

2023 年 1-4 月雅思口语 Part2 保留题参考资料

(第五套故事<共五套>)

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2023 年 1-4 月雅思口语 Part2 保留题故事列表（第 5 套故事）

类别	题目 Topic	故事简介
事件类	1. 分歧/争论	和同学做小组作业任务分配出现分歧
	2. 一节喜欢的英语课	课外辅导班上的一节试听课
	3. 信息搜索	为选择最合适的大学而查找相关信息
	4. 校外学到的重要东西	木工方面的技能
	5. 克服困难终成功	申请奖学金
	6. 决意等待	经常等待和朋友约时间一起追剧
	7. 塑料垃圾	家附近公园演唱会后留下垃圾
	8. 失约	预约牙医电话问诊但未写进备忘录
	9. 收到钱作为礼物	舅舅给了红包庆祝我大学毕业
	10. 糟糕的购物体验	网购几条牛仔裤都不合身
	11. 不得不与他人分享	图书馆有人借用充电器
事物类	12. 喜欢看的节目	B 站节目《吃货请闭眼》
	13. 漂亮物品	彩色玻璃蝴蝶
	14. 引以为傲的照片	从不拍照的姐姐喜欢我给她拍的照
	15. 户外活动	在公园做瑜伽
	16. 喜欢并想再看一次的电影	《时空恋旅人》
	17. 有趣的小说/故事	美国小说《云图》
地点类	18. 熟人的家	喜欢园艺装修现代的妈妈朋友的家
	19. 推荐旅游的地方	澳门
	20. 运动场所	美国洋基体育场
人物类	21. 认识的不同文化的人	大学校园里偶遇的波兰留学生
	22. 喜欢打扮的人	高中就喜欢时尚并以此为职业的表弟
	23. 喜欢种植物的人	喜欢研究植物习性的朋友
	24. 激励你做有趣事情的人	朋友鼓励我尝试骑马
	25. 童年玩伴	五岁就认识的性格互补的好友



Describe a time when you disagreed with somebody about something

You should say: (注: 四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索, 不是让考生必须回答四小问)

Who you disagreed with;

What you disagreed about;

What the result of this disagreement was;

And explain how you felt about disagreeing with this person.

1. 分歧/争论

I'm going to talk about the time my **friend** and I disagreed on how to handle a **group project**. **If memory serves correctly**, this happened **a year** ago. My friend and I were taking a **psychology** class together. The professor gave us a **group** assignment, and we decided to **pair up**¹ together. We had to do **research** and then **present on our topic**.

My friend thought that one of us should do the **research** and the other one should do the **presentation**. However, I thought that was **unfair** since there was **more** work to do when it came to **research**. **In comparison**, presenting **wasn't** that hard. My friend said that presenting was more **stressful**. The two of us **went back and forth**² for a **long** time. We even **got heated**³ because we both felt like the other person **wasn't** really listening to our opinion.

In the end, **we came to a compromise**⁴. We both worked on the research **together**, and we **both** did the presentation. That way, **the work was evenly divided**⁵. **It was a solution that played to both of our strengths**⁶.

As for **how** I felt about it, I was really **frustrated** when my friend and I were disagreeing. It was also **upsetting** to disagree with a **friend**. After all, I didn't want something as simple as a class assignment to **ruin our friendship**⁷. But I'm glad that we **managed** to work it out.

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¹ pair up: 组队、配对

² went back and forth: 来来回回, 犹豫不决

³ got heated: 说着说着急了

⁴ we came to a compromise: 我们达成了妥协

⁵ the work was evenly divided: 任务被平均分配了

⁶ It was a solution that played to both of our strengths: 这是一个能发挥我们双方优势的解决方案

⁷ ruin our friendship: 毁了我们的友谊 雅認丹過過過寶店鋪十原创



Describe an English lesson that you really enjoyed.

You should say: (注：四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索，不是让考生必须回答四小问)

Where the lesson took place;

What the lesson was about;

What the teacher did;

And explain why you enjoyed this lesson so much.

2. 一节喜欢的英语课

I'd like to talk about the time when I learned about English at a language **tutoring** school. **If memory serves correctly**, I took that class in my **freshman** year of high school. At the time, a **new** language school had just **opened** in my hometown. My friend asked if I'd like to **join a trial class**⁸ for English with her. It was **free**, and I happened to be **available** at the time, so I **signed up for it**⁹ with her.

We went to the school on a **Saturday**. The teacher was a **lady** from the **UK**. She can speak **Mandarin** very well. After a **self-introduction**, she started the class by introducing the **benefits** of learning English with a lot of **fun** facts. And **one** part of lesson that really **intrigued me**¹⁰ was how to pronounce some famous **fashion brands** properly, like Louis Vuitton, Hermès, Cartier and so on. It turned out we all said those names **wrong**. Besides, the teacher also let us **do the dubbing for movie clips**¹¹. My friend and I both **had a blast**¹² during that lesson.

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That class was very **different** from the English classes I **usually** take. Instead of reading a **textbook** or learning about **grammar**, we seemed to learn more **useful** things. So the lesson made me **take a liking to**¹³ English. **If it wasn't for**¹⁴ the **expensive tuition** and me not having the **money** for it, **I would've signed up as a paid student for sure**¹⁵.

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⁸ join a trial class: 参加一堂试听课

⁹ signed up for it: 报了名

¹⁰ intrigued me: 吸引我，让我着迷

¹¹ do the dubbing for movie clips: 为电影片段配音 Y... 雅認過過過 寸總過過過 寶店舖 原创

¹² had a blast: 玩得很开心

¹³ take a liking to: 喜欢上了...

¹⁴ **If it wasn't for**: 要不是因为...

¹⁵ **I would've signed up** as a paid student for sure: (要不是因为...) 我肯定会注册成为付费学员



Describe a time when you had to find some information

You should say: (注: 四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索, 不是让考生必须回答四小问)

- What information you had to find;
- Where you looked for the information;
- How much you enjoyed looking for the information;
- And explain why you needed the information.

3. 信息搜索

One time I needed to search for **information** was when I was deciding **where** I wanted to go to **university**. I **had basically limitless choices**¹⁶, so it was **hard** to **narrow it down**¹⁷ and figure out what I **really** wanted to do. I had to **search up**¹⁸ university **programs, courses, cities, and scholarships**. I sort of knew what program I **wanted**, but everything else was **up in the air**¹⁹.

