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“Anna is two years my elder.” 安娜比我大两岁。“She is four months my younger” 她比我小四个月。

这是一种比较现代的说法，当然我们平时都会讲 “Anna is two years older than me” 和 “She is four months younger than me.” 但其实外国人都都会用前者多一些的。

“the majority of the girls were content discussing about how handsome or how affluent their boyfriends were.” 女孩子们都在热烈地讨论他们的男朋友有多帅。

这是现代英语的另一个特征，就是外国人在口头上都常常会省略掉介词。这里就把 were content with discussing 的 with 去掉了。这在口语上是完全没问题的，但大家在写作中就尽量要避免哦。

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1: 喜欢穿的衣服（新题）

Describe a piece of clothing that you enjoy wearing most.

You should say:

What it looks like

How often you wear it

When and where you got it

and explain why you enjoy wearing this piece of clothing so much.

I have a particular piece of clothing which I enjoy wearing as it is very special to me. It is a woollen sweater which my grandmother knitted it for me, and so cannot be found in any old store. She knitted the sweater for me when I was a very young child. It is red with fine stitching and there are some special patterns embroidered on the sleeves.

When I was a child, the sweater was far too large for me, as my grandmother knew it would last a long time and that I would grow into it. My parents used to laugh a lot at how silly I looked with this huge sweater on. Everywhere I would walk, my sleeves would drag behind me because they were too long. I used to laugh as well, so this sweater always fills me with joy whenever I wear it. Nowadays, it fits me well and I wear it almost every day in winter until it becomes too warm to do so.

I enjoy wearing this sweater so much because it is very warm and well made by my grandmother. It has protected me from the cold for many winters, and I am sure it will continue to do so for many more to come. Furthermore, whenever I wear the sweater, I think of my grandmother whom I love very much. I think clothing is far more special when it has been given to you as a gift from a loved one, and even more special when they have made that gift themselves. My one regret is that I have put on some weight recently and the sweater doesn't fit me so well anymore.

中文思路:

我有一件特别喜欢穿的衣服，它对我来说很特别。这是一件羊毛衫，它不是买来的，是奶奶给我织的。奶奶在我很小的时候就为我织了这件毛衣，是一件织得很好的红色毛衣。袖子上还有一些特别的花纹。

当我还是个孩子的时候，这件毛衣对我来说是非常大的，因为我的祖母知道它会穿很长时间，而且我会长大。我父母过去常常嘲笑我穿这件大毛衣看起来有多傻。无论走到哪里，我的袖子总是拖在身后，因为它们太长了。我过去也经常笑，所以每当我穿这件毛衣的时候，它总是让我充满喜悦。现在它非常合身，我几乎每天冬天都穿，直到天气变得太热而不能穿为止。

我很喜欢穿这件毛衣，因为它很暖和，而且是我祖母做的。它已经保护我在许多冬天免受寒冷，我相信它在未来会继续这样。此外，每当我穿上毛衣都会想起祖母，我非常爱她。我认为当你所爱的人把衣服作为礼物送给你时，它会显得特别得多，而当他们自己亲手做了这件礼物时，它会显得更加特别。我唯一的遗憾是最近体重增加了，这件毛衣不太合身了。

2: 童年游戏（新题）

Describe a game you enjoyed playing when you were younger.

You should say:

What it was

Where you played it

Who you played this game with

And explain why you enjoyed playing this game.

Well, a game I just loved to play in my childhood, just so happens to be basketball. I grew up playing basketball at the school courts-when I was in junior high. I used to play every weekend with my best classmates in our school's sports stadium. Usually, we would form groups of around 12 people that wanted to play - so 5 or 6 people on each team. To make the games shorter, we liked to play "first to 20 points". Basically, this means that the first team to hit 20 points won the game. Then, we would just start again from zero, and keep going like this until our time had run out.

I love playing basketball because it's just a great way to relax, and a good workout too! I feel accomplished whenever I break through the opponent's defense or make perfect shots. Basketball is very popular, so it helps me to quickly fit into new environments. I often got familiar with my schoolmates by playing basketball at a new school.

I have been under pressure recently to graduate and further my education, and nowadays only have a little time to play basketball. But I am still keen on it and will continue playing when possible.

中文思路:

小时候我最喜欢的游戏就是篮球。篮球伴随着我长大，我经常在学校的球场上打篮球。后来上了初中，每个周末我都和我的同学去我们学校的体育馆里面打球。通常我们有 12 个人左右，所以每队有 5 到 6 个人。为了缩短比赛时间，我们定下了规则是先得到 20 分的胜利。然后，我们从 0 开始，一直这样，直到时间耗尽。

我喜欢打篮球，是因为这是一种放松的好方法，也是一种很好的锻炼方式！当我在运动场上突破对手的防守，投篮命中的时候，我会非常有成就感。同时，篮球作为一种接受度高的游戏，能帮我快速融入新环境。每当我来到新的学校，篮球这种团队游戏会让我和其他同学迅速熟悉起来。

最近几年，我已经很少打篮球了。毕业和升学的压力让我把更多精力投入到了学习中。但我始终觉得自己对于篮球的热情并没有减少，未来有机会的话，我还是会继续打球的。

3: 让你失望的电影（新题）

Describe a film you saw recently that you found disappointing.

You should say:

What kind of film it was

What it was about

Why you decided to watch this film

And explain why you found this film disappointing.

During my winter holiday, I watched the movie La La Land as my roommate Anna had recommended it to me. According to her, it was such a moving story that she burst into tears several times while watching it. I googled it and learned that the film had received a lot of Oscar nominations and won many awards. I quickly downloaded it to watch, but it came as a disappointment to me. I can't understand how Anna grew so fond of it.

La La Land is a romance movie which follows an ordinary waitress at a cafe who dreams of becoming an actress. Later, she comes across the hero of the story, and the two have good on-screen chemistry between them. However, as their relationship becomes complicated due to their personal ambitions, they ultimately go their separate ways, sacrificing their love for their dreams. Copy right by An Xiao Ya.

I admit that it's a touching love story, but in my opinion, it was more a musical than a movie. What disappoints me most is that it was made with too much music and dancing. The filmmakers tried to replace dialogue with dances and music in order to better express what the protagonists wanted to say. Unfortunately, this kind of art is totally beyond my comprehension. Every time the music started playing, I quickly grew bored and annoyed. La La Land might be a good movie for some, but not for me.

中文思路:

就在放寒假的时候，我在舍友 Anna 的推荐下看了《爱乐之城》。我舍友说这部电影实在是太好看太感人了，她看电影的过程中不由自主的哭了好几次。我上网查了查，发现这部电影拿了好多奥斯卡奖。于是我迅速下载了这部电影，但看完之后我对它有点失望。我不理解为什么 Anna 这么喜欢这部电影。

爱乐之城是一部爱情片，电影的女主人公是个普通的咖啡店员工，但一直尝试成为一名演员。在这个过程中她认识了男主，两个人迅速相爱了。由于爱情和梦想无法兼顾，他们最终成就了自己的梦想，但却没有走到最后。

我承认这是个动人的爱情故事，但在我看来，它更像是一部音乐剧。令我失望的点在于电影中掺杂了太多的音乐和舞蹈。这部电影尝试用舞蹈和音乐来代替语言，从而呈现出主角想表达的意思。但很遗憾，我完全不能理解这种艺术手法。每当音乐响起的时候，我就会感到无聊和厌倦。爱乐之城是一部好电影，只是不太适合我而已。

4: 有用的发明（新题）

Describe an invention which is very useful in your daily life.

You should say:

What it is

What you use it for

Is it easy to use

And explain why it is very useful in your daily life.

I think air conditioning is one of the world's greatest inventions. I live in the south of China, and it gets very hot in the summertime! I keep the air conditioning running for more than two-thirds of the year, or else I would easily become irritated and impatient.

The main function of the air conditioner is, of course, to cool down the room. No matter how sweltering it is outside, as long as the air conditioner is turned on, the indoor temperature will remain at about 26 degrees, which is the most suitable temperature for the human body. It is very easy to use an air conditioner. All I need to do is to press its switch, and then the temperature in the room will drop quickly.

Many of the older generations think that it is unhealthy and uncomfortable to stay long in an air-conditioned room. They probably prefer electric fans. However, many young people, myself among them, consider air-conditioning as a vital item that we couldn't live without. I can still remember that one night when the power went out and I was awakened by the heat and could not fall asleep again. The only thing I could do was to take a cold shower and stand out on the balcony for the breeze.

Nowadays, air-conditioning makes our working and living environment more comfortable. Food factories need low temperature environments to ensure the freshness of food, and to avoid affecting its shelf life. In the office, air-conditioning makes employees more efficient. Air-conditioning may seem mundane, but it is no doubt one of the most useful inventions in our daily life.

中文思路:

我认为空调是一项对世界极其有利的发明。我生活在南方，那里的夏天实在是太热了！一年超过三分之二的时间，我都需要使用它。不然我会热的无法思考。

空调的主要作用当然是降温，他能让炎热的夏天变得凉爽起来。无论外面有多热，只要打开空调，室内就会保持在 26 度，这是最适合人体的温度。空调使用起来非常方便，我只需要按下开关，大约十分钟后，屋里的温度就会立刻降下来。

很多老一辈觉得一直吹空调是不健康而且不舒服的，相比之下他们更喜欢风扇。但在我们年轻人眼里，如果离开了空调，我想我的生活将会无法继续下去。我记得有一次半夜停电，我在睡梦中被热醒，然后再也没有睡着。我只能去洗个冷水澡，然后站在阳台上吹风。

空调让我们工作，生活的环境变得更舒适。如果一间食品加工厂无法控制车间的温度，那它就无法生产出合格的食物。在办公室中，空调使得员工的工作效率更高。空调看起来再平凡不过，但不可否认它是我们生活中最有用的发明之一。

5: 印象深刻的汽车旅行（新题）

Describe a car journey you made that you remember well.

You should say:

When it was

Who was with you

How long the journey took

and explain why you remember this car journey so well.

On a recent week, I decided to drive to Mawei Island with my family on vacation. Every one of us has been very enthusiastic about this trip because we haven't been able to travel for a long time due to the strict policy of COVID-19.

Though I just got my driver license several months ago, I had a knack for driving. It took us almost four hours to drive from Guangzhou to Mawei Island. When we looked up to the sky, we saw a rainbow, a masterpiece of rain and the sun. We stopped and took pictures along the way because it was so different from the urban scene. I think that's the fun of a car journey. We can arrange our own schedule and stop at any time to see the scenery alongside.

In the late afternoon, we reached the top of a hill on the island and wanted to enjoy the sunset. The scene was delightful and beautiful! The sky slowly changed from blue to red then purple. I could not stop taking lots of pictures while watching the marvelous and fascinating sky. We only had one night on Mawei Island since my parents couldn't take a long vacation, but it was an unforgettable memory for us even though it was so short. We left the next afternoon.

中文思路:

不久前的周末,我决定和家人开车去马尾岛度假。因为疫情的原因,我的家人已经很久没有出去旅行了。大家都对这次旅行充满了期待。

虽然我几个月前才拿到驾照,但我已经很会开车了,从广州开车到马尾岛花了我们将近四个小时。当我们沿着公路驶向岛上的山丘时,雨停了一会儿,太阳又出来了。就在这时,我抬头看到了彩虹,这是雨和太阳的杰作。因为近些年空气污染严重,能看到彩虹真的是一件很幸运的事。我们沿途不停的停下车拍照,因为一路上有和城市截然不同的风情。我认为这就是汽车旅行的乐趣。我们可以安排自己的行程,随时停下来看看旁边的风景。淘 宝 店 铺: 安 小 雅。

傍晚时分,我们到达了岛上的一处山顶,想要欣赏落日。景色是令人愉快和美丽的!看着天空慢慢从蓝色变成红色,再变成紫色。我一边看那奇妙而迷人的天空,一边情不自禁地拍了很多照片。因为我的父母没有很长的假期。我们在马尾岛住了一晚,第二天下午就返程了。虽然这趟旅行很短,但这是我的家人近年来难忘的记忆。

6: 新开的商店（新题）

Describe a new shop that has opened in your city.

You should say:

Where it is

What it sells

Who goes shopping there

And explain how successful you think this new shop will be.

A few months ago, a new Hema supermarket opened near my home. The supermarket is located on the lower floor of the bus terminal and near the subway station. I pass this supermarket every time I take the subway home.

This fresh food supermarket is a real hit with the young crowd. It's got all the regular supermarket items, plus a great selection of live seafood. And if you don't know how to cook, they'll even prepare it for you, so you can have a delicious seafood feast in no time. Plus, Hema has got some amazing homemade cakes and desserts that are really yummy and super affordable.

The grand opening of the Hema turned out to be quite an occasion for residents nearby. With much anticipation and expectation, they packed the spot in high spirits the entire day.

I live by the river in a suburb. Beautiful as it is, the region had long been plagued by the lack of decent places to shop and dine. A few snack bars and convenience stores were all that was available in my neighborhood. Whenever I felt the urge or had the need to buy something, I had to make inconvenient journeys by subway to shopping malls several miles away. It had also always been my mom's wish that we had a supermarket close by. Today, it is just a few minutes' walk away, and I can have whatever food I fancy sent to my door from the retailer by using one of the delivery apps if I don't feel like going outside. Needless to say, the supermarket has been a real boon to residents in the surrounding area. I assume it has to be a very prosperous and successful business.

中文思路:

几个月前，我家附近新开了一家盒马鲜生超市。这所超市位于汽车客运站的负一层，并且靠近地铁站。我每次坐地铁回家都会路过这间超市。

这是一所非常受年轻人喜爱的生鲜超市。除了普通超市的日常货品之外，它会贩售不同种类的生猛海鲜。如果你不会做饭，购买后还可以选择现场加工。不一会儿你就能享受到一桌丰盛的海鲜大餐。除此之外，盒马超市还会售卖一些自制的蛋糕和甜品，它们都非常美味，而且价格也不贵。

超市开业那天，在周边引起了巨大的轰动，人气异常火爆。周边的居民都对这间超市充满了期待。

我家住在城市郊区的江边，虽然风景优美，但是一直以来都缺少商业设施。我家楼下只有一些小吃店和小型的便利店。当我想买点什么的时候，只能坐地铁去几公里外的商场，这非常的不方便。我妈妈也一直希望我家附近能有一座大型超市。现在，我只需要步行几分钟就能到达盒马超市。不想出门的时候，我可以用外卖软件点到任何我想吃的食物。这家商店极大的提升了周边居民的幸福感。我想它的生意一定会越来越好的。

7: 印象深刻的儿时经历（新题）

Describe a happy experience you remember very well from your childhood.

You should say:

How old you were at that time

Who you were with

What happened at the time

And explain why you remember this happy experience.

When I was in primary school, I had a very close friend, Mike, who was my classmate and also my neighbor. He was only a few months younger than me — we could have almost been twins. Different from me, Mike was a very bold and interesting person. He always wanted to try new things.

During the Spring Festival, he bought a few boxes of cherry bombs, a kind of little firecracker, and invited me to come try them out with him. If my memory serves me right, this happened when I was 10 years old. As soon as we dropped a cherry bomb on the ground, it burst and made a loud noise.

I grew up as a more conformist child. My parents didn't let me play with things like cherry bombs. At first, I was a little hesitant, but at Mike's urging, I decided to go with him to a less crowded park to play with the cherry bombs. I was a bit of a wimp. After Mike demonstrated it a few times, I became good at detonating them. We had a such great time there that whole park echoed with the sound of explosions.

