

1. Describe a place you have never been to but like to go someday.

I would prefer to go to a seashore town someday. When I was a child, the sea I watched on TV gave me a nice memory, since then I have a desire to go to the seashore some day. I consider the life near the seashore is comfortable, for the sky there is blue and always full of sunshine, seabirds are singing and the ocean breeze is blowing. I'm willing to swim in the sea or just lie on the beach for a rest, which I could never enjoy in metropolis. Moreover, I could taste sea food such as lobsters and crabs. Therefore, if I can go to a seashore town someday, it must be a wonderful memory in my life.

2. If your friends from other country are going to visit your country, where do you suggest them to go?

I would like them to go to a seashore town in my country. I believe they can't find seashore as wonderful as the seashore I want them to go. The life near the seashore is comfortable, for the sky there is blue and always full of sunshine, seabirds are singing and the ocean breeze is blowing. They can swim in the sea and lie on the beach for a rest, which they could never enjoy in their country. Moreover, they could taste sea food that only produce in that seashore such as local lobsters, crabs and fish. So if they can go to a seashore town someday, it must be a good memory in their life.

3. Features of cafe or restaurant you like

Well, I prefer a cafe or a restaurant that is quiet and clean. First of all, a quiet place is good for me to enjoy a comfortable meal and I won't be bothered by a noisy surrounding. And I am able to have a conversation or a talk with friends if it is quiet near by, that we won't have to shout to each other. Second, a clean place to eat could make me have a good appetite and I could eat more when the tables and plates are clean. I consider a clean restaurant can be also excellent in making food. So in conclusion, I like a restaurant or a cafe has the features of clean and quiet.

4. Keep or not the old building in the city?

I hold the opinion that we should keep most of the old buildings in the city. I admit that some of the old buildings are a bit dilapidated right now. But the issue is bigger than that. If we destroy the old buildings, we will be destroying an important piece of the history. The buildings many experienced many events and famous celebrities might live in it. They are the memory of the things in the past. And it wouldn't be all that difficult to fix them up either. However, there are some old buildings which have less value could be torn down for the city development.

5. Describe a place you often go to.

The place I usually go to is a seashore park in my city. When I was a child,

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my parents always bring me there and I had a lot of enjoyments. Then I grew up, but I still consider it a wonderful place. The life near the seashore is really comfortable, for the sky there is blue and always full of sunshine, seabirds are singing and the ocean breeze is blowing. I swam in the sea and lie on the beach for a rest. Moreover, I tasted sea food such as lobsters, crabs and fish there. The moment I have at sea shore is really impressive, and because of this, I would like to go there.

6. Describe a room or other area.

Well, one of my important places is my room. First of all, I have a lot of enjoyment in my room. I enjoy using computer in my room. I have a lot of fun playing computer games and chat online with my e-pals. I also read magazines and other publics and sometimes cut down the pictures on them to the wall, these make my room a place full of enjoyment. Second, I study and read books. These make me more knowledgeable and experienced. So you see, I obtain enjoyment and gain ability in my room. Basing on these factors I say that I enjoy the time spend in my room and I like it so much.

7. Important gift, why important?

An important gift I have ever received is a Nike basketball from my parents on my 16 years old birthday. The gift is important to me because I really like playing basketball and I never have a high quality basketball before. So after I receive this gift, I always bring it to sport stadiums and play with teammates. It has a high quality that we have played it for such long time and not only I and also my friends obtained a lot of enjoyment. Furthermore, it is important because I get to know that my parents are always thinking of what I like to do, and this really makes me moved and I gain a lot of power to study better and repay them.

8 .Describe one of your challenging experiences.

One of my challenging experiences is to prepare for the TOEFL test. I am a high school student and I find TOEFL test is lot more difficult than the text in my school, so it is really a challenge for me. Some times I try to recite a hundred words in a day. Sometimes I read long articles and just don't know what they are talking about. However, when facing with these difficulties, I never give up. What I have done is to keep reciting words and read more articles in order to have a better understanding of them. After a month, I find that I have improved my ability in English, and I am more confident now facing TOEFL test.

