

2022 年 5-8 月雅思口语 Part2 保留题参考资料

(第四版故事<共五版>)

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Describe an ambition you haven't yet achieved

You should say:

- What your ambition is;
- How long you have had this ambition;
- How you plan to achieve it (or what you have done);
- And explain why you haven't achieved it yet.



1. 未实现的志向

When it comes to an **ambition** I haven't achieved yet, the first thing that comes to mind is going to **graduate school**¹. I'm not sure if I want to do a **two-year** degree or something longer, but I know that I want to **continue** my studies. I've always been passionate about **biology**. It was my **favourite** subject in high school, and it was also my major in **university**. I always did really **well** in it. But after graduating, I **wasn't** sure what to do with my life.

It's **not** too hard to find jobs in my field, but it would be **easier** if I had a graduate degree. The only problem is that I have to **take the postgraduate entrance examination**², which is **really** hard. There are a few schools I would **love** to go to. But for some of the **programs**, I would have to go to the **foreign** universities that provide them. It's a pretty **daunting**³ idea. So I've been **putting it off**⁴ for a **year** now.

However, I really do want to keep **studying** biology and **expand my knowledge**. In the last few **months**, I've **put together a solid plan**⁵ to make this dream come true. First, I need to **get in touch with my professors to get references**⁶. Plus, I've been lucky enough to study with some **great** researchers, so I'm sure that **having them in my corner**⁷ would be really **helpful**. Secondly, I need to **save up** so that if I have to study **abroad**, I'll be able to **take some of the financial burden off Mom and Dad**⁸. It'll take **some time** to make this plan work, but I'm **dedicated**.

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¹ going to graduate school: 读研究生

² take the postgraduate entrance examination: 考研

³ daunting: 令人生畏的, 望而却步的

⁴ putting it off: 延后, 推迟

⁵ put together a solid plan: 制定出一个可靠的计划

⁶ get in touch with my professors to get references: 和教授们联系获得推荐信

⁷ having them in my corner:

⁸ take some of the financial burden off Mom and Dad: 为爸妈减轻经济负担

Describe a happy event you organized.

You should say:

- What the event was;
- Where you had it;
- Who helped you to organized it;
- And explain how you feel about it.



2. 准备过的开心活动

I'm going to talk about the **baby shower**⁹ I organized for my **sister-in-law**. If memory serves **correctly**, this event happened a few **months** ago. I decided to have the shower at my brother's **home**, since his house is **huge** and it's **easy** to decorate. My sister-in-law and I have been **close** ever since she started **dating** my brother. When they told me that they were having a **baby**, I was **over the moon**¹⁰. I **volunteered to organize** the baby shower right away.

Of course, my brother and my other siblings **pitched in**¹¹ to make it **happen**. I **delegated**¹² tasks to **everyone** and made sure that we **got everything in place**¹³ before the big day. We got **lots** of cupcakes and other cute desserts for the event. Plus, we thought of some **games** that we could all play together. **When it came time for the event**, we were all **bouncing off the walls with excitement**¹⁴. I even made **predictions** about what their **baby** will look like based on the new parents' **photos**, which made everyone **bust a gut**¹⁵. Anyway, all the games went over **well**, and everyone enjoyed the sweet desserts we had. All in all, it was such a **fun** day hanging out with family and enjoying each other's **company**.

I was **happy** that I could help **put together** such a **great** event. It was **wonderful** to spend the day **celebrating** my sister-in-law and **the new family member that's on their way**. I hope I can organize **more** events like this in the future.

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⁹ baby shower: 在孩子出生前举办的派对

¹⁰ over the moon: 非常开心

¹¹ pitched in: 出一份力，参与，提供帮助

¹² delegated: 下放权力；意指给每个人分配了任务

¹³ got everything in place: 一切就绪

¹⁴ bouncing off the walls with excitement: 兴高采烈

¹⁵ bust a gut: 爆笑，笑翻了

Describe a long walk you had.

You should say:

When this happened;

Where you walked;

Who you were with;

And explain how you felt about this long walk.



3. 远距离步行

One really **long** walk that I took was when I was **hiking** with my friend. We had done **a cross-country road trip¹⁶**, and we stopped at **different** places to walk, hike, or just sit and enjoy the view. This particular hike was in a place called **Mountain Lu** National Park. The hike starts with an **easy** walk through **slightly rocky terrain¹⁷** and into the **forest**. Then you have to hike **uphill¹⁸** for quite a while, until you end up at the **top** of the mountain. The view was **absolutely stunning**. On the way **back**, you walk **downhill** the same way you came.

My friend Penny and I **completed this hike as part of our vacation**, and **in total¹⁹** it took about **five** hours. We stopped **halfway** through for a break and lunch, and some **squirrels** looked at us from the trees, which was so **cute**. In the forest, we saw many **different** types of trees and vegetation, and **crossed rivers and streams²⁰**. It was very beautiful, and luckily we went in the **springtime** so the weather was nice too.

Penny and I really **enjoyed** this walk, even though we were both **exhausted** by the end of it. By the time we got up to the **top** of the mountain, we needed to take a **break** since our legs were **sore** and **tired**. **Nonetheless²¹**, we felt very **accomplished** for having completed such a difficult hike, and we were **happy** that we decided to go.

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¹⁶ a cross-country road trip: 越野公路旅行

¹⁷ slightly rocky terrain: 有稍多岩石的地形

¹⁸ uphill: 向上的，上坡

¹⁹ in total: 总共

²⁰ crossed rivers and streams: 跨越了河流和小溪

²¹ Nonetheless: 尽管如此

Describe a story someone told you and you remember.

You should say:

- What the story was about;
- Who told you this story;
- Why you remember it;
- And explain how you feel about it.



4. 别人讲述的故事

One **story** that someone told me is when my **sister** told me about her **skiing accident**. My sister went to a **different** college than me, and they got to **go on a yearly overnight ski trip**²². **Everyone** really looked forward to this trip, and my sister talked about it **every** year. She was so **excited** to go, and she always had a really **good** time with her friends at college.

