

English 963 essay

Essay 3 Topic 1 **Why go to university?**

University is the place where students get knowledge and new experiences. Studying in university gives a vast exposure to the student in his specified field. University builds a professional base in the student.

Till their higher school students used to study in various fields. They have to read different subjects which are not in their career streams. Therefore they attend college or universities to get ample knowledge of their field. Universities and colleges have experienced staff in diverse fields. Everyone is professional in their stream therefore students get the opportunity to learn from these persons (professors) various skills in their stream which is not possible while studying in higher school.

Secondly various projects, researches, assignments and practical scenarios are conducted in universities or colleges from where students get exposure and experience to various problems which they might have to face in their real life while practicing. Like in dentistry the students have to work on tooth for scaling, wiring etc from which they get practical exposure.

Moreover universities have huge libraries carrying thousands of books of different subjects and other study material like fictional, non-fictional, journals, newspapers, reports which are huge sources of information for the students and teachers.

Various recreational activities are conducted in universities. Sports meet, youth festivals, Conferences, Seminars, Debates, Declamation contests etc which also helps in getting new experiences.

As a whole while studying in college or universities students build confidence as a trait in themselves which is very essential to be successful in life. So I think people attend college to get exposure, experience, confidence, increased knowledge, career preparation as a whole.

Essay 32 Topic 2 **Are parents best teachers?**

I do strongly agree the idea that parents are the best teachers. This I agree for following reasons.

The first teachers we have in our lives in most cases are our parents. They teach us to walk, to speak, and to have good manners before we reach the real world. More than even the professional teachers that we have in school, parents are generally the most involved in the development and education of children.

Almost for sure our parents are the best teachers at the beginning of our lives, which actually corresponds to the parents' role in nature. Parents are most committed and involved in teaching their children; they have a kind of instinct to sacrifice a part of themselves for the betterment of their children. They love us and have great patience while passing down their knowledge to us. They wish us a success and thus will not teach us bad things. And of course, implicit learning occurs when children unconsciously copy some of their parents' habits and styles of behavior.

During the second stage of child development, adolescence, parents can still be in the best position to offer advice even though the children might not accept it. In this case, perhaps the child's friends would be the best teachers. Adolescents are notoriously rebellious in many cultures and may automatically reject some advice from their parents. My first marriage for instance, was solely a matter of doing the opposite when my parents tried to intrude in offering advice. So in such matters, parents should be much more flexible and be rather the partners with their children.

So we can see that being a teacher of growing child becomes more and more complicated case as the time passes and many parents are simply not able to meet the increased demands.

Essay 42 Topic 2 **parents and teachers**

Obviously, the earliest teachers we have in our lives in most cases are our parents, and they are generally the most involved in the development and education of their children. Yet neither are all parents good teachers nor are those good parents the best teachers. First of all, not all parents are good teachers. As normal individuals, some parents more or less have bad habits. Even though parents almost instinctively devote themselves to cultivating their offspring, the outcome might turn out to be disappointment, for all children tend to unconsciously or subconsciously copy every thing from their parents. Another deficiency of parents as teachers is the fact that most parents are lack of common senses of education. All too often we observe some parents tend to pursue their cherished but failed dream by forcing their children to develop in a prearranged direction. Ironically, if their children did not follow the instructions, the children would be regarded as disobedient or allegedly rebellious. In fact, it is parents rather than their children that virtually disobey common senses. Moreover, some parents are qualified as good teachers, but not all of them are the best ones. When children are in the preliminary school, it is not surprising that parents are capable of teaching their children almost every subject even better than professional teachers in the school. But the situation will not last long. We live in a world where knowledge is accumulated by multiplying and at the same time becomes more and more specialized. Therefore, to be a professional in a certain field today takes much longer time than ever before. No parent is able to be professional in all fields, though they might be experts in one or more fields. Wise parents often release rather than charge their children as early as possible. They are aware of the possibility outside the family. Parents may, nevertheless, help their children much more than do good teachers. Most parts of children education are virtually beyond teachers' reaches. It is parents that supplement. Psychology studies have shown us that parents' love sometimes has astonishingly magic power to their children. Albert Einstein's mother and Forest Gump's mother are both good examples. On the other hand, parents might do their children harm more than do bad teachers as well. The natures of those children whose parents have divorced are often severely distorted. In a word, it is rather superficial to simply say that parents are the best teachers.

Essay 45 Topic 3 **Has the ease of cooking improved people`s life?**

Nowadays, wherever we turn our gaze, we can see different types of food that are easier to prepare. It cannot be doubted that our eating style has encountered a revolutionary change in the last few decades. It is the change in the type of food that has had the greatest influence. For instance, we can buy frozen food in a supermarket and just prepare it in a couple of minutes, whereas before it could have taken us maybe hours to prepare this kind of meal. Not only have the recipes of certain food types have been altered, but also new ones have been created. Examples include yet are not restricted to beef hamburgers, potato chips, readymade available yogurt, frozen meat and cold drinks. I would accept that this so called improvement changed our lives, but I believe there are some drawbacks as well.

It is true that these kinds of food do not involve hard work to prepare, but food that is easy to prepare generally has some artificial ingredients mixed in it that makes it asy to prepare. ?If we take time to read the ingredients, we would definitely come across the words like preservatives or artificial flavorings. Many newly emerged types of food have not the essence of a omplete meal?as defined by the nutritionists. To add to the problem, these food types are often served alone. In fact, there are many medical reports warning people from depending upon such fast meals in their food. Other reports indicate a high potential of malnutrition among those who are ddicted?to the common duet of burgers and colas.

Not having to cook has also taken the fun out of cooking. Cooking is an art, but in today's world, this is no truer. People are so busy in their work that they just rely on these simple foods. The invention and production of these foods have made people lazy not only for cooking but also for a well family gets together. It was not like former times when families would sit together and eat freshly baked food. With the absence of regular family get together, relationships are likely to be weaker.

People think that fast prepared food types do improve our style of life. This opinion comes especially from busy people, working wives, and younger people. They believe that we have many things in life more important than eating. Time spent on food preparation is considered waste by them. Wives will have more time to care of their families' souls not just stomachs. Family relationships will get stronger. Business men and women will have more time to concentrate on their arrangements. In general, people will have a greater opportunity to take care of their minds and hearts.

I agree with that food preparation should take its necessary time and care. Otherwise, the time saved in food preparation can lead to longer times of headache or even of staying in hospitals suffering from malnutrition.

Essay 46 Topic 4 **Are books more important than experience?**

Many people have said that not everything that is learned is contained in books, while many people also say that we get most of our knowledge from books. In my point of view, the latter one is as important as, if not more important than the former one, Although not everything is contained in books, we have to learn most of the things in books. Among countless reasons, which influence the former one, I explore the most conspicuous aspects as follows:

The main reason I agree with the argument is that knowledge contained in books is systematic. As we know, almost all the books are the children of the marriage of the author's thought with the real world. In order to express themselves, they surely use a very systematic structure to form a book, which have a specific note of their thought and experiences. With the systematic structure, we can learn things gradually, by our own pace and we need not to worry that if we had miss some of the important details because systematic structure never drop the essential points. What we only need to do is follow the instructions directed by the author and grasps the content by our consideration.

There is another reason that deserve some words here, however, is that learning by reading books is an efficient way of accumulating knowledge. In ancient world, no books existed, and people should realize the world by exploring everything by themselves. This method apparently takes too much time and energy. But with the ready-made knowledge provided by the books put in front of us, why not take on it directly? It will save us a lot of time to take advantages of others' thought and experiences than we explore them by ourselves.

It would not be too kindly disposed to the idea that not learning knowledge in books is not important. Of course, gaining knowledge from experience is not without advantages. Because experiencing the life by oneself would be more impressive and could affect you for a lifetime. Such examples are not rare in our personal life.

In a word, to choose way of gaining knowledge is something of a dilemma to public because they sometimes are confused by the seemingly good qualities of learning by experiences, but neglect the most genuinely good aspect of learning by reading. For the reasons presented above, I strongly commit to the notion to by reading, not by experiences.

Essay 66 Topic 5 **Should a factory be built in your community?**

Nowadays, some people may hold the opinion that a factory should not be built near a community, but others have a negative attitude. As far as I concerned, I deem that the

benefits far exceeds its disadvantages. My arguments for this point are listed as follows. The main advantage of building a factory is that it can make the local area more prosperous by increasing revenue, developing markets and keeping competition, and sometimes it can help economically underdeveloped areas throw off poverty and set out on a road to prosperity. A good case in point is that Zibo, a small village before, built its first factory of colored glaze fifteen years ago. From then on, many factories were erected one after another, whose competition impacted on the transformation from an inward-looking economy to a more market-oriented economy. Now, the first factory probably has gone bankrupt, but Zibo became a big city with moderate prosperity.