This memory still leaves a deep impression on me, because Mike took me to experience an exciting if a little dangerous activity. When I was little, we usually played games together, which helped me to become more outgoing and less introverted. I think it's a good change.

中文思路：

在我小学的时候，我有个关系非常好的朋友。他叫 MIKE，是我的同学也是我的邻居。他年纪跟我相仿，只比我小几个月。跟我不一样，Mike 是一个非常大胆，有趣的人。他总是想尝试新事物。

如果没有记错的话，那时候我还不到十岁。春节的时候，我跟他一起在楼下玩耍。他不知道从哪里买了几盒摔炮，偷偷地叫上我跟他一起玩。摔炮是一种非常迷你的烟花。只要你把一颗摔炮狠狠地摔在地上，它就会发出巨大的声响。

我从小是个比较循规蹈矩的孩子，父母都不让我玩摔炮。一开始我有点犹豫，但在 Mike 的怂恿下，我决定跟他去了一个人少的公园玩摔炮。一开始我还是有点怂，不敢丢。在 Mike 演示了几次后，我开始变得驾轻就熟。我们玩得非常开心，整个公园回荡着摔炮炸裂的声响。

这段经历至今让我印象深刻，因为 Mike 带我体验了一回刺激的但有点危险的活动。小时候我经常跟 Mike 玩耍，让我这个比较内向的人变得开朗和大胆了。我认为这是非常好的转变，

8: 最近搬家的人（新题）

Describe someone you know who has recently moved into his/her own accommodation

You should say:

Who this person is

Why this person moved into this accommodation

What kind of accommodation this person moved to

And explain whether you think this move was a positive change for this person.

My grandparents have recently moved into a new house, which came as delightful news to me.

For years, the old couple has lived in a shabby apartment building with no elevators. I don't know how old the building is exactly, but they have been living there for as long as I can remember. Although they have developed sentimental feelings for their old home over the years, climbing the stairs has become increasingly difficult for them as they age. Sometimes they would stay in for days at a time to avoid going up and down, and they would often have to stop for a rest after climbing every flight of stairs.

To improve their life, my father purchased a new apartment on our block last year. My grandparents moved into it after six months of renovation and decoration. The apartment isn't very large and has only two bedrooms, but it should be enough for the old couple.

I'm sure this move is a great change for my grandparents. Their quality of life has improved dramatically. The new building is equipped with elevators and decorated with beautiful gardens downstairs. Grandma no longer needs to climb the stairs with difficulty when she goes out grocery shopping. Grandpa can exercise in the gardens each morning. More importantly, as it's quite close to our house, my parents and I can visit them frequently. Obviously, Grandpa was happier after the move.

中文思路:

我的爷爷奶奶最近搬到了一所新房子住，这让我感到非常开心。

很多年来，我的爷爷奶奶一直住在一座没有电梯的老房子里。我无法准确描述这所房子的年代，我只记得从我小的时候，他们就住在那里了。虽然他们对这所老房子有着深厚的感情，但随着爷爷奶奶的年纪越来越大，上楼梯对于他们来说变成了一件很困难的事。爷爷奶奶经常几天都不出门，因为他们每上一层楼就得休息一会，

为了让爷爷奶奶住的更舒适，去年，我爸爸在离我们家不远处买下了一间全新的公寓。经过半年的装修，爷爷奶奶终于搬到了新房子居住。这间房子不算很大，只有两个卧室，但足够他们居住了。

我认为搬家对我的爷爷奶奶来说，是一项非常积极的改变。这很大程度上提高了他们的生活质量。新房子不仅有电梯，楼下还有很漂亮的花园。奶奶出门买菜再也不用气喘吁吁的爬楼梯了，爷爷每天早上还可以去花园里锻炼。最重要的是这里离我们家很近，我的父母和我都能够经常回家。自从搬家后，我爷爷脸上的笑容越来越多了。

9: 多次阅读的书藉（新题）

Describe a book you have read more than once.

You should say:

Why you read this book

What this book was about

Whether you learnt anything from it

And explain why you have read this book more than once.

I am a big fan of reading and love all kinds of novels. Every time I read a fascinating novel, it feels like I'm following the protagonist on an adventure. Recently, I bought a set of the Adventures of Sherlock Holmes, which was introduced to me by my friends. In fact, I have already read it more than once! The book contains many separate and exciting stories. These stories are full of intrigue and suspense which is why I found the book to be so hard to put down.

The Sherlock Holmes novels are actually a large collection of stories written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. Holmes and Watson are famous detectives who protect England from evil. Most importantly, they protect people from the criminal mastermind, Professor Moriarty. This book not only improves my critical thinking skills, but also imparts lots of medical and scientific knowledges.

I've read Sherlock Holmes more than once, and although I already know who the killer is, the battle of wits between Sherlock and Moriarty is very exciting because they're both geniuses. Every time I read, I find new clues that I hadn't noticed before, which is very interesting to me.

I have bought many different detective novels since I was young, but the best of them all is the Sherlock Holmes series. This is because the criminal is never the person who you think it is going to be. Therefore, the conclusion is always a surprise.

中文翻译:

我喜欢读书，尤其喜欢看各类小说。每当我遇到精彩的小说，那种感觉就像我在跟着主角一起冒险。最近我买了一套《福尔摩斯合集》，这本书是我的好朋友推荐给我的。我已经读了不止一次了。这本书里有许多有趣的独立的故事。这些故事充满了神秘和悬念，简直让人爱不释手。

福尔摩斯系列小说是阿瑟·柯南道尔爵士创作的一套大型小说。福尔摩斯和华生是著名的侦探，他们保护英国免遭罪恶。最重要的是，它们保护人们免受超级恶棍 Moriarti 博士的伤害。这本书不仅增强了我的思维逻辑，还可以学习到许多化学知识和医学知识。

福尔摩斯我已经读了不止一遍了，虽然我已经知道凶手是谁，但夏洛克和莫里亚蒂之间的智慧之战非常有趣，因为他们都是天才。每次阅读我都会发现新的之前没有注意到的线索，这让我觉得非常有意思。

我看过很多侦探小说。福尔摩斯是其中最有趣的，因为罪犯从来都不是你想象中的那个人，总有出人意料的结局出现。

10: 公开发言（新题）

Describe a time when you had to give a talk to lots of people.

You should say:

Who you gave this talk to

What the talk was about

Why you gave this talk

And explain how you felt about giving the talk to lots of people.

As a student, I have to give an oral presentation almost every semester, which is a big part of my grade. My most recent presentation was for my International Economics class.

For my final assignment, and I had to find a business case that I was interested in, gather data, and make a slide show. Then, I had to present the case in class and explain why it was so successful.

So, there I was, standing in front of my classmates and teacher, talking for almost ten minutes straight. I chose to talk about KFC's "Crazy Thursday" promotion, which my classmates found really interesting. They laughed at all my jokes, and it was clear they enjoyed my speech.

This speech was a very good opportunity to present myself, and I felt very proud seeing so many people applauding me. But, in fact, I put in a lot of effort behind the scenes. From finding cases to collecting data, I worked very hard on each step. In my spare time, I would even practice in front of the mirror in my dorm room. This experience gave me a lot of confidence, and I can't wait to do even better in my next presentation.

中文思路:

作为一个学生，每个学期我几乎都要做至少一次演讲，这关系到我整个学期的考核成绩。我最近一次演讲是在不久前的国际经济学课堂上。

这次演讲是老师布置的期末作业。我需要寻找自己感兴趣的商业案例，搜集资料并且制作 PPT。最后在课堂上介绍这个案例，并向大家解释为什么它会如此成功。

那天，我面对着全班同学和老师，一个人站在讲台上讲了将近十分钟。我选择的题目是肯德基的疯狂星期四。我的同学对这个话题都十分感兴趣，台下的气氛很热烈。讲到有趣的地方，有不少同学被我逗的哈哈大笑。显然大家都很喜欢我的演讲。

我认为这次的演讲是一个非常好的展示自己的机会，看到台下那么多同学为我鼓掌的时候，我感到非常骄傲。事实上，在别人看不到的背后，我付出了非常多的努力。从寻找案例到搜集数据，每一步我都花了大量时间。空闲时间我还会在宿舍对着镜子练习。这次经历给了我很大的鼓励，我很期待自己在下一次的演讲中能表现的更好。

11-1: 喜欢的传统庆祝活动（新题）

Describe a traditional celebration you enjoy in your country.

You should say:

What it is

Who you celebrate with

What you do in this celebration

And explain why you enjoy this traditional celebration.

Making dumplings is a traditional custom in China. During many important festivals, people will honour the date by celebrating in this manner. Dumplings are an essential dish, found on every dinner table in northern China during the New Year's festival. Making and eating dumplings together, primarily in northern China, has become a fundamental activity for the majority of families during the Spring Festival.

On the eve of the Lunar New Year, my family will gather to make dumplings. The tasks are divided between the family. My mum will prepare the dumpling wrappers, my dad is responsible for cutting vegetables, and my grandpa and I will just have a seat and form the dumplings while watching TV.

In China, we believe that dumplings contain our good fortunes for the coming year. My mum will always choose one dumpling to hide a coin inside of. It is thought that whoever eats the dumpling that contains the coin is the luckiest person and shall be extremely fortunate in the following year.

I adore this activity with all my heart. It brings our family closer to each other. It is wonderful and delightful to eat dumplings which we have made with our own hands. Normally, we are very busy, and there are seldom opportunities for everyone to get together. Perhaps what I cherish the most are not the dumplings, but rather the rare reunion.

中文思路:

包饺子是中国很多地方的传统习俗，在很多重要的节日，人们都会用这种方式来庆祝。饺子是北方人年夜饭桌上必不可少的一道菜。淘宝店铺：安小雅。主要是在中国北方，包饺子、吃饺子，已经成为大多数家庭过年的一个重要活动。

在大年三十的时候，我们全家人都会聚在一起包饺子。我的妈妈负责做饺子皮，爸爸负责切菜，我和爷爷奶奶会坐在电视机前。一边看电视一边包饺子。

饺子承载着我們对于来年的美好期望。我的妈妈总喜欢在所有饺子中选出一只，给里面放一枚硬币。谁吃到有硬币的饺子，就代表他是最幸运的人，接下来会有好运气。

我非常喜欢这项活动，他让我们一家人拉近了彼此之间的距离。吃到自己亲手包的饺子是一件非常有成就感的。平时大家都很忙，所有人能聚在一起是非常难得的。或许我珍惜的并不是饺子，而是这一份难得的团圆。

11-2: 喜欢的传统庆祝活动（新题）

Describe a traditional celebration you enjoy in your country.

You should say:

What it is

Who you celebrate with

What you do in this celebration

And explain why you enjoy this traditional celebration.

Every year on the fifteenth day of the eighth lunar month, Chinese people celebrate the Mid-Autumn Festival, a holiday that holds a special place in their hearts. On this day, the moon is especially round and bright. Most Chinese people believe that a full moon brings good luck, so they celebrate by eating mooncakes and gathering with family.

My mom believes that the whole family should get together for the Mid-Autumn Festival every year, so I always spend it with my family. She usually cooks up a feast for us, but if she's too busy with work, we'll go out for a luxurious seafood dinner, which is a special treat for the holiday. After dinner, we'll watch TV and indulge in some tasty mooncakes, which is a tradition of the Mid-Autumn Festival.

My mom looks after me really well, so I don't usually have to do much. But if she's cooking, I'll lend a hand with chopping veggies or washing up. I absolutely love the Mid-Autumn Festival because of the delicious mooncakes, especially the snow skin ones. They're only available during this time of year and they're so unique - the skin is made of glutinous rice and the filling can be anything from red bean to vanilla or durian. It's like eating ice cream, so yummy! Plus, it's an extra day off from school, which is always a bonus.

中文思路:

中秋节是中国人心中非常重要的节日之一。每年农历八月 15，月亮都会变得非常圆。大多数人认为满月代表着幸运，因此在这个时候大家会开展各种各样的庆祝活动。比如吃月饼或者家庭聚餐。

我妈妈认为中秋节全家人必须要团聚，因此每年中秋节我都是和家里人一起度过的。我妈妈总会准备一桌丰盛的饭菜。如果她工作很忙的话，我们会去高档餐厅享用一顿丰盛的海鲜大餐，这是过节才有的特殊待遇。晚饭过后，我们会一边看电视一边享用美味的月饼，这也是中秋的仪式感之一。

我的妈妈非常照顾我，在这过程中，我通常不需要做什么。如果她选择做饭，我会帮她切菜或者洗碗。我喜欢中秋节，是因为我非常喜欢吃月饼，尤其是冰皮月饼。这是一种只有在中秋节才能买到的特殊食物。它的皮是用糯米制作的，内层则是各种口味的馅料，比如红豆，香草或者是榴莲。它吃起来的口感就像冰淇淋一样，非常美味。除此之外，中秋节会有一天额外的假期，不用上学的感觉实在是太好了。

12: 爱看的体育运动（新题）

Describe a sport that you enjoy watching.

You should say:

What it is

Who you usually watch this sport with

Where and when you first watched this sport

And explain why you enjoy watching this sport.

Table tennis matches are my favorite sports TV programs. I can still remember the days when I would watch it with my family as a child. Both my grandmother and mother are big fans of Ping-Pong. I'm pretty sure that it must have been at my home when I first watched a Ping-Pong game, as watching it at dinner time has become something of a ritual in my family, though I can't remember exactly how old I was back then.

Watching Ping-Pong is one of my favourite childhood memories with my family, so even after growing up, I would occasionally search for national teams' matches online and watch them on my own. I know some schoolmates who share my passion for this sport and it's always brilliant to chat with them about it. Unfortunately, there aren't many opportunities for us to gather for game-watching activities as we all have our own business to attend to.

Table tennis is an adrenaline-pumping spectator sport. I always enjoy watching these events, especially those that our national teams attend. I never miss a table tennis match at the Olympics. In some of the games, the two sides can be so equally matched that the outcome would usually be decided by whoever muffed first. The most thrilling moment is when a winner was finally declared, and I would always cheer for a magnificent smash. That's the best part of Ping-Pong for me.

乒乓球比赛是我喜欢看的体育运动之一。在我很小的时候，就经常和家里人一起看这项比赛。因为我奶奶和妈妈是疯狂的乒乓球迷。我第一次看乒乓球赛肯定是在家里，因为小时候，我们家吃饭时的必看节目就是乒乓球赛。但我已经记不清我几岁第一次看了。

小时候我经常跟家里人一起看乒乓球，长大了之后，我偶尔会自己上网看国家队的比赛。我也认识几个跟我一样喜欢乒乓球的同学，时常会跟他们聊起乒乓球。但在学校里大家聚在一起看球赛的机会不多，因为大家都有各自要忙的事情。

乒乓球是一项非常刺激和具有观赏性的体育运动，我非常喜欢看乒乓球比赛，尤其是我们国家队的比赛。每当奥运会的时候，每一场乒乓球比赛我都不会错过。一些关键性的比赛往往会非常胶着，大家拼的就是谁先犯错。决出胜负的那一刻是非常令人激动的。我每次看球都会为那些精彩的瞬间大声喝彩。这就是我喜欢看乒乓球的原因

13: 理想之家（新题）

Describe your idea of a perfect house.

You should say:

Where it would be

What it would be like

How special it would be

And explain why it would be perfect for you.