One year, **the ski trip didn't go so well** for my sister. She wanted to try some more **difficult runs**²³ that she hadn't skied before, and her ski instructor advised her to **be extra cautious**. My sister is **not someone who would ever be described as cautious**, and this ski trip **was no exception**²⁴. She **went at this run full speed**²⁵, and ended up skiing straight into a **tree**! She broke both of her **legs** in the accident.

I always **remember** this story because even though it was **scary** to hear the first time, my sister is **a really good sport**²⁶ and she talks about it now mostly as a **joke**. I also like this story because I think it can teach people a **good** lesson about **knowing your limits**²⁷, and **not taking unnecessary risks**. My sister was **lucky** because she healed completely and was back to skiing within a year, but some people unfortunately **are not as lucky**. This is a story that hopefully reminds people to **always** be cautious.

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²² go on a yearly overnight ski trip: 每年一次通宵滑雪的旅行

²³ runs: 滑道

²⁴ was no exception: ...也不例外

²⁵ went at this run full speed: 全速前进

²⁶ a really good sport: (形容人) 输得起的人, 看得开的人

²⁷ knowing your limits: 清楚自己的极限

Describe an interesting discussion you had with your friend (as part of your work or studies).

You should say:

- What the discussion was about;
- What opinions you and your friend had;
- What was the result of the discussion;
- And why you think the discussion was interesting.



5. 有趣的讨论

One **interesting** discussion I had with my **friend** was when we were discussing **remote vs. in person work**²⁸. This is a very interesting topic that has **gained a lot of international attention** lately due to the increasing number of people who are working remotely as a result of the **COVID-19 pandemic**²⁹.

This topic came up when my company asked **all** the employees to complete a questionnaire. My **coworker**, who is also my **friend**, **debated with me about the pros and cons of** working online compared to working in an office.

According to my friend, working from home **offers many more advantages** than working from an office, **namely**³⁰ **flexibility** and better work/life **balance**. In my opinion, I would say that working from the **office** is actually better than working from home. Working from an office gives you an opportunity to **collaborate with** your coworkers and contact your **superiors**³¹ when you need them. I also enjoy **the social aspect** of working from an office. My friend argued that you can still **contact** your coworkers very **easily** from home, and she **doesn't** care as much about the social aspect.

In fact, I've noticed **many** companies that have been **conducting surveys of their staff**³² to see how many people want to **return** to the office, and the responses are just about **split down the middle**³³. It seems like people all over the world have been having the **same** debate as us. I think this was an **interesting** discussion because we had **very** different perspectives. Personally, I really hope to get back to work at an **office** one day where I can meet my coworkers **in person**.

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²⁸ remote vs. in person work: 远程办公和面对面办公的比较

²⁹ COVID-19 pandemic: 新冠疫情大流行

³⁰ namely: 即, 也就是说

³¹ superiors: 上级, 上司

³² conducting surveys of their staff: 对员工进行调查

³³ split down the middle: (回答) 一半一半; 两种观点各占一半

Describe a gift you would like to buy for your friend.

You should say:

- What gift you would like to buy;
- Who you would like to give it to;
- Why you would like to buy a gift for him/her;
- And explain why you choose that gift.



6. 想要送朋友的礼物

One gift that I would like to buy for my friend is a **zen garden**³⁴. I have seen **lots** of people buy little indoor zen gardens. Sometimes these include a **rock** garden, a **bonsai tree**³⁵, or other types of plants. Some even have **lights** or **water fountains**³⁶. I would like to give this gift to my friend **Penny** from work, because she is leaving soon to **pursue a new career**. **Penny** has been an **amazing** coworker and friend, and I wanted to get her something **special** to celebrate her new job.

I chose a zen garden because I know that **Penny** is really **nervous** about her new job, and I wanted to choose something that would be **relaxing** for her and **bring her comfort**³⁷. She can decide whether she brings the garden into her **office** or keeps it at **home**. Penny **loves** plants, so I know that she will be **happy** about this gift. I am not sure **where** I want to buy the zen garden yet; I'll have to **look around at** a few **different** local shops and choose one that I think **suits her best**³⁸.

My **parents** have always had plants and zen gardens around our home because it makes us feel **relaxed** and **creates a calm, peaceful ambiance**³⁹. I hope that by purchasing a garden for **Penny**, her home will **feel tranquil**⁴⁰ and **relaxing** as well. As she told me, this is a very **stressful** time for her, so I want to help her feel **better** as she **embarks on this new chapter of her life**.

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³⁴ zen garden: 禅宗花园

³⁵ bonsai tree: 盆栽

³⁶ water fountains: 喷泉

³⁷ bring her comfort: 让她觉得舒适

³⁸ suits her best: 最适合她的

³⁹ creates a calm, peaceful ambiance: 创造一种平静安宁的氛围

⁴⁰ tranquil: 平静的，宁静的

Describe a piece of clothing you have that was given by someone.

You should say:

- What it was;
- Who gave it to you;
- When you got that;
- And whether you liked it or not.



7. 别人送你的衣服

I'm going to talk about a **coat** that my **sister-in-law**⁴¹ gave to me. **If my memory serves me right**, I **visited** my brother's family in the same month last year, when my sister-in-law just got **pregnant**. I even lived there **for a short while**.

Because my brother and I live in the **different** cities, we actually don't meet **on a regular basis**⁴². So, **that** time was the **2nd** time I met his wife, we talked a lot and we really **hit it off**⁴³. While we were **talking**, she took a piece of clothing out of the **drawer** and asked me to take it. She **cannot** wear it because of pregnancy.

It is a **Korean** style long **jacket** and it looks **simple and elegant**. She said she only wore it **once** and **now she's too big to wear it anymore**⁴⁴. I happened to **appreciate** that **style**, so I **accepted** this gift. **In addition**, I was wearing that jacket for the **whole** autumn and some of my friends even asked me **where** I bought it, so it seems it's **worthy** to have this jacket with me.