In addition, building factories is an effective measure to resolve the problem about the pressure of employment. With the increasing number of laid-off workers, employment is being regarded as the primary problem of national economic policy. It is reported that officially registered urban unemployment in China was 3.1 percent or about 5.8 million people in 1999, and the number was up to 9.2 million in 2000. This trend suggests that unemployment is a more serious problem than inflation. However, building a new factory, especially a labor-intensive factory, can increase domestic demand and benefit mitigation of employment pressure.

Admittedly, pollution such as the noise, industrial sewage and effluent gas, may be caused by a factory, which can make negative influence of the normal life and health of the neighborhood. But not all the factories will do that, and with practical applications of the production technology, pollution caused by factories can be avoided.

All in all, it is not easy to take a clear-cut position on such a controversial issue. But taking into account of all the factors that I have discussed in the above analysis, I believe that building a factory near a community is advisable.

Essay 75 Topic 6 **What would you change about your hometown?**

If I could change one thing about my hometown, I would like to build some useful and advanced facilities for its use. A modern library, an advanced broad band system and a modern gym may bring a lot of changes to people living in my hometown and keep them up with the latest information and technology.

In my opinion, a modern library in my hometown can provide a good environment for the local people to study and upgrade themselves. There are a lot of newspapers, magazines and reference books for their use. They can know what happened around the world and keep up with the fast-pace of today's world. "Knowledge is strength". Knowledge can guide us to overcome problems we face in our daily life.

To popularize the use of broadband cable system at homes enables people to get a quick access to the Internet and TV channels. Because of the Internet, our lives have been changed a lot. We can read news, shopping, chat with our friends, send pictures to anyone and watch the movies online. People can also have a lot of choices over TV programs offered through a broadband. A pay-per-view system provides different types of movie for you to choose from. People will have more choices to enjoy life and the advanced technology at home.

Besides learning and entertaining, we also need to do exercises to keep a healthy life. This is the reason why I want to build a modern gym in my hometown. Through

exercises such as swimming, jogging, playing tennis, people can enhance their immune systems and enjoy life fully. Furthermore, people can develop positive attitudes towards life by doing exercises. This is really important.

In summary, I want my hometown to be a city equipped with a modern library, an advanced broadband system and a modern gym. I would people in my hometown have advanced knowledge, use advanced technology and home and lead a healthy life.

Essay 85 Topic 7 **How do movies or TV affect people?**

For decades, television had played a very important role in our life. It had changed our living and entertaining way in a great way, and I believe that it had also influenced our behavior, both for the better and for the worse. Firstly, movies and television make us more violent. We are being accustomed the violent scenes on the movies where there are brutal and icy faces with killing machines in their hands. We are also forgetting that killing someone is permanent, because the actors that were killed in a film can come back for another movie. And finally, have you ever imagined that you were Arnold Schwarzenegger in the “Terminator” when you watch that film? Secondly, movies and television are making us less active. We think that movies and television contain everything so we do not have to go out to chat or play games with our friends. Staying in and watching television for a long time can seriously damage us, both mentally and physically. Watching movies is passive. We receive everything that the director gives to us. Some of them may be good, some may be bad but the most important thing is we will lose our imaginary ability. And we may act like the actors on the movie. On the contrary, we cannot oppose that television has good influence to us. There are good movies that can make us change our prejudices of something like “racial dividing”. Even education programs can help us behave more graciously and wisely. Moreover, by watching movies, we can temporarily escape from our problems and that will help you reduce your stress. Anyway, television and movies have their strong influence to our behavior. Whether the influence is good or bad depends on how long we watch them, what we watch and how we respond to them because everything is advantageous in a way and disadvantageous in another.

Essay 88 Topic 8 **Has TV destroyed communication among friends and family?**

One of the most famous inventions in 20th century is television and nowadays we cannot deny its influence to our life. There is a common question that has television destroyed communication among friends and family? I personally believe that television has not destroyed communication among friends and family. In this essay I try to explain my opinion with some reasons.

First of all, television is the most common media which is found in each home. It is faster than newspaper to tell the news, more economical than Internet to access information. Television not only is an enjoyable device for everyone but also joins family members together and brings them good time, for example they can talk about their favorite actor or actress, watching football and betting on their favorite player.

Another reason is that these days people are very busy with their works and have not enough time to go cinema and theater instead television provides for them this chance to have a similar one. Moreover, nowadays towns have become more and more crowded and people do not know each other, while television builds a smallest town with its

famous faces and interesting programs.

The last but not the least, in this century human put satellites in the spatial circuits and with relationship between each television set with these satellites the entire world can become unit. In the other words, we can be informed about world news in one second.

Thus, with the above statements that I mentioned, I still believe that television has built a uniform world that let us be aware from all things about it rather than it destroyed communication between us.

Essay 98 Topic 9 **Living in a small town vs. a big city**

It has long been a controversy among people that living in a small town or in a big city is more preferable. While some people claim that living in such big cities as capital or any other great city can result in more comfortable, others feel that residence in the smaller town cannot merely give them peaceful lives but also make them healthier than people living in a big city. In my opinion, I have prejudice for residence in a small town due to some reasons.

Although town-dwellers can survive considerably more convenient than those who live in the country side having many facilities and amenities for them, they must confront with much pollution in their hometown. That tiny particles from big industries and toxic gases from million cars tend to increase more and more are used to characterize the town nowadays.

On the contrary, lacking in advance technologies makes rural life happy and peaceful. Rural-dweller can enjoy living in real nature. They can waste just a little time to go to work, unlike town-dwellers who have much trouble with traffic jam and also they can spend times they left during the day to do more enjoyable and funnier activities such as exercise, shopping or playing game with their children. Moreover, people who live in the country side are likely to have longer longevity and healthier than those who inhabit in the town. High technologies can harm and cause so serious health problems to the people who are denizen of the town.

In conclusion, I would rather live in the small country than in the big city. Even though, the comfort ability in the town appeals many people, I prefer to spend my life simply and happily.

Essay 106 Topic 10 **Does luck has anything to do with success?**

Someone says: when people succeed, it is because of hard work. Luck has nothing to do with success. In my opinion, I agree that success need hard work, but sometimes luck is important too.

As the old saying: no pains, no gains. Success mainly depends on hard work. When we talk about some famous people, we all think they are respectable, because we know, at the back of their success; there is how much hard work. For example, Tomas Addison, one of the most famous inventors in last century, spent most of his time in his lab. He often loses in his work and forgets his family and even sleeping or eating. But people all of the world respect him and remember he for ever, his endeavor bring people a lot of happiness and convenience. If Addison just sits in his home waiting for luck or magic,

never will he succeed.

Albert Einstein has said that the genius is 99 percent sweeter plus 1 percent luck. Although luck is secondary, we cannot omit it. In fact, in some extent, luck also plays an important role. Each people must have heard the story of an apple and Newton, the apple is Newton's luck, it's the God's gift. Without that apple, may be Newton must spend more time to think and think. May be in our life, people have this kind of experience. For example, when you are working on a mathematics problem, you try and try but cannot get the answer. May be suddenly sometimes, you will think of something or find way, "aha", the problem is solved.

Any opinion of only emphasizing on hard work or luck is impartial. Hard work is main factor; luck can accelerate one's success. So both hard work and luck are important.

Essay 111 Topic 11 **Should universities spend equal amount of money on sports and librarians?**

Whether universities should give the same amount of money to their students' sports activities as they give to their university libraries is a prevalent topic undergoing serious debate. After pondering it from several aspects, personally, I think it is not necessary for universities to do so.

Libraries should supply student the most up-to-date facilities, which are necessary for students in their education. Most of the facilities are very expensive to buy and maintain, such as computers, access to Internet research databases. Student use them to get research information all around the world. Without these facilities, or given resources of many years ago, students cannot learn what they should be thought.

Another reason is that the cost of books and magazines increases quickly. Books and magazines are another information source to students. Today, more and more useful books and magazines are published. To meet what students need, libraries must spend more money on books and magazines.

Finally, It also cost lots of money for universities to keep the libraries running. Students usually study in the libraries because they provide a quite environment and easy access to books and computers for information. Many things should be done to keep the books in order. With the services that libraries offer, more money is needed.

