的;

Go (well) with everything: 百搭、配什么都行;

You can't go wrong with denim: 穿牛仔错不了;

They are super easy to style: 很好做造型;

They last longer/ durable: 耐穿，穿不坏。

Skinny jeans: 紧腿牛仔裤; **wide-leg jeans:** 宽腿牛仔裤; **flare jeans:** 喇叭牛仔裤

High-waisted jeans: 高腰牛仔裤

考题:

1. Do you wear jeans?

A: Oh yeh, definitely, I love them. I mean, jeans are comfortable, stylish, and they go absolutely with everything. They are super easy to style. So that's why I wear them almost every day, on a daily basis. (阐述原因)

B: Uhmmm, I don't really wear jeans, especially skinny jeans (紧腿裤). They don't really fit my body type. I mean, I'm not very confident with my legs and hips (腿和胯), therefore, I prefer to wear skirts for most of the time. (阐述原因)

C: I don't wear jeans on a daily basis, because I do sports every day, and I wear sweatpants (运动裤) for most of the time. I only wear jeans when I go out with my friends. Jeans are quite casual and easy to style. (阐述原因)

2. How often do you wear jeans?

前面如果说了天天穿，这里就不会问了，考官不是傻子。

Uhmmm, I would say, a couple of days per week. Like I said, I don't wear them on a daily basis. It depends on the situation. Sometimes I would put on sweatpants for my work-out, sometimes I would put on formal clothes for some special occasions (特殊场合), and sometimes I wear jeans for those casual social gatherings.

3. Do you like wearing jeans, why?

这道题几乎等于第一道题，考官不会重复问。学生考试时灵活处理。

4. Would you ever spend a lot of money on jeans? *why or why not (独家新题)

I don't. I know some jeans can be very pricy, but I don't want to spend that much money on a pair of jeans. For me, they are just casual and easygoing. When I put them on, I can sit anywhere I want and do anything I want.

5. Why do you think jeans are popular around the world ?

That's really good question. I've never thought about it, to be honest. I guess, jeans are affordable and comfy (不贵又舒服), and at the same time, they are easy to style, and they can be really fashionable. Americans love jeans, and then the whole world just picked up this fashion trend. As a matter of fact, denim jackets, coats, and shirts are all on trend (流行), not just jeans.

Hairstyle (发型)

知识点：不需要去 Google 一些过于专业的发型名称。太假，没必要。这里简单学一些：

① 女士：long hair 长发；short hair 短发；bob cut 波波头；long bob 长波波头；braids：编发

卷曲度：straight hair 直发；curly hair 卷发；wavy hair 大波浪；

如：I love wavy long hair.

Bangs (美式英语) / a fringe (英式英语)：刘海（注意 bang 要加 s，fringe 则是单数）

颜色：black, red, blonde (金色), brown, dark hair (深色), dark blonde (深金色)

I love long wavy hair, with a darker color, like brown or black.

形容词：stylish 时髦的；edgy 很有个性、少见的；elegant：优雅有气质的；

Shiny 有光泽的；feminine 很女性化的；girly 女孩子气的；cute 超可爱的；

Unique 很独特的

② 男士：long hair 长发；short hair 短发；crew cut=very short 平头；

Short on the sides, long on top: 两边短， 头顶高

卷曲度: straight hair 直发; curly hair 卷发; wavy hair 大波浪;

颜色: black, red, grey, blonde (金色), brown, dark hair (深色), dark blonde (深金色)

形容词: stylish 时髦的; edgy 很有个性、少见的; elegant: 优雅有气质的;

Unique 很独特的; manly/ masculine 男子气的; classy 经典的;

做头发: get my hair done.

剪头发: get my hair cut./ get a haircut

染头发: dye my hair (专业染发) I need get a hair dye.

Colour my hair (更温和的染发, 多洗几次就会掉的感觉) I need to get a hair colour.

I want to colour my hair.