My ideal house would be a large cottage in the countryside. I would like it to be surrounded by nature whilst also being conveniently close to public transportation, preferably within an hour of downtown. I would like to live with my whole family. They are very important to me, so I would need sufficient space for them in my ideal home. I would like the cottage to be very large with space for all the things which are important to me, such as clothes and toys. I would like an exquisite garden where I can plant flowers. Besides, I would want French windows in my balcony in order to make my house brighter and have a better countryside view.

The reason why I want to live in countryside is that I currently live in a very large urban city. I live a very busy and hectic life surrounded by grey concrete and imposing buildings. There is no space in the city, all the buildings are small and living spaces are tight. The fast pace of life makes me feel depressed and suffocated, so this house would be the perfect refuge away from all the negatives of the big city. This house would be able to offer me a peace and calm which I lack so dearly in the city.

中文思路:

我理想的房子是一个郊区的大别墅。我希望拥有良好的自然环境，同时也要交通方便，最好可以在一个小时内到达市中心。

我想和全家人住在一起。他们对我很重要，我非常爱他们，所以我希望在理想的家里给他们足够的空间。我希望小屋很大，这样就有足够的空间容纳所有的人和对我来说重要的东西，比如我的衣服和玩偶。我希望这座房子是有花园的。我可以在院子里种上我喜欢的花。房子一定要有很大的落地窗。大窗户可以让屋里拥有更多阳光。

我喜欢郊区是因为我现在住在一个非常大的城市。我过着非常忙碌的生活，周围是灰色的混凝土和密集的建筑。城市里没有空间，所有的建筑都很小，生活空间紧张。快速的生活节奏令我压抑和窒息。这房子会是完美的避难所，远离大城市的所有不好的东西。这所房子能给我带来城市中所缺少的宁静和安宁。

14: 得到错误信息的时刻（新题）

Describe an occasion when you got some incorrect information

You should say:

When it was

Where you got the information

How you found out that the information was not correct

And explain what happened when you found out that the information was not correct.

Last summer, my family planned on a trip to the beach for a vacation. The scenery by the seaside is always brilliant on bright and sunny days. We could also try all sorts of water activities. A cloudy or rainy day, however, would ruin it all. Copy right by An Xiao Ya. The weather, therefore, became a critically important consideration for us.

In order to get the most accurate information, I browsed through different weather websites and selected a range of dates that were forecast to be fine days on every website. Then, I booked our hotel rooms with confidence.

However, when I checked the weather report again just before the journey, I found that the previous forecast was wrong. According to the latest updates, it would be raining in the following week, including heavy rainfalls on one of our vacation days. Though annoyed about the forecasters' mistake, I could do nothing about it.

I called the hotel and asked if we could change the date of the reservation, but their reply was an unequivocal 'no'. If we didn't check in as we had booked, all the money we paid for the hotel rooms would go down the drain. In the end, we went on a disappointing trip due to the incorrect weather forecast. As it kept raining all day, the views at the seaside weren't so attractive, and we couldn't go to the beach or enjoy any water sports. When the storm came, we had to stay in the hotel rooms and watch TV the whole day. It was an unpleasant journey, to say the least.

不久前的假期，我和家人决定去海边度假。要知道天晴时的海边是风景秀丽的，我们还可以进行各种水上活动，但阴天或者下雨天会毁掉一切。所以，天气预报对我来说是非常重要的信息。

为了获取更准确的信息，我查询了几个不同的气象网站。最终我选定了合适的日子。这几天的天气在每个网站都显示晴天。于是我信心满满的预订了酒店。

出发前，当我再次打开天气预报，我发现我之前搜集到的信息是错误的。未来几天都是雨天，其中一天甚至有暴雨。我感到非常生气，但又无可奈何。

我尝试联系酒店，询问是否可以改期。但得到的答案是否定的，如果我没有按时前往，那我将损失全部的房费。最后，因为错误的天气信息，我们进行了一场不那么愉快的旅行。由于下雨，海边的景色不再美丽，同时我们也没法出海，更别说玩水上活动了。暴雨的时候，我甚至只能呆在酒店里看电视。这趟旅程真的太糟糕了。

15: 想尝试的冒险（新题）

Describe an exciting adventure you would like to go on.

You should say:

Who you would go with

Where you would go

What you would do on the adventure

And explain why you would like to go on this adventure.

I often see bungee jumping on TV and reality shows. There is no doubt that it is kind of dangerous, but a super cool extreme sport. The celebrities bungee jumping on such shows often struggle to overcome their fears, and tell the audience how great it feels to exceed their expectations of themselves. I would like to go to Macau tower and to try bungee jumping in the future.

I want to go on this adventure with my closest friends since it is the kind of sports appealing to young people. We can take part in this adventure together and encourage each other. If I choose to go with my parents, they may stop me from doing it because they will probably consider bungee jumping too dangerous.

Although I often ride the roller coasters in amusement parks, my whole body is safely fixed in the seat no matter how it rolls during the ride. However, when bungee jumping only my feet are bound, which I have never tried before, and I think it would be dangerous.

I think there is little preparation required for this activity. All I need is to invite my close friends to come with me and cheer me up. I really want to try this sport because it's really cool. Bungee jumping has always been on my list of things I have to do before 25 years old. It's a great experience to be able to see the whole city from above and then jump down. And in the process, I will overcome my fears and become stronger and braver.

中文思路:

我经常在电视里和综艺节目中看到蹦极，我感觉这是一项很酷的活动。明星们总是艰难地克服了自己的恐惧，然后告诉观众超越自我的感觉真棒。我想在未来的某个假期去澳门塔，并且尝试在那里蹦极。

我想和我的朋友一起去，因为蹦极是一项属于年轻人的运动。我们可以一起参加这项冒险并相互鼓励。如果我选择和我的父母一起去，他们有可能会阻止我，他们大概率会认为蹦极很危险。

虽然我经常在游乐场玩过山车，但是不管它怎么翻滚，我的双脚都安全的保持在车厢内，但是蹦极只把我的脚绑起来，我从来没有尝试过类似的活动。

这项活动是无法准备的，我能做的就是带上我的朋友，让他们给我鼓励。我非常想尝试这项运动是因为它很酷。我一直把蹦极列为 25 岁前必须要完成的清单之一。能在高空俯瞰整座城市，然后再跳下去，这是一种很棒的体验。而且在这个过程中，我会战胜自己的恐惧，变得更加强大和有力量。

16: 感兴趣的工作（新题）

Describe a job you think would be interesting to do.

You should say:

What it is

What skills are necessary to do the job

When you first knew this job

And explain why you think this job would be interesting to do.

I'm a real travel enthusiast and I'm totally hooked on following some amazing travel bloggers on social media. Watching their videos has been like a window into a whole new world for me, so I'm really eager to get into travel blogging myself.

When I first started using Douyin a few years ago, I was already aware of the profession of travel bloggers. Basically, they go on amazing journeys to different places around the world, capturing breathtaking views and indulging in delicious food, and then share it all with their followers.

On the surface, this job looks pretty straightforward, but there are actually a lot of skills required, like photography, videography, editing, writing copy, and more. I'm hoping to hone some specialized skills, like skydiving or scuba diving, to really make my videos stand out and draw in more followers.

I'm absolutely loving this job because it's the perfect blend of my passions and work. It's like a dream come true to be able to travel and make money at the same time. Instead of being stuck in an office with a grumpy boss and a tense workplace environment, I'm able to go on adventures around the world. If I'm ever lucky enough to have a fan base, I can share my experiences with them and make a good income. I'm so thrilled about this job, I don't think there's anything else out there that could make me happier.

中文思路:

淘 宝 店 铺: 安 小 雅。我是一个热爱旅行的人,我在社交媒体上关注了几个很有魅力的旅行博主,他们的视频让我看到了一个不一样的世界。因此旅行博主是我非常感兴趣的工作。

几年前当我刚开始玩抖音的时候,我就知道了旅行博主这个职业。这份工作的内容大概是去世界各地旅行,然后分享美景和美食给自己的粉丝。

这份工作看似简单,然而需要的技能却不少。至少要包括摄影,摄像,剪辑,写文案等等。如果我能掌握一些小众技能,比如跳伞或者潜水,那就更好了。这些技能将帮助我制作出优质的视频,从而吸引更多的粉丝。

我喜欢这份工作,是因为它把我的兴趣和工作结合在了一起。能够一边旅游一边赚钱应该是我一直以来的梦想。比起坐在办公室里面对着暴躁的上司和复杂的人际关系。我更乐意去世界各地探险。如果我能幸运的拥有了一批粉丝,把自己旅途中的见闻分享给他们,并且获得不菲的收入。我想没有比这更能使我期待的工作了。

17: 乐于助人的人（新题）

Describe someone who lives in your area who often help other people.

You should say:

Who this person is

How this person helps others

How important the help is

And explain why you think this person often help other people.

So, there's this old lady in my neighborhood, Mrs. Wang. She's in her 50s, but she looks like she's got more energy than I do. Whenever she's got some free time, she volunteers at the community center, and everybody around here loves her.

My house is in a really old part of town, and the traffic is just awful. Last year, the community organized a group of volunteers to help out with traffic flow, and Mrs. Wang was one of them. Every weekend, she'd be out there at the intersection, making sure people followed the rules. If someone broke any of the traffic rules, Mrs. Wang would step in to stop them. And you know what? The traffic around here has been way better lately.

I think what she's doing is super important for the whole community. The roads around here are narrow, and there are lots of electric bikes that speed on the sidewalks. If nobody keeps an eye on them, there could be some serious accidents. Plus, it makes commuting much harder for those who live here.

I once chatted with Mrs. Wang, and she told me she's a retiree with lots of free time on her hands. She likes to help people and make the community better. And by volunteering, she's made lots of new friends who share her interests. She's really happy about that.

中文思路:

王奶奶是我的邻居。她已经 50 多岁了，但她看起来非常精力充沛。空闲的时候她喜欢去社区做义工，周围的邻居都非常喜欢她。

我家居住在市中心一个老旧的街区，这里的交通是很糟糕的。去年社区组织了一批志愿者帮忙疏导交通，王奶奶就在这其中。周末她都会在十字路口呆上一下午。如果有人不遵守交通规则，王奶奶就会出面制止他。不得不承认，最近一段时间我家附近的交通状况的确比以前变得更好了。

我认为这种帮助对于整个社区来说是非常重要的。我家附近的路很窄，经常有电动车在人行道上快速行驶。如果不加以管束，很可能造成严重的交通事故。同时也会让居民们不得不耗费更长的时间在通勤上。

我曾经和王奶奶聊天，她告诉我她是一个退休老人，拥有非常多的空闲时间。她喜欢用这些空闲时间来帮助他人，也帮助这个社区变得更好。在义工组织里她还结识了很多兴趣相投的朋友，这让她觉得非常快乐。

18: 昂贵的礼物（新题）

Describe an expensive gift you would like to give to someone.

You should say:

What gift you would like to buy

Who you would like to give it to

How long it would take to save the money

And explain why you would like to give this expensive gift to this person.

My mom loves all kinds of gold jewelry. I saw a nice bracelet in Chow Tai Fook's "Heritage" Collection, the name of which in Chinese means to pass on and inherit. If I have enough money someday, I really hope to buy one for my mom. She will be very surprised to receive such a gift.

The fact of the matter is that this bracelet is quite expensive. The price is determined according to its weight of gold, ranging from 10,000 yuan to tens of thousands of yuan. While I am still a student with no income, I reckon it would take me at least half a year to save enough money after my graduation. Besides, a student fresh out of school seldom gets a high salary, so saving money is not easy for me.

I love my mom very much. She is my elder as well as my best friend. Since I was a child, my mom has bought me a lot of gifts. At the same time, she is frugal and seldom buys herself valuable jewelry or bags. As I grew up, I bought her flowers or a cake every year for her birthday. Still, I always felt these gifts were underwhelming. I want to give my mom the best things in the world. For me, there is nothing more meaningful than saving money to buy an expensive gift for someone you care about.

我的妈妈喜欢各种黄金首饰。我知道周大福有一款“传承”系列的手镯很好看，而且这个名字在中文里代表着很美好的寓意，传递和继承。如果有一天我有足够的钱，我非常想买一个送给妈妈。我妈妈收到这份礼物，她一定会非常惊喜。

事实上，这款手镯非常昂贵，价格跟黄金的重量相关，从1万元到几万元不等。现在我还是个学生所以没有收入。等我毕业之后，我想我至少需要半年才能存到足够的钱。而且刚毕业的学生通常不会有很高的工资，存钱对我来说并不是一件容易的事。

我非常爱我的妈妈，她是我的长辈，也是我最好的朋友。从小到大，我的妈妈给我买了非常多的礼物。而她自己却很节省，她很少给自己买一些贵重的首饰或者包包。自从我长大之后，每年她过生日，我都会给她买鲜花或者蛋糕。但我始终觉得这些礼物太普通了。我想把这世界上最好的东西都送给我的妈妈。存钱给自己在乎的人买一份昂贵的礼物，我想没有什么比这更有意义的事了。

19: 做重要决定的时刻（新题）

Describe a time when you had to make an important decision.

You should say:

What decision you had to make

How you made the decision

Why this decision was important

And explain whether you think it was a right decision.

Actually, several years ago I made an important decision, which was to choose my dream major. It was a vital decision because it almost completely determines my future career.

Three years ago, during the summer vacation, I completed the college entrance examination and achieved a high score. When I was deciding on my major and college, my parents wished for me to choose finance as my major. Because the finance sector is reported by society to be one of the highest paying industries at present.

Originally, I agreed with my parents, because finance is a very well-paid industry. However, on the final night of submitting the application, I laid in bed unable to fall asleep because I doubted whether I had any interest in finance. Ever since my childhood, I have always disliked financial theory and mathematics. In contrast to this, I love studying chemistry and have a knack for it. Therefore, I told my parents that I wanted to select chemistry as my major instead of finance. As I expected, a serious argument ensued with my parents. They didn't support my choice, but I still stuck to it.

When we're faced with important decisions, it's crucial to listen to our family's opinion, but it's even more crucial to listen to our own heart. I am happy to choose my favorite subject chemistry as my major, as due to this I will have a joyous four years in college. Only by discovering what you are interested in, can you have a steady stream of motivation. I'm proud to have made such an excellent decision.

中文思路:

事实上，几年前我做了一个重要的决定，我在填报志愿的时候坚定的选择了自己喜欢的专业，这个决定非常重要，它直接决定了我未来会从事什么样的工作。

三年前的暑假，我刚刚参加完高考，取得了不错的成绩。在填报志愿的时候，我的父母非常希望我选择金融专业。因为这个专业是热门专业，据社会报道是目前的高薪行业之一。

一开始我同意了父母的观点，因为金融行业确实很热门。在提交志愿的最后一晚，我躺在床上怎么也睡不着。我感觉到自己对金融并不感兴趣。我自小就不喜欢金融理论和数学。相对于这些，我更喜欢学习化学，而且我感觉我有着这方面的天赋。第二天一早我告诉父母我并不喜欢金融。我想选化学作为专业。不出所料，我和父母大吵了一架。他们并不支持我的观点，但是我依然坚持了自己的想法。

当我们面临一些重大的决定，家人的意见固然重要，但更重要的是听从自己内心的想法。正因为我选择了自己喜欢的专业，所以大学四年我过的非常开心。只有学习自己感兴趣的事物，才会有源源不断的动力。我很庆幸自己当年做得好决定。

20: 想尝试的水上运动（新题）

Describe a water sport you would like to try in the future.