Libraries is more important for students than sports facilities. from what we discussed above, obviously, it is necessary for universities to give more money to universities libraries.

Essay 117 Topic 12 **Why people go to museums?**

Nowadays, more and more people travel to new countries or cities on their holidays. Many of them would like to visit museums when they take a tour to a new place. Why do they have this interest? Different people have different answers. In my opinion, I believe that the common reasons are given below.

The most important reason is that people can have the overall impression of a new place by visiting museums. They can learn all sorts of information in museums, such as history,

custom, culture, science technology, and so on. As we known, things shown in the museum are reflected the real world. People can easily get the general ideas of a place. For example, you can know how long its history has, who are the first comers of this area, what important events have been taken place, what kinds of life would be like in the past time, and so forth.

Furthermore, travelers want to learn as much as possible about a new place in a short time. For example, foreigners can know China well by visiting many kinds of museums in several days when they travel to Beijing. They can learn the Chinese history from ancient era to contemporary age in Chinese History Museum. They can find out the Chinese culture in Chinese Folk Culture Museum. They can realize the achievements of Chinese science technology in Chinese Science Museum.

In addition, numerous travelers can have fun in museums. For instance, Chinese craftworks are famous all around the world. Many foreign fans would like to visit Craftworks Museum when they come to China. They enjoy these fantastic things, and they even buy some craft gifts there.

All in all, due to the reasons I have talked about above, people would like to visit museums when they travel to a new place. They can get general ideas for a new place in limited time, and enjoy them.

Essay 120 Topic 13 **Do you prefer to eat out or at home?**

It is a fact that in these days more and more people eat at food stands or in restaurants. I prefer to prepare and eat food at home.

But it is not always easy to cook your own meals. In modern societies role patterns have changed. Many women are not only at home and are responsible for house and cooking. They have to go to work either because they need the money to afford their standard of life or they want to go to work because they like to earn their own money. Many women also have a good education and are not satisfied with staying at home and are driven to reach their individual goals.

I also love my profession and would not like staying at home and only doing homework. But nevertheless I think it is important to be conscious about what we eat. It is also a fact that fast food can lead to difficult health problems. In addition many people suffer from obesity. When I cook my own meals I can decide what ingredients I use.

Another reason why I prefer to prepare food at home is that there is time to sit together with the family. It is a fix time of day where we all sit together at the table. In my opinion this daily routine is very important for children and helps to rise a feeling for the family,

Although I know that it is not always possible to prepare my own meals and we of course sometimes have lunch or dinner at a restaurant or a food stand, in generally I prefer to prepare food at home for this reason.

Essay 136 Topic 14 **Should university students be required to attend classes?**

In collages, students have more right to choose whether they need to attend classes or

not. Some students think that classes are not necessary for them since they can read any materials by themselves. Others claim that attending classes is still vital because it cannot only increase student's knowledge but also develop student's personality. In my view, I agree that attending classes is still important for student's lives.

First, while attending classes, students can get some extra knowledge that they probably cannot find in any books. Teachers always add their own knowledge into their classes. Some knowledge comes from their real experience while others come from reading various kinds of books. Therefore, for students, attending classes seems to be a shortcut for them to learn and get much knowledge since they cannot get such large amount of knowledge from reading only one or even a few types of books.

Moreover, attending classes is also a good way for students to practice their responsibilities. After student enrolled in some classes, they need to force themselves to go to every class no matter what time the classes is. Moreover, finishing any task and homework that students got from their classes can also improve student's responsibility. Therefore, attending classes can also be to good way for practicing student's

responsibility which is very vital when they go to work.

Finally, students who participate in classes can exchange their idea and knowledge with other friends. For example, while I attended classes, teachers always asked me and my classmates to express our own idea in some particular topics. Moreover, teachers also asked us to work in group which we can learn about teamwork. Students who study alone at their home or library may not be able to exchange and share their idea with others. Therefore, even through not attending classes can probably give students as much knowledge as they do while joining in classes, they may not be able to express and show their thought process as good as students who attend classes do.

In short, even though some people said going to class is not necessary for them, I think that, excepted knowledge, students can get something more while attending class.

Essay 143 Topic 15 **What are the qualities of a good neighbor?**

"Good morning", my neighbor Ann gave me a sweet smile with her greeting when she saw me out of home. "Save your energy, I'll keep the door for you. " my neighbor Jim kept the door of the elevator when he saw me heading to the elevator. Such small but friendly things happen to me everyday, because I am lucky to live in a friendly apartment building. My neighbors are polite, helpful and responsible persons, and I have no doubt that they are good neighbors.

A good neighbor is a polite neighbor. When you meet her, for example, she will say hello to you with a smile face. When you walk after her, she will hold the door for you. When your kids wave to her, she will begin a small friendly conversation with the kids. Polite neighbors give you a good mood in your every day's life.

A good neighbor is a helpful neighbor. For instance, when you take heavy grocery and try to keep yourself in balance, he will give you a hand. When you left your laundry in the washing machine, he will remind you or post a note in the laundry room. When your car is in repair, he will voluntarily give you a ride to shopping mall. Helpful neighbors help you to solve some problems in your life.

A good neighbor is a responsible neighbor. She will not listen the loudly music in the midnight, because she know she has the responsibility to keep a quiet circumstance for her neighbors to sleep well. She will call police when she sees something strange in the neighborhood, keeping a good security for the neighborhood. She will actively involve in the neighborhood's affairs, bringing the best for the neighborhood. Responsible neighbors contribute to the neighborhood's better future.

All in all, politeness, helpfulness and responsibility are the essential characters a good neighbor must possess. Many people hope to have good neighbors and one thing we must not forget is to make ourselves good neighbors in our neighborho

Essay 148 Topic 17 **Do you learn better by yourself or with a teacher?**

Today, in our world, there are many ways of learning. But all these ways can be generally grouped into two -- learning by oneself and being taught by a teacher. The former could be further classified into diverse ways of learning which are specific. Reading books, making experiments and making researches can be cited as examples. This kind of learning would be what I prefer if I were to choose.

If a teacher was to teach me, he would most likely make my knowledge confined to what he knows. This means that I will be fully dependent on his knowledge. But if I learn by myself, I would make my own efforts to gain knowledge. Through this, I could broaden my knowledge since there is no limit to knowledge gained through practice (effort). For example in mathematics, if a teacher would show me a method of calculating a problem and that will become the only method I know to solve that specific problem. But if I solve the problem myself by the knowledge I gained from other sources, I would be compelled to search for other easier methods. This may also be connected with memory; you never forget something you learn through the hard way.

The other reason for my preference is that, if by any chance you come to hate (dislike) your teacher you will without doubt start hating what you're learning as a result you will deprive yourself of what you want to know. You may dislike your teacher because of the way he teaches or because of his behavior or something else, but for whatever reason you hate your teacher, you will obviously lose your enthusiasm for that specific subject matter he is teaching you.

Essay 158 Topic 19 **Should government spend money on highways or public transportation?**

Whether governments should spend more money on improving roads and highways or on improving public transportation is maybe one of the most important topics people are arguing about nowadays. When I am asked about this question, I will give my answer, basing on some reasons and details listed below.

Public transportation, as named, is a transportation system for the whole society of a country. It is efficient, when used in a country with high population density, such as China. The number of population is 1.3 billion here. When every family occupied its own cars, you can imagine what a jam roads will be.

On the other hand, public transportation is economical. A bus with 40 passengers in it consumes much less gasoline than 40 cars do in all. Of course, with less gas being used, less pollution will be made.

From the advantages I listed above, you may prefer to let our governments pay money on public transportation, but you must know that there are a lot of countries in this world with low population densities. To them, buses, trains and subways are always empty, because it is not convenient for passengers to get to the stations. Even though someone live near a station, they have to wait for a bus several hours, because bus companies do not want to provide a big bus for only several passenger without profit.

From the reasons and details above, we may safely get the conclusion that whether

governments should spend more money on improving public transportation or on improving roads and highways depends on the population density in those countries.