I searched for this information through **a number of different avenues**²⁰, including **online** and **in person**. **Online**, I browsed university **websites** and course **catalogs**, and I managed to contact some **older students** at those universities to ask them questions and ensure I was making the **right** program and course selection. **In person**, I visited several universities for **tours** and **to sit in on classes**. I found that being there **in person** and getting to know the campus and community was very **helpful** when it came time to make my **final** decision. It was also **fun** to visit different **cities** and meet **new** people.

I needed to search for this information because I wanted to **make an informed decision**²¹, which meant I needed to do **research**. **If I hadn't done my research, I don't think I would have made a good choice for myself**. I would've just been choosing a university **without any forethought**²². Anyway, researching information is a **necessary** life skill in many situations, but especially when you are deciding on a **college** or **university** to attend.

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¹⁶ had basically limitless choices: 选择很多, 基本上没什么限制

¹⁷ narrow it down: 缩小范围

¹⁸ search up: 检索, 搜索

¹⁹ up in the air: 悬而未决✎雅恩过过过淘宝店铺★原创

²⁰ a number of different avenues: 很多不同的途径

²¹ make an informed decision: 做出明智的决定

²² without any forethought: 仓促的, 没有深思熟虑的

What you learned;

How you learned it;

How easy/difficult it was to learn;

And explain why learning this was important to you.

I'm going to talk about the skill of **carpentry**²³ that I learned from my **uncle**. He's an **older** man who's **in his fifties** now. He **doesn't** even work as a carpenter. It's just a **skill** that he developed in his **free** time. He's actually become **really skilled at it**, which is why I wanted to learn from **him**.

The **first** project we made together was a **small** birdhouse. It took me a **long** time to get **used** to the tools. You have to be really **precise**²⁵ when you put something together. It takes a lot of **patience** and **coordination**. I'm **not** very good at those things, but with my uncle's **help**, I learned how to **put pieces of wood together**²⁶ and make something **beautiful**.

Since then, my uncle has taught me how to make **everything** from **side tables**²⁷ to **cabinets**. I'm so **grateful** that **he's taken the time to teach me**²⁸. Actually, the skills I've learned from him have **helped** me make **lots** of cool things that I enjoy using **every day**.

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²⁸ he's taken the time to teach me: 他花时间教我 8 薙總呂鍋呂匍宝店舖✓原创

Describe a time when you succeeded in doing something that was difficult.

You should say: (注：四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索，不是让考生必须回答四小问)

What you succeeded in doing;

Why it was difficult to do;

Whether you got help/How much help you needed;

And explain how you felt when you succeeded in doing this difficult thing.



5. 克服困难终成功

I'm going to talk about the time I successfully applied for a **scholarship**. If memory serves **correctly**, this happened **a couple** years ago. I had just started **graduate** school in the fall, so I could apply for a **big** scholarship that would help pay for my **tuition**. The application process was very **long** and **complicated**. There were **so many** different forms to fill out. Then, **on top of that**²⁹, I had to write a personal **essay** explaining my personal **goals**, my **achievements**, and what I hoped to **accomplish** with my degree. 雅思过过过淘宝店铺 原创

Even though **the outline of the essay**³⁰ seemed easy enough, I had a really **hard** time writing it. It's very hard to present yourself in a **certain** way, especially when you're **up against a lot of competition**³¹. After all, **most** graduate students in our university **apply** for this scholarship since it covers up to **three** years of tuition. So I was really **stressed** about my application.

I probably wrote **six** or **seven** drafts of my essay before I thought it was **good** enough to submit. I asked my friends and family to **read it over** and give me **feedback**. I even **reached out to former teachers**³² to get their **opinion** on it.

I was so **nervous** when I finally **hit the submit button**³³. I had to wait **months** to **hear back**³⁴. But in the **end**, I actually **won** the scholarship. I could **hardly** believe it at first. When it **finally sank in**³⁵, I was **over the moon**.

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²⁹ on top of that: 除此之外 (更重要的是)

³⁰ the outline of the essay: 文章的大纲、提纲、框架

³¹ up against a lot of competition: 面对很多竞争对手

³² reached out to former teachers: 联系以前的老师们

³³ hit the submit button: 点击提交按钮

³⁴ hear back: 收到回复

³⁵ sank in: 明白过来了 雅思过过过淘宝店铺 原创



Describe a time when you made a decision to wait for something.

You should say: (注: 四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索, 不是让考生必须回答四小问)

- What you decided to wait for;
- What you did while you were waiting;
- How you felt while you were waiting;
- And explain why deciding to wait was a good decision.

6. 决意等待

One time I decided to **wait** for something was when I waited to watch a **show** with my best **friend**. **It sounds like a silly thing** to wait for, but my friend and I used to **live together** during university, and we had this **tradition** of watching the **same** show, Grey's Anatomy³⁶, **every week** **when a new episode came out**³⁷. Even after we **finished** university and got our **own** apartments, we still **made an effort to** get together **every week** to watch the **latest** episode.

As we got **busier** and **busier** with work and other **adult commitments**³⁸, it was **harder** to meet up **every week**. Sometimes we would go almost a **month** without seeing each other. We talked about **continuing** the show on our **own** and giving up the tradition, but in the end we decided to **wait** until we were able to watch **together**. Sometimes that meant **catching up on three or four episodes**³⁹ at once, but we always had a **great** time and **made a night of it**⁴⁰.

I think it was a **good** decision because **it forced us to make time for each other**⁴¹ despite our **busy** lives. I always worried about **growing apart from my friends as life got in the way**⁴², but with our Grey's Anatomy **viewing tradition**, I was able to ensure that **wouldn't** happen with **this** friend. We spend **more** time with each other now, even though we both have to **wait** a bit to watch our favorite show.

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³⁶ Grey's Anatomy: 《实习医生格蕾》

³⁷ when a new episode came out: 当新一集播出的时候

³⁸ adult commitments: 成年人需要做的事情

³⁹ catching up on three or four episodes: 一口气追着看三四集

⁴⁰ made a night of it: 看个通宵 © 雅認過過過淘寶店舖 原创

⁴¹ it forced us to make time for each other: 迫使我们为彼此挤出时间

⁴² growing apart from my friends as life got in the way: 随着时间的推移, 和朋友的关系渐行渐远



Describe a time when you saw a lot of plastic waste in a natural environment.

You should say: (注: 四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索, 不是让考生必须回答四小问)

When and where you saw this plastic waste;

How you think this plastic waste got there;

Why you noticed it;

And explain how you felt about seeing plastic waste in this natural environment.