You should say:

What it is

Where you would try it

Is it easy or difficult to do

And explain why you would like to try this water sport.

A water sport that I am desperate to try in the future is riding a banana boat. A few months ago, my cousin came to visit me and she introduced me to a water sport activity which she had tried at the week before. She told me that a banana boat is a long inflatable boat which looks like a banana and can seat several people at the same time. This boat is attached to a speed boat which will drive very fast. Everyone then holds on tight as the banana boat flies through the water. The speedboat may suddenly make a sharp turn while driving, and passengers must try their best to maintain balance otherwise they might fall into the sea.

It sounded very thrilling and exciting and I decided that I would like to try it in the future. My cousin suggested that in the next vacation I come with her to the water sports activity centre and try it there. The reason why it might be difficult is that I am the kind of person with poor balance. My cousin told me that loads of people flew off of the boat and fell into the water.

I'm really into extreme and adventurous sports, but I don't know how to surf or sail, which require some skills. That's why riding a banana boat is perfect for me, since it doesn't require any advanced techniques, but it's still super thrilling and fun. And in the hot summer, there's nothing better than going on a banana boat ride on the water!

中文思路:

我非常想尝试的水上运动是香蕉船。几个月前，我表妹来看我，她介绍了自己上周尝试过的一项水上运动。她告诉我香蕉船是一种长长的充气船，看起来像香蕉，可以同时坐几个人。这艘船与一艘速度很快的快艇相连。当香蕉船飞过水面时，每个人都紧紧抓住它。快艇在行驶中会突然转弯，这时候乘客必须尽力保持平衡，不然整个人就会掉进水里。

这听起来很刺激，我想在未来尝试它。表妹建议我下个假期和她一起去水上运动中心试试。我认为这是一个伟大的计划，我认为这项运动对我来说并不容易，因为我是个平衡性不太好的人。我表妹告诉我，很多人从船上飞下去掉进水里。

我非常喜欢刺激和极限运动，但我并不会冲浪或者帆船，这些运动都需要一定的技巧。因此香蕉船非常适合我，它不需要高超的技巧，但是它又非常刺激和有趣。在炎热的夏天，没有什么比香蕉船更好玩的水上运动了。

21: 人山人海之地（新题）

Describe a time when you went to a place where there were a lot of people.

You should say:

Who you went to this place with

What was happening in this place

Why there were so many people there

And explain how you felt about being in a place with so many people.

During the recent International Workers' Day holiday, my friend Anna and I went on a trip to Changsha. It was a happy yet grueling experience because there were too many tourists in the city.

This long-awaited trip didn't play out as I had expected from the very beginning. We were shocked as soon as we reached the city, as we had never seen a railway station so crowded before. Forcing our way to the subway station alone took us all of half an hour.

However, this was just the beginning. In the following days, we spent most of our time standing in queues. When we visited Mountain Yuelu, we waited for three full hours before we could finally take the cable car. The next day, we planned to dine at a popular restaurant, but once we arrived, we were shocked to find out that over 400 reservations had been made before us.

This was the first holiday since the end of the pandemic, so for most Chinese citizens, it was their first opportunity for traveling after three years' lockdown. As a result, all tourist sites around the nation were fully booked. And since Changsha is one of the most popular tourist destinations in China, it's no surprise that the city would be full of tourists.

Traveling with friends is undoubtedly a happy experience, but it can easily be interrupted when the destination is too crowded with tourists. Long hours of queuing left us little time for sightseeing, and even finding somewhere for dinner became an extremely difficult task. In fact, I even failed to take a few perfect selfies, as there were always too many people around me!

就在不久前的五一假期，我和我的朋友 anna 一起去了长沙旅行。事实上，这是一次快乐又痛苦的经历，因为那里的人实在是太多了。

这是我期待已久的旅行。但当我们到达长沙的时候，我惊呆了。我从未见过如此拥挤的火车站，我足足用了半个小时才走到了地铁站。

然而这一切只是个开始，接下来的几天，我的大部分时间都在排队中度过。我们去爬岳麓山的时候，我们等了三个小时才坐上缆车。第二天，我原本计划去一家网红餐厅吃饭，到了之后惊讶的发现前面已经排了 400 桌。

这是疫情结束后的第一个长假，对于大多数的中国人来说，人们已经三年没有出门旅行了。因此这个假期全国各地的旅游都异常火爆。长沙又是众多城市中最热门的，人多也就是一件在正常不过的事了。

虽然和朋友一起旅行是一件开心的事，但过多的游客真的是非常影响体验。长时间排队让我们没时间游玩景点，甚至连吃饭都成为一件难事。因为游客太多，我甚至没有拍出几张个人照，因为我的身边永远都挤满了人！

22: 和小孩相处的时刻（新题）

Describe a time when you spent some time with a child.

You should say:

Who the child was

Why you spent time with this child

When it was

And explain how you felt about spending time with this child.

This topic reminds me of my little nephew who is only 4 years old and is still in kindergarten. Although he is young, he is very clever and always has interesting ideas. I really like to chat with him.

I still remember the day I was asked to look after him because both my uncle and aunt needed to work overtime. At the moment I stepped into the house, he imitated a dinosaur and tried to scare me. Of course, I was not scared, but laughed a lot. I spent the whole afternoon playing with toys and games with him.

When I borrowed his watch to see what time it was, I found that the time of his watch was wrong. I told him I was going to correct the time but was stopped by him. He said every time he went to kindergarten, he put the clock forward by half an hour, so that he could pretend that he would leave the kindergarten half an hour earlier. He explained that this would make him feel less sad. I immediately burst into laughter because it was the funniest joke that I heard recently.

I don't know how he gets so many interesting ideas. His innocence and childlike humor always make me laugh, and these unique ideas make him more special. He is the most interesting child that I have ever seen and I wish he could retain that creativity when he grows up.

中文思路:

这个话题让我想起了我的小侄子，他只有4岁，还在读幼儿园。虽然他很小，但很聪明，总是有有趣的想法。我很喜欢和他聊天。我记得有一天我被要求照顾他，因为我的叔叔和婶婶都需要加班。我一进屋，他就模仿恐龙想吓唬我。当然我没有被吓到，而且哈哈大笑。我花了整个下午陪他玩玩具和做游戏。

当我借他的表看看现在几点时，我发现时间是错的。我告诉他我要改成正确的时间，但被他拦住了。他说，每次他去幼儿园，他都会把时钟拨快半个小时，这样他就可以假装自己提前半个小时离开幼儿园。他解释说这会让他感到不那么难过。我立刻大笑起来，因为这是我最近听到的最有趣的笑话。

我不知道他怎么会有这么多有趣的想法。他的天真无邪和孩子气的幽默总是让我发笑，这些独特的想法让他更特别。他是我见过的最有趣的孩子，我希望他长大后能保持这种创造力。

23: 有趣的邻居（新题）

Describe an interesting neighbor.

You should say:

What do he/she do

How you met this neighbor

How often you see this neighbor

And explain why you think this neighbor is interesting.

I feel that I have to talk about my friend Anna, who is an interesting person. In addition, she has also made my life more enjoyable.

Anna is one of my classmates who lives next to my dorm. I've known her ever since we started school. She is a cheerful girl who always actively greets me when we meet in the corridor. We see each other every day since we often take classes together. The reason I find her so much fun is that she does not toe the line - she always has some novel ideas and puts them into action.

For example, she recently bought a set of mahjong, one of the most popular leisure games in China, and invited me to play with her. When my roommates and I still played mahjong on cellphones, she bought a set of real Mahjong and even a foldable mahjong table. Ever since then, Anna's dorm has become the most cheerful place on the floor. Anna would invite girls in the dorm to play at 7 every evening. Over time, everybody came to enjoy going there to play mahjong. Every time I pass by her door, I would hear the cheerful voices of mahjong players.

Apart from that, she is passionate about food and drama series, and often recommends some of the best snack stores and shows to me. Being with her is always an enjoyable experience full of pleasant surprises.

中文思路:

我必须要谈谈我的朋友 anna，她是个有趣的人。同时，她也让我的生活变得更加有趣。

Anna 是我的同班同学，住在我的隔壁宿舍。刚开学的时候我就认识她了，她很开朗，每次在楼道遇见，他都会主动给我打招呼。我们经常一起上课，所以每天都会见面。我之所以觉得她有趣，是因为她不是一个循规蹈矩的人，她总会有一些新奇的想法，并且会马上付诸行动。

麻将是中国最喜欢的休闲游戏之一，最近她买了一副麻将。并且经常叫我过去一起玩。当我和我的舍友还在用手机玩麻将游戏的时候，她买了一副真实的麻将，甚至还买了一个可折叠的麻将桌。自此以后，anna 的宿舍成为了整层楼最热闹的地方。每天晚上 7 点，Anna 就会准时在宿舍号召周围的同学过来打麻将。久而久之，大家都喜欢去她们宿舍玩麻将。每当我从她门口经过，都会听到里面传来麻将的声音。

除此之外，她还热爱美食和看连续剧，她经常会向我推荐一些好吃的小吃店和好看的电视剧。跟她在一起总是充满了快乐和惊喜。

24: 迷路（新题）

Describe a time when you lost your way.

You should say:

When it was

Where you went

How you got lost

And explain what happened after you lost your way.

To be honest, I have a terrible sense of direction. I get lost all the time, especially when I go to a place that I have never been to.

Last vacation, I traveled to Xiamen with my roommate Lucy hoping to eat some local snacks there. We found a famous satay noodles restaurant called Wutang and we were ready to go and have a try. It was located in a small alleyway, which was difficult to find. At first, we headed out using the navigator on our cellphone, but we lost our direction. Copy right by An XiaoYa.

You know, the alleyway in Xiamen was full of twists and turns. I followed the navigator's order to go straight in the Minzu Road and turn left at a corner. However, we still couldn't find it after nearly half an hour of walking. It was sad that we lost our way. It was a hot day and we were tired to the bone and hungry. At this time, Lucy decided to reconfirm the route. She turned on the navigation to make sure where we were. Soon, she found out the problem and got us back to the right way! My friend looked a little bit angry that I had let her walk so far because of my negligence. She told me I must have gone along a totally backward way!

To apologize, I bought her favorite milk tea and took a break in a shop. Then we moved on again. After about half an hour, we finally found the Wutang satay noodles!

中文思路:

说真的，我是个方向感不太好的人，出门经常会迷路，尤其是去一个没去过的地方。

上个假期，我和舍友 Lucy 一起去厦门旅游，想去那里吃小吃。我们在网上找到一家著名的小吃店乌糖沙茶面，准备去尝尝。它位于一条小巷子里，很难找到。一开始，我们带着手机导航出发，但是我们迷失了方向。

厦门的路是弯弯曲曲的。我按照导航的指示，在民族路直走，在某个路口左拐。然而，走了将近半个小时，我们还是找不到它。我们迷路了，真令人伤心。天气很热，我们又累又饿。这时，Lucy 决定再确认一下路线。她打开导航以确定我们在哪里。很快，她发现了问题，并带我们回到正确的道路！Lucy 看起来有点生气，因为我的疏忽让她走了这么远。她告诉我，我一定是完全走了回头路！

为了表示抱歉，我给她买了她最喜欢的奶茶，并且在店里休息了一会儿。然后我们就再次出发了，大概过了半小时，我们终于找到了乌糖沙茶面！

25: 受欢迎的人（新题）

Describe a popular person you know.

You should say:

How you knew this person

Where and when you usually see this person

What type of person he/she is

and explain why you think this person is very popular.

Li Jiaqi has a lot of fans and is currently the most popular anchorman in China. I believe every young girl in China knows about him.

I do know he broadcasts on Taobao.com almost every night, but I don't know the specific time he broadcasts. He used to be an ordinary cosmetics salesman before he became an influencer. Li Jiaqi usually recommends a variety of good products in his live broadcast. When he finishes the introduction of the products, he will provide the purchasing links. Most importantly, the price he offers is very favorable, and he usually provides some additional gifts.

The reason why he is so popular is that people can buy the products they need at a lower price through his live broadcast while makeup in the mall is too expensive for most citizens. Also, Li Jiaqi often recommends products that are fair-price and of good quality, which are very suitable for common people.

He will analyze the ingredients of popular skincare products on social media and explain to fans which people are suitable to use this product. What's more, he also recommends lipsticks. Every lipstick he recommends is a super gorgeous color. I believe Li Jiaqi is a very real and hardworking man. It is exciting to witness his growing popularity.

中文思路:

李佳琦拥有非常多的粉丝，是当下全中国最火的主播。他非常受女生的欢迎，我想应该没有一个年轻女孩子不认识李佳琦。

我知道他几乎每天晚上都会在淘宝网直播，但我不是很清楚他直播的具体时间。他以前是一个普通的化妆品售货员，后来才转行成为一名主播。李佳琦在直播中通常会推荐很多好用的产品，经过一番介绍之后，他会提供产品的购买链接。最重要的是他给出价格是非常优惠的，通常还会有很多额外的赠品。

他之所以受欢迎，是因为通过他的直播间，粉丝们可以用更低的价格买到自己需要的产品。商场里的彩妆对大多数人来说太贵了。李佳琦经常会推荐一些平价又好用的产品，非常适合普通人。我认为李佳琦是个非常真实且努力的人。看到他越来越受欢迎，我为他感到开心。他会在社交媒体上认真的分析当红护肤品的成分，并且解释这个产品适合什么样的人使用。除此之外，他还会推荐口红。他推荐的每一只颜色都超级好看。

26: 未来想去的遥远地方（新题）

Describe a place which is far away that you would like to visit in the future.

You should say:

Where it is

How you would travel there

What you would do there

And explain why you would really like to visit this place.

Lhasa is a very well renowned city and I have always wanted to take a short trip to Lhasa. Located on the Tibetan Plateau, Lhasa is one of the highest cities in the world. Lhasa owns the world-famous Potala Palace, and it is also the holy land of Buddhist believers.

Taking the train is definitely the most popular way to get to Tibet. It's not only affordable, but you get to take in the stunning views as you go. The only problem is that tickets can be hard to come by since it's such a popular route.

I wish to go to Lhasa with my family. Most scenic spots in Lhasa need to be reached by car, and my dad is an experienced driver. If I have the chance, I definitely will go to Namtso. This is one of the three holy lakes in Tibet. Aside from the clear lake, visitors can see the snow-capped mountains in the distance. I want to go to the famous Potala Palace, which is the landmark of Lhasa.

Copy right by An Xiao Ya. Lhasa is a magical and interesting city, where the air is thin, but the people are full of faith. I once saw a video on social media that really touched me. It showed Tibetan people in simple clothes, braving the wind and rain, setting off from their homes. Every few steps, they would kneel down and bow their heads in reverence. Their destination was the holy Jokhang Temple. Seeing their powerful faith and devotion made me want to go to Lhasa and experience it for myself.