做卷发: perm my hair/ get a perm

拉直头发: straighten my hair/ get my straightened

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

考题 (考试的时候可以不说这么多以上细节) :

1. what's your favorite hairstyle?

A: Well, I like long wavy hair, with a darker colour, like brown or black. You know, I think it's super pretty and elegant, very feminine and attractive. And long hair is actually very easy to maintain(很好打理), I can just do a pony tail (扎马尾) when I feel lazy. (阐述原因)

B: I like short hair. I think it's super edgy for girls. I've been having short hair like this for almost XX years, and I'm still in love with it. (阐述原因)

C: I love very short hair. I'm the kind of person who does sports all the time, every day. So, having short hair is very convenient for me. I just wash it and let it dry. (阐述原因)

2. How often do you have your hair cut?

A: Not very often, maybe every other month. Long hair is easy to take care of. Sometimes I just let it grow (就让它长). I go to the hair salon to get my hair trimmed (修修短) so that it can keep being healthy.

B: Oh I need to get my haircut every month. Short hair grows out easily, and you will see the loss of shape easily (短发长的快, 很快就没形状了). That's why I need to go to my hairstylist so often.

3. How much do you usually spend on your haircut?

A: Around 300 yuan each time. I normally will do a hair treatment (做个护发) in the salon, and I'd like to use the good hair-products on my hair.

B: Not a lot, around 100 yuan each time. I need to stay low-profile as I go very often (去的多就得低调一点).

4. Do you often change your haircut?

A: No, I like my current hairstyle. I don't like to change. Based on my previous experiences, I regret each time after changing my haircut. So, now, I just stick to this hairstyle that I like.

B: I love changing. I love trying new things. But the problem/thing is, I tend to regret each time I change my hair. Last winter, I cut my hair so short to the point I was wearing a hat the whole winter.

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

5. Would you like to change the colour of your hair?

A: No, like I said. I don't like changing my hair, including the colour. The thing is, getting a hair colour is really bad for the quality for your hair. I like it black. It's my true colour. And I don't want to have unhealthy coloured hair with a lot of dead/split ends (分叉). (如果你是黑发)

B: I would like to try a new colour, like a light brown, or a dark red, something like that. I've been having the same hair colour for many years. Maybe it's time (该到时候了) .

Friends (朋友)

1. What kinds of people do you like to make friends with?

I like people who are very easygoing and fun to be with. Friends are people who can keep you company, so having fun together is the most important thing for me; and then, secondly, I really like making friends with people who know a lot. I like to learn from my friends. (罗列法)

2. Do you think you are a good friend for others?

I think I am. I care a lot about my friends. I would comfort them when they are feeling sad; cheer them up when they are feeling low; support them when they are in trouble; I share tears and laughter with my friends. (列举)

3. What do you think makes good friends? 什么才算是真正的好朋友?

Well, I think good friends should be honest, trustworthy/reliable. That's what I think the most important quality of being a good friend. That means he/she won't lie to you, and you know you are safe with that person. You can share you secrets and sorrows with that person. And then, being supportive is also important. A good friend will always be there for you. (罗列)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

4. Do you keep in contact with friends from your childhood?

Not really, to be honest. I mean, we kind of drifted apart over the years. You know, went to different schools, moved to different neighbourhoods, even some moved to different cities. It's hard to maintain/keep the relationship. Especially me, I'm not good at this.

(阐述原因)

Yes, I still do. I mean, not all of them, but a few of them. For example, I still see my primary school desk-mate Wei from time to time; and I have two childhood friends who are still living in the same neighbourhood of mine. We hang out together once in a while. (举例子)

Animals (动物)

1. What wild animal do you like most?

I like leopards, lions and tigers, you know, the predators (食肉类动物). I don't know exactly why, maybe they look very strong, muscular (肌肉发达的) and powerful. I remember I used to love watching documentaries about African lions on TV when I was little. (阐述原因+举例)