7. 塑料垃圾

I'm going to talk about a lot of **plastic waste** that I saw at a **park** near my house. **If memory serves correctly**, this happened a few **weeks** ago. There's a **big** park near my house that often hosts big **events**, including **live** concerts. I **took a walk** there the **morning** after a concert. I **was shocked to see**⁴³ garbage littered **everywhere**. People had **left behind**⁴⁴ plastic **cups**, snack **wrappers** and so much more. I was so **upset** that people would be so **disrespectful**. I understand that at a **concert**, you're more focused on the **music** than finding a nearby garbage can. But **the least you can do is be mindful that**⁴⁵ you're in a **public** space.

Honestly, it was **impossible** not to notice all the waste. I was walking with a **friend** at the time, so we took **pictures** of it and **posted it on our social media**⁴⁶ encouraging people **not** to be so **thoughtless**⁴⁷. We even asked if anyone was free to come **help** us pick it up. Even though it **wasn't** our job to clean, it really **bothered** us and we wanted to **make a difference instead of just complaining about it**⁴⁸.

In the end, I **felt more sad than angry**⁴⁹. **It's just a shame that**⁵⁰ people **don't** care about natural spaces. They feel **comfortable** littering, which is **horrible**. I think that people need to **respect** the environment more. After all, a clean environment is **important** for **healthy** living.

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⁴³ was shocked to see: 惊讶的发现

⁴⁴ left behind: 遗留下...

⁴⁵ the least you can do is be mindful that: 至少你可以注意到

⁴⁶ posted it on our social media: 发到了社交媒体上

⁴⁷ thoughtless: 不顾及他人感受的

⁴⁸ make a difference instead of just complaining about it: 做出改变, 而不只是抱怨

⁴⁹ felt more sad than angry: 感到悲伤多过生气

⁵⁰ It's just a shame that: ...是很可惜的... 雅思过过过淘宝店铺 / 原创



Describe a time when you forgot an appointment (e.g. a doctor's appointment or meeting a friend)

You should say: (注：四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索，不是让考生必须回答四小问)

When and where the appointment was;

Why you forgot the appointment;

What happened after you forgot the appointment;

And explain how you felt about forgetting the appointment.

8. 失约

I'm going to talk about the time I forgot about a **dentist's** appointment. It was a **phone** appointment, so **I didn't even bother** writing it down or **putting it into the calendar app on my phone**. I just **assumed** that I would be **free** for **when the phone call was scheduled**⁵¹. That's the **benefit** of doctor's appointments that are over the **phone**; you don't have to **worry** about going to their **office**. However, **weeks** went by and I **totally** forgot about the call. @雅認過過過淘寶店鋪 原创

The **embarrassing** thing is that when the dentist's assistant finally **called** me, **I was out** with my friends. We were driving to the **mall** together and I **didn't** even have time to ask my friend who was driving to **pull over**⁵². The appointment had just **completely slipped my mind**⁵³. And since I **hadn't made a note of it anywhere**⁵⁴, there was **nothing** to remind me of it.

Anyway, I decided to **take the call** since it was important. Before I **picked up**⁵⁵, I quickly **explained** to my friends what was going on. They were **polite** enough to **not** pay too much attention to the call. I was **grateful** because I was discussing some pretty **personal** health information.

Even so, I felt **really** embarrassed about having a phone appointment with the **dentist** in front of my **friends**. I also felt **silly** for not setting any **reminders**. From then **on**, I made sure to put every **important** event into my phone's calendar. Now, I **have alerts set up before events** so I'll **never** forget again.

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⁵¹ when the phone call was scheduled: 当电话打过来的时候，当电话预约的时间到了的时候

⁵² pull over: 靠边停车 @雅認過過過淘寶店鋪 原创

⁵³ completely slipped my mind: 我完全忘记了

⁵⁴ hadn't made a note of it anywhere: 我没有在任何地方记下它

⁵⁵ picked up: 接起电话



Describe a time when someone gave you some money as a gift.

You should say: (注：四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索，不是让考生必须回答四小问)

Who gave you the money;

Why they gave it to you;

What you did with it;

And explain how you felt about receiving the money.

9. 收到钱作为礼物

One example I can think of at the moment is when my **uncle** gave me a **red envelope**⁵⁶ with one thousand yuan in **cash** for my graduation from **university**. **Don't get me wrong**⁵⁷, I mean, I got **loads of** red envelopes for my graduation from **relatives**. It's a kind of **Chinese custom**.

His **specific** experience just **popped up**⁵⁸ because it felt **most** meaningful. It was actually **a really sweet gesture**⁵⁹, at least in **my** opinion. He technically gave it to me **a week** after my graduation because he **couldn't** make the **celebration party** held by our family. He said he **felt bad for**⁶⁰ not making it and was giving me this gift because he was really **proud** of me.

In all honesty⁶¹, I was **surprised** when he **handed**⁶² me the envelope with so much cash in it. I said thank you **way too many** times; I honestly had **no** idea how to **respond** properly, but it was so **nice** of him. You see, my uncle and I aren't **that close**. He's a very **busy** lawyer and we don't see each other **too** often. More **importantly**, I think it was the **first** time my uncle actually told me he was **proud** of me. It made me feel **over the moon**.

Anyway, the money that I received was **extremely** helpful. I was able to buy several pieces of new **furniture** for my **new apartment**. Actually **I'm usually very good with my money**⁶³, and this was **no** exception. 雅总过过过淘宝店铺★原创

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⁵⁶ red envelope: 红包

⁵⁷ Don't get me wrong: 别误会，不要误解我的意思

⁵⁸ popped up: 让我突然想起来

⁵⁹ a really sweet gesture: 很让人开心的举动

⁶⁰ felt bad for: 为...感到难过

⁶¹ In all honesty: 老实说

⁶² handed: 递给我 雅总过过过淘宝店铺★原创

⁶³ I'm usually very good with my money: 我通常都很会用钱



Describe a problem you had when you bought something in a shop/store or online.

You should say: (注：四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索，不是让考生必须回答四小问)

What you bought;

Where and when you bought it;

What problem you had with it;

And explain how you felt about having this problem.

10. 糟糕的购物体验

One **problem** I had while shopping online was when I bought some **new jeans** from an **online** store that **didn't** fit at all.

My **best** friend had **recommended** this store to me, so I thought I should **give it a try**. I usually have **no** trouble buying jeans because I've been the **same** size **for most of my adult life**. Plus, I know what **styles** I like and what styles I hate. So I've **never had an issue**⁶⁴ buying clothes before.