中文翻译:

拉萨是一座非常著名的城市，更是很多中国人心中此生必去的旅游目的地之一。我一直想去拉萨进行一场短途旅行。拉萨位于青藏高原，是世界上海拔最高的城市之一。这里不仅有全世界闻名的布达拉宫，更是许多佛教信徒心中的圣地。

最受欢迎的进藏方式毫无疑问是乘坐火车，火车不仅价格便宜，还可以欣赏沿途美丽的风景。只是我不确定是否能买到车票，因为这条线路实在是太受欢迎了。

我希望和我的家人一起去拉萨。拉萨的大多数景点都需要自驾才能到达，而我的爸爸是一名有经验的司机。如果我去拉萨旅游，那我一定不会错过纳木错。这里是西藏的三大圣湖之一。除了清澈的湖水，远处还可以看到雪山。我想去著名的布达拉宫，这是拉萨标志性的建筑。

拉萨是一个神奇又有趣的城市，这里的空气稀薄，但是这里的人却充满了信仰。我曾经在社交网站看过一个视频。一些衣着朴素的藏民不惧风雨，不怕路途遥远，从自己的家出发，每走几步就会跪下磕头，直到到达他们心中的圣地大昭寺。那种虔诚的信仰之力让我的心灵受到巨大的震撼。因此我非常想去拉萨看看。

27: 一个享受的生活习惯

Describe a routine you have in your life that you enjoy.

Some instructions you can follow:

What the routine is

When and why you started to follow this routine

How easy it is to follow

And explain why you enjoy having this routine in your daily life.

Usually, when I am alone, I go to the library to do some reading. It has become an essential part of my life. The first time that I visited the library was when my roommate Anna took me there. I find there are no other places on campus quieter and more suitable for study than the library.

As a matter of fact, I love going to the library almost every Saturday afternoon to read for a while. Also, if I feel bored in general, I will head there to do some reading. While reading in the library, my mindset is the most placid and calm.

This is a very simple routine to follow. Thus, whenever I want to concentrate on my studies or do some reading, I will go there. I share my dormitory with four other people, so it is usually noisy. My roommates often talk or play games in the dormitory, which makes it hard for me to concentrate. A quiet place can significantly help me to study more efficiently. Even when I don't have to study, I still like to go to the library to read all kinds of interesting books, as these are free for students to borrow. I especially enjoy literature and history books. Whenever I am immersed in a story, all my troubles seem to disappear.

I'm a very easily distracted person, and the library really gives me the perfect environment to focus on what I want to do. I feel completely comfortable and relaxed in the library.

通常, 当我一个人的时候, 我喜欢去图书馆看书。这习惯已经成为我生活中不可缺少的一部分。第一次去图书馆是我的舍友 anna 带我去的, 从那以后我就喜欢上了图书馆。我发现在校园里, 没有比图书馆更安静, 更适合学习的地方了。

事实上, 几乎每个星期六下午, 我都喜欢去那里读一会儿书。平时如果我感到无聊, 也会去图书馆看看。在图书馆看书的时候, 我的心态是最平和和平静的。

去图书馆这个习惯, 对我而言遵循起来非常容易。每当我想专注于学习的时候, 我都会去图书馆。我们宿舍住了四个人, 宿舍通常很嘈杂, 我的舍友经常会在宿舍说话或者打游戏。这些声音让我很难集中注意力。安静的地方能让我的学习效率显著提升。另外, 在不用复习的时候, 我喜欢去图书馆看各种有趣的课外书。学生借阅图书是免费的。我尤其喜欢文学和历史类的书籍。当我沉浸在故事情节中, 所有的烦恼似乎都不存在了。

我是个很容易被干扰的人, 图书馆真的给了我一个完美的环境, 让我能专注于我想做的事情。这里让我感到自由和放松。

28-1: 年轻时的空闲活动（通用版）

Describe an activity you enjoyed doing in your free time when you were younger.

You should say:

What free-time activity you did

Where you did this activity

Who you did it with

And explain why you enjoyed doing this activity in your free time when you were younger.

Flying a kite is a leisure activity that I loved doing when I was a child. The first time I encountered real kites was in primary school when a teacher taught us how to make simple ones using white paper, wooden sticks, and string.

I remember when I was very small, my grandfather would take me to fly kites in the park. It was the most interesting activity that I looked forward to doing at that time. But back then, I was too young to fly a kite by myself. Every time, my grandfather would launch the kite into the air first, and then I would run around holding the end of the string. Whenever my grandpa took me to fly kites, I would be as happy as a clam all day long!

When I was young, I always had unlimited energy to play games. I couldn't stand to stay at home and do nothing, so I always liked to pester my elders to take me out. Time flies by, I have not flown a kite for a long time now, partly because I am busy with my studies, and partly because there are so many new toys and entertainment products now. On weekends, I prefer to lie at home watching TV or playing video games.

中文思路:

放风筝是我小时候非常喜欢的娱乐活动。我记得小学的时候老师就教过我们自制风筝，那是我第一次接触它。在课堂上，老师教我们用白纸，木棍和绳子做成简易的风筝。

我记得在我很小的时候，爷爷总会带我去公园里放风筝。那是一段美好的回忆。也是我每周最期待的时刻。对于那时候的我来说，能让手里的风筝在天空中飞起来是一件非常不可思议的活动。但那时候我年纪太小，不会自己放风筝。每次都是我爷爷先把风筝放飞到空中，然后我再抓着绳子的一端到处乱跑。只要我爷爷带我去放风筝，我都能开心一整天！

当我年轻的时候，我总是有无限的精力和体力。待在家里会使我感到非常无聊，因此我总喜欢缠着长辈带我出去玩。随着年龄的增长，我已经很久没有放风筝了，一方面是因为学生生活比较忙，另一方面是因为现在新潮的玩具和娱乐方式太多了。周末的时候我更倾向于躺在家里看电视或者打游戏。

28-2: 年轻时的空闲活动（女生版）

Describe an activity you enjoyed doing in your free time when you were younger.

Some instructions you can follow:

What activity you did

Who you did it with

Where you did this activity

And explain why you enjoyed doing this activity in your free time when you were younger.

For most girls, myself included, Barbie dolls were a favourite childhood toy. To this day, I still like Barbie dolls very much.

If memory serves, the first time I ever played with a Barbie doll was in primary school. I did well in the final exam, so my mother bought one for me as a present. The most entertaining thing about Barbie dolls is that you can easily customize them with different clothes, pants and shoes. For example, you can dress her in a skirt and high heels, or give her beach pants and slippers.

I would frequently dress my Barbie in a variety of clothes, and I also liked to braid her hair. Unfortunately, the doll's hair would lose a lot of threads every time I braided it. I also used to make clothes for her with paper towels and would draw my favorite patterns on them. Ordinarily, I played on my own at home. At the weekend however, my friend and I would play together with our own dolls; one as the mother and the other as the daughter. It was much more interesting than playing alone.

Playing with Barbie dolls is a beautiful memory from my childhood. When I was alone, I could play with my Barbie for a long time without feeling lonely at all. Unfortunately, Barbie dolls were expensive. My mother could only afford to buy one for me when I was a child. Even today, I still like Barbie dolls very much. If I can earn a lot of money when I start working, I hope to buy a cabinet for my family to display plenty of Barbie dolls in. 中文思路:

芭比娃娃几乎是每个女孩子小时候最喜欢的玩具，当然也包括我。直到现在我依然很喜欢芭比娃娃。

记忆中我第一次玩芭比娃娃应该是小学的时候。因为我期末考试考得很好，我妈妈买了一个芭比娃娃送给我。芭比娃娃最好玩的地方在于你可以随意给它们穿不一样的衣服，裤子和鞋。比如可以给她穿裙子和高跟鞋，也可以给她穿上沙滩裤和拖鞋。

我经常给它换不同的衣服。淘宝店铺：安小雅留学。我还喜欢给芭比编头发，可惜她们的头发不经折磨，编一次就掉好多头发。我还曾经拿纸巾给她们做衣服，在衣服上画自己喜欢的图案。平时我只能一个人在家玩，到了周末的时候，我会和朋友一起用各自的娃娃过家家，一个人演妈妈一个人演女儿。这可比一个人玩有趣多了。

芭比娃娃是我童年的美好回忆。当我一个人的时候，我能和娃娃玩很久很久，一点也不觉得孤单。可惜芭比娃娃很贵，小时候妈妈也只给我买过一个。现在我还是很喜欢芭比娃娃，如果我工作以后能赚很多钱，我希望给家里买一个展示柜，然后给里面放很多芭比娃娃。

29: 投诉并得到满意结果

Describe a time you made a complaint about something and were satisfied with the result.

Some instructions you can follow:

Who you complained to

Is it easy to complain

What you complained about

And explain why you were satisfied with the result of the complaint.

Not long ago, I bought a brand-new laptop on JD.com, the online shopping platform of Jingdong, an e-commerce giant in China. And I was enraged to find out while window shopping on the site that the same product was several hundred yuan cheaper than what it was, not even a week since I received mine.

I immediately called Jingdong's customer service, hoping that I could recoup at least some of my losses. The girl on the phone was nice and polite. She asked for my order number and verified my purchase details. After about two minutes, she apologized for the inconvenience and advised that I could get a full refund of the price difference by simply applying for it via the Jingdong app.

It had been a truly smooth and pleasant shopping experience. Contrary to my expectations, making the complaint, which took less than ten minutes, turned out to be an easy process. After the call, I submitted my request via the app as per the instructions and received the refund that very afternoon. I've got to say that I couldn't have been more pleased with the outcome. Had I purchased the laptop at Computer City or anywhere else, getting a refund might have been rather difficult. JD.com has proven itself a highly trustworthy shopping site and I am happy to recommend it to my family and friends.

中文思路:

不久前，我在京东网上购买了一台全新的笔记本电脑。就在我收到电脑还不到一周的时候，某天我无意中点开网页，发现同样的产品竟然比我购买的时候便宜了好几百元，那一刻我感到非常生气。

我立刻拨打了京东的客服电话，希望能挽回一些损失。接待我的是一个态度很好的女生，她询问了我的订单号，并且核对了我的购买信息。大约两分钟之后，她向我表达了歉意，并且告诉我我可以自己在京东 app 上面申请，网站将会把差价全额退还给我。

我认为这是一次非常顺利且愉快的购物体验。我本以为投诉过程会很麻烦，没想到竟然如此简单。全程不过花费了十分钟。挂断电话后，我按照客服的指导在 app 上提交了申请，当天下午我就收到了退款。我不得不承认这个结果让我非常满意。如果我在电脑城或者其他地方购买这台笔记本电脑，商家也许并不会如此爽快的答应退款。京东网是一家非常值得信赖的购物网站，我很乐意把它分享给我的家人和朋友。

30: 不寻常的一顿饭

Describe a time when you had an unusual meal.

Some instructions you can follow:

When you had this meal

Who was with you

Where you had this meal

And explain what was unusual about this meal.

On my birthday this year, my boyfriend (girlfriend) and I had a wonderful time enjoying an exceptional dinner.

It was at a fancy restaurant in an upscale mall downtown which also happened to serve one of the most expensive buffets in our city. Truth be told, I had always been intrigued by that place, which explained why I was particularly looking forward to the treat there from my boyfriend. And boy, was I about to be dazzled by what was to come. Not only was the dining hall richly decorated, but there were also live piano performances to entertain the guests. Since my boyfriend made a point of reserving a window table, our meal came with the added benefit of a charming, panoramic view of the CBD in all its night-time glory.

For me, it was a dining experience like no other. For one thing, I have rarely had the luxury of having pricey meals at such a high-end restaurant. Having gotten used to the noisy environment of the school cafeteria where I mostly ate, the quiet and graceful manners of the waiters and waitresses actually made me a bit uneasy. For another, there was a great variety of food on offer, including salmon, sea urchins and foie gras, dishes I seldom, if ever, got to taste.

The evening could not have turned out any better. My boyfriend and I chatted and feasted until quite late. And there was even a small complimentary cake to take home. What a memorable, special dinner it was.

中文思路:

今年我过生日的时候,我和我的男(女)朋友享受了一顿不同寻常的晚餐。我认为那是一次非常美妙的体验。

男朋友带我去了一家高级餐厅,它也是我们市最贵的自助餐之一,它位于市中心的一家高档商场里。事实上,我一直对这家餐厅非常感兴趣,因此对这顿晚餐特别期待。到达餐厅后,眼前的一切都让我感到满意。餐厅不仅装修得富丽堂皇,甚至有人现场演奏钢琴。男朋友还特地预订的窗边的位置,透过玻璃窗,城市 CBD 的景色尽收眼底。

这顿饭对我来说是特别的。一方面是因为平常我都是在学校饭堂吃饭,很少去这么贵的餐厅。与饭堂嘈杂相比,这里安静的用餐环境,服务员礼貌的态度让我竟有一丝局促不安。另一方面,这里的菜品种类非常丰富,有很多我平时很少吃的品种,比如三文鱼,海胆和鹅肝。

这一切实在是太美好了,我和男朋友一边吃饭一边聊天,直到很晚才离开。临走的时候,餐厅还赠送了我一个小蛋糕。这顿特别的晚餐令我非常难忘。

31: 迟到

Describe a time when you were late for something important

Some instructions you can follow:

When and where it happened

What you were late for

Why you were late

And explain how you felt about being late for this important thing.

About half a month ago, I had inflammation around one of my wisdom teeth. A lot of the time, the pain was so bad I couldn't even eat. That was when I decided to have the tooth removed. I managed to make a doctor's appointment online but was only able to book a time slot that was two weeks in the future (because of the doctors' tight schedules).

A couple of days ago while out shopping with a friend, I received a call from the hospital and was asked to go see the doctor as fast as I could since it was already past our agreed timeslot. I panicked. As the toothache had gradually subsided and because it had been quite some time since I scheduled the appointment, the whole thing had completely slipped my mind.

There was just no way for me to make it to the hospital in time since it was already four o'clock in the afternoon and the doctor was supposed to get off work in an hour. I explained the situation to the nurse on the line and apologized. The nurse helped me cancel the appointment and advised me that this would count as a default on my part, and that after three defaults, I would be banned from making appointments with doctors at their hospital.

There was no denying that it was my mistake for not keeping the appointment and I felt ashamed for having caused others inconvenience and wasting valuable medical resources. I made another doctor's appointment that night, but this time I took the extra step of setting a reminder on my phone. I am confident that I won't repeat the same mistake this time around.

大约半个月前，我的智齿发炎了，我经常因为牙痛而无法吃饭。那时候我下定决心要去拔掉这颗智齿。我打开市口腔医院的预约网站，谁知道近期所有的时间都已经约满了，无奈之下我只能预约两周以后的时间。

直到前几天，当我和朋友在外面逛街的时候，我突然接到了医院打来的电话，告诉我现在已经过了预约时间，请尽快过来。我懵了。因为在我预约了看病时间后，我的牙渐渐不疼了，加上时间过去太久，我已经完全忘了这件事。

当时已经下午四点多，医院还有一个小时就要下班。即使我立刻赶去医院，时间也来不及了。我告诉护士我不小心忘记了这件事，我感到很抱歉。护士帮取消了预约，并且告诉我她会在医院的系统上记录这次违约。一旦我爽约超过三次，以后就不能挂号了。

事实上，忘记约定确实是我的过错，我的行为给他人带来了不便，浪费了医疗资源。我感到很羞愧。晚上，我在网上重新预约了看医生的时间，并且用手机设置了提醒事项。相信这次一定不会再发生类似的事情了。

32: 想了解更多的历史

Describe a period in history that you would like to learn more about.

Some instructions you can follow:

When this period in history was

How you first became interested in this period in history

What you already know about this period in history

And explain why you would like to learn more about this period.

As a science student, I don't know much about history. But if there is one period of time that piques my interest, it is China's Tang Dynasty.