As for my **feeling**, firstly, it is a **good** thing that friends and family members **exchange** their clothes, which **brings people closer together**⁴⁵ and we trust each other **very much**. Besides, it shows the spirit of **frugality**⁴⁶ to give the items you **don't** need to others, and **it reveals the value of the item again**. So why not?~

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⁴¹ sister-in-law: 嫂子

⁴² on a regular basis: 定期的，经常的

⁴³ hit it off: 合得来

⁴⁴ now she's too big to wear it anymore: 现在她太胖穿不下了

⁴⁵ brings people closer together: 拉近人们之间的距离

⁴⁶ frugality: 节俭

Describe a special cake you received from others.

You should say:

- When it happened;
- Where it happened;
- Who you got the cake from;
- And explain why it's a special cake.



8. 特别的蛋糕

One **cake** I received from others that I really **appreciated** was when my **friends** got me a cake at my **going away party**⁴⁷ a few years ago. I was moving from my **hometown** to **Beijing**, and they **threw me a surprise party to say goodbye**⁴⁸. My friend Penny took me out to dinner, and when we got to the restaurant it **had been booked out just for us**⁴⁹, and **all** my friends were there.

The restaurant was called The **Sweet Palace**, and it has always been one of my **favourite** restaurants. They serve a variety of **different** types of food, and they are very **well known** for their **desserts**, which I think is **why** my friends chose it for the party. Penny had requested a **special** cake for me with my favourite flavours: **chocolate** and **hazelnut**⁵⁰! It was a chocolate **sponge cake**⁵¹ **layered with hazelnut buttercream filling**⁵², and **covered in a dark chocolate ganache**⁵³.

On the cake, my friends asked the restaurant to **write Bon Voyage in beautiful calligraphy**⁵⁴, to wish me **well** on my trip. We took **many** pictures that night so that we would remember what a **fun** going away party it was, and the cake is in **most** of the pictures. It was so **pretty**, and **delicious**. **Everyone** loved it. When the restaurant staff **brought it out**, they had even **put sparklers on it**⁵⁵! Anyway, I will **always** remember that party, and whenever I have to throw a party I remember that The **Sweet Palace** is a great place to order a cake.

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⁴⁷ going away party: 欢送会

⁴⁸ threw me a surprise party to say goodbye: 给我办了一个意外惊喜的派对来欢送我

⁴⁹ had been booked out just for us: 餐厅已经都被我们自己人定光了

⁵⁰ hazelnut: 榛子

⁵¹ sponge cake: 海绵蛋糕

⁵² layered with hazelnut buttercream filling: 多层榛子奶油的夹心

⁵³ covered in a dark chocolate hazelnut buttercream ganache: 涂上了黑巧克力榛子酱

⁵⁴ write Bon Voyage in beautiful calligraphy: 用漂亮的字体写着一路顺风

⁵⁵ put sparklers on it: 在(蛋糕)上面放烟花

Describe a rule that you don't like

You should say:

- What it is;
- Why you don't like it;
- How others feel about the rule;
- And explain whether you've followed the rule.



9. 不喜欢的规则

One rule that I **don't** like is when I was in **high** school, my mom had a rule that I **had to be home** every night by **10:00pm**. If I was **late**, she wouldn't let me see my **friends** for two weeks. I really **hated** this rule because sometimes I **didn't** even **get to see** my friends until 8:30 or 9:00, because I often needed to study at the **library** after school. So by the time I **met up with** my **friends**, I could only spend **an hour or so**⁵⁶ with them until I had to come home for **curfew**⁵⁷.

The **worst** part about this rule was that it was for **weeknights** and **weekends**. Most of my friends had a curfew of **12:00am** on weekends, so I **felt left out**⁵⁸ when they would hang out later than I could hang out. Now that I'm **older**, I **understand** my mother's point of view **a bit more**; she was **overprotective**⁵⁹, and she wanted to protect me and make sure that I **stayed on track**⁶⁰ with my studies and my social life. She thought that the **more** time I spent at home, the **safer** I would be. To be **honest**, she was probably **right**.

I always **followed** that rule even though I hated it, because I **respected** my mom and trusted that **she would always do what was best for me**. Some rules you just **have to** follow, even if you **don't** agree with them.

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⁵⁶ an hour or so: 一个小时左右

⁵⁷ curfew: 宵禁

⁵⁸ felt left out: 感觉自己被冷落了

⁵⁹ overprotective: 过度保护的

⁶⁰ stayed on track: 保持在正轨上

Describe a lesson you remember

You should say:

- What the lesson was about;
- Where you had it;
- Why you remember it;
- And explain how you feel about the lesson.



10. 印象深刻的一节课

One **lesson** I remember is when I learned **how** to do my first job. I **worked part-time** at a **grocery store and bakery** throughout university, and I was about **18** when I first started working. I **remember my first day of training like it was yesterday**⁶¹, because I was **nervous** about it. I was so **scared** of making a mistake. I learned a **lot** of lessons on the first day, but the one that **stuck with me**⁶² is when I learned how to make a **cappuccino**.

At the **bakery**, I **had many different responsibilities**⁶³. The cafe was always **busy**, and so I was trained very early on to make specialty **drinks**, including lattes, cappuccinos, and espressos. At first, I was **terrible** at this job. **Every single task** seemed **impossible**, from steaming the **milk** to **brewing the espresso**⁶⁴, to **the presentation of the drink**. It took a **long** time, and a lot of **patience** from my coworker who was training me.

I remember this lesson because learning to **make proper specialty coffees**⁶⁵ is a skill that I have used **all** my life. I eventually got my **own espresso machine** and made coffees at **home**, just like I **used to** at work. Although at the time I felt **frustrated** and **hopeless**, I'm so glad that I **persevered** and was able to **perfect my skills**⁶⁶. In fact, a few **months** later, I even became the person at work who would train **new** staff at the coffee station.

