

Riding a bike (骑自行车)

知识点:

- training wheel 辅助轮
- handlebar 车把手

It had these adorable tassels hanging from the handlebars 车把手上挂着漂亮的流苏

- break 车闸

The break is not working properly. 车闸有点问题

- bell 铃铛

I loved ringing the bell while riding my bike.

- Pedal (脚蹬子 n. / 用脚蹬 v.)

It was such a joy to pedal (脚蹬车) and feel the wind touching on my face and my hair.

- Seat 车座

The seat is so comfortable.

- Basket 车篮子

The bike had a lovely basket attached to the front 车前面有一个可爱的小篮子

- painted in XX colour 刷成 XXX 颜色

- cycle=ride a bike 骑车的动词

- cruise around 到处巡游

- shared bikes 共享单车

I sometimes ride a shared bike (共享单车) if I can't find a taxi.

1. Did you have a bike when you were young?

① Yeh, everyone had a bike when they were young, and mine was this bike with bright red color that instantly caught my eye (获取我的注意). It had these training wheels (辅助轮) that helped me stay balanced (保持平衡) as I learned to ride. The handlebars (车把手) were just the right size for my hands. I loved ringing the bell (按铃铛) as I cruised around (巡游). Everything was perfect, perfect size, perfect colour and perfectly comfortable. It was such a joy to pedal (脚踏车) and feel the wind touching on my face and my hair. (细节)

② Oh I love my childhood bike. It was a beautiful little thing (漂亮的小东西), painted in pink (刷成粉色). I was around six years old when I received it as a birthday gift. It had these adorable tassels hanging from the handlebars (车把手上挂着漂亮的流苏). And, it had a lovely basket attached to the front (前面有一个可爱的小篮子), perfect for carrying my favorite toys. It made me feel so grown-up and independent, having my own means of transportation (有自己的交通工具). Haha! (细节)

2. Did you ride a bike when you were little?

① Oh yeah, every day, I was all the time cruising around the neighborhood, minding other people's businesses (管别人家的闲事), like who was having an argument on the street (谁在街上吵架), who threw the garbage in the wrong place (谁把垃圾扔错地方了), things like that. It was my way of getting entertained (娱乐方式), one of my favorite pastimes (最爱的消遣之一). I feel like kids nowadays don't do that anymore. They just stay at home. (细节, 时间分层)

② Well, I didn't cycle on a daily basis as I didn't have too much time being out and about (在外面转悠闲逛) after school. I had a lot of homework to do. But on weekends, my parents would take me to the nearby park and

let me ride my bike there. And I remember one day, they took off the training wheels and that was how I learned riding a bike for real. It was such a liberating feeling (自由的感觉). I remember feeling free like a bird.

(像鸟儿一样自由) (细节)

3. Did you ride a bike to school?

① No, I lived really far away from school, so it was impossible for me to ride to school every day. My parents drove me to school every day and picked me up by car (用车接我) later. (原因)

② Yes, when I was around 10 years old, I started to cycle to school every day. My parents thought I was old enough to do that. I enjoyed my independence so much by going to school myself every day. Come to think of it, it was also a great chance to get some exercise done. There were a lot of ups and downs (上上下下的坡) on my way to school, so it was really good cardio training (有氧锻炼) for me. Cycling was also really relaxing and therapeutic for me. I loved it! (细节)

4. Do you ride a bike when you go out now?

① Sometimes I ride a shared bike (共享单车) if I can't find a taxi. I find it really fun, at the same time I can get some workout done (把运动也顺便做了). But most of the time, I'm just too lazy to cycle around. Instead, I will take a taxi when I go out. (主流情况+少数情况)

② No, the subway is my major means of transportation (主要交通方式). It's super affordable and accessible (便宜又随处可见). I can go anywhere really fast and I don't need to worry about the traffic (不需要担心交通). It's like a perfect way to get around (转悠). (原因)