2. Have you ever seen any wild animals before?

Yes I have. I went to the national safari in Guangzhou last summer with my family, and it was a lot of fun. I saw lions, tigers, and all kinds of African wild animals. I especially enjoyed seeing giraffes walking on the grass, stopping the cars. And all the cars were waiting in the line, so patiently, to let the giraffes pass by. (WH, 概括与细节)

3. Do you like to go to the zoo?

- I don't really go to the zoo, frankly speaking. I hate seeing animals being trapped in a small space. It just looks depressing to me. I haven't gone to the zoo in years. (阐述原因)

- I love going to the zoo! Seeing all the beautiful animals and enjoy the nice weather. I go to the zoo with my family probably once per month. I live really close to the zoo, therefore it's really convenient. (阐述原因+WH)

4. Have you ever kept pets?

小宝宝版: I never have pets since my parents don't allow me to. They always say that pets are dirty, smelly and require a lot of time and attention/effort. Still, I really want to have a cat, I'm a cat person. Maybe in the future, when I live by myself, I would get a kitty. (先抑后扬)

阿姨叔叔版: I never had a pet before. Because when I was little, my parents used to forbid me to have a pet; and now, I'm too busy with my work and I don't have the time to take care of the pet. But I really like animals, especially dogs. So, in the future, if I have more time, I would definitely get a dog.

Movies (电影)

1. What's your favorite movie?

- I favorite movie in recent years would be interstellar. It is about space travel and time travel. It blew my mind when I watched it for the first time. It's my favorite sci-fi movie.

- I love black swan. It was deep, philosophical and very dark (很黑暗). It was almost too scary to watch for me. But I loved it. I loved the plot, the special effects, and the acting. Natalie Portman is really good in that movie. (概括+亮点。回忆自己看电影时的感受, 用过去式)

【拓展阅读, 描述电影时用什时态】

You can use both past simple and present simple when talking about the movie. For example:

Last night I saw a really interesting movie. It was an American science fiction movie called 'Arrival'. I enjoyed it a lot. I thought the plot was really original and the acting was excellent.

When you're describing your own experience of the movie, it's appropriate to use past simple.

The movie stars Amy Adams and is based on a book by Ted Chiang, 'Story of your Life'. The movie tells the story of a linguist who is asked to interpret the written language of aliens.

When you talk about the cast, describe the plot and provide other details about the movie, you can use present simple.

2. Do your friends like this movie?

Yeh, I guess. We talked about it, and most of my friends said they loved it. I guess that's why it became a box-office winner (票房冠军) .

3. Do you want to be a movie star?

Definitely I do. I can totally imagine myself being a star. I love art, I enjoy entertaining my friends, and I don't mind to share my life with others at all. I don't care too much about privacy, and at the same time, I enjoy people's attention. So, I guess I'm the perfect type of people for being a star. (阐述原因)

I would love to become a super star. You know, be adored by my fans, get to travel around the world with VIP treatment, and become very rich, just buy whatever I want to buy, that'll be so cool. And some people may say that you will lose your privacy and stuff, being a star is actually a horrible thing, but I don't care. (让步反驳, 正反正)

No, I don't think I'm the right person to be a star. For one thing, I'm super shy in front of people. And for another thing, I hate cameras, cameras never like me. I know, being famous and rich is a privilege (是一种特权), you get to travel a lot and be able to buy expensive things, but I really care more about my privacy and my peaceful lifestyle. (让步反驳, 正反正)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

4. What kinds of movies do you think young people like? (和 p3 有一题一样)

Sci-fi movies are so popular among young people; some young people love horror movies (恐怖片) and thrillers (惊悚片), personally I don't like them, but many of my friends do. I guess they just enjoy the thrill; and comedies are also on trend, they are so easy to watch, and they help people get relaxed. (罗列)

Reading (读书)

看【音频词汇集】第二集和“看书”有关的词汇

Bookworm/ I enjoy reading/ I'm an avid reader (贪婪的读书人) / I'm a nerd (自嘲是书呆子) / I read for pleasure (看书是为了享乐) / ... 去看群文件!!!