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⁶¹ remember...like it was yesterday: 对...记忆犹新

⁶² stuck with me: 让我难忘的

⁶³ had many different responsibilities: 有很多不同的需要做的事

⁶⁴ brewing the espresso: 冲泡浓缩咖啡

⁶⁵ make proper specialty coffees: 制作地道的特色咖啡

⁶⁶ perfect my skills: 完善我的技能

Describe an interesting song.

You should say:

What the song is;

What story the song tells;

Whether the song is popular;

And explain why you think it is interesting.



11. 有趣的歌曲

When it comes to an interesting song, the first one that comes to mind is “Viva la Vida” by Coldplay, which is a British rock band. If memory serves correctly, the song came out in 2008. It was a huge hit⁶⁷ that year. There are lots of layers to the song⁶⁸ that make it really captivating.

The title actually means “Long Live Life” in Spanish. Basically, the song tells the story of a king who’s lost his kingdom. He’s singing about losing his place in life and how the best days of his life have passed. He mentions how even though he had so much status, it didn’t really matter. It sounds really depressing, but it actually makes some good points⁶⁹. The lyrics point out how you can’t become obsessed with material things⁷⁰. In the end, we’re all just human beings who have to deal with our emotions and focus on what’s really important.

Like I mentioned⁷¹, the song was really popular. It’s one of Coldplay’s best-known songs. Even though it’s been years since it came out, I can still remember every word when I hear it on the radio. They still play it at their concerts, even though it’s around fourteen years old. I think the song is so popular because even though it’s really moody⁷², it makes people think about what they value in life. That’s why it’s interesting. Plus, the melody is really catchy⁷³. It just gets stuck in your head⁷⁴.

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⁶⁷ a huge hit: 大受欢迎

⁶⁸ There are lots of layers to the song: 这首歌很有层次感，有很多层次

⁶⁹ makes some good points: 提到一些很好的观点

⁷⁰ can’t become obsessed with material things: 不能沉迷于物质

⁷¹ Like I mentioned: 如我所说

⁷² moody: 令人悲伤的

⁷³ catchy: 悦耳的

⁷⁴ gets stuck in your head: 一直在你脑海中挥之不去

Describe something that helped you learn a language.

You should say:

- What it is;
- What language you learned;
- How it helped you learn the language;
- And how you felt about it.



12. 帮助学习语言的工具

One tool that helped me learn a language is the **Bescherelle**⁷⁵ that I used when learning **French**. **Originally**, Bescherelle was a book of **verb conjugations**⁷⁶, but nowadays there is a **website** and even an **app**. As a tool, Bescherelle is very **useful** for helping people **perfect** their French **verb conjugations**⁷⁷ and **expand** their skillset. I **used it in combination with**⁷⁸ a **dictionary** the entire time I was learning French, and I recommend it to my **friends** to use as well.

When learning a **new** language, I find that it is really **important** to **have my different strategies and tools at your disposal**⁷⁹. The Bescherelle was one of my **favourite** tools because it took my **writing** and **grammar** skills **to the next level**; without it, I would have probably **never** **progressed very much in** my French language learning. Verb conjugations are really **difficult** to learn, especially in French because they have so many **irregular verbs**⁸⁰ that do not follow the usual grammar rules. With the Bescherelle, I never had to **guess** what the correct verb conjugation should be.

I felt very **relieved** when I figured out **how** to use the Bescherelle and understood how **easy** it was. It helped me for **years**, and I think I would have had a much more **difficult** time learning the language **without** it. **Not everyone is cut out to**⁸¹ learn **another** language, **but for the few that are**⁸², finding the **right** tools is absolutely crucial.

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⁷⁵ **Bescherelle**: Bescherelle 法语动词变位词典

⁷⁶ a book of verb conjugations: 讲动词变位的书

⁷⁷ perfect their French verb conjugations: 更好的完善（人们对）法语动词变化的理解

⁷⁸ used it in combination with: 与...搭配使用

⁷⁹ have my different strategies and tools at your disposal: 有适合自己的不同的学习策略和工具为你所用

⁸⁰ irregular verbs: 不规则动词

⁸¹ Not everyone is cut out to: 并不是每个人都适合做某事

⁸² but for the few that are: 但对于那些适合（学习外语的人来说）

Describe something in your home that you broke and then repaired.

You should say:

- What it is;
- How you broke it;
- How you repaired it;
- And how you felt about it.



13. 坏掉又修好的东西

One thing that I broke in my house is the **screen door**⁸³. I **had some friends over** for a **barbecue** last summer, and one of their **dogs** ran straight into the screen door, thinking it was **open**. The dog was **perfectly fine**⁸⁴ and everyone thought it was **hilarious**, but my screen door was **broken**. When the dog ran **into** it, it **bent** and **fell right out of the doorframe**⁸⁵. At the time we just put the screen door **aside** and continued the party, but **the** next day my brother and I got to work trying to **fix** it.

The screen was pretty **easy** to **bend back into shape**⁸⁶, but getting it back into the **door frame** was **tricky**. We **struggled** with it for a good half an hour⁸⁷ before we eventually decided to do some research **online** to see if anyone had encountered the **same** problem before. Luckily, dogs running through screens is **a fairly common problem**. As **adorable** as they are, dogs are not the **smartest** animal out there. So, my brother and I watched a few **videos** on how to **fix** a screen door.

In the end, what worked for us was using **a butter knife**⁸⁸ to **hold the wheels on top in place**⁸⁹ while we **slid the wheels on the bottom back into the groove**⁹⁰. We then **removed** the butter knife and **slid** the top back into the groove as well. We were so **happy** that our solution worked, and thrilled to have **a working screen door**⁹¹ **again**.