9 .Describe any of your work

I took a group of pictures that has shown the huge change in my city Beijing. Our city is going to hold the 2008 Olympic Games and because of this, the city is changing big day by day. Therefore, I use my camera and took a group of pictures, the group has 8 pictures, I called them "8 aspects of Beijing change", I took pictures in parks, in sport stadiums, in my community and other places, through the 8 aspect to show the huge change of Beijing, and show our harmonious daily life. I always show them to my teachers and friends, and I am really proud of this work.

10 .Describe the most impressive moment in your life

The most impressive moment in my life is my going to a seashore town before. When I was a child, the sea I watched on TV gave me a nice memory, since then I have a desire to go to the seashore some day. I went there after few years, the life near the seashore is really comfortable, for the sky there is blue and always full of sunshine, seabirds are singing and the ocean breeze is blowing. I swam in the sea and lie on the beach for a rest, which I could never enjoy in big cities. Moreover, I tasted sea food such as lobsters, crabs and fish there. So I consider the moment I have at sea shore is really impressive.

11 .Describe Your Ways to Acquire Knowledge.

Sample Answer 1:

I am willing to get information through the internet. First, I think getting news from internet is an easy way, what we need to do is just move the mouse, which means we don't need to go out to buy newspaper. Second, internet can provide us news faster, when an event take place somewhere in the world, the news webs could provide the news quickly, which unlike newspapers, they have to print out and then sell to us. Third, using internet to get the information is also benefit to our environment, because it doesn't need papers and ink, so fewer trees with by cut down and fewer rivers will be polluted.

Sample Answer 2:

I consider getting information through the internet is the best way to learn more knowledge. First of all, I think getting news from internet is easy, what we need to do is just move the mouse and type the letters, which means we don't need to go out. This makes me very efficient in getting information. Second, internet can provide us a large amount of information, for there are so many websites and they don't need to worry about paper using, so they will write many things, and I can obtain much knowledge. Therefore, using internet I can learn more knowledge.

12 .Do you prefer to only visit the destination or enjoy the beautiful scenery on the way?

Well, I prefer also enjoying the view on our way. First of all, I think my purpose to travel is to enjoy the beautiful scenery, whatever at the destination or on the way, so we should also spend time of the scenery on the way if they are beautiful and worth to see. Second, we could make our trip full of surprise, because we can't predict whether there is beautiful scenery on the way, and if we find some place wonderful on our way, it must be a huge surprise to me, and it must be better than only go to the destination. All in all, I prefer also enjoying the view on our way.

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13 .Choose profession that need you study independently or profession require you to work as a group?

I prefer choosing a profession that requires me to work as a group. First of all, I believe work as a group can give birth to excellent idea and solutions, because more people are thinking on a project, more people are doing on project, this can make a project work out better and advance. Second, I believe working as a group can make us more efficient, and we can solve the problem faster and easier. More over, we can solve more problems. So basing on these factors I draw a conclusion that a profession which needs working as a group is better.

14 .Would you choose passion over money?

Well, as for me, I would like to choose a major by interest. First of all, we may have more knowledge on the major we are interested in, and this makes us easier to learn the major and we can have a better understanding. Second, choose a major we interested in will let us gain more power to study and work on it, we are more willing to spend time on it, and we can increase our ability more and faster. This is benefit to our study career as well as working career. And it will lead us to an enjoyable life. So...

15 .What kind of invention changed your life most recently?

I believe that the invention changed my life most is internet. First of all, I am able to read a lot of information on the internet, this help me to know more about our world and things happened, which makes us always keep in touch with the outside world. Second, I can use internet to search for what I want, and this would help me solve the problems and find the solutions quickly. Third, internet provides enjoyment, through the internet I'm able to chat with relatives or even strangers, and I could play internet games. So I believe the internet is making the biggest changed of the way I live.