1. Do you like reading?

- I don't. I wish I could just read for pleasure, but I don't. Reading is quite boring for me, and I'd rather spend that time on movies and TV shows. I only hit the book right before exams. (阐述原因)

- I'm a bit of a bookworm, so, I really enjoy reading very much. Once I start reading a book, I can finish it from cover to cover in one day. For me, a good book is like a good movie, it's educational, meaningful and inspiring. It's like a peaceful conversation between the author and I.

2. What kind of book do you read?

(之前如果说了不读书，后面这些应该不会问了)

I like novels. For me, reading long novels is like reliving other people's lives (就像重新活了别人的一生). I can grow my imagination and have more empathy to people. I can understand people and the world better. in addition, novels really can take my stress away; they can put my mind off things. (阐述原因+递进补充)

使放松: I can get fully relaxed by reading; reading can help me unwind/ loosen up; Reading is a great way to relax your mind...

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

3. Do you read electronic books?

- I do. I have a kindle, normally I'll take it with me when I'm taking public transport, or traveling to another place. An E-book is easier to carry around, as it's lighter and smaller. It's like a portable small computer which can store many books (储存很多书籍). So, yeh, I would read E-books from time to time. (阐述原因)

- I don't really fancy E-books. I guess I'm a little old fashioned. I just love the smell of print books/paper books. And personally, I like scribble in my books and

mark up things, but I can't do that to my e-books. The most I can do is, highlight some sentences I like neatly (整齐地高光一段话)。(阐述原因)

- I don't really use E-books, even though they are super popular now. I guess I'm a little behind the times (过时)。I mean, I just don't know how to use them. I don't have anything against E-books, I think they're super cool and environmentally friendly. I will start reading them one day, for sure. (先抑后扬)

4. Do you read books related to your profession?

- I have to. As a university student, I need to go through my textbooks before exams, and from time to time, I need to read them to refresh my knowledge and memory. Sometimes, I will go to the library to borrow some study books or tool books for my studies. (阐述原因+WH)

- Uhmmm, yeh I do. At work, I have to refresh and improve my knowledge all the time. So, almost every weekend, I will spend a couple of hours at home to read either books or articles online that are related to my job. (阐述原因+WH)

Plan (计划)

1. Do you make plans every day?

- I do. I'm a well-organized person. I actually have a notebook where I would write my schedule for each day, and just follow that schedule. That's the best way for me to keep track of (知晓) the things I need to do per day, and also the things I already did in the past. (举例子, 阐述原因)

- I don't. I'm very easygoing with my life. I just go with the flow (顺其自然)。Sometimes I might write things on my sticky note (便利贴) to remind me of something very critical, normally it would be my school assignment (学校作业) deadline, other than that, I don't make plans on a daily basis. It's too much pressure. (概括+细节)

2. Are you good at managing your time?

I don't think I am that good at time management, that's why I'm making plans on a daily basis. I have to remind myself of the things I have to do per day. Only by seeing them can I remember to do them. But still, sometimes, I would miscalculate (算错) the time I need, and end up not finishing my daily tasks.

(不做计划的同学应该问不到这题)

3. What's the latest plan you made?

Yesterday, I planned my whole day. And the plan was, study IELTS and study IELTS. I spent the whole morning reading English articles to prepare for the reading test; and the whole afternoon talking to myself, to get ready for the speaking test. It was four hours reading plus four hours speaking. (举例)

4. what's the hardest part about making plans?