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⁸³ screen door: 纱门; 纱网门; 纱窗门

⁸⁴ perfectly fine: 没有问题, 非常好

⁸⁵ fell right out of the doorframe: 从门框上掉下来了

⁸⁶ bend back into shape: 弯回原来的形状; 扳回原来的形状

⁸⁷ struggled with it for a good half an hour: 努力尝试了整整半个小时

⁸⁸ a butter knife: 黄油刀; 涂抹黄油用的餐刀

⁸⁹ hold the wheels on top in place: 固定轮子在顶部的位置

⁹⁰ slid the wheels on the bottom back into the groove: 把底部的轮子滑回凹槽里

⁹¹ a working screen door: 一个可以正常工作的纱门

Describe a skill that you learned from older people.

You should say:

- What it is;
- Who you learned it from;
- How you learned it;
- And how you feel about it.



14. 向长者学习技能

I'm going to talk about the skill of **carpentry**⁹² that I learned from my **uncle**. He's an **older** man who's **in his fifties** now. He **doesn't** even work as a carpenter. It's just a **skill** that he developed in his **free** time. He's actually become **really skilled at it**, which is why I wanted to learn from **him**.

If memory serves correctly, I started to become **interested** in this skill when I was **twelve**. I noticed the **cool** projects that my uncle was working on. I think the project that really **caught my eye**⁹³ was a **birdhouse** that he made. I **love** watching birds, so I thought it would be **great** if I could learn to make one too. When I asked my **uncle** if he could teach me, he agreed **without hesitation**.

The **first** project we made together was a **small** birdhouse. It took me a **long** time to get **used** to the tools. You have to be really **precise**⁹⁴ when you put something together. It takes a lot of **patience** and **coordination**. I'm **not** very good at those things, but with my uncle's **help**, I learned how to **put pieces of wood together**⁹⁵ and make something **beautiful**.

Since then, my uncle has taught me how to make **everything** from **side tables**⁹⁶ to **cabinets**. I'm so **grateful** that **he's taken the time to teach me**⁹⁷. Actually, the skills I've learned from him have **helped** me make **lots** of cool things that I enjoy using **every day**.

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⁹² carpentry: 木工

⁹³ caught my eye: 抓住了我的视线, 吸引我

⁹⁴ precise: 精确的

⁹⁵ put pieces of wood together: 把几块木片拼在一起

⁹⁶ side tables: 床头柜

⁹⁷ he's taken the time to teach me: 他花时间教我

Describe the thing that you cannot live without (except phone and internet)

You should say:

- What it is;
- Why you can't manage without it;
- How long you have had it for;
- And explain how you felt when you were without it.



15. 生活中不可或缺的东西

One thing that I **cannot** live without is my **book collection**. I love to **read**, and I have been **collecting** books ever since I was a kid. My collection now has nearly **three** hundred books, and every time I move to a **new** place, **my books come with me**⁹⁸. If I'm just going away on a **short** trip, then I choose just one or two to **bring** with me. I rely on my books as **an escape from reality**⁹⁹, and to **destress**¹⁰⁰ if I'm feeling **overwhelmed**.

Books serve many different purposes¹⁰¹, but for **me**, they are a way to **expand** my imagination. My book collection has books that I loved when I was **younger**, and sometimes I **re-read** them **out of a sense of nostalgia**¹⁰². I also have some books that I read in **university** that I **didn't** particularly like, but **I kept hold of them** in case I ever **change** my mind and decide to try reading them **again**.

The one time that I was **without** my full book collection **for an extended period of time**¹⁰³ is when I moved from my hometown to Beijing for **two** years to work. Of course I **brought** some books with me, but it was **impossible** to bring them all. It would have been **way too expensive** to ship them, and there **wouldn't** have been enough space for them in my **tiny** apartment. Although I **missed** my books a lot, I bought a lot of **new** ones, and when I **returned** home my collection was **bigger than ever**.

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⁹⁸ my books come with me: 我会带着我的书一起去

⁹⁹ as an escape from reality: 对现实的逃避

¹⁰⁰ destress: 减压

¹⁰¹ Books serve many different purposes: 书有很多不同的用途

¹⁰² out of a sense of nostalgia: 出于怀旧

¹⁰³ for an extended period of time: 很长一段时间

Describe something that you received for free.

You should say:

What it was;

Who you received it from;

Where you received it;

And explain how you felt about it.



16. 免费物品

One thing I received for free was a **couch**. I had just moved into a **new** apartment and I was **slowly getting together my furniture**¹⁰⁴ and buying **decorations**. My **cousin** and her husband lived **nearby**, and they were getting **rid** of a few things, including a beautiful couch. They were moving into a **new** house and they said the couch **wouldn't go with their new decor**¹⁰⁵, so they wondered if I **wanted** it. I went over to have a **look** at it and I **loved** it, so they **brought it over**¹⁰⁶ **right away**.

The couch is only **a few** years old, and it is made of a beautiful dark blue **velvet**¹⁰⁷. I was so **excited** when my cousin gave me the couch. **First off**¹⁰⁸, I **didn't** have a lot of money for furniture at the time, so I would **not** have been able to buy myself such a **nice** couch. Second, the couch really **suit**¹⁰⁹ **my style**. It looked so **nice** with the furniture I **already** had, and really made the space feel **more** like home.

My cousin was a really big help to me when I moved into that apartment, and her giving me the couch for free is just **one small example of her generosity**. I'm so **lucky** to have **supportive** family in my new city, and the couch **has held up very well over the years**¹⁰⁹. It is still **as comfortable as ever**, and looks **brand new**.

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¹⁰⁴ getting together my furniture: 整理家具, 置办家具

¹⁰⁵ wouldn't go with their new décor: 和他们的新装修风格不搭

¹⁰⁶ brought it over: 把(沙发)带来给我了

¹⁰⁷ velvet: 天鹅绒

¹⁰⁸ First off: 首先

¹⁰⁹ has held up very well over the years: 这几年保持的很好(没有什么塌陷或损坏)

Describe a special toy you had in your childhood.

You should say:

What it was;

Who gave it to you;

How often (How) you played with it;

And explain why it was special for you



17. 小时候喜欢的玩具

When I was **younger**, my parents bought me my first **remote-controlled helicopter**¹¹⁰. I thought **it was the best thing since sliced bread**¹¹¹. It came with a small **black** remote with **two** buttons that allowed the helicopter to **move up and around in the sky**¹¹². I loved that toy **so** much, I used to play with it **all** the time.