I was first exposed to that period in my history classes in high school. Watching and listening to the teacher describing to us with gusto all its wonders and glories, my curiosity about the golden age started to grow.

What little knowledge I possess of the Tang Dynasty comes mostly from textbooks and TV dramas. There were quite a few popular TV series set in that era. In between the love stories of the main characters, I got to learn about certain historical figures and events. What stood out for me the most was the fact that the dynasty gave the nation its only female emperor, Wu Zetian. It was nothing short of amazing for Wu to climb to the pinnacle of power and command the respect and support of her ministers at a time in history when women were considered inferior to men. During her reign, Tang China flourished economically and culturally, with Chang'an (Xi'an), the capital, leading the world as the most developed city.

Every stage of history provides a snapshot of the social and economic realities of a country at a point in time. I want to understand how the Tang Dynasty managed its economic rise and what led to its eventual decline. Only by figuring it all out can we draw lessons from the past, and that is what the study of history is all about.

中文思路:

作为一个理科生，我对历史了解的并不多。淘宝店铺：安小雅。如果一定要选择一个感兴趣的，我了解中国唐代的历史。

我第一次接触唐代历史是在高中的历史课上。当老师兴高采烈的向同学们描述唐代辉煌的历史时，我也开始对这个朝代感到好奇。

我对唐代了解一点，但不多。大多来自于历史课本和电视剧。有几部热播的电视剧都是以唐代作为背景。除了男女主角的爱情故事之外，我也学到了一些历史人物和历史知识。我印象比较深刻的是唐代产生了中国历史上唯一的女皇帝武则天。要知道在古代中国，女性是不受重视的。武则天能成为皇帝，并且被大臣们认可，是一件非常了不起的事。并且在她的治理下，唐朝的经济和文化都得到了充分发展，都城长安一度成为全世界最发达的城市。

每一段历史都反映了当时国家的社会和经济状况，我了解唐代是如何发展经济的，后期又是如何走向衰败。我们只有了解了这些才能够从历史中总结经验教训，这是学习历史的最大意义。

33: 以后想学习的事情

Describe something you would like to study in the future.

Some instructions you can follow:

What you would like to study

Where you would like to study

How easy or difficult it would be to study this

And explain why you would like to study this in the future.

I want to talk about studying French, which is a complicated and romantic language. French is the official language of many regions and organizations. Because of its strict characteristics, formal and important documents, such as the legal provisions, are written in French. My teacher once told me that the United Nations has set English as its first speaking language, but French as its first written language.

I watched a foreign film last year, when I heard the characters in the film speaking French. I was touched by the beautiful voice. It makes me feel very elegant to speak and hear this language, so I want to learn French. I have learned some conversational phrases from the movie, but in order to learn it in a proper way, I chose a course at my campus this semester to learn French from the beginning.

I think French is one of the most difficult languages in the world because the pronunciation of French and the use of oral muscles is completely different from that of English. Some nasal and lingual sounds, in particular, are big challenges for me. But I believe there is no shortcut to language learning except listening, speaking, and practicing more. I'm looking forward to mastering this language well one day so that I can read some original books and watch French movies.

中文思路:

我想谈谈学习法语，这是一门复杂而又浪漫的语言。法语是许多区域和组织的官方语言。由于它非常严谨，正式且重要的法律条文等都是用法语书写的。我曾经听老师说过，联合国将英语作为第一交流用语，而将法语作为第一书面用语。

我去年看了一部外国电影，当我听到电影里的人物说法语的时候，我被这美妙的声音打动了。法语让我觉得非常优雅，所以我想学习法语。我从电影里学到了一些会话短语，但是为了用更适当的方法学习它，这学期我在学校选修了法语课程，希望能从头学起。

我想学习法语应该很难，法语的发音与口腔肌肉的使用方式与英语完全不同。尤其是一些鼻音和舌音，对中国人来说是一个巨大的挑战。但我相信语言学习没有捷径可走，无非就是多听多说多练。我很期待有一天能学好法语，然后去看一些原版的书籍和电影。

34: 住所附近的变化

Describe a recent development which has improved the area where you live

Some instructions you can follow:

What the new development is

What was there before this development

How long it took to complete

And explain how it has improved the area where you live.

A few months ago, a shopping mall opened its doors close to where I live. It is a large commercial center that caters to customers' shopping, dining, and other needs, and one, I must say, that has made my life a whole lot easier.

In fact, I don't exactly remember what used to occupy the land where the brand-new mega structure now stands. It seemed to have been a sprawling warehouse if my memory serves me correctly. The lot was fenced off when the construction of the mall began. And it took around a year for the work to be completed, during which time noise from the site was clearly audible when I was at home on weekends. The grand opening of the mall turned out to be quite an occasion for residents nearby. With much anticipation and expectation, they packed the spot in high spirits the entire business day.

I live by the river in a suburb. Beautiful as it is, the region had long been plagued by the lack of decent places to shop and dine. A few snack bars and convenience stores were all that was available in my neighborhood. Whenever I felt the urge or had the need to go shopping, I had to make inconvenient journeys by subway to shopping malls several miles away. It had also always been my mom's wish that we had a supermarket close by. Today, the mall is just a few minutes' walk away. And I can have whatever food I fancy sent to my door from the facility by using one of the delivery apps if I don't feel like going outside. Needless to say, the mall has been a real boon to residents in the surrounding area.

中文思路:

几个月前，我家附近新开了一家购物广场。这是一所集购物，餐饮，超市于一体的大型商业中心。不得不说这给我的生活带来了极大的便利。

事实上，我并不确切的记得那片地之前是干什么用的，如果我没有记错的话，似乎是一片仓库。后来那里就被围起来施工了，周末我在家里甚至可以听到施工的噪音。大约用了一年的时间，商场才逐渐成型。商场开业那天，在周边引起了巨大的轰动，人气异常火爆。周边的居民都对这座商场充满了期待。

我家住在城市郊区的江边，虽然风景优美，但是一直以来都缺少商业设施。我家楼下只有一些小吃店和小型的便利店。当我想逛街的时候，只能坐地铁去几公里外的商场，这非常的不方便。我妈妈也一直希望我家附近能有一座大型超市。现在，我只需要步行几分钟就能到达商场。不想出门的时候，我可以用外卖软件点到任何我想吃的食物。这座商场极大的提升了周边居民的幸福感。

35-1: 别人的好消息

Describe a time when you heard good news about someone you know well.

Some instructions you can follow:

Who the person is

What the good news was

When and how you heard the good news

And explain how you felt when you heard the good news about this person.

One afternoon in June this year, I received a call from my brother while I was getting ready to go to class as usual. Copyright by AnXiao Ya. He told me that his college entrance exam results were out and that he had been accepted to Sun Yat-sen University.

I could hardly believe my ears when I heard the news. After repeated assurances from my brother that this was not a prank, I couldn't help but start jumping up and down and screaming in excitement, leading my roommates to believe that I had just gone crazy.

It had been quite a while since I was thrilled by such unreservedly good tidings. My brother and I grew up together and, since he was four years my junior, he had always been a child in my eyes. He was a fun-loving boy and never excelled academically. And for that, he had been on the receiving end of many complaints from our parents. Thus, it came as a real surprise to everyone in my family that my brother should have performed so well in the potentially life-changing exam. I was so utterly happy for my brother the moment he delivered the news on the phone, happier than when I myself got admitted to the university, that I couldn't wait to rush home and congratulate him face to face. Afterward, I gave my brother a big hongbao, a red envelope with gift money inside, as there is no better way for the Chinese to express their best wishes to others.

With hard work and a bit of luck, everyone can be a miracle worker someday.

中文思路:

今年六月一个下午,当我和往常一样准备去上课时,我接到了弟弟的电话。他告诉我他的高考成绩出来了,他被中山大学录取了。

听到这个消息的时候,我简直不能相信自己的耳朵。我再三和他确定他不是开玩笑后,我兴奋的跳了起来。我忍不住在宿舍开始尖叫,以至于我的舍友都认为我疯了。

这对我来说无疑是一个天大的好消息,我已经很久没有这么激动了。我的弟弟比我小4岁,我们两个从小一起长大。在我的印象中,弟弟一直是个小孩子。他从小就很贪玩,因此学习成绩一直平平无奇,我的父母为了弟弟的成绩没少抱怨。他能在高考中发挥的这么好,是我们全家都没有预料到的。接到他电话的那一刻,我比我自己考上大学的时候还要开心,恨不得立刻飞奔回家恭喜他。之后,我给弟弟发了一个大红包。这是中国人用来表达祝福最好的方式。

有时候,自己的努力加上一点运气,就会有意想不到的结果出现。

35-2: 别人的好消息

Describe a time when you heard good news about someone you know well.

Some instructions you can follow:

Who the person is

What the good news was

When and how you heard the good news

And explain how you felt when you heard the good news about this person.

Not long ago, my roommate Anna told me she had landed her dream internship at an investment firm. This is great news!

Anna has always been interested in the investment industry. Not long ago, I became aware of an advertisement for an internship with a famous investment company. When I first saw the advertisement, I immediately told Anna about the vacancy. But she thought it would be ridiculous of her to apply, as she was young and lacked any experience within the field of investment. She imagined the chances of her being accepted to be next to nothing. However, I told her that in life we must take risks if we want to achieve our dreams and attain our potential to the fullest. At last, she was persuaded and applied for the position.

She was surprised to discover a few weeks later that she had been accepted for an interview with the investment company. She told me this news and we were both elated! She thanked me for my great advice.

I think we should try our best to seize every opportunity. Don't always feel limited to do only what you think you can do. It is crucial to attempt things outside of your comfort zone, and it is the only way we can excel in life.

中文思路:

不久前，我的室友 anna 告诉我，她得到了自己梦寐以求的投资公司的实习机会。这真是个天大的好消息！

Anna 一直对投资行业的工作很感兴趣，最近有一个大型投资公司的实习广告。当我第一次看到这个广告的时候，我就跟 Anna 说了这个消息。但 Anna 觉得她申请这个职位是很可笑的，因为她还很年轻，在这个行业完全没有经验。但我告诉她，在生活中我们必须承担风险，如果我们想实现我们的梦想，实现我们最大的潜力。最后，她被说服了，递交了申请。

几周后，Anna 惊讶地发现她通过了投资公司的面试。她告诉我这个消息，我们都很高兴！她非常感谢我的无懈可击的建议。

我觉得我们应该尽可能地尝试每一个机会。不要总觉得自己能力有限，只做自己认为能做到的事。在你的舒适区之外尝试一些事情是很重要的，这是我们在生活中胜出的唯一方法。

36: 见过的有趣老人

Describe an interesting old person you have met.

Some instructions you can follow:

How you met him/her

Who the person is

What kind of person he/she is

And explain why you think this old person is interesting.

My neighbor Roy is a very interesting old man. We live in the same building. We occasional bump into each other and have a conversation. I have known him for quite some time now, I think we first met about a year and a half ago. Although there is a large age gap between us, I enjoy talking to him.

I find Roy is such an interesting man because when he was young, he used to be a travelling actor. He was part of a theatre group which would travel all over the country and perform traditional and modern plays in all sorts of different theatres. Therefore, whenever we see each other in the café, I always ask him to tell me a story from that period of his life. He tells me the most interesting tales about strange cities that are far away and the even stranger people he met. Or he tells me stories about the wild and absurd plays. The plays are written by modern playwrights, so I always desire to listen to him. What's more his stories are always filled with such imaginative characters and beautiful places. At times, I am not sure whether he is telling the complete truth, but I do not mind, because the stories are so interesting and diverse. I am very happy I know my friend Roy.

中文思路:

我的邻居罗伊是一位非常有趣的老人。我们住在同一栋楼，因此我们经常撞见并一起聊天。我认识他已经有一段时间了，我们第一次见面大概是一年半前。虽然我们的年纪差距很大，但我很喜欢和他聊天。

我发现罗伊是一个很有趣的人，他年轻的时候曾是一名旅行演员。他是某个剧团的成员，这个剧团要在全国各地，各种不同的剧院演出传统和现代戏剧。每当我们在咖啡馆遇到彼此，我总是请他给我讲他这段时间的经历。他会给我讲关于遥远陌生的城市和他遇到的陌生人的有趣故事。或者他会给我讲一些荒诞不经的戏剧。这些剧本是由现代剧作家写的，我总是想要听他讲故事。他的故事总是充满了有创造力的人物和美丽的地方。有时我不确定他说的是真是假，但这并不重要，因为故事是那么有趣和多样。我很高兴认识我的朋友罗伊。

37: 去过的一个嘈杂地方

Describe a place you went to that was very noisy.

Some instructions you can follow:

Where this place was

What you did there

Why it was very noisy

And explain how you felt about this place being so noisy.

As is known to all, square dance is a unique activity in China, which many old people like to take part in. This is because they think it is a convenient method of exercise without the risk of overexerting or injuring themselves. However, it is definitely a terrible experience for the residents living nearby.

Every night after dinner, there are always a group of old people dancing in the square near my home. They turn on loud music through speakers and then begin to dance. Whether I happen to pass by or stand on the balcony of my home, I can hear their music playing loudly. Their favorite song to play is "The Coolest Ethnic Trend." It's a very upbeat, rhythmic piece of music. Every night, at the same time, this song plays. For one thing, the music is terrible. For another, if I hear it every day, no matter how good the music is, I definitely won't enjoy it.

I completely can't bear the noise that comes from the square. That group of old people dance for almost two hours every day. What's even worse is that there are occasionally several groups of people who turn on different kinds of music at the same time! I think I can't consider it to be music, but rather a kind of noise. I once went to the community office to complain about their behavior, but because they were so enthusiastic about it, the community office had no choice but to persuade them to lower the volume of their music.

中文思路:

众所周知，广场舞是中国特有的一种运动，很多老人家都喜欢参加，他们认为这样可以锻炼身体。然而这对于住在附近的住户来说，绝对是一项不好的经历。

每天晚上吃完饭，我们家楼下的广场上总有一群阿姨在跳舞。他们用很大的喇叭大声的播放音乐，并且随着音乐跳舞。不论我是恰巧经过，还是站在家里的阳台上，都能听到它们播放的音乐声。他们最喜欢的播放歌曲一定是『最炫民族风』。这是一首很欢快，节奏感很强的音乐。每天晚上这首歌都会准时响起。一方面，他们播放的音乐很难听。另一方面，再好听的音乐，如果每天都放一遍，我一定会非常讨厌那首歌。

我非常不喜欢小区里的广场，噪音让我非常崩溃。他们每天都会跳将近两个小时。更糟糕的是，有时会有几批不同的人在同一时间播不同的音乐！我不能称之为音乐，而是一种噪音。我曾经去过社区办投诉她们的行为，但是因为她们对此非常热衷，社区办也没有办法，只能劝说她们降低一下音乐的音量。

38: 完成的骄傲事情

Describe something you achieved that you are proud of.

Some instructions you can follow:

What you achieved

How you did it

How difficult it was to do

And explain why you are proud of this achievement.

When it comes to describing something I was very proud of, I would like to talk about the first-class scholarship of our university which I earned last year.

Last year I tried to win the first-class scholarship. It is based on the academic performance of each semester, and the students whose average score are in the top ten of the whole grade are awarded a scholarship of 2,000 yuan. If I win the scholarship, I can travel to other cities during the next vacation.

It is an arduous process to earn the scholarship. I devoted myself to studying and trying to get better scores in every examination. I also took part in lots of social activities in my free time. Until one day at noon, my roommate Lucy told me that the scholarship list had been announced and I made it!