Essay 164 Topic 19 **how to improve transportation**

If you live in such a big city---Beijing-----as I do, with so terrible a traffic situation, you will not be surprised of involving in a heated debate of whether the government should spend more money on improving roads and highways, or should they put money on public transportation improvement. However, as far as I am concerned, this is not a conflict issue, that governments should combine the efficacies of both the two means in order to ameliorate the traffic status at present. Improving roads and highways, which is a fact that everyone knows, can bring about various advantages. First of all, to construct more roads and highways means that more vehicles, in other words, more people, could travel to their destinations more convenient and faster. People now live in the suburb of Beijing but work in the center, are good case in point, whose homes are only several kilometers from downtown, ironically have to rent a house near their work places because of it will take them hours to go home for the bad condition of the roads and the lack of highways. On the other hand, for the government, as a matter of fact, a high input-output ratio is desirable, and the highways which are profitable are capable of prospering the economy, and indeed, raise the national revenue. Is this attractive to any government? Improving public transportation such as buses, trains, subways, which are involved in people's everyday life, is also of great significance, especially for those who do not have personal transportations and have to choose either buses or subways to go to work or go school, and more over, for such a big city as Beijing that has an enormous population. Since it is the government's responsibility to improve the public facilities including public transportation as to make its people leading a better life, money should also be put on this aspect. Taking into account all the factors mentioned above and combining with the character of the city I am now living, I perceive that the government should put more money on improving roads and highways, meanwhile, use the income of them to develop my city's public transportation as well.

Essay 165 Topic 20 **Is it better for children to grow up in the countryside than in a big city?**

In my point of view, growing up in a big city contributes far better to a child than growing in the countryside. We can list all the advantages and disadvantages for both of the two, thus it is easier to make the choice.

Growing up in a big city means the children get a better chance to receive excellent education. As we know, most of the outstanding schools locate in big cities, and living there can give children a easier access to the first-class faculties and facilities. While in the countryside, one cannot guarantee that the quality of the education given there is up to

date, and poor education surely will weaken the capability of competing in the future society.

Being brought up in a big city also means that the children live in an environment that involves all kinds of people, which plays a key role in forming the children's cooperation will and will benefit them in the long run. Children meet with different and talk to them, getting to know various types of culture and learning to respect each other. Thus they can be capable of dealing with teamwork, which serves as a very important element in this world. Once in countryside, just imagine those familiar people the children meet everyday, it is quite dubious how the children will respond to the multi-culture if they step into a much bigger and more complex society one day.

Besides all of above statements, I think that living in a big city has more fun, cause you always have something interesting at hand to do. Visiting museums and art galleries will entitle children eyes to appreciate the heritages passed down to us, all kinds of society activities can help them to foster a community sense. While living in the countryside is always referred as "the frog at the bottom of a well, all you can see is the little piece of sky formed by the rims of the well".

Essay 173 Topic 21 **Why are people living longer?**

In modern society, people are generally enjoying a longer life than they used to do. Thanks to the new technology and the progress in medical science, we now have a better chance to lead a more health and more happy life throughout our lifetime.

The revolution of technology has released people from the arduous work in the past. Some extremely dangerous jobs are done by robots and worker no longer have to stay in some severe working circumstances. As a result, people are given more freedom to enjoy themselves during their spare time. They can go to the countryside for a vocation, where the fresh air is proven to be quite benefit to human bodies, or they devote more into their family life, which in turn keep them feel fit everyday.

The advanced medical science contributes a great deal to the longer lives. Taken doctors' advices, people concern about their physical and mental health more than any time of the past days. People eat healthily, exercise frequently, and when they get sick, there are already all kinds of choices and services available for them. In a word, people nowadays are taken care of by the fast-paced medical science from cradle till graveyard.

Besides, the consciousness about leading a healthier life is rooted more deeply in today's society, which on a certain level convert the life style of ordinary people to a healthier way. More commonweal advertisement are asking people to quit smoking and drug-addiction, experts' suggestions about fit-keeping are easier for people to get.

in a word, the longer life is definitely a symbol of the progress of human society, with the cooperation of the world, we shall enjoy a even longer lives and brighter future.

Essay 182 Topic 22 **What are some important characteristics of a co-worker?**

Nowadays, teamwork is an essential element of the society. We all work with people

everyday. A co-worker is a person with whom we work closely and share tasks. In my opinion, the important characteristics of a co-worker should be as followed.

First of all, an important character of a co-worker should be reliability. As we often have to encounter a lot of problems at work, it is a good thing to work with someone that we can always count on. A reliable co-worker can help us with problems that we cannot solve by ourselves. Also, if we happen to be absent from work, a reliable co-worker can always backup what we have been working on and make correct decisions even without us.

Last of all, another important character of a co-worker should be responsibility. Indeed, no one would want an irresponsible person as his or her co-worker. It would be a nightmare if your co-worker does not do anything and leave everything for you to finish. On the other hand, a responsible co-worker not only do his own part of work, but also, as soon he finishes his own, helps you finish yours, which in turn enhances the efficiency of the work. A responsible co-worker can help others work more efficiently by giving others aid in addition to getting their part of job done.

To summarize, as I have stated above, a good co-worker should be reliable and responsible. A co-worker that possesses these characteristics can certainly help enhance the progress of work and benefit his or her colleagues as well.

Essay 183 Topic 22 **Important qualities of a co-worker**

We all work or will work in our jobs with many different kinds of people. Everybody wants to work with a good co-work. How to define a good co-work is a prevalent topic undergoing serious debate. After pondering it from several aspects, personally, I think a good co-work must be cooperative, adaptable, and helpful.

The most important characteristic of a good co-worker is that he must have the ability to cooperate with others. As one of a group, a good co-worker knows he must keep up with the pace of the whole group. If one cannot finish his work in time, he will hold up everyone else. A good co-worker always gets his work done efficiently.

Also a good co-work must be adaptable. In a work group, a plan is get from all members of the group. Every can give his advice, but only the reasonable advice can be accepted. No one should be insisted in his opinion that the group cannot take. A good co-work should firstly give out his opinions. And it is more important for him to take advice of others and revise his opinions in time.

Finally, a good co-work must be helpful. Sometimes a member of the work group meets difficulty, or he falls behind in his work. A good co-work has a strong will to help others out of the dilemma. He does not care how often he has to finish another's work and how much extra work he do after his work being finished.

From what has been discussed above, we can see some important characteristics of a good co-work. I would recommend everyone working in a group consider them and try to be a good co-work of the others

Essay 191 Topic 23 **Should teenagers work while they are students?**

There is much disagreement over whether it is a good idea for teenagers to have jobs when they are still students. Some people hold the opinion that doing part-time job is a waste of time for teenagers, while others are convinced that having work experiences as teenagers can be beneficial in various ways. I deem the second one as my premier choice. Among countless factors, there are three conspicuous aspects as follows.

The main reason for my propensity is that a great deal of new experiences can be obtained by teenagers who have jobs when they are still students. Under working circumstances, teenagers have a lot of opportunities to cooperate with others, thus their teamwork spirits and leadership skills can be enhanced at a great speed. They can also learn how to get along with other colleagues by doing part-time jobs. All of these skills learned at work are required in order to be successful in the modern society.

The second reason for my view is that teenagers can earn money to support their families by doing part-time jobs. Nowadays, although most of the families are able to afford for their daily activities, such as Internet and television, some of the families are still living in poverty or below the average level. If the teenagers in the families can make some extra money by doing part-time jobs, it may be really helpful to the families.

Last but not least, having part-time jobs when you are still a student is a great opportunity to help you learn how to best organize your time. If the teenagers decided to have some work experiences, they had to contribute some time to their jobs. This could be really long, like 4 hours a day; or this could be considerably short, like half an hour per day. No matter how long it takes for teenagers to do part-time jobs, they certainly have to organize their time really well in order to finish their school work on time. Having part-time jobs when they are still students can help them cultivate a good time-organizing habit, which is highly beneficial to their future development.

Frankly speaking, I agree that there may be some disadvantages for teenagers to have jobs when they are still students. But it is apparent that the advantages far outweigh the disadvantages. Therefore, I strongly recommend that teenagers should have some work experiences when they are still students.

Essay 195 Topic 24 **What would a new comer like and dislike about your town?**

It is almost always the case that a person who has been living in a rural area for a while confronts certain conveniences and inconveniences of living in a city. One convenience is the number and diversity of stores and shops available in a short distance. A big inconvenience is the traffic congestion that takes place in many places.

One big thing I remind my foreign friend who is planning to move to my city is that there is cultural diversity. My friend is an international student from Japan who is living in a small town in California. As a foreigner, he confronts new cultures practiced by the local people everyday. On the other hand he realizes that there are few stores and restaurants that are native to his culture. It is very normal that such a person gets homesick and starts missing people and products from his own country. Moving to a city will satisfy such need of him because there are many stores, restaurants, and supermarkets that are run by Japanese companies so he will less likely to be homesick any more.

However, there is one big inconvenience about living in a city, which is traffic.