The helicopter itself had a **navy-blue**¹¹³ body with a bright orange **bolt of lightning**¹¹⁴ running through it. When I flew the helicopter on **sunny** days, the lightning bolt would shine so **brightly** that it looked like the helicopter was **on fire**. It was **pretty** cool.

All of my friends wanted to play with my toy as well. I was **the coolest kid in my group**¹¹⁵ at the time. I **did** share my toy, but I wouldn't let them play with it for **too** long. Honestly, I didn't want them to accidentally **crash** and break the helicopter. You know, **it's better to be safe than sorry**¹¹⁶.

Anyway, I used to fly the helicopter **every** day. I got **so** good at controlling the remote that I was able to make the helicopter do a few **tricks**, like **spin in a full circle**¹¹⁷, take a **nosedive**¹¹⁸ and then **come back up** without **hitting** the ground. Whenever I played with this toy, I felt like a **pilot**. I would imagine that I was actually **inside** the helicopter, **running away from**¹¹⁹ the **bad** guys and doing tricks to **avoid** their attacks, ha-ha. So this was literally my **favorite** toy in my childhood.

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¹¹⁰ remote-controlled helicopter: 遥控直升机

¹¹¹ it was the best thing since sliced bread: 形容很久一段时间以来最棒的发明或者创造

¹¹² move up and around in the sky: 在天空中移动

¹¹³ navy-blue: 深蓝色，海军蓝

¹¹⁴ bolt of lightning: 闪电

¹¹⁵ the coolest kid in my group: 我朋友圈里最受欢迎的小孩

¹¹⁶ It's better to be safe than sorry: 注意安全总比后悔强，小心驶得万年船

¹¹⁷ spin in a full circle: 360度回旋

¹¹⁸ Nosedive: 俯冲

¹¹⁹ running away from: 逃离

Describe a time you visited a new place.

You should say:

Where it is;

When you went there;

Why you went there;

And explain how you feel about the place.



18. 一个去过的新地方

Speaking of a time I visited a **new** place, the first place **comes to mind** is **New Taipei City**¹²⁰. I went there during the **summer three years ago** with my friend. Although my friend and I only got to see the city for **one day**, I think **it was totally worth it**.

This trip was very last minute¹²¹; I mean, my friend and I woke up and just **randomly**¹²² decided to check this place out. It **wasn't** the best plan we'd ever made because we were somewhere in **southern** Taiwan at the time. The trip took us **four** hours there, and **four** hours back. So, really, we only got to see the city for like **four** hours before we had to **head back home**¹²³. Despite **all** of that, I would **definitely** go there again. The **Shifen Old Streets**¹²⁴ in this city are **very** famous. The old streets were like **stepping back into time**¹²⁵. I wished I had **enough space** on my camera to record **every** minute of it. The **railroad tracks**¹²⁶, the **bridges**, the **waterfall** and narrow roads covered in little shops and boutiques all created this **perfect artsy**¹²⁷ moment. I was **completely entranced**¹²⁸ by it all. Besides, we got to see the **sunset** and watched the **lanterns**¹²⁹ fly into the air at night. It's such a **picturesque**¹³⁰ city that **left a strong impression on me**¹³¹.

I don't think this would be a **great** place to **live** because it's **too touristy**, but I would definitely come back **again** with my **family**. I think this is the **perfect** place for photos and **fun with loved ones**.

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¹²⁰ New Taipei City: 新北市（台湾）

¹²¹ This trip was very last minute: 是临时起意决定的旅行

¹²² randomly: 随机的，随意的

¹²³ head back home: 回家

¹²⁴ The Shifen Old Streets: 十分老街

¹²⁵ stepping back into time: 时光倒流，回到过去

¹²⁶ railroad tracks: 铁轨

¹²⁷ artsy: 有艺术气息的

¹²⁸ entranced: 着迷的

¹²⁹ lanterns: 天灯

¹³⁰ picturesque: 美如画的

¹³¹ left a strong impression on me: 给我留下了深刻的印象

Describe a city that you think is interesting

You should say:

- Where it is;
- What the city is famous for;
- How you knew this city;
- And explain why you think it is very interesting.



19. 有趣的城市

Well, I'd like to talk about a **unique** city next to **Hong Kong**. It's called **Macau**. It's one of the **two** cities that **runs a capitalist system**¹³² in China. More **importantly**, it's the most **entertaining** city in China. People also **refer to it as the Oriental Las Vegas**¹³³. It fits the city **properly** because it's the **only** Chinese city that allows **gambling**. **If memory serves correctly**, last **July**, I took a **plane** to Macau with my parents. We stayed in that small city for **an entire week**.

In fact, it's a place I had planned to visit **for ages**. The city **came with glowing recommendations from** my best friend **Lisa**, who was there before. Because of that, when my parents planned the **next** family trip, I insisted on going there **without a second thought**.

Anyway, it's a **fun** city for sure. The **buildings** and entertainment **facilities** there are **stunning**, especially the **casinos**¹³⁴. We visited the **biggest** casino there, and the decorations and **layout inside**¹³⁵ look **magnificent**. The hotels there are **stylish** too; the one we stayed at even has a giant **swimming pool** on the **roof**.

The **main** reason I think this is an interesting place is that Macau is **truly** a city that exists for **entertainment** and **tourism**. Even if you **don't** like gambling, you can still **have a blast**¹³⁶ there. **If possible**, I would love to visit there again next year during the **holidays**.

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¹³² runs a capitalist system: 实行资本主义制度

¹³³ refer to it as the Oriental Las Vegas: 被称为东方拉斯维加斯

¹³⁴ casinos: 赌场

¹³⁵ layout inside: 里面的布局, 设计

¹³⁶ have a blast: 玩的很开心

Describe a place in a countryside that you visited

You should say:

- Where it is;
- When you visited this place;
- What you did there;
- And how you feel about this place.



