

Describe a car journey you had (汽车旅行)

You should say:

Where you went

What you did

Who you had the car journey with

And explain how you felt about the journey

知识点:

- **Road trip** 汽车旅行 (一般开车长途旅行) 很常见实用的表达
- **Long drive** 很长一段汽车旅行, 开车很久

We spent hours and hours on the long drive, but it was worth it to see the beautiful sights along the way.

- **Take the scenic route** 景观很美的路线, 可能会绕远路但是风景很美很值得

We decided to take the scenic route to the national park, and the views were absolutely breathtaking.

- **Breathtaking/stunning/ gorgeous/insane views(sights)** 绝美的景色
- **Spend quality time with XXX** 和某人共度高质量时光

My family and I spent a lot of quality time on the road trip.

- **Strengthen the bond between/ bond with/ a bonding experience**

The trip really strengthened the bond between my parents and I.

I enjoyed bonding with them.

It was a great bonding experience.

- **Exhilaration** 充满喜悦和兴奋的感觉/ excitement/ thrill/ euphoria

Driving on the open road gives me a sense of exhilaration and freedom.

- **Follow traffic rules and regulations** 遵守交通法规
- **Navigate** 导航、穿越、驾驶、穿过

Navigating through an unfamiliar area can be challenging on a road trip, but it's also part of the adventure.

- Cherished/ beautiful/ wonderful/ unforgettable/ memorable memories 被珍藏的、美妙的、美妙的、难忘的回忆

The road trip with my best friends created cherished memories that we still talk about today. It was unforgettable.

- Iconic/famous landmarks 著名景点
- Winding roads 蜿蜒曲折的路

I love appreciating the beautiful winding road ahead of me when I'm driving on a road trip.

素材一：

Ok, today, I'd like to share with you my experience of driving on a road trip for the first time (第一次汽车旅行) .

A few summers ago (几个夏天以前=几年以前) , my friend and I decided to take a road trip around the east coast of China. We rented a car (租了一辆车) and took turns (轮流) driving so that we could both enjoy the sights and avoid getting too tired. It was my first time driving on a long road trip. To be honest, in the beginning, I was a little nervous and shaky (颤抖的) , but gradually, I felt more at ease (感到更放松) and more excited for the adventure ahead.

Our journey started in Shanghai, and we made our way up the coast (一路沿着海岸线前行) towards Qingdao. We stopped at various scenic spots along the way (一路上) , including beaches, famous cities, and quaint towns (可爱的小镇) . I remember feeling a sense of freedom and exhilaration as we drove along the winding roads and enjoying the gentle breeze (清风) touching our faces and hair.

One of the most memorable moments of the trip was when we visited Mount Tai, in Shandong Province. We hiked up the mountain (爬山) and we also visited some ancient temples, and then later, we watched the stunning sunrise views from the top of the mountain. I remember feeling so proud of myself for successfully driving all the way from Shanghai to that point.

Overall, the road trip was a fantastic experience. It allowed me to experience the thrill of driving (驾驶的乐趣和刺激感) and see some of the most breathtaking views in China. Secondly, it was also a great bonding experience with my friend, as we shared many laughs and memories on the road.

So yeh, that was the story, thank you.

素材二：

Ok, so today I want to talk about a road trip I took with my family when I was young, which ended up with me getting car sick (晕车).

When I was a child, my family and I went on a road trip in China during the summer. We were driving to visit my grandparents who lived in a rural area (农村) in China. I remember being very excited for the trip because I loved spending time with my family and exploring new places.

However, as soon as we hit the road, I started to feel a bit queasy (想吐的) / nauseous (恶心想吐的) / funny (怪怪的). At first, I thought it was just a passing feeling (很快会过去), but it only got worse and worse as the trip went on. I tried to distract myself by talking to my parents, playing games, and listening to music, but nothing seemed to help. The roads were winding (蜿蜒曲折) and bumpy (凹凸不平), and also the gasoline smell of the car made me feel terrible.

As we drove further and further away from the city and into the countryside, I began to feel worse and worse. I felt dizzy, nauseous, and very uncomfortable. I begged my parents to stop the car and let me out, but we were in the middle of nowhere (荒无人烟的地区) and there was

nowhere to go. I tried to stay calm, but I was struggling to keep it together (保持镇定) .

Eventually, I threw up/vomited/puked (吐) in a plastic bag in the car. It was so disgusting that my parents were even gagging (呕吐前的作呕状, 还有很多其他意思, 比如笑料、使窒息) hearing me vomiting. It was contagious (会传染的) , I guess, haha!

Ever since then, I have not been a big fan of road trips, especially those really long drives. I prefer to take a flight or a train 1000 times more than going on a road trip, haha! So yeah, that was the story, thank you!

Part3:

1. What benefits does public transportation bring to the world?

Firstly, when more people go for public transportation, it reduces congestion on roads, as well as carbon emissions (二氧化碳排放量) , which means the air quality gets better. Secondly, its affordability (可负担性, 便宜的票价) can help people who don't have a car or cannot afford a car get around (转悠) and go to places (去到一些地方) . It's a more pocket-friendly (经济友好型的) way to commute and travel. Finally, public transportation such as the subway can help people avoid traffic jam and save time. And it also allows people to multitask as they don't need to drive, thereby increasing productivity. (罗列)

2. Is it too late for people to get the driver's license at the age of 18?

No, it's not too late at all, quite the opposite (正相反) , it's quite early in my opinion. I don't know about other countries, but in China, normally young people get their driver's license after graduating from university, which is around 22 years old. The way I see it, it's not the best idea for a person to try to get a driver's license too young, like 16 years old, or something like that, because at that age, they lack the necessary experience (缺乏经验) and maturity (成熟度) to handle the responsibility

that comes with driving. Young drivers are more likely to take risks (冒险) on the road, such as speeding (超速行驶) or having road rage (公路暴怒), which can lead to accidents, injuries, or even death. So, no, it's not late AT ALL. (反向假设)

3. What qualities does a driver need to have?

There are a number of key qualities a driver must have. First off, they have to be responsible and reliable. It's no joke. It's people's lives that they are taking care of. They need to be able to follow the rules and regulations, always put safety first (安全第一). Speeding or road rage is completely unacceptable. And then, they need to be good at driving, things like, having a good sense of space (空间感强), being able to judge distances accurately (准确评估距离), having good reflexes (反应快), being able to drive smoothly, having a great sense of direction (方向感强), these are all very essential qualities. And then, a good driver needs to be patient and calm, especially on a busy or congested road. I've seen some driver losing themselves (疯了) in a traffic, which is NOT cool or acceptable at all. And finally, having good communication skills (善于沟通) are also important, both with passengers and other drivers on the road.

4. Do you think government should make it a rule for people to use public transportation?

I root for/ vote for (支持) promoting the use of public transportation. I believe it is essential for the greater good of the society (全社会的更大利益). I can't stress this enough the importance of using public

transportation (我没有办法更强调使用公共交通的重要性了). However, with that being said, I don't think the government should make it a rule. The moment when they force people to use public transportation, that could be seen as taking away their personal freedom and right. It should be up to people themselves to decide (应该由他们自己决定) how they want to travel. This is basic human right. (反向思考)