# Connectives and expressions

#### I plan to 我打算

1. ***I am planning to further my study at UK***
2. ***I’ve decided to transfer my major to computer science***
3. ***I think I will be finding a job after my graduation***
4. ***I am thinking of finding a part-time job***
5. ***I intend to give up smoking***
6. ***My intention is to pass IELTS first***

#### I like/love/enjoy/prefer/adore…我喜欢

1. ***I am very interested in/am keen on playing online games***
2. ***I am quite into classical music instead of pop songs***
3. ***I am such a big fan of NBA games***
4. ***I find riding rollercoaster is rather interesting/intriguing/stimulating/exciting***
5. ***I am fond of/in favor of extreme sports***
6. ***I am crazy/passionate/enthusiastic about collecting stamps***

#### I don’t like 我不喜欢

1. ***To be honest, sport is not my thing/not my cup of tea***
2. ***Frankly speaking, I find going shopping is unpleasant/drag/dull/lame***
3. ***I am afraid that I am not a fan of parties***
4. ***I can’t walk up any enthusiasm for climbing mountains***
5. ***Personally, I can take it or leave it***
6. ***I have to admit I rather dislike snakes***
7. ***I hate getting up so early in the morning***

#### Preference 我更偏好

1. ***If you ask me, I guess my choice/answer/preference would be the latter one***
2. ***I would rather walk instead of riding a bike***
3. ***I prefer being a driver over being a passenger***
4. ***Among all choices, I am partial towards apple particularly***
5. ***I consider pop music is more enjoyable than other types***
6. ***It is more likely to be cheaper if we eat at home***

#### Speculating 可能，也许

1. ***In my opinion, perhaps passing ILETS is more difficult than it seems***
2. ***It is very possible/likely that online information is fraudulent and misleading***
3. ***I have never thought of this question, but I imagine/suspect/guess/suppose 18th birthday is more meaningful***
4. ***Being a politician must be challenging, since they have to take the responsibility and make right choices.***

#### I hope that…我希望

1. ***Hopefully/wishfully, I am able to be accepted by my dream university***
2. ***I expect that I could have a stable life***
3. ***I am very anticipated about the new life I am about to have***
4. ***I am quite looking forward to seeing you again***
5. ***I keep my fingers crossed/sincerely pray that they can make it***

#### I must/have to 我必须，我应该

1. ***I am required to hand out my assignment by 6pm today***
2. ***It is my duty/commitment/responsibility/obligation/liability to take care of you***
3. ***I should/ought to keep my mouth shut since I made a promise before***
4. ***We are bound to/are supposed to/are meant to take this responsibility***
5. ***We are committed to finish this job on time.***

#### I think 我认为

1. ***In my opinion/from my perspective/as I see it, benefits of riding a bike are multiple/manifold***
2. ***As far as I am concerned/It seems to me that people’s incentives of buying imported goods depend on different needs***
3. ***Above all, I consider the most difficult part/most intriguing aspect/the biggest reason/the best way of keeping fit is …***
4. ***I strongly/do believe that governments are supposed to play an essential role of protecting historical buildings***

#### I feel that 我觉得

1. ***It is my belief that without preserving trees, our planet would become barren for life forms***
2. ***To my mind/knowledge, children would be greatly impacted by the way their parents’bring them up***
3. ***I am convinced that the only thing that keeps me moving forward is what my father told me when I was a little boy, which was always never ever saying no to myself before I try***
4. ***It is really exciting, isn’t it!***

#### I don’t think 我不认为

1. ***I would argue that not everyone is destined to go to colleges.***
2. ***I am skeptical/doubted of the idea that successful career would guarantee a happy life, what I stand for is that there are still other relevant factors, including psychological and physical soundness.***
3. ***I am strongly against the view that art education is not valuable.***

#### Clarification 具体地说

1. ***To put it simply, mobile phone is becoming indispensable for everyone in modern life***
2. ***Riding on subway is convenient, by this I mean/what I mean is that there is no traffic congestion underground, which is the main reason for most commuters’ choice.***
3. ***More accurately/specifically, the application of hybrid vehicles can help reduce the emission of carbide and sulfide(碳化物硫化物)***
4. ***Patriotism is a terrible thing. Let me rephrase that: patriotism is not always a force for good***

#### I agree/disagree 我同意/不同意

1. ***I totally agree with you, since the trend of globalization is so prevalent in all areas***
2. ***Definitely/surely/undoubtedly/absolutely yes, resting is the most basic need for human both physically and psychologically***
3. ***Well, as for parks, I don’t consent that all parks should be free, there are some exceptions***
4. ***It is not always the case for governments to protect all old buildings***
5. ***Two goals of education and entertainment are not necessarily mutually exclusive for museums.***

#### Optimism 表达乐观

1. ***I am rather optimistic/confident/certain/sure that more and more Chinese students would thrive/flourish/excel/prosper in western countries with language proficiency and international horizon.***
2. ***My cousin has exceptional talent/gift and I hope/wish she could become a famous artist***
3. ***Due to the promising career prospectus, I am determined to become a lawyer***

#### In my memory…在我的记忆中

1. ***If my memory is correct/precise/as far as I can remember, I got my first mobile phone from my father as a birthday gift***
2. ***I can still recall/remember/recollect that I started to study English when I was 10 years’ old***
3. ***This letter brought so many good memories to my mind***
4. ***This picture is a reminder/record about what happened on that day***
5. ***That trip left me a lasting impression***
6. ***They did this in the remembrance of their friendship***

#### I was surprised that…我很惊喜

1. ***I was surprised/stunned/amazed/marveled by the view of Niagara waterfall***
2. ***I was shocked/astonished by the news that Yao retired.***
3. ***My mind was blown while I was watching a gig performed by Jay Chou last week.***

#### I am a bit worried…我有点担心

1. ***I am a bit worried/concerned by the baneful consequences brought by environmental pollution.***
2. ***It left me nothing but anxiety when I realized that I failed my exam.***
3. ***I was rather apprehensive/nervous/unsettled that I would miss that train***
4. ***It is many people’s concern that square dancing is quite annoying/disturbing/perturbing***

#### I am willing to 我愿意做…

1. ***Michael is willing to give anyone a hand whoever need help***
2. ***I’d be happy/pleased/delighted to do you this favor***
3. ***It is absolutely not a problem at all for me to replace your work***
4. ***Thanks for your willingness and goodwill***

#### Story-telling 讲故事

1. ***Gradually, they fell in love with each other***
2. ***While I was waiting the bus, Michael unexpectedly appeared in front of me***
3. ***Sadly, Jack didn’t make it to survive***
4. ***Not surprisingly, they came back to each other as what I predicted beforehand***
5. ***Thankfully/luckily/as luck would have it, there was one person responded to my request on the street.***
6. ***At the very beginning, afterwards, then, after that, eventually, finally***