I ended up **perusing the website**⁶⁵ for a **while** before ordering **three** different pairs of jeans, in the same **size** but in different **styles**, since I wanted a **variety** of options. The shipping time was **2 to 3** business days, so I waited about less than a **week** before they arrived. I was so **excited** when they arrived and I **tried them on right away**.

The **problem** is that they were all the **wrong** size! Although I had ordered the size that **normally** fits me at **other** stores, the sizing on these jeans was so **inaccurate** that two pairs were too **small** and one was too **big**, despite them all being the **same size** on the website. I was super **disappointed** and **sent them back for a refund**⁶⁶. The wait for the refund was **a pain in the neck**⁶⁷. It took me **two weeks** to get the refund. So it was really **a huge time waster**⁶⁸. **Safe to say**⁶⁹ I've avoided **online** shopping for **clothing** since then.

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⁶⁴ never had an issue: 从来没出过问题

⁶⁵ perusing the website: 浏览网站

⁶⁶ sent them back for a refund: 把牛仔裤寄回去要求退款

⁶⁷ a pain in the neck: 惹人讨厌的

⁶⁸ a huge time waster: 非常浪费时间

⁶⁹ Safe to say: 可以很肯定的说 ◆ 雅思过过过淘宝店铺 原创



Describe a time when you had to share something with another person or other people.

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What you had to share;

Who you had to share with;

Why you had to share;

And explain how you felt about sharing something with another person or other people.

11. 不得不与他人分享

I'm going to talk about the time I had to share a **phone charger** with someone. **If memory serves correctly**, this happened a few **years** ago. It was my **first** year of university and I was studying in the **library** for my first midterm. I found **a study space**, put in my headphones to listen to some **study** music, and got to **work**. © 雅思过过过淘宝店铺 原创

An hour or so later⁷⁰, I was **interrupted** by the student working next to me. She looked super **tired** and **stressed**, probably even **more** than I was. She said that she was **waiting for a ride back to her house**⁷¹. But **her phone had died**⁷² and she **couldn't** get a hold of the person picking her up⁷³. She asked to borrow my **charger**. I was still charging **my** phone, which was at **low** battery since I was listening to music. But she seemed like she **really** needed it, so I said she **could** use it for a while.

This meant that I had to **pause** my music so I wouldn't **waste my battery**⁷⁴. I was a little **annoyed** that I had to work in **silence** for the next half hour. But once the girl had her phone charged **more**, she gave me **back** the charger and thanked me **profusely**⁷⁵ for sharing it with her. I told her it was **no big deal** and I was **glad** I could help.

Even though I was a bit **inconvenienced**, **it was worth it** to help someone out. So I felt **good** that I could **share** my charger with her.

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⁷⁰ An hour or so later: 大约一小时后

⁷¹ waiting for a ride back to her house: 等人送她回家

⁷² her phone had died: 她的手机没电了

⁷³ couldn't get a hold of the person picking her up: 无法联系上接她的人

⁷⁴ waste my battery: 费电

⁷⁵ profusely: 大量地，这里指非常感激 © 雅思过过过淘宝店铺 原创



Describe a program that you enjoyed very much (e.g. on TV or the internet)

You should say: (注：四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索，不是让考生必须回答四小问)

What the programme was about;

Where you watched this programme;

Who you watched it with;

And explain why you enjoyed this programme so much.

12. 喜欢看的节目

I'm going to talk about an **online program** that I really like. It's called "**Just Eat It**⁷⁶," and it **came out** on **Bilibili**, which is a **Chinese** online video sharing platform. I **first** heard about this show on **social media**. One of my **friends** shared a video and **it caught my interest**⁷⁷. The **premise**⁷⁸ is that two guys **try food** at **different** price points. For example, in one of the videos they try **steam dumplings**⁷⁹ for **two yuan**, then they compare it to dumplings for a **hundred yuan**.

Since it's **an online series**⁸⁰, I really like watching it on my **cellphone** while I'm **relaxing** after work. Sometimes, if I'm watching it with **someone else**, I'll connect my phone to my **TV** and play it on a **bigger** screen. Actually, I've watched **all** the new episodes with the same friend who posted the video and **got me hooked on**⁸¹ the series **in the first place**⁸².

I **enjoy** this series because **it's an interesting look at**⁸³ how food can be transformed at **different** levels of cuisine. It's interesting to see how sometimes, a **simple** and **cheap** dish can taste **better** than a **fancy, expensive** dish. Plus, I **love** food. So it's **fun** watching this content and learning about **what goes into cooking certain dishes**⁸⁴.

My friend and I always get **hungry** after we watch the videos. So we usually order **food** or make some food **ourselves**, which is **fun**. **I'm glad we have this routine**.

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⁷⁶ **Just Eat It**: 《吃货请闭眼》(B站节目)

⁷⁷ **it caught my interest**: 引起了我的兴趣

⁷⁸ **Premise**: 节目设定

⁷⁹ **steam dumplings**: 蒸饺

⁸⁰ **an online series**: 线上系列节目

⁸¹ **got me hooked on**: 让我着迷, 吸引我 © 雅思过过过淘宝店铺 原创

⁸² **in the first place**: 最开始, 起初

⁸³ **it's an interesting look at**: ...是个有趣的角度

⁸⁴ **what goes into cooking certain dishes**: 如何烹饪某些菜肴



Describe an object that you think is very beautiful.

You should say: (注: 四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索, 不是让考生必须回答四小问)

- What the object is;
- Where you first saw the object;
- What it looks like;
- And explain how you feel about this beautiful object.

13. 漂亮物品

When it comes to an **object** that I think is very **beautiful**, I'm going to talk about a piece of **stained-glass**⁸⁵ **art** that my **friend** made. **If memory serves correctly**, she made this artwork a few **months** ago. My friend is very **talented**. She's currently a **student** at a **prestigious art school**⁸⁶, which means that she's constantly making **art** for her classes.

This assignment definitely **blew me away**⁸⁷. All the students had to **make an animal** out of stained-glass⁸⁸. So she decided to make a **butterfly**. The **wings** are made up of tiny, **different-colored** pieces of glass. When you **hold it up to the light**⁸⁹, the sun makes the glass **shimmer and sparkle**⁹⁰. She **showed** it to me when I came over to her house. She had hung it **up** over her kitchen window, so that the **natural** light could make it **shine**.

I was so **impressed**. Not only did the butterfly manage to **look lifelike**⁹¹, but **the way the sun lit it up made it seem like it was glowing**⁹². It looked so **magical**. I was **shocked** by how beautiful and delicate it was. **I gave my friend so much praise**. I told her I was really **proud** of her for making something so **gorgeous**.