Especially people who drive often feel stressed on the streets which are always full of cars waiting for other cars to move. It is always difficult to find parking spots either in parking lots or on the street. Furthermore, apartments do not always provide sufficient parking spots to their residents. A lot of people who live in city feel less convenient to keep cars and choose to use public transportation. However, unfortunately, the public transportation is not perfectly great around my neighborhood.

My city satisfies and dissatisfies my foreign friend who drives. The availability of stores and shops that are native to his country releases his dissatisfaction about being surrounded by different cultures. However, on the other hand, traffic that is always the problem in big cities gives new stress which he is currently free from. It is a matter of balance between the two features that he needs to settle in.

Essay 199 Topic 24 **A NEW LIFE IN A NEW TOWN**

Soon, a friend of mine will move to my hometown. Due to the fact that he is leaving a small village and entering the life of a big city, he will make some new experiences. On the one hand, he will like the cultural events and shopping opportunities in my hometown, on the other hand he might miss the calm atmosphere of his small village. Without a doubt, there are much more cultural events in my hometown than in a small village. You can go to movie theaters, to musicals or operas, you can visit museums and concerts of famous stars and you have many opportunities to see important sport events, like the games of our soccer team. I think, my friend will enjoy these offers. Furthermore, the shopping opportunities are great in my hometown. We have huge malls with hundreds of different shops which offer you anything you can imagine and even things you cannot imagine. I am sure that my friend will appreciate this new diversity. Although he will like the advantages of my hometown, he might miss the calm atmosphere of his small village. The town never sleeps. Twenty-four hours a day, you hear traffic noise and you see restless people hurrying from one place to another. Therefore, it is really difficult to find a calm place. Altogether, I believe that my friend will like the life of a big city. The advantages like cultural events and shopping opportunities outweigh possible disadvantages.

Essay 200 Topic 25 **Should a new shopping center be built in your neighborhood?**

I certainly support that a large shopping center be built in my neighborhood because it will bring us a lot of convenience. It will certainly beautify our neighborhood. And it will also increase our employment opportunities.

If there is a large shopping center nearby, I am sure that almost all of my neighbors will be happy. At present, when I buy groceries I need to drive my car to the superstore and other stores for over 10 kilometers and spend almost one hour to fill my refrigerator every three days. It is really a chore to me. If there is a shopping center just a stone's throw, I can go there on foot. Then I do not need to drive my car to buy a lot of groceries at a time; moreover, I can save gas and time. When I walk there, it just like that I am taking exercise. I will feel very good to go shopping.

My region will be more beautiful because of this center. The large shopping center will be a beautiful building because the owner of the building will make it gorgeous by every possible way to attract customers. No one would like shopping a dirty, ugly store and the owner of the large shopping center certainly knows it. When the customers walk

around, the beauty of the building and upholstery appeals to them; therefore, they will walk slower and buy more stuff.

The large shopping center will certainly need a lot of staff to work for them. It will increase the employment opportunities of the nearby people. I am sure that there are more advantages which I have not mentioned about establishing a large shopping center in my neighborhood. So, I will welcome it in an enthusiastic way and I will persuade my neighbors to support my opinion also. Then the large shopping center will have a good business because there are so many nearby patrons already.

Essay 204 Topic 26 **Should a new movie theater be built in your neighborhood?**

If it was announced that a new movie theater may be built in my neighborhood, I would support the plan. Although, there, of course, would be some points to give consideration, there should be a lot of advantages for both adults and children, for reasons I state below.

Firstly, a suitable type of movie theater for my neighborhood should be discussed will. A 'movie theater' may be associated with a big cinema complex and thus, thought it destroys the scenery of the town or brings noisy young people. As my neighborhood is just an ordinary residential area, a huge cinema complex with a twenty-four-hour fast food shop will not suit there. However I still would not disagree with the idea of building a movie theater because I do know a local movie theater perfectly matched its neighborhood, where I once lived.

The local movie theater's external appearance was in harmony with other buildings in the town. It had a cafe instead of a fast food shop and the number of seats were fewer but much more spacious than the ones of a cinema complex in a city. While I was living in the town, I often heard that people who have regular work said they had preferred the local theater rather than ones in a city. Those people would not like to hang out in a busy city in their free time but still wanted to have some fun. The local theater was giving nice and quiet mature pleasure for the residents.

The local movie theater was also ideal place to take very young children. Children sometimes become nervous in a city movie theater because of being in an unfamiliar place and a lot of high teenagers and couples. It is true that just being in a familiar area plays a great role in putting very young children at their ease. Taking very young children to a city movie theater may be too much trouble for their parents but if it is in their neighborhood, parents will feel easier to do so.

As I mentioned first, if a new movie theater was build in my neighborhood, there would have to be detailed discussion between the residents and the planner but I believe that the theater would benefit for the residents a lot.

Essay 207 Topic 27 **Should people do things that they do not like?**

In my primary schooling, my teacher always taught us to be honest, partially ourselves. However, our lives are full of regretting and compromising, we often need to do something that we do not enjoy.

Many people think that we should be true to ourselves, so that we should choose what

we enjoy most, regardless of what other people think. For example, if we do not want to study anymore, just give up and try to do what we really want to such as being an artist or a dance. It is meaningless for us to continue studying if we have no talents and no interest in it.

Somebody consider health as an excuse for not doing anything that they do not enjoy. For a person who wants to be a teacher or an accountant this occupation may not he likes because of some reasons. Every day he needs to face the numbers and calculators. He is under stress because he does not enjoy what he is doing. Few years later, maybe he will get some serious diseases or even so mad. Therefore, doing things that we do not want be very dangerous.

However, although most of us do not enjoy studying we know that we can gain from that. The most obvious is that we can obtain a high education level and have a better career prospect. Maybe many people oppose this view especially during the economic downturn, but they should realize that there are some potential benefits that we have forgotten for a long time. That is through studying, your knowledge can be strengthened. Besides, we will think that our knowledge is not enough when we have the chance to make use of it.

In spite of the importance of health, self-discipline is very essential and so we cannot do whatever we want to. Otherwise, marriage between relatives, cloning of my murders, burglaries... all the bad things you can think of may happen from time to tome. All these are immoral and many other people will be effectual if you do them.

Moreover, one's interest in one thing may not exist when he was born. Taking part in that activity, Yundi Li, a Chinese pianist, did not like playing piano when he was small, but now he is an excellent and well-known pianist in the world can develop interest. Primary school teachers teach us to be honest; it is true to look into a thing on different aspects. We will try to love what we are doing if we try to find out the lovely things of it.

To conclude with, everyone wants to do what he or she enjoys most, but because of the above reasons, we should learn how to live in the real lives in a happier way.

Essay 210 Topic 27 **Doing things we do not like**

Currently, some people hold the opinion that people should sometimes do things that they do not enjoy doing. In my opinion, this statement is true. Generally, people tend to do things they enjoy doing. As a child, most people spend all their time playing things they enjoy. Boys go climbing, play fight games, and play football; girls play with their Barbie dolls or enjoy wearing their beautiful clothes. No parents would force the kids to do things they do not like, because there is no need to do so. However, the children may be the only exception who do things they do not like. Virtually, even the children, as they grow up, will be required to go to school. In children's eyes, this is obviously not a job as interesting as playing all day, so most of them do not like going to school at the very beginning. But their parents will force them to do so, because attending school is the formal way one get systematic education and prepare himself well for future career. Since no one can spend all his whole lifetime in just playing, all of us should do something we do not enjoy doing, such as attending school. When one becomes an adult, he will find that there are more and more things he has to do, even if he does not enjoy. Being an

grownup, one has responsibility to his family as well as the country. For example, one will have to get up early every day to go to his office, where there will be a lot of things waiting for his care. Or he may have to deal with some affairs between his colleagues. Even if one is doing a job he likes, he may be frustrated by the boring trifles in his job. And in order to do his job well, one has no choice but to bear and try to handle such kind of trifles. It seems disappointing that one should sometimes do things they do not like. However, this does not mean that we can only bear things. On the contrary, we should always make ourselves ready to do things we enjoy doing, although this may mean that we will have to do something we do not enjoy doing. In sum, people should sometimes do things we do not enjoy doing. But keep it in mind that all this is to guarantee that we can do things we enjoy better.

Essay 213 Topic 28 **Has the media paid too much attention to celebrities?**

Nowadays, there are many kinds of media, such as Television, newspapers, magazines. All of them include various information. Among them the personal lives of famous people are almost the highlights. Do we need so much attention on those public figures and celebrities? I do not think it should be so for a number of reasons.