20. 乡村一隅

One place in the countryside that I visited is the **Dongqian** Lake in Zhejiang province. The lake is located in a **small** village called **Chengyang**, which has recently become an **internet celebrity village**¹³⁷. It is a **beautiful** place, with fields, forests, lakes, and mountains. I visited this place for my **twentieth** birthday with my sister and my cousins. We stayed in a **small cabin rental**¹³⁸ that was owned by a nice older couple who lived nearby. For my sister and cousins, it was their **first** time travelling, so they were very **excited** about it.

The most well-known attraction in the village is the **Dongqian** Lake. Once we **arrived** there, we **unpacked our belongings**¹³⁹ in the cabin and **headed out to**¹⁴⁰ find some **food**. We found a nice little **pub overlooking**¹⁴¹ the wonderful lake, and had **lunch** there. **Afterwards**¹⁴², we did some **hiking** and took a lot of **photos**. The countryside was very **beautiful**, and we decided that we would try to spend **most** of the trip **outdoors** so that we could really **appreciate** it.

I **felt very at peace**¹⁴³ the whole time that I was there. It was **nice** to **be surrounded by nature**¹⁴⁴, with very **few** people around. Those people that we did encounter were much the **same** as us. They were just **appreciating the outdoors**¹⁴⁵ and looking for a space to **relax**. I still **remember this trip vividly**¹⁴⁶ even though it was **several** years ago, and I would like to go **back** some day for sure.

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¹³⁷ internet celebrity village: 网红村落

¹³⁸ cabin rental: 出租的小屋；出租的木屋

¹³⁹ unpacked our belongings: 打开我们的行李

¹⁴⁰ headed out to: 出发前往

¹⁴¹ overlooking: 俯瞰

¹⁴² Afterwards: 后来

¹⁴³ felt very at peace: 感到非常平和

¹⁴⁴ be surrounded by nature: 被大自然包围

¹⁴⁵ appreciating the outdoors: 喜欢户外（活动）

¹⁴⁶ remember this trip vividly: 很清楚地记得这次旅行

Describe a house or an apartment you would like to live in

You should say:

- What it is like;
- Where it would be;
- Why you would like to live in this house/apartment;
- And how you feel about this house/apartment



21. 想要的公寓或房子

Honestly, if I ever make it **big**¹⁴⁷ someday, I'd love to live in a **big** house in the countryside. It would be even better if it had a big **garden**.

I'd kill to live in¹⁴⁸ a house like that because when I was a **kid**, I often visited my **grandparents** who lived in a small town. They had a **bungalow**¹⁴⁹ with a **huge** backyard. They built a **garden** and planted a **variety of** vegetables and fruits, like tomatoes, cucumbers, and even strawberries in there. And they also kept some **animals** they liked in their backyard. When I was a kid, I **always** had a **blast** **feeding** the chickens and rabbits they kept and **playing** with their dogs. The happy days living there **really** left their mark on me, and I always **dreamed** to have a garden as **beautiful** as my grandparents' so I could always **enjoy** the flowers, **relax**, and **chat over tea with**¹⁵⁰ my family or friends.

On top of that¹⁵¹, the house must have at least **4** bedrooms and a big **living room**, so it will have **enough** rooms when I invite my parents and my friends to **stay overnight**¹⁵² and enjoy.

I believe I will **love** living in such a place very much. An environment like that will help me **wind down** and **feel right at home**¹⁵³ every day. Even though a big house like what I said just now could be **pretty** expensive, I will definitely work **hard** for it.

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¹⁴⁷ Make it big: 赚大钱

¹⁴⁸ I'd kill to live in: 我超级想要住在...

¹⁴⁹ bungalow: 平房

¹⁵⁰ chat over tea with: 和...边喝茶边聊天

¹⁵¹ On top of that: 除此之外

¹⁵² stay overnight: 过夜

¹⁵³ feel right at home: 感觉到舒服自在

Describe someone you really like to spend time with

You should say:

- Who this person is;
- How you knew him/her;
- What you usually do together;
- And explain why you like to spend time with him/her.



22. 想共度时光的人

I'm going to talk about my **uncle**, who I always love to **hang out with**. We meet up almost every **weekend**. He's a **history** teacher at a high school. Although he is **older** than me, we really get along with each other. And we **have a lot in common**¹⁵⁴. For example, we both enjoy reading and traveling, **especially** visiting **ancient sites**¹⁵⁵.

There's something about his character that really draws me to¹⁵⁶ him. First of all, although he teaches history, he's **not old-fashioned** or serious like other teachers. I mean, he is **sociable** and has **a great sense of humor**. Plus, he is quite **gentle** and **caring**¹⁵⁷. If you have any **problems**, he can always **provide a listening ear**¹⁵⁸.

As for what we usually do together..., **as I said**, I like spending time with him on **weekends** and **holidays**. Sometimes, we read some interesting **books** or watch a **movie** together. During the holidays, we usually **go on a trip to** some **fascinating places** with the whole family. Since he's a **history** teacher, he often tells us **several** fantastic stories about the buildings or the city. I can **always** learn a lot from him.

Basically **everybody** likes him. Talking with him is a great way for me to **wind down**¹⁵⁹. In addition, he always gives me great advice when I **have difficulty doing** something, mostly about my work or study. So I **love** hanging out with him and he is **more like an older friend to me**¹⁶⁰ instead of an uncle.

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¹⁵⁴ have a lot in common: 有很多共同之处

¹⁵⁵ ancient sites: 古遗址

¹⁵⁶ draws me to: ...吸引我

¹⁵⁷ caring: 体贴的, 关心他人的

¹⁵⁸ provide a listening ear: 乐于倾听的

¹⁵⁹ wind down: 放松

¹⁶⁰ more like an older friend to me: 像是我的老朋友

Describe a person whose work/job is useful to society.