Honestly, I was a little **jealous** when I saw it. I wish that **I could** make something **that** nice. But overall, I'm just **amazed** by this beautiful object. I hope my friend can make something like that for **me** one day. # 雅總過過過寸過過過寸 寶店舖™ - 原创

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⁸⁵ stained-glass: 彩色玻璃

⁸⁶ a prestigious art school: 一个著名的艺校

⁸⁷ blew me away: 让我很惊讶

⁸⁸ make an animal out of stained-glass: 用彩色玻璃做一个动物

⁸⁹ hold it up to the light: 在灯光下看它

⁹⁰ shimmer and sparkle: 闪闪发光

⁹¹ look lifelike: 看上去栩栩如生 # 雅總過過過寸過過過寸 寶店舖™ 原创

⁹² the way the sun lit it up made it seem like it was glowing: 在太阳光的照射下它看上去像在发光



Describe a photo you took that you are proud of.

You should say: (注：四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索，不是让考生必须回答四小问)

Who or what was in your photo;

When you took the photo;

Why you took it;

And explain why you are proud of this photo you took.

14. 引以为傲的照片

One photo that I feel **proud** of is a photo that I took while on **vacation** in southern **Spain**. I was traveling with my **sister** and we were visiting **Malaga**, which is **a coastal city**⁹³ in Spain. I took a photo of my **sister** at sunset on the beach, and it's one of her **favorite** photos of herself. My sister is very **insecure**⁹⁴ and she **doesn't like having her photo taken**⁹⁵, so for her to **like** this photo is **a big step**⁹⁶. I took the photo when she **wasn't looking**, because I knew if I asked her that she would **refuse** to take a photo. 雅思过过过淘宝店铺原创

I took the photo on a small **beach** near our hotel in Malaga, Spain. The beach **wasn't** very busy since we were traveling during the **off season**⁹⁷ rather than during **peak tourist season**⁹⁸. We had gone for a **walk** after dinner, and my sister stopped to **sit** on a piece of **driftwood**⁹⁹. I was about twenty feet **behind** her, and I **snapped** a few photos of her when she **wasn't** paying attention. I waited until the **next** day to show her the **best** photo after I **put it through some photo filters**¹⁰⁰, and she **couldn't** believe it. She loved it **so much**. She asked me to **send** it to her right away.

I didn't expect my sister to like that picture that much¹⁰¹. After all, she **rarely** likes taking pictures. So to be **recognized** by her makes me feel **very** proud.

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⁹³ a coastal city: 沿海城市

⁹⁴ insecure: 没有安全感

⁹⁵ doesn't like having her photo taken: 她不喜欢被拍照

⁹⁶ a big step: 一个很大的进步

⁹⁷ off season: 淡季

⁹⁸ peak tourist season: 旅游旺季

⁹⁹ driftwood: 旧干浮木 雅思过过过淘宝店铺原创

¹⁰⁰ put it through some photo filters: 用滤镜处理过 (修过图)

¹⁰¹ I didn't expect my sister to like that picture that much: 我没想到我姐姐会那么喜欢那张照片



Describe a place you went to do an outdoor activity.

You should say: (注: 四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索, 不是让考生必须回答四小问)

Where you went and when;

What outdoor activity you did at this place;

Why you did this outdoor activity;

And explain how you felt about doing the outdoor activity at this place.

15. 户外活动

I'm going to talk about a **park** where I did some **yoga** with my friend. **If memory serves correctly**, we started going to this park a few **months** ago. It's close to **both** of our houses, so it's **easy** for us to meet up there. Plus, the park is in a **quieter** part of the city, so it's **not** very crowded. It makes it **less intimidating**¹⁰² for us to work out in public.

The **last** time we went was a **week** ago. We brought our yoga **mats** so we wouldn't have to exercise on the **grass**. Then we **did a 20-minute yoga routine**¹⁰³ while breathing in the **fresh** air. The park is a beautiful **green** space where you can just **enjoy some peace and quiet**. It's definitely a **great backdrop**¹⁰⁴ while you're exercising.

My friend and I have been doing yoga for a **year** now. We tried a yoga **class** together, and **ever since** we've been **incorporating it into our daily routines**¹⁰⁵. It's an **awesome** way to improve your **flexibility** and **give you peace of mind**. When I'm doing the different yoga **poses**, I become **way more** relaxed. It helps relieve my **stress**. 雅認寸丹總淘主店舖 原创

Anyway, I'm **glad** that we could do yoga at the **park**. **Yoga is relaxing enough on its own**, but it's **even better when** you're surrounded by **nature**. There are **never** that many people at the park, so I don't have to worry about people **looking at** me. It's definitely the **perfect** place to exercise.

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¹⁰² less intimidating: 不那么胆怯

¹⁰³ did a 20-minute yoga routine: 做了 20 分钟的瑜伽

¹⁰⁴ great backdrop: 很好的背景, 很好的环境氛围

¹⁰⁵ incorporating it into our daily routines: 融入我们的日常生活中 雅認寸丹總淘主店舖 原创



Describe a film/movie you enjoyed and would like to see again.

You should say: (注: 四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索, 不是让考生必须回答四小问)

What the film/movie was;

When and where you see the film/movie;

What the film/movie was about;

And explain why you would like to see this film/movie again.

16. 喜欢并想再看一次的电影

One **movie** I watched recently that I would like to watch again is called “**About Time**.” This movie is a British **comedy-drama**, and it has **lots** of very famous actors in it. I downloaded this movie on my **laptop** and watched it with some **friends**, and we **all** loved it.

The film tells the story of a **man** who turns **twenty-one**, and his **father** reveals a **family secret** to him: the men in their family can **travel in time**¹⁰⁶. The man is of course **skeptical**¹⁰⁷, but he quickly discovers that it's **true**, and he uses this power to find **true love**. The love story is **intertwined with**¹⁰⁸ elements of **family** drama and comedy, and by the **end** of the film the audience really cares about **every single character**.

I would watch this movie again for a few **reasons**: the **acting** is excellent, and **the setting is beautiful**¹⁰⁹ as most of the film **is shot in Cornwall**, a county in England. Plus, the movie is pretty **emotional**, which I liked because it made it more **believable**. The writing is also **fantastic**; the characters are very **witty** and **have excellent banter**¹¹⁰. I think that watching it again would be a **good way to pick up on nuances I may have missed the first time**¹¹¹. Even though I only watched the movie **recently**, I have already started recommending it to **family** and **friends** because **it was that good**.