Firstly, I do not believe their personal lives deserve so much of our attention. We have our lives which need us to be more devoted. Students should pay more attention on their study; adults should concentrated more on their work ;all the family members should care for each other. So I do not think knowing clearly the personal lives of the public figures may help us with our own lives in the aspects above mentioned.

Secondly, keeping eyes on public figures is also an interference to them. Living under the attention of the society members may cause many inconveniences for the public figures. Because they cannot have their privacy which damage their lives and it is also unfair for them. They have no freedom to shopping, walking, meeting friends in public as what we usually do at leisure time and surely this circumscribes their private space.

Thirdly, the media are enthusiastic about the celebrities' private lives and this can lead to a kind of social disease. All the media fall into a crazy status to get the information with all means they could conceive which in some situations, may cause tragedy and the princess of Diana is just the example.

Through above arguments, I think you may agree with the conclusion that the whole society, especially the various kinds of media should not pay much attention on the public figures. Because doing so is not only advantageous for the citizens, but also unfair for the celebrities.

Essay 219 Topic 29 **Does human harmed the Earth or make it a better place to live?**

People have been living on the Earth for thousands of years. Human activity influences the Earth. Some people believe that the Earth is being harmed by human activity. Others feel that human activity makes the Earth a better place to live. In my opinion, the earth is being damaged by human activity. There are many statements supporting my opinion.

Human activity has damaged natural environment and almost exhausted natural resources. Modern industries need more and more resources, including minerals, fuels

and water. So we are facing the serious problems such as the lack of fuels and water. Ecological balance is being damaged because factories occupy many places where animals and plants live. More and more buildings are constructed and forests are becoming less and less. If we cannot recognize these problems and solve them soon, we would finally lose the environment suitable for us to live in.

Another serious problem is "the greenhouse effect." Human activities decrease forests and increase the usage of fuels so that carbon dioxide is being output more and more and there are not enough plants to absorb it. The greenhouse effect is more obvious in recent years. Due to the effect, icebergs in the South and North Pole is melting and the ocean level becomes higher than before. I am worried about the cities nearby the oceans and hope scientists can find an effective method to eliminate the greenhouse effect.

Although we have advanced machines and our life seems to be more comfortable than before, we have less chances to approach the nature and limited space to live in. The cities are becoming bigger and bigger. If we want to have a picnic with our friends, we have to drive a long distance to find an open space. In fact, the skyscrapers and factories are damaging the spaces for human activities.

From the above statements, we can conclude that human activities bring the Earth many damages. Fortunately people have recognized the problem and I believe that the Earth will become a better place to live with our ceaseless efforts to protect the environment.

Essay 220 Topic 29 **Does human harmed the Earth or make it a better place to live?**

When it comes to the issue of the relationship between human beings and the Earth, some people suggest that the Earth is being impaired by humans, while others maintain that men have made the Earth to be a better place to live. As far as I am concerned, the latter point of view carries more weight.

In the first place, in the modern society, we usually do not have to worry about how to survive, or in other words, to continue our lives. However, in ancient times when there was virtually no man-made equipment, life was much harder than what it is now. If creatures in the world did not know how to build houses, or did not know how to obtain fire, it would be very hard to survive in the arduous environment. With the inventions of men, we can now have lives of much high quality. For instance, most people are not able to acquire enough food to survive, but also can have almost any food they want at different times of year because of man-made greenhouses and refrigerators. In short, human creations have provided plentiful recourses for living things so that we now can live much better.

In the second place, creations of men enable people to go to most places in the world, thus making peoples' lives much more interesting. A case in point is that, with the inventing of automobiles and airplanes, people now travel to most places to experience more things in their lives, although it was substantially impossible for anyone to travel

this long distance before the advent of these inventions. Because of a variety of inventions by humans, the Earth is becoming a more and more interesting place to live because we can go a lot of places in a much shorter time.

In the third place, although human activity may have caused some problems for the Earth, the environmental problem, for example, but humans are trying to looking for effective solutions to these problems.

In conclusion, although human activity may have some drawbacks, its advantages far outweigh its disadvantages, because human technology allows us to acquire many things we want, and our lives is of more and more interest and convenience with the use human technology.

Essay 221 Topic 29 **Does human harmed the Earth or make it a better place to live?**

Some people believe that the Earth is being harmed by human activity. Others feel that human activity makes the Earth a better place to live. Which ones are right? After pondering it from several aspects, personally, I totally agree that the Earth is being harmed by human activity.

From wood to iron, from coal to petroleum, human need more and more resource to support their development. Our planet gives us everything we need, but natural resource is not endless. People deforest grown trees without planting young trees. Soon more and more forests are deforested and gradually turn into desert.

The population increases quickly. There are more people than ever, living longer than ever. For example, today there are over ten million people in a big city. What a tremendous number! To feed millions of people, more fields are needed. To hold the growing population, cities extend a lot. Large population makes the Earth overburden.

Human activity also produces a lot of pollution. Factories dump waste to into water. Also more and more exhaust air is given out. White pollution can be found everywhere. Noise can be heard here and there. What a bad condition! All of these must harm the Earth.

From all we discussed above, we can see that human activity really harm the Earth. We must take action to heal the Earth, for our home, for you and me.

Essay 222 Topic 29 **Does human harmed the Earth or make it a better place to live?**

I believe that the earth is being harmed by human activity even though we live more convenient than before. For centuries, people keeping on changing their natural environment to have better life. However, all these make great damages to the Earth.

The most obvious damage is the decreasing of the forests. In china, many areas in mountains and are used for farming lands. Lots of trees are cut down for building. The

result is deserts occupy more place in north, while there are more floods in south in summer. The second damage is the pollution. Specifically in large cities, factories and automobiles make air full of dust and mist. Even in midnight I can hear the noise of car running on the way. I remember when I was a little girl the river is so clear that we children often jumped into it after class. But now it is so dirty that nobody wants to touch it. We often miss the blue sky, beautiful river, flourish trees and flowers. How pity it is if we can only find them in dreams.

Some might argue people have made great progresses in the modern society. One can travel the entire world in several days by taking airplane. Mother can hear her son's voice by telephone and feel free about his health who worked faraway. Yet, natural, the most beautiful and magical thing in the world, is damaged as a cost of all the modern technologies.

In sum, I concur that we should cherish our environments. Changing our life is important, but be care for mountains, lakes, forests where we live with everyday.

Essay 223 Topic 29 **Does human harmed the Earth or make it a better place to live?**

I think that people have not been thinking about saving the world they live in and have been damaging it for a very long period of time. And now many international organizations are doing their best to heal the 'wounds' of the Earth.

Since scientists discovered that there is a hole in the Earth's ozone layer we have been trying to find out which of people's activities harm world and whether it can be undone. Since this terrifying discovery new ozone friendly deodorants have been invented. They are becoming more and more popular every day because people do care about the destiny of Earth and they do not want to be "baked" by the solar energy.

Another problem that we have caused to the world is cutting of forests. Every little child studies at school that forests are the lungs of our planet and we are taught that it is very good if in our life we plant at least one tree. Many hectares of forests are being cut just because a fat businessman has decided to build there either a supermarket with parking lot, or a highway.

Next comes the problem with the nuclear energy. Are these nuclear power stations as important as it is stated? Is there a completely safe nuclear fusion used in these power-plants? No, there is not. Many people still remember the tragedy on 26 April 1986 called Chernobyl. And nobody wants it to happen again.

If my statement that people harm the Earth is not true how can we explain that new things are being invented just to stop or slow down the Earth's destruction?

Essay 224 Topic 29 **Does human harmed the Earth or make it a better place to live?**

When it comes to the issue whether the Earth is being harmed by human, different people hold different point of views due to their past experiences. If I were faced with this issue, I would probably say that human activities have harmed the earth. In the following discussion, I would like to present few of the important reasons to support my view point.

The most important reason is that human has polluted the Earth since the industrial revolution. For example, we produce millions of cars each year in the past century just to grant the demand for consumers. Every family in North America has at least one car and some of big families even have four or five cars. The carbon dioxide produced by all these cars every year is one of the main sources of air pollution. In some big cities, the color of the sky has turned from blue to gray. Oil leakages from the ships during transportation pollute the ocean and kill animals living in it. Factories release untreated toxic water into the environment, which kill wildlife. Do not you think the examples quoted above are very persuasive?