This scholarship makes me very excited and satisfied. It means my whole year's effort was paid back. I shared the good news with my family and friends. My parents said that they were proud of me. The praise from friends and parents made me feel that my efforts were rewarding. I love the feeling of winning awards and will continue to concentrate on study this year. I hope I can earn scholarships again.

中文思路:

谈到骄傲的时刻，我想谈谈我获得奖学金的事，这足以让我开心了好久。去年，我试图获得我们学校的一等奖学金。一等奖学金以每学期的学习成绩为基础，平均在年级前十的学生可获得 2000 元的奖学金。这对一个学生来说是一大笔钱!! 如果我能获得奖学金，我可以用这笔钱和朋友一起去其他城市旅行。

获得奖学金是一个艰苦的过程。我全身心地投入到学习中，努力在每次考试中取得更好的分数。我还用课余时间参加了很多社会实践活动。直到我的室友 lucy 告诉我奖学金名单公布了，里面有我。

这份奖学金让我感到非常兴奋和满足，不仅因为这笔钱可以买很多我喜欢的东西，还是对我这一年努力的肯定。兴奋之余，我把这个好消息分享给了我的家人和朋友，爸爸妈妈说以我为骄傲，朋友和亲人的赞美都让我觉得我的努力没有白费。我想今年我会继续努力的，我很喜欢得奖的感觉，我希望能继续获得奖学金。淘宝店铺：安小雅。

39: 不喜欢的广告

Describe an advertisement you have seen that you did not like.

Some instructions you can follow:

Where and when you saw this advertisement

What it was for

What you could see in the advertisement

And explain why you did not like it.

It was around last year that all the elevators in our neighborhood were installed with advertising screens. And since then, I have been subjected to ad attacks every time I go in and out of the buildings. Among my least favorite ads was one by KFC.

The commercial was, of course, meant to increase awareness of and promote special offers from the fast-food giant. I don't quite remember the video content, which might have been images of burgers and fried chickens. But I will never forget the voice-over. As if on repeat, the clip kept blaring the phrase "Crazy Thursday, Two for ¥9.90" over and over again. The speed with which the words were uttered, coupled with the jarring music in the background, gave me the impression of a monk chanting fast in my ear, which was really irritating.

With TV, I can switch to another channel if there is a commercial I don't like. In the case of the elevator ad by KFC, however, that was not an option. I'd be exposed to it as long as I needed to take the elevator. And I found that not particularly pleasant. Besides, I have a suspicion that the promotion had not been truthful. I have been to a KFC restaurant on Thursdays. The "Two for ¥9.90" fried chicken featured in the ad was nowhere to be seen, and practically every item that was supposed to be on sale was sold out. For these reasons, I do not take a liking to KFC. If I feel like having fast food, I'd be more inclined to go with McDonald's.

中文思路:

大概是去年，我们家小区的所有电梯，都被安上了广告屏幕。从那以后每次我乘坐电梯，都会被迫看广告。其中我最不喜欢的，就是肯德基的广告。

这则广告当然是为了宣传肯德基的品牌的以及优惠活动。它的画面我印象不深，大概是肯德基的汉堡和炸鸡的一些视频。但这条广告的声音我绝对忘不掉，它一直在重复疯狂星期四，两份九块九这句话，就像一部复读机一样。广告的语速很快，配上聒噪的音乐。就像一个和尚在我的耳旁快速念经，听起来令人烦躁。

看电视的时候如果我遇到不喜欢的广告，我可以选择换台。而肯德基的电梯广告是我无法选择的。只要我需要乘坐电梯，那我得被迫看这条广告。我很不喜欢这种方式。此外，我觉得肯德基完全是在虚假宣传，我曾经在周四去过肯德基，根本没有看到广告里九块九的炸鸡，有优惠的产品基本都显示已售完。我对肯德基实在没什么好印象，如果我要吃快餐，我更倾向于选择麦当劳。

40: 喜欢一起工作/学习的人

Describe a person who you enjoyed working or studying with.

Some instructions you can follow:

Who this person is

How long you worked or studied together

What work or studies you did together

And explain why you enjoyed working or studying with this person.

I am more than happy to work with my cousin, Mike. He's only a few months younger than me. He looks kind of chubby, but you shouldn't judge a book by its cover. He is highly intelligent yet carries himself with humility.

We've known each other since we were kids, but it wasn't until high school that we got to be classmates for the entire three years. Since we were very close, we would do every group assignment together. We even entered a municipal innovation competition as a team. While we failed to bring home any trophy, it was a memorable experience nevertheless. A far better student than I, cousin Mike was among the top three scorers in the class in almost every exam. And my mom is full of praise for Mike every time we have a big family get-together.

As I've mentioned before, his humility and amiability would make him the perfect partner when studying, unlike those more arrogant people out there. I've always admired modest and friendly people, and those characteristics are what you can expect from my cousin. He is one of those humble and friendly people. He is never one to brag about his achievements, and always tries his best to help out. For me, he made a resourceful teacher and a reliable friend, that's why I think having a good partner like him is a wonderful experience.

中文思路:

我很喜欢和我的表弟 **mike** 一起学习，我表弟年纪跟我相仿，只比我小几个月。他看起来胖胖的，但人不可貌相。他非常聪明，同时还很谦虚

我们两个从小就认识了，直到高中才成为同班同学。我们一起学习了三年时间。因为我们两个关系很好，所以每次小组作业，我们都会一起完成。我们还组队参加过市级的创新大赛，虽然没能获奖，但是这段经历给我留下了深刻的印象。**Mike** 的成绩比我好很多，他几乎每次考试都能排在班级的前三名。每到过节全家一起聚餐的时候，我的妈妈都会对表弟赞不绝口。

我喜欢跟他一起学习的原因是他是个谦虚的，很好相处的人。我一直以来都很厌恶那些傲慢自大的人。相反，我很欣赏谦虚的，为人友善的人。我的表弟就是这样的一个人。他从不自夸，从不把自己的成就挂在嘴边。无论谁向他问问题，他都会虚心地尽其所能解答。淘宝店铺，他是我的良师益友安小，雅跟他一起学习是一件愉悦的，高效的事情。

41: 常用网站

Describe a website that you use regularly.

Some instructions you can follow:

What the website is

How often you use it

How you found out about this website

And explain why you use this website regularly.

The website I use most often in my spare time is Taobao.com, the largest online shopping site in China today. It offers not only daily necessities but also some hard-to-come-by niche collectables.

I have a habit of visiting the site every day, even if just to window shop. I enjoy browsing the recommended items as I find the process liberating, just like shopping in a mall. And occasionally, when I stumble upon something that is both to my liking and within my budget, I place an order without hesitation.

If my memory serves me well, the website was recommended to me by a friend when I was in junior high and it has become part of my life ever since. I am so used to getting everything I need from the site that my world would be turned upside down should it no longer exist one day.

Thanks to the convenience of online shopping, I rarely ever go to malls these days. With a click of the mouse on Taobao.com, I can have my orders delivered to my door. The best part is, you can often find great deals on the shopping site. I can sometimes get the same product for half the price I would have been charged at a brick-and-mortar store. And you can expect even more discounts on major holidays and festivals such as Singles' Day, or Double Eleven as it is known here in China.

中文思路:

生活中我最常用的网站就是淘宝网。它是当今中国最大的线上购物网站。淘宝网不仅有日常的生活必需品，一些小众收藏品也可以在网站上买到。

我每天都会习惯性的打开淘宝网，即使我并不想购物。我喜欢浏览淘宝网的商品推荐，这个过程就像逛商场一样，让我觉得非常解压。偶尔我也会在里面发现自己的喜欢的商品，如果商品价格是我所能承受的，我就会毫不犹豫的买下它。

如果我没有记错的话，淘宝网是我上初中的时候，我的朋友推荐给我的。从那以后这个网站就变成了我生活的一部分。我习惯在这个网站上购买一切我所需要的物品。如果有一天这个网站不存在了，我的生活将会变得无比糟糕。

网购实在是太方便了，以至于我现在很少逛街。我只需要在淘宝上点击下单，快递就会把我买的商品直接送到我家。最重要的是，同样的产品，淘宝网上经常会有优惠。有时候我只需要用一半的价格，就可以买到和商场一样的东西。如果遇到一些重大节日，比如双十一，淘宝网的优惠就更多了。

42: 开学的第一天

Describe something you remember about your first day at a new school.

Some instructions you can follow:

Where the it was

What you remember well

How you felt about your first day at the school

And explain why you remember this about your first day at the new school.

My high school holds my most cherished memories in life so far, and as such, I still remember my first day there.

It just so happened that, the year I was supposed to start, the school moved its campus from the city center to a faraway place in the suburb. Given its remoteness, the site couldn't be reached by subway and every single journey for me would mean a long and tedious bus ride.

My very first and deepest impression of the school was the utter desolation of its surroundings. Grand and shiny as the new campus was, there were no commercial establishments nearby. All that was there were wastelands and villages waiting to be developed in the country's urbanization drive. I would be lying if I didn't say I was a bit disappointed.

After a visit to the campus, however, my mood took a turn for the better. In addition to a classroom building one would normally expect, the institute came equipped with an indoor gymnasium and its own library, facilities that were traditionally considered luxuries for a high school. Seeing so many unfamiliar faces in such an unfamiliar environment, however, I couldn't help but feel nervous and uneasy. And it wasn't until I recognized and rejoined a couple of classmates from junior high that my mind was finally put at ease.

I spent the next three happy years at the school. I had the joy of witnessing not only my own rapid growth in the company of an ever-expanding army of friends but also the steady rise of the area around the campus, with a land of nothing transformed into a mega shopping center. While those years may have been long gone, I will always miss my first day of high school.

中文思路:

高中时期一直是我最怀念的一段时光，我至今记得第一天开学的情景。

我上高中的那一年，我们学校恰好搬到了新校区。本来位于市中心的学校，搬到了很远的郊区。那里甚至没有通地铁，我每次都要坐很长时间的公交车才能到学校。

报道那天，我印象最深的就是学校周边真的很荒凉。虽然我们的校园又大又新，但是附近没有任何商业设施。只有待开发的荒地和城中村。不得不承认我有点失望。

进了校园之后，我的心情才有所好转。除了传统的教学楼，学校甚至修建了室内体育馆和图书馆。这对于一所高中来说是很奢侈的。面对崭新的校园和陌生的同学，我更多的感到紧张和不安。直到我在班里找到了熟悉的初中同学，我的心情才平静下来。

后来，我在这所学校度过了愉快的三年高中生活。我不仅有了越来越多的好朋友，还亲眼看着学校周围一点一点发展起来。荒地变成了大型购物中心。我自己也在这所学校迅速成长起来。虽然我已经毕业很久了，但我总会怀念起开学第一天。

43: 想短暂停留的城市

Describe a city you would like to visit for only a short time.

Some instructions you can follow:

Where the city is

Who you would visit the city with

What you would like to do there

And explain why you would like to visit this city for only a short time.

When I think of a city for a short trip and Macau comes to the top of my mind. For a long time, Macau was often recommended in travel guides and social media, and I was interested about it.

I plan to visit there with my boyfriend when we've got the time since we have never been on a long trip together as a couple. It will be romantic to travel with someone I love. Also, it has also always been one of my long-cherished dreams too.

While it is part of China, Macau is distinct from other cities with its unique culture and history. I want to see its exotic architecture, including the famed Ruins of St. Paul. I want to try its tasty local food. Portuguese cuisine and snacks such as egg tarts are surely not to be missed. And most important of all, I want to take lots and lots of great pictures since it is a good place to snap photos in its metropolis.

Of course, I wouldn't take a long stay in Macau. Three or four days should be plenty. On the one hand, I might have nothing to do and get bored in such a small city. On the other hand, I can't afford the luxury of lingering for days or weeks on end in a place where no hotels seem to be cheap.

中文思路:

谈到一个我想短途旅行的城市，那无疑是澳门。很长的一段时间里，我经常在社交网站上看到有关澳门的推荐，这座城市非常吸引我。

我计划在有空的时候男朋友一起去。我和男朋友认识以来，从来没有一起出过远门。和自己喜欢的人一起旅行是一件很浪漫的事，也是我一直以来的心愿。

澳门虽然属于中国，但和中国大陆的其他城市完全不一样。它有着自己独特的历史和文化。我想去看看澳门充满异域风情的建筑，比如著名的大三巴广场。我还想去品尝当地特色的美味小吃，蛋挞和葡国菜都是不能错过的美味。当然还有最重要的事，我想拍很多好看的照片，众多周知澳门是个非常适合拍照的地方。

当然，我并不想在澳门呆很长一段时间。我认为三四天就足够了。一方面，澳门面积很小，长时间的旅行我可能会感到无聊。另一方面，澳门似乎没有什么平价酒店。我的钱包不允许我长时间住在一家豪华酒店里。

44: 教朋友或亲戚的时刻

Describe a time when you were teaching a friend or a relative to do something.

Some instructions you can follow:

Who you taught

What you taught him/her to do

How easy it was to teach him/her

And explain how you felt about teaching this friend/relative.

Not long ago, I taught my brother Mike how to reinstall the computer system. Although I am not majoring in computer science, I have learnt how to use computers and have often played computer games since childhood. The computer that I am using now is built by me, and I installed all of the software by myself too. So, reinstalling the system and solving the computer lag is a piece of cake to me. Also, I often help my friends maintain their computers.

Though I could reinstall the system for Mike directly, he can do it by himself instead if I have taught him the process. Although he is only 15 years old, he has a talent for it. It will be quite easy to teach him how to reinstall the system. All I had to do was to give him a disk and tell him the process, then he knew how to do the procedure.

I was glad to teach him how to fix the computer problem. Although computer failure is not a common thing in daily life, I think it is very necessary to learn some basic knowledge of hardware and software. Fixing a computer, like driving a car, is a practical skill. After all, the computer is a necessity in everyone's life. If it is not operated properly, you may lose some important documents. So, if we can solve some basic problems by ourselves, it could save us considerable time and money.

中文思路:

不久前，我教会了我表弟 mike 如何重装电脑系统。虽然我不是学计算机技术的，但是我从小就会用电脑，平常时常打游戏。我正在用的电脑也是我亲自买部件组装的。所以一般的重装系统和解决电脑卡顿对我来说都不在话下。生活中经常有朋友让我帮他修理电脑。

虽然我可以直接帮 mike 重装系统，但是如果我能教会他自己动手重装的话，下次遇到这种问题，他就可以自己解决了。Mike 虽然只有 15 岁，但他是个很有天分的人。教他重装系统是一件非常容易的事。我只是给了他一张光盘，然后简单的告诉他操作步骤，他就完美的解决了自己的电脑故障。

我很开心我能教会 mike 重装系统，电脑坏掉这种事在生活中虽然不常发生，但我认为学习一些基本的软硬件知识是非常必要的。修电脑就像开汽车一样，都是很实用的技能。毕竟电脑是每个人生活中的必需品，一旦操作不当，可能会导致一些重要文件的丢失。一些小问题如果能够自己解决的话，很大程度上可以节约自己的时间和金钱。

45: 派对里交谈甚欢的人

Describe a person who you enjoyed talking to at a party.

Some instructions you can follow:

Who the person was

When and where the party was

What you talked about

And explain why you enjoyed talking to this person at the party.

