

Describe a time when you had a problem with using the computer (电脑罢工)

You should say:

When it happened

Where it happened

What the problem was

And explain how you solved the problem at last

知识点:

- **Breakdown n./ crash n. 崩盘 (名词)**
a computer breakdown, a computer crash: 电脑崩盘
- **Break down 动词短语/ crash v. 崩盘 (动词)**
My computer broke down. / My computer crashed. It doesn't restart (重启) .
- **back up data: 备份数据**
- **lose data: 丢失数据**
You need to back up your data using cloud-based storage otherwise you will lose data one day.
- **save on an external hard drive: 保存在移动硬盘里**
- **have warranty/be in warranty: 在保修范围内**
- **be outside warranty: 不在保修范围内**
- **get technical support from the manufacturer: 从生产商获得技术支持**
- **blue error screen: 蓝屏 (windows 系统的)**
- **overheating: 过热**
- **overworked CPU: CPU 过度工作**
- **sudden shutdown: 突然关机**
- **freeze: 死机, 冻住了**
- **air vent: 排风扇**

- **The air vents were blocked. So, the laptop wasn't ventilated properly.**

(排风扇被堵住了。笔记本电脑没有正常通风)

A few years back, I had this laptop that gave me quite a headache (让我颇为头疼) . It just suddenly crashed (崩盘) , and I can't even describe how frustrated I felt (我都形容不出来当时有多痛苦) . I try not to think about it too much because it brings back all those memories (带回很多不好的回忆) / That is a memory that I don't even want to recall (我都不愿回忆) .

So, at that time, I had this super important presentation at school/work. I'd been glued to (把自己黏在电脑上, 表示特别投入的状态) my laptop for days, creating PowerPoint slides, hunting down information (在网上猎取信息) on the internet, and making diagrams (做图表) with Photoshop. I had my hands full (“手上东西满了” , 比喻很忙) / I had a lot on my plate (“盘子上一堆东西” , 也是比喻很忙/ I was juggling too many things at the same time (同时照顾很多事情) / I was swamped with all the work (被工作吞没) .

The thing is (问题是) , this laptop was quite old, and I could tell it was struggling to keep up with my workload (有点挣扎着, 跟不上我的工作量) . It would freeze (僵住) for a second or two and then go back to normal. Looking back (现在看来) , that was definitely a warning sign (危险提示) , but I just ignored it. I wasn't great at backing up my data (备份数据) regularly, so I just kept pushing forward/carried on.

Then, one day, I saw that infamous blue error screen (臭名昭著的蓝屏), and before I knew it (还没反应过来呢), the laptop shut down in the blink of an eye (一眨眼功夫). I didn't even have a chance to save anything. I'm not exactly sure what caused it, maybe overheating or the CPU being overworked with all the apps I was running. Bottom line (不管怎样, 最终结果是), my laptop died, at the age of 10 (我的电脑死掉了, “享年十岁” 开玩笑的语气) .

Since I didn't have an extended warranty, I had to take it to a local computer store. They managed to save it and recover some of my data (救活了, 还原了一部分数据), but not all of it. That whole experience taught me a valuable lesson/ was a lesson to learn (给我上了一课) : always back up your data!

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