Over exploring resources on the Earth harms the Earth is another head and chief reason that I have chosen to put here. As we all know that many resources provided by the earth such as coal, oil, and other mines are finite. If we use them wisely, it can support human for an unlimited period of time. But according to a recent report, we can only use them for another 50 years with the current rate of exploring. We are taking them out of the underground way faster than we should. We are damaging the Earth by attacking its natural resources. If you can understand this, you can understand my viewpoint more deeply.

However, some human activities have tried to make the earth a better place. For example, we have planted trees in the city to help carbon dioxide absorption; we have created programs to save endangered animals. Nevertheless, we take more from the Earth than we give to the Earth, so the most striking conclusion is obvious.

To sum up, given all the reasons discussed above, we can safely reach the conclusion that human activities have harmed the Earth. In fact, not only I think this is true, if you have known more about our current horrible environment, you would agree with me as well.

Essay 225 Topic 29 **Does human harmed the Earth or make it a better place to live?**

Nowadays our Earth faces a number of serious problems, such as the environment pollution, the increasing population, the fatal effects of nuclear weapons, and so on. So some people believe that the Earth is being harmed by human activity. But as far as I am concerned that human activity makes the Earth a better place to live and also makes some negative effects in this process. My arguments for this point are listed as follows.

Even though we face so many crises, no one can deny that Earth is more suitable for human habitation. That is the result of the efforts of generations of people. If without that, we might also live in caves and eat the crude food just like wild animals. If that is true, we must have no time and energy to think over the problems of the Earth because we

have to look for food and avoid becoming the food of other animals. At that state, whether the Earth were harmed is not important for human because some certain crisis can annihilate the total population, such as some infectious disease or the a change of climates.

It is inevitable to produce some positive aspect functions when human are struggle to improve the survive abilities and from the experiences of history we also have make great effort to resolve this kinds of problems. For example, most of people hope to limit the scope of nuclear weapons and the protection of environment is accepted by almost every one. Most of problems are controlled by ourselves and some of them have the hope to be resolved in years. We are finding the balance between the development and the protection of our Earth. So it is unnecessary to deny the advancement of human.

For the reasons presented above, we admit that there are some problems in the process of the human development, but those problems are resolving and as a whole we make the Earth a better place to live. Human evolved in the mode of continuing to correct their mistakes and making a better progress.

Essay 226 Topic 29 **Does human harmed the Earth or make it a better place to live?**

No one can deny the fact that the earth is being impacted by human activity more and more, as the development of science and technology. There are two views to the impaction. Some people believe that the earth is being harmed by human activity, and others feel that human activity makes the earth a better place to live. When it comes to me, it seems that we cannot tell which one is more reasonable without some close investigation, because they can be concluded from different reasons and examples. Afterward, I will explain my opinion about it.

Everyone know that as the development as the progression of the human civilization, the earth is becoming a garbage bin with all of the waste being produced, a desert with more and more forest being destroyed and a tomb with so many spices of animals being killed out. Only one of these three tragedies is enough to support the argument that the earth is being damaged by human activity. But let us get down to fundamentals and agree that everyone who supports this view is not unarmed in the wild with the fear of being preyed by beasts, and is not naked in the blizzard. They are after all enjoying the modern civilization.

So, on the other hand, human activity indeed makes the earth a better place to live, if I can say so. For example, we construct houses to live in, make food to feed ourselves, make clothes to keep warm and so on. If it were not for human activity, few of us can live on the original earth.

If all of those reasons are contemplated, I will accept both of the views organically. After all the human activity is the fundamental difference between the human beings and animals, and the human civilization will never progress without it. But if out activity does

not stand to the order of the nature, we will sure do harm the earth.

Essay 227 Topic 29 **Does human harmed the Earth or make it a better place to live?**

Some people believe that the Earth is being harmed by human activity while others feel that human activity makes the Earth a better place to live. In my opinion, Earth is being harmed by human activity such as deforestation; harmful chemicals produced which damage the ozone layer and various types of pollution.

Deforestation is one of the main factors contributing to Earth's damage. People cut down trees, which results in lack of oxygen. In addition, it destroys the shelters of the animals that live in the trees. I saw a documentary on television once, which talked about how deforestation was destroying the beauty of our Earth and harming the poor animals for whom the trees are home. Deforestation not only reduces our oxygen but it also is the cause of animals becoming extinct.

The ozone layer is a very important part of the Earth because it prevents our Earth from the harmful rays of the sun. Due to the harmful chemicals produced by people, an hole has been found in our ozone layer. Consequently this hole has led to cancer becoming common among people because of the harmful rays. These harmful chemicals referred to as CFCs are causing destruction to our Earth. Air sprays, body sprays, whiteners and many others contain CFCs, which are a big problem for our Earth. If people do not control these harmful chemicals, our Earth will be totally destroyed.

Pollution has always caused damage to our Earth. Air pollution, water pollution and many others have harmed our Earth. The fumes from the transportations fall as acid rain later destroying the beauty of our Earth. The waste thrown in the oceans kills the marine life. Pollution is one of the main factors, which destructs our Earth everyday.

Our Earth is becoming a catastrophe because of the way humans have been treating it. Dangerous chemicals, cutting down trees and pollution is finishing the Earth day by day. If this continues, then there will be no place for any of us to live and enjoy life.

Essay 228 Topic 29

When it comes to the issue whether the Earth is being harmed by human, different people hold different point of views due to their past experiences. If I were faced with this issue, I would probably say that human activities have harmed the earth. In the following discussion, I would like to present few of the important reasons to support my view point. The most important reason is that human has polluted the Earth since the industrial revolution. For example, we produce millions of cars each year in the past century just to grant the demand for consumers. Every family in North America has at least one car and some of big families even have four or five cars. The carbon dioxide produced by all

these cars every year is one of the main sources of air pollution. In some big cities, the colour of the sky has turned from blue to gray. Oil leakages from the ships during transportation pollute the ocean and kill animals living in it. Factories release untreated toxic water into the environment, which kill wildlife. Don't you think the examples quoted above are very persuasive? Over exploring resources on the Earth harms the Earth is another important reason that I have chosen to put here. As we all know that many resources provided by the earth such as coal, oil, and other mines are finite. If we use them wisely, it can support human for an unlimited period of time. But according to a recent report, we can only use them for another 50 years with the current rate of exploring. We are taking them out of the underground way faster than we should. We are damaging the Earth by attacking its natural resources. If you can understand this, you can understand my viewpoint more deeply. However, some human activities have tried to make the earth a better place. For example, we have planted trees in the city to help carbon dioxide absorption; we have created programs to save endangered animals. Nevertheless, we take more from the Earth than we give to the Earth, so the most striking conclusion is obvious. To sum up, given all the reasons discussed above, we can safely reach the conclusion that human activities have harmed the Earth. In fact, not only I think this is true, if you have known more about our current horrible environment, you would agree with me as well.

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Essay 230 Topic 29 **human activity vs. environment**

The problem of development versus environment has now been in the limelight. Nowhere is the clash more visible than in China, where the world's largest population faces pollution, deforestation and acid rain on a large scale. Under this circumstance, some people argue that the earth is being harmed by human activity whereas others still feel that human activity makes it a better place to live, however as far as I am concerned, they are not conflicting issues. How to define human activity? I deem this is the premise of judging the influence it bringing to the earth. Yet, human activity includes diverse aspects, good and bad, non can be negated. As a matter of fact, in order to possess more plow lands as well as more resources such as wood, petroleum, mine and natural gas, there has been a rapid destruction of the tropical rain forests, which are the ecosystems with the highest known species diversity on earth, what is more, as the human population continues to expand, it will negatively affect one after another of earth's ecosystems, and the result is irreversible. Now humans are beginning to destroy marine ecosystems through other types of activities, involving disposal and run off of poisonous waste. Not to mention the wars that exactly do no good to the earth. Can you imagine what terrifying result will it lead to if continuing such kind of human activities? In contrast, the list of favorable human activities also seems endless. The discovery of electricity is a good case in point. Without electricity we will have nothing to do except for sleeping during the night; without electricity the factory will not be able to produce enough things to satisfy the society; without electricity we even have no chance to take this TOEFL examination! Similarly, the finding of antibiotics did much to our world, as a result, saved many lives of not only human beings but plenty of animals as well. Can you deny these merits that human activities brought to? As I have noted, human activity has both advantages and disadvantages to the earth. It is correlated with what kind of activity it is. Accordingly, we cannot simply figure out human activity do good or harm to the earth.

Essay 231 Topic 30 **Should a high school be built in your community?**

I support the plan of building new high school in my community, as there are no high schools in my community and the nearest one is nearly three miles away from the community.