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¹⁰⁶ travel in time: 时空旅行 oo----→雅認過過過過過 賣店舖 原创

¹⁰⁷ skeptical: 质疑的

¹⁰⁸ intertwined with: 与...交织在一起

¹⁰⁹ the setting is beautiful: 背景、布景很美

¹¹⁰ have excellent banter: 有很棒的搞笑对白

¹¹¹ pick up on nuances I may have missed the first time: 注意到我第一次看时候错过的细节



Describe a novel or a story that you thought was particularly interesting.

You should say: (注: 四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索, 不是让考生必须回答四小问)

Why you read the novel story;

What the novel/story was about;

How long it took you to read it;

And explain why you thought this novel/story was so interesting.

17. 有趣的小说/故事

I'm going to talk about a novel called *Cloud Atlas*. It's by an American author named **David Mitchell**. It's a pretty **famous** novel. It even got turned into a **movie** starring **Tom Hanks**, who's a **household name** in our country. I actually decided to read the **book** after watching the movie. I thought the movie was **great**, but everyone told me that the book was even **better**. That definitely **intrigued**¹¹² me, so I **bought a copy** for myself.

The story is **kind of complicated** to explain. It's actually **six** different stories that are **interconnected** and **take place across six different time periods**. So there are six different **main characters**. But the main character always **reads** or **knows** about the story of the person who came **before** them in the chain of stories. It's **really** interesting. Once you get to the **last** person in the chain, it goes **backwards** until you're back to the **first** character. It's a very **unique** story structure that makes you think about **reincarnation**¹¹³ and **how even though people can come from different backgrounds, their experiences are very similar**¹¹⁴.

It's a **very long** book. It's over **500** pages! I'm **not** the fastest reader, so it took me **two weeks** to finish it. But I was really **engaged in**¹¹⁵ the story. I thought the structure was super **compelling**¹¹⁶. It made me so **eager** to figure out **what** would happen to each character. And the way that their stories **tied** together in the end was **amazing**. So I think that **the unique approach to storytelling** really kept me **interested**.

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¹¹² intrigued: 着迷的, 吸引我的

¹¹³ reincarnation: 轮回, 转世

¹¹⁴ how even though people can come from different backgrounds, their experiences are very similar: 怎么会即便人们的背景不同, 却都有着相似的宿命

¹¹⁵ engaged in: 沉浸其中

¹¹⁶ compelling: 吸引人的, 扣人心弦的



Describe the home of somebody who you know well.

You should say: (注: 四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索, 不是让考生必须回答四小问)

Whose home this is;

How often you go there;

What this home looks like;

And explain how you feel about this person's home.

18. 熟人的家

I'm going to talk about the **home** of my **mom's** friend's house. I go there **once** or **twice** a month, since my mom likes going there **often** and sometimes invites me to **come along with her**. My mom's friend's name is **Rachel**. She **took a great liking to**¹¹⁷ gardening after her **retirement**, which means that she has one of the most **beautiful** yards I've ever seen. She grows **all** kinds of flowers, which makes her front yard **look like an enchanted forest**¹¹⁸. There are **varieties** of flowers that I didn't even know **existed** until I saw them at her place. 雅总过过过淘宝店铺 原创

Actually, Rachel's front yard **isn't** the only **pretty** thing about her house. Her house has **a very sleek, modern design**¹¹⁹. Most of the walls are **white**, but there are **gorgeous** paintings and unique pieces of furniture that **add nice pops of color**¹²⁰. Plus, Rachel always has **vases** of flowers everywhere, which makes the house smell **sweet**.

Her **kitchen** is probably the **nicest** room in the house. It has a **big window** facing the front yard, so **there's lots of natural light**¹²¹ and you can admire all the outdoor **flowers** too. Unlike the **rest** of the house, the walls are painted a light **green**. She has **decorations** that **make it feel like you're standing outside**, even though you're in the kitchen. **It's truly amazing to see**.

Anyway, I think Rachel's sense of style is really **envious**¹²². She always makes her house look **beautiful**. So I **love** going to Rachel's house. 雅总过过过淘宝店铺 原创

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¹¹⁷ took a great liking to: 非常喜欢...

¹¹⁸ look like an enchanted forest: 像一个魔法森林

¹¹⁹ a very sleek, modern design: 设计非常时髦现代

¹²⁰ add nice pops of color: 添加了各种漂亮的色彩

¹²¹ there's lots of natural light: 有很多自然光进来 雅总过过过淘宝店铺 原创

¹²² enviable: 让人羡慕的



Describe a part of your country that you would recommend to visitors.

You should say: (注: 四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索, 不是让考生必须回答四小问)

Which part of your country you would recommend;

How you know about this part of your country;

Whether many visitors go there;

And explain why you would recommend this part of your country to visitors.

19. 推荐旅游的地方

Well, I'd like to recommend the **unique** city next to **Hong Kong**. It's called **Macau**. It's the most **entertaining** city in China. People also refer to it as **the Oriental Las Vegas**¹²³. It fits the city **properly** because it's the only Chinese city that allows **gambling**. **If memory serves correctly**, 3 years ago, I took a plane to Macau with my **parents**. We stayed in that small city for an **entire** week.

In fact, it's a place I had planned to visit for **ages**. The city **came with glowing recommendations from**¹²⁴ my best friend **Penny**, who was there before. Macau **didn't let us down**¹²⁵. We **had a blast**¹²⁶ travelling there just like Penny promised.

It's a **fun** city for sure. The buildings and entertainment facilities there are **stunning**, especially the **casinos**¹²⁷. We visited the **biggest** casino there, and the **decorations** and **layout**¹²⁸ inside look **magnificent**. Even if you **don't** like gambling, you can still have a **blast** there. For example, the Macau Tower is **an iconic building**¹²⁹ where you can **enjoy a panoramic view of the city**¹³⁰. If you're **brave** enough, you can also **go bungee jumping**¹³¹ there. Or, if you're **foodie**¹³², you have to try the **various** Chinese and Western **desserts** in Macau.

Macau is truly a city that exists for **entertainment** and **tourism**. If **possible**, I would love to visit there **again** next year during the holidays. I hope I can go with some **friends** who've **never** been there.