During the summer break not long ago, I attended a high school reunion organized by our former class president and held at a restaurant next to our school campus.

It had been almost three years since I last saw my classmates on the day of our graduation. I got to meet Anna and we had a lot to talk about since we are in college in the same city. She shared with me a lot of gossip and great dining places which I found really interesting.

I didn't get along with her before, but I found out there was a lot in common between us throughout this conversation. Anna is an outgoing and social girl who is well informed about the latest breaking news and trends, take, for example, the latest memes and newly opened restaurants. I bet you she'll be the first to know nine times out of ten. It's interesting listening to her ramble, and I would accredit that to her expertise in delicacies. I may be a foodie myself, but I would never be able to reach such great lengths when it comes to knowing how to locate the best outlets in town.

Anna often shares her newfound diner at some nook of the city to me. As a lover of food, it is all I ever wanted to make a friend with whom I can talk and together share our hearts out. Anna is a blessing to my life and it is such an honor to have such a fun and kindhearted friend. I am glad to have met her again in this party and we have become close friends ever since. Copyright by AnXiao Ya.

中文翻译:

不久前的暑假，我参加了一场高中同学聚会。这场聚会是我们班长组织的，地点选在我们学校旁边的一家餐厅。

自从毕业后，我和高中同学已经快三年没有见面了。在这次聚会上，我见到了 anna。我们目前在同一所城市上大学，这让我们有了不少共同话题。在和 anna 聊天的过程中，她和我分享了很多八卦消息，还推荐了几家餐厅给我，这让我非常感兴趣。

之前我和 anna 并不熟悉，但是这次聚会让我发现我们两个非常聊得来。淘宝店铺：安小雅留学。anna 是个非常开朗的人，喜欢交朋友。她对当下热点和潮流特别了解。最近发生了什么有趣的事，又或是哪里又开了新餐厅。他都能第一时间发现。和她聊天的过程中我听到了很多有趣的事。最重要的是她对美食很有研究。我也喜欢美食，但我并不知道去哪里找到那些好吃的餐厅。她经常能发现好吃的餐厅并且分享给我。对于热爱美食的人，能找到一个志同道合的朋友一起分享和讨论，真的是一件非常愉快的事。我很庆幸这次同学聚会，让我重新认识了 anna，我们从此成为了非常好的朋友。

46: 收到想要的东西

Describe a time when someone gave you something that you really wanted.

Some instructions you can follow:

Who this person was

What this person gave you

Why you wanted this thing

And explain how you felt when you got this thing.

I am extremely grateful to Anna, my roommate, for showing up when I needed help the most.

It was on a morning several weeks ago when I was getting ready to go to class. I stepped out of the dorm to check the weather so that I could decide what shoes to wear for the day. A strong wind came all of a sudden and before I could react, the door slammed shut behind me with a loud bang.

My mind went blank. All I knew at that moment was that I had been locked outside with my pajamas and slippers on. To make matters worse, I did not have my cellphone with me.

Luckily, I was able to borrow a phone from a classmate next door and get in touch with Anna. She was having breakfast in the school cafeteria and told me she was on her way back after hearing what had just happened to me. There she was, 15 minutes later, handing me the key with a smile like an angel.

It was winter and the temperature was low. Had it not been for Anna, my whole day would have been ruined and I could very well have fallen ill. I couldn't have thanked Anna enough. A friend in need is a friend indeed. By putting aside whatever she was doing to bring me the key, Anna had proven herself a truly worthy friend. Should she be in trouble someday, I would not hesitate to do whatever I can to help her out.

中文思路:

我非常感谢我的舍友 anna，她在我非常无助的时候给予了我帮助。淘宝店铺：安小雅。

就在几周前，有一天早上我准备去上课。当我出门想看看今天穿什么鞋子的时候，突然一阵风吹来，伴随着巨大的声响，宿舍的门瞬间锁上了。根本没有给我反应的机会。

那时候我的大脑一片空白。我只知道自己穿着睡衣和拖鞋，被锁在了门外。更惨的是我的手机还没有带在身上。

万幸的是，我跟隔壁同学借到了手机，成功联系到了我的舍友。接到电话的时候，Anna 正在食堂吃早饭。听说我被锁在门外，她立刻赶了回来。大约 15 分钟后，我见到了 anna，她微笑着把钥匙递给我，那一刻我觉得她仿佛是我的天使。

我被锁在门外的时候是冬天，室外的温度很低。如果没有 anna，不仅我当天的计划会被全部打乱，我很可能还会因此生病。我对 anna 充满了感激。真正的朋友是在我有需要时，能够放下自己的手头的东西来给我送钥匙。如果之后 anna 遇到了困难，我也会尽自己最大的努力去帮助她。

47: 跟别人一起做事的经历

Describe something you did with one or more people (e.g. an activity, a piece of work).

Some instructions you can follow:

What you did

Who you did it with

How long it took

And explain how you felt about doing something with one or more people.

My final presentation last semester was highly valued by my teacher. She said that it was a perfect presentation. What's more, I also gained extraordinarily good academic results for the term.

The final presentation was collectively carried out by our group of six. In the group, we assumed different roles with some responsible for developing PowerPoint slides and some for research. I was responsible for delivering the presentation. I started to practice my presentation two weeks in advance in order to achieve a perfect outcome. Whenever I was free, I would rehearse my presentation in front of a mirror in the dorm. Every day I would spend at least 1 hour practicing in order to be able to give the speech without the script.

The reason our group was so highly acclaimed by our teacher was that, compared with other groups, we were the most well-prepared one. Our PPT slides were exquisitely designed with rich content and well-researched sources. Prior to the presentation, I'd already been confident about myself.

Team work is the most efficient way to complete a complex task. Everyone in my team is amazing. It is a pleasure to work with them. We not only successfully completed the presentation but became close since then.

中文思路:

上学期末，对于我的期末汇报，我的老师给予了高度评价。她说这是一场完美的汇报。最后我也获得了非常好的期末成绩。

这项期末汇报是我们小组六个人共同完成的。我们每个人都有不同的分工，有的人负责做 ppt，有的负责查找资料。而我负责演讲。为了使演讲更加完美，我提前两周就开始练习了。有空的时候我就在宿舍对着镜子不停的练。为了脱稿演讲，我每天至少都会练习一个小时。

老师之所以对我们小组有很高的评价，是因为和其他人相比，我们的准备是最充分的。我们的 PPT 制作精美，内容丰富并且有充足的数据支撑。演讲前，我就对自己充满了信心。

当面对一项复杂的工作时，团队合作是最高效的方式。我们小组的每个成员都非常棒，和他们合作让我感到非常愉快。在这次合作中，我们不仅收获了好成绩，也让我们几个人成为了很好的朋友。

48: 喜欢的演员

Describe an actor who you admire for playing a particular character in a film/movie.

Some instructions you can follow:

Who the actor is

Where and when you watched this person

What kind of character this person played

And explain why you admire the actor for playing this character in a film/movie.

Robert Downey Jr., an actor, is my cup of tea. Maybe some haven't even heard of his real name and only know the famous role he has played — Tony Stark, or Iron Man. I was first introduced to him when I watched a superhero movie with my school friends in the cinema. I can't remember when it was now, but I've been crazy about Iron Man from then on!

Robert portrayed a charming and humorous billionaire in the series. Unlike his rich peers, Tony Stark pursued the lofty ideal of fighting for justice and saving the world. For this purpose, he developed a suit of high-tech armor that enabled him to fly into the sky and defended him from any attacks. In his day to day life, he is a charming guy with humor and pizzazz. When the suit is on, he turns into a superhero who fights persistently against all evil.

I adore Robert Downey Jr's portrayal of Iron Man. He is incredibly awesome! I believe every boy has a dream of becoming a superhero, and Iron Man is the very sort of idol I'd imagine myself to be in my childhood dreams!

中文思路:

我喜欢的演员是小罗伯特唐尼。其实可能很多人都不认识他的名字，只认识他所扮演的角色，那就是钢铁侠。我第一次知道它就是在电影《钢铁侠》里。我记得我是在电影院跟我的同学一起看的，具体已经不记得是什么时候了。我只记得我当时就迷上了钢铁侠！

在电影里，他扮演了一个富有魅力且幽默的百万富翁。跟一般的富豪不一样，他有着拯救世界，伸张正义的理想。于是他制作了一身高科技铠甲，穿上后就他就可以飞天下海，任何武器都伤害不了他。没穿上铠甲的他是一个风度翩翩，幽默有趣的帅气男人。穿上铠甲后，他则是一个坚韧不拔，尽全力和恶势力斗争的超级英雄。

我非常喜欢唐尼扮演的钢铁侠这个角色，因为我觉得他是在是太酷了！我相信所有男生都有一个成为超级英雄的梦。而钢铁侠则完完全全是我小时候的梦想里想成为的那一个超级英雄

49: 去过的一个空气不好的地方

Describe a place you went to where the air was not clean.

Some instructions you can follow:

Where the place was

When and Why you went there

Why the air was not clean

And explain how you felt about being in a place where the air was not clean.

A little while ago, a few of us held a birthday celebration for Anna, a good pal of mine, at a barbeque shop. What struck me the most about the diner was its terrible air. Copy right by An XiaoYa.

As everyone knows, a good ventilation system is crucial for a barbeque restaurant. That is because, if not removed in time, the smoke produced while barbequing could quickly make the air in the place insufferable. It might have just so happened that something went wrong with their exhaust system on that day, or it may have always been the case with the shop, but the smoke was so heavy that I couldn't help but keep shedding tears. I tried to get the problem solved by making a complaint to the waiters, but things did not get any better.

As someone with an acutely sensitive respiratory system, the poor air quality had the additional effect of making me cough uncontrollably. As soon as we finished eating, I proposed that we go somewhere else to continue our little gathering since the dining spot had become practically unbearable. Perhaps because the rest of the group also had a problem with the air there, my proposal gained instant support. We later settled ourselves in an outdoor café with nice air and, with that change of environment, I found myself in a much better mood. No sensible person would enjoy having dinner in a room filled with smoke. I, for one, would never go back to that barbeque shop ever.

中文思路:

不久前，为了庆祝我的好朋友 anna 的生日，我们几个朋友一起来到了一家烤肉店聚餐。那家餐厅给我留下最深刻的印象就是，那里的空气非常不好。

要知道对于一家烤肉店而言，换气系统是非常重要的。烤肉本身就会产生大量的油烟，如果不能将油烟及时排出，淘宝店铺，整个餐厅的空气就会非常差安小。雅而那天，不知道是餐厅的抽风系统坏了，还是这家店本来就如此，在吃饭的过程中，我被油烟熏的一直流眼泪。我尝试向服务员投诉，然而情况并没有得到改善。

我是个呼吸系统非常敏感的人，不干净的空气会让我一直咳嗽。当大家都用餐完毕后，我立刻提议我们换个地方聊天。因为呆在那里实在是太难受了。其他人似乎也觉得餐厅的空气很差，我的提议立刻得到了大家的支持。后来，我们去了一家空气很好的户外咖啡厅，我的心情也跟着好起来。没有人愿意在充满油烟的房间里吃饭，我想我再也不会光顾那家烤肉店了。

50: 难用的科技产品

Describe a piece of technology that you find difficult to use.

Some instructions you can follow:

What you use it for

When you got it

How often you need to use it

And explain why you find this piece of technology difficult to use.

Not long ago, I bought an expensive SLR camera in order to take better pictures. I like to record the memorable moments of my life, and I thought this camera would be the best tool to record them. But after I bought it, I found it wasn't as easy as I thought. There are several capture modes on the camera which are very complicated to handle. I only knew how to use the automatic mode at first. The pictures I took were so different from what I imagined it should be.

So, I spent days reading some books about photography which introduced the use of the SLR camera and how to set complex parameters. Of course, it is also important to practice so I went to the park and other places to take pictures. I devoted myself to learning it, and finally it took me about a month to master some basic skills of photography. From then on, I often went out to take some photo with my camera. I gradually learned how to use an SLR camera and was able to take some good pictures. My classmates all thought I was very good at photography and usually asked me to take pictures of them when we went out.

Although I have made great progress now, I have to admit that there is still a big gap between me and professional photographers. I still struggle to make good use of the light and shadow when capturing. A professional SLR is a really hard thing to use.

中文思路:

不久前，为了拍出好看的照片，我买了一部很贵的单反相机。我喜欢记录生活中值得记录的时刻，所以我觉得这部相机会是记录生活的好工具。但是买回来之后，我发现拍照并没有想象中那么容易。单反有很多复杂的摄影模式。而我只会使用自动模式。拍出来的照片和想象中差距很大。

于是我花了几天的时间学习了几本关于摄影的书籍，书籍里面详细的介绍了单反相机的使用方法和如何设置复杂的参数。大概用了一个月的时间，我终于掌握了一些基本的方法。之后每逢周末，我都会带着相机出去拍照。我逐渐学会了怎么使用单反，现在可以拍出一些很好的照片了。我的同学都觉得我拍的照片好看，出门的时候都让我给她们拍照。

虽然现在我有了很大的进步，但是我不得不承认，我和专业的摄影师还是有着很大的差距。在一些光线不好的地方，我依然感到吃力。专业的单反相机真是一件很难使用的东西。

51: 家里舒服的某处地方

Describe the part of your home where you most enjoy relaxing.

Some instructions you can follow:

What part of your home this is

When you usually relax there

How you relax there

And explain why you find this part of your home an good place to relax in.

My bedroom is the place where I feel most at ease at home. It is not big but is large enough to accommodate everything I need. Since it comes with its own wardrobe and bathroom, it saves me the hassle of storing my personal belongings in the shared space in the house. It is also equipped with a desk so that I can study in the room without being disturbed.

I live in a dormitory at college and only return home during the summer and winter breaks. I am an avid reader and find it most enjoyable to read a book by the window by myself. In my spare time, I can go through a thick novel in just two or three days. Occasionally, I will spend time taking care of the plants on the windowsill, watering them and letting them take a sun bath. Doing these activities fills me with a true sense of relaxation.

I love the comfort of my bedroom not just because I am free to do whatever I like there, but more importantly because I only get to stay at home during school vacations. And that's the only time when I can temporarily put aside all the stresses of school and life. I don't need to worry about getting up early for a morning class or rack my brains trying to solve a math problem. I can even sleep till noon. This may sound ridiculous, but I often wish that I could curl up at home all the time and never have to go to school again.

中文思路:

我的卧室是我觉得家里面最让我放松的地方。我的房间不大，但足够装下我所需的所有东西。我房间里有独立的衣柜和独立的厕所。这意味着我的私人物品不用放在我们家的公共区域。我在房间里也摆着我的书桌，这让在学习的时候，不受家里其他人的干扰。

平时上大学我都住在学校宿舍。只有寒暑假的时候，我才会回到家里住。我是个喜欢看书的人。因此我最享受的就一个人坐在窗边看书的时光。没什么事的时候，两三天我就能读完厚厚一本小说。偶尔我也会摆弄窗台上的植物，给它们浇水和晒太阳。这都是让我觉得很放松的事。

我喜欢呆在卧室里，不只因为在那里我可以做任何我喜欢的事。更重要的原因是，通常只有放假的时候，我才能一直呆在家里。这个时候，学习和生活的压力似乎都离我越来越远了。我不必担心明天是否需要早起上课，也不需要思考令人头痛的数学题。我甚至可以睡到中午再起床。虽然这很荒谬，但我经常梦想者可以一直呆在家里，再也不去学校上课。