16 .Which of the following study method do you prefer?(online courses or traditional classroom)

For me, I am willing to take online courses instead of being in traditional classroom. First of all, if we study online then we won't have to go to school, this is really convenient especially when it is raining or snowing outside. What is more, if we study online, the pressure of public traffic given by student will be lower, other citizens will spend less time on road, thus the city will be more efficient. Third, online courses won't be limit by teachers which means teacher in other cities are able to teach us, and we can enjoy a high quality of education.

17 .Describe a painting you have seen before. Why do you like it or dislike it?

I have seen a painting that has shown the athletes training in a basketball gymnasium. Our city is going to hold the Olympic Games in August and because of this, the athletes are training hard in order to compete in the Olympic Games. The painting is actually showing the daily exercise of the basketball athletes. It shows a scene in the national basketball training center, the players are having

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a match. Through the painting I have seen Yaoming, a player I prefer most, the painting drew him vividly and it is even like a true Yaoming, so I really like the painting.

18 .What kind of friends do you like?

I think a character friends should have is humor. Because humorous friends bring us good mood and harmonious atmospheres so we can have a good condition to study. Then we might give birth to great ideas and solutions. I think a friend should also be outgoing. Because outgoing friends can communicate with me in a better way, through this I can become more outgoing, and I am able to increase my ability to communicate with others. This is really important when we work. I don't think a friend should have characteristics as I do, because our different characters make us be able to learn from each other, and gain our ability.

19 .What do you like to read in your free time?

I would like to read magazines during my leisure time. First of all, magazines have high quality printed paper; the pictures on the paper are vivid, I enjoy looking these pictures. I even cut down some of them I like and put them in my book. It is so amazing. Second, the magazines always provide beautiful posters to their readers, I received two posters, one is Yaoming's picture and the other one is Jordan's. I like poster very much so I like the magazines very much. Also, the information provided in the magazines is interesting and comprehensive; I can know a lot of things though it. So I like reading magazines.

20 .Do you like to live with roommates or live alone?

Well, for me, I would like to live with roommates. First of all, we are able to help each other both on study and our daily life, so we will have fewer difficulties, and through this we gain our relationship, so we can have more good friends. Also, my roommates can always communicate with me, through this I can become more outgoing, and I am able to increase my ability to communicate with others. This is really important when we work. And my roommates could have different characteristics, because of our different characters, we are able learn from each other, and gain our ability.

21 .Someone focuses on one job throughout his life; others like to change from one job to the other. Which one do you think is better, why?

I consider people should change their job in different age. First of all, changing the job through life will make us more experienced and knowledgeable for we are able to study things in different aspects and communicate with people in different fields. Basing on this I consider people should sometimes change their job. Second, changing the job will make us less tired. For instance, when we are young, we could work like a sells manager; it brings a lot of income but also needs much energy. So when we are old, we may not work in a perfect condition, then we could change a job.

22 .Is Life easier or harder than our grandparents?'

I deeply agree that our life is easier than our grandparents'. First of all, we are able to enjoy the convenience brought by internet. We can use internet to learn knowledge, get a variety of information from outside world. What is more, we can enjoy many online entertainments such as chat and internet game. These are the things our grandparents can't do in their period. Second, we are able to travel to foreign countries easier via airplanes or even private cars. Unlike our grandparents, it's a lot more difficult for them to travel abroad since the personal vehicles were not highly developed in their period. So basing on this I say that our life is easier than our grandparents.'

23 .Do you agree that childhood is the happiest (or precious) time in life?

Yes, I deeply agree that childhood is the happiest time in life. First, childhood provide no pressure which we have to face after grown up. When I was a child, I had little pressure as I have now. For instance, I rarely worried about exams when I was a kid, but now exams really give me a lot pressure. Second, a child often has much time to develop his or her own hobbies. For example, I possessed more time to develop my own interests, such as painting and singing. However, I hardly have time to do what I want to do now. So in conclusion, I think childhood is the happiest time in life.