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¹²³ the Oriental Las Vegas: 东方的拉斯维加斯

¹²⁴ came with glowing recommendations from: 来自...的强烈推荐

¹²⁵ let us down: 让我们失望

¹²⁶ had a blast: 玩的很开心

¹²⁷ casinos: 赌场

¹²⁸ layout: 布局

¹²⁹ an iconic building: 一个标志性建筑

¹³⁰ enjoy a panoramic view of the city: 鸟瞰整座城市

¹³¹ go bungee jumping: 蹦极

¹³² foodie: 吃货 せ雅總寸寸過過過 寶店鋪 原创



Describe a popular place for playing sport (e.g. a stadium, a sports center) that you know about.

You should say: (注：四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索，不是让考生必须回答四小问)

Where this place for playing sport is;

How you know about this place;

Whether you have visited this place;

And explain why you think this place for playing sport is popular.

20. 运动场所

Well, I'd like to talk about **Yankee Stadium**¹³³ in New Jersey, in the **United States**. Yankee Stadium is one of the **largest** and most **popular** sports stadiums in the world. It is most often used for **baseball** games, but it can also be used for outdoor **concerts** or **other** events. I first went to Yankee Stadium when I was **seven** years old and my family took a trip to **New York**. My dad is **a huge baseball fan**, so we had to see a **game** at Yankee Stadium. He was more **excited** about that than about **any other** part of the trip.

Even though this trip was almost **twenty** years ago, **I still remember it vividly**. The stadium was **hands down the biggest** place I had ever been to¹³⁴, and I couldn't believe **how many thousands of people**¹³⁵ **fit inside it to**¹³⁶ watch the game. I **didn't** understand very much about **baseball** at the time, so I **don't** actually remember who was playing or even who won the game. I **do** remember that there were lots of **snacks**, people **cheering**, and even a couple **home runs**¹³⁷!

Although I haven't been to this stadium for **many** years, I believe it has always been a **favorite** place for **baseball fans** to go. Now that the stadium is said to have been **renovated**¹³⁸, I hope I can go watch a game sometime in the **future**, and I'm sure it will be a **brand-new** experience¹³⁹.

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¹³³ Yankee Stadium: 洋基体育场

¹³⁴ hands down the biggest place I had ever been to: 无疑是我去过最大的地方

¹³⁵ many thousands of people: 成千上万的人

¹³⁶ fit inside it to: 容纳进去 (这么多人)

¹³⁷ home runs: 全垒打

¹³⁸ renovated: 翻新 © 雅思过过过淘宝店铺 原创

¹³⁹ brand-new experience: 全新的体验



Describe someone from another culture(e.g. a friend, a teacher) who you enjoy spending time with.

You should say: (注：四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索，不是让考生必须回答四小问)

Who this person is;

What his/her cultural background is;

When and where you met this person;

And explain why you enjoy spending time with this person from another culture.

21. 认识的不同文化的人

One person I know from a different culture is my friend **Kinga**, who is **Polish**. Kinga grew up in **Poland** and then came to China as an **international student** for university, **which is where she and I met**. She's from a city in Poland called **Warsaw¹⁴⁰**, which is the **capital** of her country. Kinga is **very proud of her Polish heritage¹⁴¹**; she told me a **lot** of Polish **stories** and loves to make Polish **food** like **borscht and pierogies¹⁴²**. She has actually taught me **how** to make pierogies, which are like **the Polish version of dumplings**.

Anyway, Kinga and I met for the first time at the **cafeteria** on our campus. She had a **problem** talking to the **cashier** as **her Mandarin was very broken¹⁴³** at the time. I happened to be next to her in the line so I **helped her out** by interpreting for her. She was **grateful** that I **gave her a hand¹⁴⁴** and we had **lunch** together. I learned that Kinga was still very **new** to China and **hadn't** met very many people yet. She was **super** nice so I was **happy** to hang out with her. We **ended up becoming** **close friends** after that first meeting, and I still keep in touch with her on **social media**.

Actually Kinga is the **first** foreign friend that I made. I learned a **lot** about **different cultures** from her. **I'm very happy that she is in my life**.

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¹⁴⁰ Warsaw: 华沙 (波兰首都)

¹⁴¹ very proud of her Polish heritage: 为自己的波兰血统感到骄傲

¹⁴² borscht and pierogies: 罗宋汤和 波兰饺子

¹⁴³ her Mandarin was very broken: 她的普通话说得很不好

¹⁴⁴ gave her a hand: 帮帮她。 雅思过过过淘宝店铺原创



Describe a person you know who enjoys dressing well.

You should say: (注: 四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索, 不是让考生必须回答四小问)

Who the person is;

What job/studies he person does;

What sort of clothes the person wears;

And explain why you think this person enjoys dressing well.

22. 喜欢打扮的人

I'm going to talk about my cousin **Jeff**. He's always been a really **fashionable** guy. It surprises some people because in **general**, young **men** don't seem to care **that much** about their **clothing**. But **Jeff is definitely the exception**. **If memory serves correctly**, Jeff started dressing really **stylishly** when he went to **high school**. He wanted to **stand out among his classmates**¹⁴⁵. So he decided that he would put a lot of **effort** into his looks. He started following different **fashion trends**, then he even **branched out and did his own thing**¹⁴⁶. Honestly, I was impressed by how **good** he looked. ● 雅認過過過淘寶店鋪 原创

It was clear early on that he **really** enjoyed dressing well. It wasn't just to impress **other** people. He ended up studying **fashion** and **business** in university. Then he actually got a job as a **stylist**. It's so **cool** how he managed to **turn his passion into a career**.

As for **what** kind of clothes he wears, he usually prefers wearing **streetwear**¹⁴⁷. You know, he has **baggy jeans**¹⁴⁸ and unique **graphic** tees. I remember he has a pair of bright orange **cargo pants**¹⁴⁹ that look **amazing** on him. And he always makes it unique by wearing **cool, flashy** accessories.

I think he **enjoys** dressing well because it makes him feel more **confident**. As a **stylist**, he says that his mission is to help **other** people feel confident too. I think that's a really **admirable** goal. I'm **proud** to be his cousin.

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¹⁴⁵ stand out among his classmates: 在同学当中很显眼, 脱颖而出

¹⁴⁶ branched out and did his own thing: 他甚至(在学到的东西基础上)继续拓展, 加入自己的想法

¹⁴⁷ streetwear: 街头服饰, 雅認過過過淘寶店鋪 原创

¹⁴⁸ baggy jeans: 垮裤, 大而宽松的牛仔褲

¹⁴⁹ cargo pants: 工装褲, 大口袋的褲子



Describe a person you know who enjoys growing plants (e.g. flowers, vegetables, fruit trees)

You should say: (注：四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索，不是让考生必须回答四小问)

How you know this person;

What plants this person enjoys growing;

Where this person grows plants;

And explain why you think this person enjoys growing these plants.