You should say:

Who this person is;

How you knew him/her;

What type of work he/she does;

And explain why you think his/her work is useful to the society.



23. 对社会有贡献的人

One person I know whose work is **useful** to society is my uncle **Rob**. Rob is a **social worker**¹⁶¹ and has been one for **several** years. A social worker is a job that **combines** a lot of different roles, including **counsellor**¹⁶², **teacher**, and **mentor**. Rob is a **great** uncle and a really **nice** person. He is very **friendly** and **reassuring**¹⁶³, so I can **totally** understand why he is a **good** social worker.

His job **has a lot of stressful times**, and he **didn't** tell me much about it when I was a kid. Now that I'm **also** an adult, he is more **comfortable** talking about his work with me. As a **teacher**, I encounter a lot of the **same** problems and struggles in my job as Rob does. Rob works with **vulnerable children and teens**¹⁶⁴ who need to be **removed** from their homes because their parents are **unable** to take care of them. Rob also works directly with **parents** to **help them find a solution**, as well as with **victims of drug and alcohol addiction**¹⁶⁵.

Rob's job is **useful** to society because what he does is basically help people **become their best selves**¹⁶⁶, even when they are **at their lowest**¹⁶⁷. Rob **connects** police, medical, and counselling services in order to **help** people. These services can sometimes be **hard** for people to access, so people like Rob work **hard** to make things **easier**. To be **honest**, **every** society **needs a strong community of social workers**.

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¹⁶¹ social worker: 社会服务人员 (社区服务人员)

¹⁶² counsellor: 顾问

¹⁶³ reassuring: 使人安心的

¹⁶⁴ vulnerable children and teens: 易受伤害的儿童和青少年

¹⁶⁵ victims of drug and alcohol addiction: 毒品和酒瘾的受害者

¹⁶⁶ become their best selves: (帮助人们) 成为更好的自己

¹⁶⁷ at their lowest: 在人生最低谷 (的时候)

Describe a person you only met once and want to know more about

You should say:

Who he/she is

When you met him/her

Why you want to know more about him/her

And explain how you feel about him/her



24. 一见且想再见的人

I'm going to talk about my friend's friend, **George**. It feels like we've known each other **forever**¹⁶⁸, but it actually hasn't been **that** long.

If memory serves **correctly**, I first met him about **a year** ago. I was going to a **New Year's Eve party**¹⁶⁹ hosted by one of my old friends. I **didn't** think I was going to know anybody **but the host**¹⁷⁰, so I was a little **nervous**. When I got there, my friend was **busy** so I **didn't** know what to do with myself. I was **totally a fish out of water**¹⁷¹.

But then I noticed a **boy** **standing by himself**¹⁷². He also **looked a little lost**¹⁷³, so I **walked over** and **introduced** myself. We started chatting and it turned out we **had a lot in common**. For example, we both love **Marvel** movies. So we discussed our favourite **superheroes** and compared our **opinions** about some of the movies. We spent almost the **whole** night talking to each other. We figured out that we came from the **same hometown**, but somehow **our paths had never crossed**¹⁷⁴ until that night.

As the party was **ending**, George and I exchanged **phone numbers** so that we could keep in touch. **It's a shame that**¹⁷⁵ we've only seen each other once so far because both of us were **busy** with work. I really hope we can meet up **again** in the future. I bet we will become very **good** friends.

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¹⁶⁸ It feels like we've known each other forever: 我们似乎已经认识很久了

¹⁶⁹ New Year's Eve party: 跨年聚会

¹⁷⁰ but the host: 除了主人

¹⁷¹ a fish out of water: 浑身不自在

¹⁷² standing by himself: 独自站着

¹⁷³ looked a little lost: 看上去一脸懵，一脸迷茫

¹⁷⁴ our paths had never crossed: (在那晚之前) 我们从未遇到过

¹⁷⁵ It's a shame that: 可惜的是

Describe a person who you follow on social media.

You should say:

- Who he/she is;
- How you knew him/her;
- What he/she posts on social media;
- And explain why you follow him/her on social media



25. 社交媒体上常刷的人

Speaking of someone that I **follow** on social media, the **first** one that **comes to mind** is an **internet celebrity**¹⁷⁶ I followed on **Weibo**, which is a website like **Instagram**. Since I own an **orange cat**, my friend **strongly recommended that I read** his posts on Weibo.

This blogger is a **cat person**. He had a cat called “**Mako**” for **over a decade**¹⁷⁷, and **tons** of people around him are also cat owners. So during those years, he recorded a **lot** of behaviors and habits of cats. Besides, the person is like a **Cat-pedia**¹⁷⁸; he basically knows **everything** you want to know about cats. So **to some extent**¹⁷⁹, his posts are pretty **educational** for people who own cats.

If memory serves correctly, I’ve **followed** this blogger for **two** years. When I have some **spare** time, I **often** read his posts, which are often **interesting** and **heartwarming** stories about cats and their owners. Some of the stories are **hilarious**; they **make me bust a gut**¹⁸⁰. Plus, he loves explaining his **analysis** of many **weird** behaviours of cats, which **totally pulled me in**¹⁸¹. I actually got **tons** of tips about taking care of cats from him.

I’m a **big fan of**¹⁸² this influencer on Weibo, and I’ve also recommended him to many **friends**. Now, it has become a **habit** of mine to read his newest posts every day. Not only have I gained a lot of practical **knowledge**, but the funny and cute **posts** about cats really help me **blow off some steam**¹⁸³.

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¹⁷⁶ internet celebrity: 网红

¹⁷⁷ over a decade: 十多年

¹⁷⁸ Cat-pedia: 百科全书，表示关于猫什么都懂

¹⁷⁹ to some extent: 在一定程度上说

¹⁸⁰ make me bust a gut: 让我爆笑，让我捧腹大笑

¹⁸¹ pulled me in: 把我完全拉进了故事里，让我沉浸其中

¹⁸² a big fan of: ...的铁粉

¹⁸³ blow off some steam: 放松；舒缓压力