I think, figuring out your goal is the hardest part. I mean, you have to make sure the goal is realistic, is feasible/ tangible (切实可行的). If you set up the target too high, you may lose the motivation very soon; if you set up the goal too low, you won't achieve anything. (分情况讨论)

[Tara 老师口语课 ----- 盗版必究 ----- Tara 老师口语课]

Math (数学)

mathematics 数学; math 是美语变种/ maths 是英式英语变种; 开头 M 大写表示学科。

1. Do you think mathematics is important?

I think, having some basic knowledge about mathematics is important, as we all need to do math (算算数) in our daily lives. For example, when we buy things, pay our bills, manage our money. We need to be able to calculate. But I don't really think we should know a lot about this field. (概括 列举)

2. Do you think it's difficult to learn mathematics well?

Uhhh, I think math is not for everybody, it's quite difficult. Perhaps the basic arithmetic (算数) is not hard, but once you learn more and go deeper in this

field, you'll realize it's a very complex subject. So, if we are talking about learning this subject well, then it's not easy at all. It's one of the most complex subjects in the world. (转折)

3. Are girls generally good at maths?

To be honest, I don't think it's a matter of gender, I think it's a matter of different interests and talents. Some people are good at art and music, whereas some people are good at maths. (重新梳理题目)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究 ---- Tara

4. Do you often use a calculator?

- I don't use a calculator too often, maybe once per month? Normally when I need to figure out some numbers about my expenses and my salary, you know, I need to make both ends meet (收支平衡) every month. (频率题, 阐述原因)

- Yeh, I use it quite a lot. My major is mainly based on numbers, so, I need to do a lot of calculation when I'm studying. I have a very professional calculator, it looks pretty cool, and I carry it in my bag wherever I go. (频率题, 阐述原因)

[Tara 老师口语课 ----- 盗版必究 ----- Tara 老师口语课]

Market (市集)

A street market 的定义: A temporary public market, normally set up outdoors on certain days of the week, often, but not always, in a street. Sometimes they can be found in a car park or in a market square.

1. What do street markets sell?

Well, there're different kinds of street markets. Some are food market, some are art market, some are for clothes, some are for certain festivals, like Spring festival, and dragon boat festival, and some are a little bit of everything (什么都

有) . So, basically a street market could sell anything. It depends on the theme and the time. (概括+列举)

2. Are there many street markets in China?

I would say no, at least not in big cities. There used to be a lot of street markets in China. Once it was a part of the our life style, I mean, people didn't have supermarkets, so they would have to go to the street market to buy food and groceries. Now, you don't see street markets so easily, especially in big cities. The appearance of the city is much more important for the government. (时间分层 现在+过去)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

3. What are the difference between street markets and supermarkets?

The prices in supermarkets are fixed, you can't bargain with the cashier. But you can bargain with street vendors as they are the producers of their own product. And, another difference would be, street markets normally don't open every day. They only open a few days per week; whereas supermarkets usually open 7 days a week. Finally, there're more options in the supermarket, and also, you can find imported products. (罗列)

4. Do you often go to the supermarket?

- I do. I go to the supermarket every other day (每隔一天) . I like fresh food, and the closest supermarket to my place has a deli (熟食店) inside, so, I always get precooked food there for dinner.

-I don't really go to the supermarket that often, I'm super lazy. Normally I will go there to buy tons of food and snacks, and store the food at home. I hate doing grocery shopping, that's why I try to go as few as I can.

[Tara 老师口语课 -----盗版必究----- Tara 老师口语课]

Public holiday

1. How many public holidays do you have in China?

Not a lot. To be honest I don't know the exact number (具体数字不确定)! We have the National Day, New year, Labour Day, and then, we have some traditional festival holidays, like Chinese Spring Festival, Dragon Boat Festival, and Qing Ming Festival. So, probably about 10 public holidays?

2. Do you think people need more public holidays?

I definitely think so! I believe Chinese people deserve more holidays. I mean, we work really hard every day, working overtime is a very normal thing nowadays (加班是很正常的事). And it's not right. I think it's important to keep the balance between work and life. And having more vacations, rebooting our bodies and minds is very necessary. So, yeh, I think we should have more holidays.