23. 喜欢种植物的人

One person who loves to grow plants is my friend **Colleen**. Colleen has always **had a green thumb**¹⁵⁰, and you can tell when you step into her **home**. There are plants **everywhere** and the space is very **bright** due to all of the **natural light**¹⁵¹.

She has **many** different plants, including **a snake plant, a pothos, and a ficus**¹⁵². Those are just her **indoor** plants; outside, she has **lavender, rosemary and sage**¹⁵³. I'm sure she has **other** plants too, those are just the ones I can **remember**.

Colleen has **different** plants indoors and outdoors because some plants do **better** indoors **and vice versa**¹⁵⁴. Actually she has done plenty of **research** on plants, so she knows which ones to keep **inside**. The **snake** plant, for example, is accustomed to **warmer** climates, so if left **outside** it could **become damaged by the cold**¹⁵⁵.

Anyway, I've always been **jealous** of Colleen since I **love** plants, but I **don't** have a green thumb like she does. So **my plant adventures are always unsuccessful**¹⁵⁶. She is a **great** friend though, because she **promised** me that she would **propagate**¹⁵⁷ a **new** plant for me from her pothos plant! I **can't** wait, and hopefully I will manage to keep this one **alive**. I'm a bit **scatterbrained**¹⁵⁸, so in the past I've **forgotten** to water my plants. Colleen on the other hand is very **organized**, which is **why** she is **able** to take care of so many plants.

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¹⁵⁰ had a green thumb: 擅长园艺

¹⁵¹ natural light: 自然光

¹⁵² a snake plant, a pothos, and a ficus: 虎尾兰、绿萝、榕树

¹⁵³ lavender, rosemary and sage: 薰衣草、迷迭香、鼠尾草

¹⁵⁴ and vice versa: 反之亦然 ◆ 雅总锅锅锅淘宝店铺原创

¹⁵⁵ become damaged by the cold: 被冻坏

¹⁵⁶ my plant adventures are always unsuccessful: 我种花总是失败

¹⁵⁷ propagate: 繁殖

¹⁵⁸ scatterbrained: 浮躁的



Describe a person who inspired you to do something interesting

You should say: (注：四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索，不是让考生必须回答四小问)

Who the person is;

What interesting thing you did;

How this person inspired you to do this thing;

And explain how you felt after this person inspired you to do something interesting.

24. 激励你做有趣事情的人

I'm going to talk about the time my friend **Jonah** inspired me to **try my hand at**¹⁵⁹ **horseback riding**. **If memory serves correctly**, this was **several years** ago. It was the **summer** after my **first** year of high school. My friend Jonah invited me to go to **summer camp** with him. Jonah and I met at **school**, and we'd gotten **closer** over the school year. He was a really **enthusiastic, outgoing** person who always wanted to try **new** things. Since he was so **passionate** about summer camp, I decided to go **along** with him. 88雅德过过过淘宝店铺 原创

The camp was a few hours away, far from the city¹⁶⁰. There were lots of **outdoor activities** to do, like **swimming, canoeing, obstacle courses**¹⁶¹, and more. But Jonah was the most interested in **horseback riding**. **I'm not a huge fan of** animals, especially **big** ones that can **do some serious damage** if you **spook**¹⁶² them. So I wasn't **too** thrilled when Jonah suggested that we **sign up**. He told me that it was possibly a **once-in-a-lifetime**¹⁶³ chance to try this unique activity.

The way he **described** it actually made me want to **try** it. After all, living in the **city** you don't get many chances to ride **horses**. So I **overcame my fear and tried it out**. It was actually an **amazing** experience. The horse was very **calm** and I **loved** being able to ride it around the campground. I'm glad I **listened** to Jonah and tried something **new**. せ雅德过过过淘宝店铺 原创

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¹⁵⁹ try my hand at: 尝试...

¹⁶⁰ The camp was a few hours away, far from the city: 营地离市区有几个小时车程

¹⁶¹ obstacle courses: (户外) 障碍赛

¹⁶² spook: (动物) 受惊 88雅德过过过淘宝店铺 原创

¹⁶³ once-in-a-lifetime: 千载难逢的机会



Describe a friend from childhood who you remember very well.

You should say: (注: 四小问的作用是提供可参考的线索, 不是让考生必须回答四小问)

Who the friend is;

How you met him/her;

What you used to do together;

And explain why you remember this childhood friend so well.

25. 童年玩伴

I'm going to talk about my childhood friend **David**. **If memory serves correctly**, we met when we were **five** years old. His family moved into the house **next to** mine. So we got to spend a **lot** of time together. We would always **play** together and **hang out** whenever we could. We were honestly the **best** of friends. We also went to the same **elementary** school. We took the **bus** together and we would **enjoy** playing at school. When we got **home**, we would hang out until it was time for **dinner**. Sometimes, he came over to my house for **dinner**, **and vice versa**. 雅恩過過過淘寶店鋪 / 原创

David and I **were like two peas in a pod**¹⁶⁴. We had a **lot** of the same interests, but we also had some **major differences**¹⁶⁵. **Whereas**¹⁶⁶ David was really **friendly** and **outgoing**, I was **quiet** and **shy**. But I think that **our differences complemented each other**¹⁶⁷. You know, if we were **too** similar, we **would've gotten on each other's nerves**¹⁶⁸.

As for **why** I remember him so well, he was **such a big part of my childhood**¹⁶⁹. And while some childhood friends eventually **grow apart**¹⁷⁰, the two of us stayed in **touch**. Even now, he's **still** one of my closest friends. We don't talk as **much** as we used to, but I could **never** forget someone like David. I've made so many **great** memories with him. He's such a **kind** and **wonderful** person. **I hope our friendship never ends**¹⁷¹. 雅恩過過過淘寶店鋪 / 原创

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¹⁶⁴ were like two peas in a pod: 像豆类里的两颗豆子一样 (形容很多地方都一样)

¹⁶⁵ major differences: 很大的不同

¹⁶⁶ Whereas: 表达转折, 然而 (注意 whereas 可以放句首)

¹⁶⁷ our differences complemented each other: 我们之间差异互补

¹⁶⁸ would've gotten on each other's nerves: 我们会让对方觉得心烦的

¹⁶⁹ such a big part of my childhood: 我童年的重要组成部分

¹⁷⁰ grow apart: 渐行渐远 雅恩過過過淘寶店鋪 / 原创

¹⁷¹ I hope our friendship never ends: 希望我们的友谊永远不会消逝