24 .Is the university education really important or not?

As far as I am concerned, the university education is really significant for a person. First of all, the knowledge we learn in U is the most difficult through our study career, so it is vital for us to increase our ability in thinking, talking and studying. These abilities are quite essential for us when we work. Second, U education is the advanced form of education, it need us to communicate, to corporate, these are the things we can't learn deeply in primary school and high school. So if we don't join the U education, we will lose opportunities to develop, I consider this is really a huge regret.

25 .Describe one of your favorite song or one of your favorite movie.

One of the songs I like is "we are the champion". I like it because I won a running competition after I listened to it. But this is not the only reason. I like it because I always feel energetic after listening, and I can do better on playing basketball or other sport events. Also, I like the lyric; it tells me never give up. When I am frustrate and upset, I will listen to the song, then I feel a strong emotion in my body, and I won't be upset anymore. The song really helps me to be positive, so I like it.

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Free TOEFL Independent Speaking Samples - Task 1

TASK 1 - SAMPLE 1

What is the best quality of a good son or daughter? Why? Use specific reasons and details to support your choice.

Introduction

I think the most important quality is kindness.

Body

This is because kindness automatically includes so many other qualities. First, kindness implies that a son or daughter is helpful to the parents. This is critical no matter how old the child is.

Second, kindness means being respectful. There is nothing that touches parents' hearts more than being treated well by a child. Conversely, nothing hurts parent more than when a child shouts at them.

Last, kindness incorporates so many other positive traits such as thoughtfulness, cooperation, caring, compassion, understanding and so on.

Conclusion

In today's world, having loving parents is a blessing and children of all ages should honour that through their kind actions.

TASK 1 - SAMPLE 2

What is your favourite day of the year? Use reasons to support your answer.

Introduction

My favourite day of the year is December 31.

Body

This is due to many reasons. Personally, December 31 is full of hope and promise for the year ahead. Like others, I love to make resolutions to improve myself in the coming year. December 31 makes everything seem possible.

Professionally, since I have my own business, December 31 enables me to take stock of my strengths and weaknesses. It forces me to make better plans for the next year

Socially, Dec 31 shows me who means the most to me because you usually think of those people on this day. It is a lovely time when people from around the world are united in joy.

Conclusion

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All days in life are special but December 31 makes me feel the most optimistic, hopeful and thankful of all.

Free TOEFL Independent Speaking Samples - Task 2

TASK 2 - SAMPLE 1

Do you like to try new kinds of food or eat the same kind of food all the time? Use details and examples to support your answer.

Introduction

I prefer to eat the food I know most of the time.

Body

From the time I was young, I was always a bit fussy and finicky about eating. I don't really know the reason why. I never liked to feel an unfamiliar taste in my mouth. It's almost as if I could tell how foods tasted without trying them, and so I restricted my diet to those foods I really enjoyed.

As I got older, I realized that I was actually very healthy, even if I was a little thin. So I continued to eat the foods I loved, when I was at home or in restaurants. I never enjoyed going to people's homes for dinner because the choices would be limited and I didn't know in advance what they were going to cook.

Conclusion

Oh well, everyone has their pet peeves and this one is mine!

TASK 2 - SAMPLE 2

Do you prefer to go out to dinner or stay home and cook a meal? Use reasons to support your response.

Introduction

I love cooking in my own home.

Body

There are so many reasons for this. First, financially, it's impossible to eat out often. You would end up spending a lot of extra money for no reason.

Second, health-wise, when I cook at home, I have control and can produce much more nutritious meals. Outside, I have no idea of the quality or quantity of the ingredients they have used.

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Third, emotionally, cooking at home makes me feel relaxed, happy and secure. It gives me a warm feeling to know that my home smells of the delicious food that I have cooked. I also enjoy sharing a meal with my loved ones.

Conclusion

That's why I only eat out on very special occasions or when I have no choice.

Good luck in your test!

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