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

3. How do you usually spend your holidays?

I would go traveling, for sure. As long as my budget allows me, traveling is always on the top of my priority list. It's a great way to enjoy my holidays and to enrich my inner world. I will only stay at home when I'm broke/when I don't have enough money. (主流+特殊)

4. Which holiday is your favorite?

National Day is my favorite. Because I can combine the weekends and the holidays together, and take a 7-day vacation in another country. I can't do that during Chinese New Year, as everybody will be staying at home and spending time with their families, including me.

I love Chinese New Year the most. It's like Christmas in western culture. During this time, we exchange gifts, have lots of wonderful meals, and just gather and chat. It's all about family and love. It's the most beautiful time of the year, I personally think.

Travel (旅行)

1. Do you like traveling?

Oh yeh, absolutely. Traveling can help me understand the world better, at the same time, understand myself better; I like going to different places, meeting new people, and trying different food; I feel I can learn so much while traveling; ...

I love traveling, I wish I could travel more. Now I'm still a student, I don't have too much time or money, so, I can't travel as much as I want. I hope one day I could be able to travel around the world, that'll be so amazing. (先抑后扬)

2. Which cities have you traveled to?

- Uhmmm, mainly domestic cities (主要是国内城市, 你在中国考试的话) . Big cosmopolitan cities, like, Beijing, Shanghai, and Shenzhen; and also, small quaint towns, like, Lijiang, Shangri-La, and Dali. I love all these places, they are so different from each other, but equally attractive to me. (分类讨论)

3. What kind of cities do you like to travel to?

I like big international cities/cosmopolitan cities that are culturally diverse, and have a lot of exciting activities to offer; and I also like beautiful little towns that are situated in the mountains or next to the river, you know, places where you could get closer to the nature. (分类讨论)

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

4. what is the place that left you the deepest impression when traveling?

- (国内版) I guess, Shenzhen is the city that left a deep impression on me. I mean, it's the city right next Hong Kong, and it used to be a tiny fishing village in the past. But now, because it's close to Hong Kong, it's developed into one of the most beautiful and high-end (高端的) international cities where you can see high rises and super modern facilities everywhere. It's amazing how fast and how much a city can change. (阐述原因)

- (国外版) I love London, it's one of my favorite cities. London is so vibrant and exciting, there's always something going on in the city, like, shows, stage plays, gallery exhibits, and games. In addition, its cultural diversity is what attracts me the most. You see people from all kinds of nationalities and cultural backgrounds when you are walking on the street in London. (阐述原因, 补充)

Patience (耐心)

1. What do you do while waiting for something, for example a bus?

Normally I'll just look at my phone, play some phone games, or play my music and put on my earphones, just find something to do. Sometimes I might call a friend, and just have a chat while waiting for the bus. (主流+特殊情况)

2. Have you ever lost your patience while waiting for something?

Yeh, I have. One time, I went to the restaurant, and the server was so rude and slow. It took him forever to take my order. I was so impatient. I got mad at him, and made a complaint to his boss. I lost my patience that time. I lost my temper. (讲故事法)

3. Are you generally a patient person?

I think I am, for most of the time. I'm normally very patient with people (except that one time at the restaurant 玩笑口吻, 接上题). My friends always say that I'm nicest and most patient person they know. I'm especially patient with children and the elderly. I think they really need out love and attention. (概括与亮点)

4. Are people in your country generally patient?

I think Chinese people are patient, in general. Our culture is very slow and respectful to others... Being patient is a virtue in our culture. Being patient can help you solve a lot of problems. However, nowadays, people seem to get less patient, I have to say. The society is very competitive and fast-paced. People don't have the time to slow down. Maybe that's why. (时间分层)

以下是 **patience** 上几个季度的问题，可以不看。

1. Were you patient when you were younger?

I wasn't very patient when I was younger. I think patience is something you learn when you get older. You have to experience the situation of getting what you want by waiting patiently, so that you can learn how to be patient. Children are very simple and direct, including me.

I wasn't very patient when I was younger. I remember when I was little, I was all the time being fussy (易怒的) and impatient. And my mom told me I was crying a lot, especially when I couldn't get what I wanted, like candies or toys, things like that. (讲故事)

2. How do you feel when other people are not patient?

I feel a little annoyed because I don't like when my mood gets ruined by others. When people are impatient, they normally get grumpy and nervous (气鼓鼓又焦虑), and I can feel that emotion, and I don't like it.

Tara 口语 盗版必究 --- Tara 口语 盗版必究--- Tara 口语 盗版必究---- Tara

3. Are you less or more patient when you are angry?

Well, I don't think there are many people who can keep being patient even when they are angry. It's almost impossible. So, I don't think I will be even more patient when I'm mad.

4. Is being patient very important?

Yes, it is. I believe so. I think being patient is really a good habit and virtue. People always tend to let the emotion gets into the way when they are doing things. Being patient and not letting the emotion stop you from being productive and efficient is really an important thing.

5. When you are not patient, what do you do?

I will remind myself to be patient first. And then, take a deep breath. Focus on the thing I need to solve, instead of my emotion. Basically, just get relaxed, stop thinking about how impatient I am, and think about the thing I need to do.

{Tara 老师口语课 -----盗版必究----- Tara 老师口语课}

Music & Concert (音乐)

1. Do you often listen to music?

- Yeah, I listen to music almost every day, for example when I'm working out at the gym, or taking a walk on the street, you know, usually when I'm on my own and don't have anyone to talk to.

-Actually, I don't really listen to music now, since I have a very full schedule at school/work. I often feel tired and stressed out, therefore I don't have the time and the mood for music.

2. How much time do you spend listening to music every day?

Well, since I'm super busy during the week, the amount of time I will have for music is very little, probably less than one hour per day; On weekend, I will spend much more time on music, to put myself in a good mood. (分情况)

3. What's your favorite kind of music?

-I like pop music, I would say it's my favorite kind. It's just very simple and easy to sing (唱起来很简单). I like the fact that pop songs have very memorable melody and emphasize on the rhythm. Jazz songs and rock songs are just too complicated and chaotic (喧闹).

-I would say jazz is my favorite. Some people find it's hard to catch the melody and rhythm, I just find it so smooth and lively at the same time (平滑又充满活力的). It's definitely my thing (绝对是我的菜).

[Tara 老师口语课 -----盗版必究----- Tara 老师口语课]

4. Have you ever been to a concert?

No, unfortunately I haven't. I mean, I'm in my second year of high school, my parents are very strict with me, they didn't take me to a concert before. And I asked them once, but they said I should focus on my study. So, I guess I will go by myself after I graduate from high school and save some money. (原因)

Photos (拍照)

1. Do you like to take photos?

I do. Just like most young people nowadays, I like taking pictures and I like taking selfies as well. For me, taking photos in daily life is just a way of recording my life, it's a lifestyle. And taking selfie is a way to boost self-esteem (增加自信) as people tend to look better in selfies. (阐述原因)

2. Do you prefer taking photo by yourself or have other people take photos?

If we are talking about taking photos of me, then I prefer taking selfie. Like I said, people tend to look better on selfies. And it's really convenient to do so. If we are talking about taking photos of other things, then it doesn't matter who is doing it.

(take photo of sth/sb.:拍的照片是关于这个事物或者这个人的; take photo for sb.:替这个人来拍照)

3. How often do you take photos?

Uhhh, quite often, I guess. I think I take photos almost every day. It depends on my mood and the circumstance (看情况和心情). If there's something fun and interesting happening, and I'm in a good mood of recording it, then I will take out my cellphone and capture the moment (捕捉那个瞬间).

4. How do you keep your photos?

Uhhmm, I just keep them in my phone and post them online, from time to time (时不时地). I know, it sounds so bad, but I'm too lazy to print them out and put them in the album (相册), like we used to do in the past. Nowadays, I just post picture on my social media accounts. (时间对比)

[Tara 老师口语课 -----盗版必究----- Tara 老师口语课]