Students in my community have to travel lot of distance either by any available conveyance or independent transportation. As all of them cannot afford to have their own transport and the parents are also finding it difficult to drop their children daily at the school which is far away from their work places. As the high school is far away and many children have to take either auto rickshaws or buses, there is a traffic problem caused in the route during the school timings. There is also potential danger as the auto

rickshaws tend to transport more number of children than that can be carried by their autos hence there is a danger of accidents by these overcrowded autos.

Also the land which was allocated for high school is being encroached by private people. Our community which mostly consists of middle class people cannot afford to send their children in school buses and there is a lot of time being wasted for transportation to the school. Our community consists of other facilities like universities, hospitals, etc but lacks in a high school. It would also be comfortable for small children to go to the school if it is made in our community and the parents would not worry about dropping off their child at school.

Finally the high school which is going to be built in the community can also provide employment opportunities to the graduate people who are unemployed in the community and ready to take up the teaching profession. In sum I support that a new high school should be built in my community.

Essay 232 Topic 31 **Do you prefer to stay in one place or move around?**

When compared with spending one's life in one place, in my point of view, moving a number of times throughout the life, looking for a better job, house, community or even climate is a better life style, at least for my generation.

Of course, staying in one place can make you feel easy and do not need to experience a process of making one place from strange to familiar. But, on the other hand, it will, at the same time, make you feel bored with facing the same place, the same streets and the same people some day. Further more it will easily lead you to a bad mood which definitely affects your work efficiency.

Comparatively, moving a number of times throughout the life has many advantages. The first, and the most important, is it can enable one to get acclimated a new place quickly and easily, which, for me, is deeply felt. I still remember my first time away from home when I went for education in university. It was completely a new place for me. But after my hard work or reading campus guides and asking other students I finally made my way to the places I want to go. And, from then on, when I went somewhere I never felt worry.

The second is it can make your more friends, which means, in one's personality, it will make one experience more and know more about what others think, what should do and what should not, and so on.

Furthermore it will broaden one's eyesight. When every time moving to a different place you will see different sceneries, from architecture to living style.

From all above, moving from place to place to find new way of working is obviously better than staying in one place throughout the life.

Essay 233 Topic 31 **Do you prefer to stay in one place or move around?**

Which is the better way to experience my whole life, living the place where I born through my entire life, or moving several times to seek dream place I want to live? This put me in something of a dilemma situation. There are advantages and disadvantages on both sides. In my view, I would prefer to move to many places to spend my life because that enjoys several key advantages over only living in one place.

The most conspicuous reason why I make such choice is that I could contact with different people. With the globalization and the spread use of World Wide Web, people throughout the world communicate more frequently than ever before. I maybe work with various people from every corner of the world in the future. Through working in various towns, cities, even different countries, I could learn thoughts, customs, and values of from other groups, religions, or cultures. I would come to deeply understand them and cooperate well with different people.

Moreover, I can find better opportunity in my carrier if I do not only focus in one place. The quick shifting in the world make chances raise in many other parts of our country, even our planet. Maybe, I could find proper position in different places, giving me great progress in my life.

In addition, living in different places could let me fresh my ideas, throw out rigid motions, and create new methods to deal with problems I have faced.

Given the reason discussed above, which sometimes intertwine to form an organic whole and thus become more persuasive, we may safely reach the conclusion that living different areas in the world could learn from other cultures and civilizations, seek better chances and brush up people's mind.

Essay 234 Topic 31 **Do you prefer to stay in one place or move around?**

“Two drifters/ off to see the world/ there are such a lovely world/ to see. ” If you have heard the beautiful song of “Moon River”, you must be quite familiar with the lyrics. I find theses song words have strong spirit resonance in my heart, and I would like to spend my entire life to become such kind of drifter.

Staying at one place, comparatively, is more safe and stable, as we see. But once you are used to seeing the same people at the same place for a long time, everyday life may seem a little bit routine to yourself. And the life itself no longer become to me as long as I feel that I cannot find any excitement in it.

Contrarily, moving from places to places, off to see the world, as another way of living, has far more fun than staying one place. For example, on your way of traveling, you will never know what you are going to see and do tomorrow, something really interesting seem are always available at handy, Is not that kind of exciting? Moreover, there are

plenty of new things that cannot be seen any other place in the world, you can take pictures of them, or keep them in your diary, when you grow old, all of these turn to be a very precious memory to yourself. Moreover, living in different places and communicating with different people have fascinating attraction to me. Learn several kinds of foreign languages, try various exotic foods, enjoy totally new life style, all of these has always be my dreams.

Furthermore, living place to place offer more challenges into your life, which in my point of view is a very cherished life experience. For instance, you can test your ability to fit yourself into a entirely new environment, to start from zero before you find what you have been doing become a boring and tiresome stuff to you. I am open to such challenges, thus the drifter's life suit me quite well.

From what I have state above, you may get a clue about how wonderful a drifter's life can be. I am looking forward making these true one day in my life. What about you? Do you want to try? Even once in a life time.

Essay 235 Topic 31 **Do you prefer to stay in one place or move around?**

My parents spend their entire life in Xi'an city, and do not want move to any other places. Although it already takes me twenty-seven years being with them, I still prefer and willing to live different cities or town in my life.

People love to move several times during their lives for many kinds of reasons. To me, the most common reasons are to get better job, to enjoy mild climates, to meet different people.

With rapid development of economy and technology in China, more and more large international companies and business prefer to settle in some big cities. These businesses not only can need a large work-force, but also offer considerable salary to employee, and provide better job positions as well. For example, if I move to Beijing or Shanghai, good background of working in a famous company of Xi'an and talent will make me quickly find a position in a more famous multinational.

Have you ever thought of living a seaside town? I have thought of it many times. As we know, the quality of air and water has become worse and worse by lot of factories, automobiles, and chemic plants in city. Smog and pollution encircle us. You would breath very fresh air, hear sea wind around you, and freely swim in sea if you move to a littoral place. This is very agreeable thing, is not?

Of course, wherever I live, there are many people of different races, religions, abilities, and interests I will meet. The information that I learn from them can enlarge my sight, increase my knowledge. What's more, by getting along with them, I learn how to deal with peer pressure, how to have self-respect.

All in all, based on above discussion, I prefer to move different places several times in my life. At the same time, I would recommend other people, especially young people not stay one place all the time. They should live in other places to know the world around them.

Essay 236 Topic 31 **Do you prefer to stay in one place or move around?**

Some people hold the opinion that living in one place is superior to moving in search another place. Others, however, contradict it. Personally, I would like to vote for moving to another place. There are no less than three advantages in it as rendered below:

First and foremost, moving to another place may contribute to one's development. People always choose a better place than their present ones to be their destination. That way, they can learn some new knowledge, communicate with new friends and find some more chances. Those who change their majors may learn even more. There will be a new world open to them. So, moving to another place is really good for us.

There is another factor that deserves some words here. Changing their characters or habits may be one of lots of reasons for some people's moving. For instance, if you do not like your present statue, you should try to move to a new place which you have not been to. Certainly, your mood and attitude will change with the new circumstance.

In addition, if you like to make friends, moving to a new place will be fit for you. When you come to a new place, you will communicate with some new friends, and you can help each other. So, changing a place will make you more sociable.

It is undeniable that staying in one place has its own merits. You can do your work step by step. You will spend lots of time with your ole friends, and you can feel comfortable in the place with which you are very familiar.

Nonetheless, I still prefer moving to another place constantly. Because I can make new friends, look for some chances and become more experienced. I love changes.

Essay 237 Topic 31 **Do you prefer to stay in one place or move around?**

I prefer moving in search of another place. Certainly, Staying in one place can have firmer life, because most of the events are in the control, and people can spend more time to resolve other accidents in the life. Although it is fairly persuasion, I still prefer moving in search of another place, as I like to face more different challenges, increase varied experiences and extend my view in my limited life by moving in search of another place.

I must face all of the challenges when I move to another place, and I can increase my experiences by the challenges. There is no tract for me to following, because every thing is unknown. When I resolved a new problem, it means that I get a new experience. Those challenges can keep me improvement.

I can extend my view by moving, because of new job, new neighbors or new friends. Different people have different backgrounds, and varied companies also have varied traditions. For example, some of the companies think that an employee should work overtime to show his honesty, but others consider that the employee must work hard enough, so he always work overtime. I can share their conceptions when I contact new one.

Because of facing challenges, increasing varied experiences and extended view can fill of my life substance, so I prefer moving in search of another place.

Essay 238 Topic 31 **Do you prefer to stay in one place or move around?**

Moving a number of times throughout their lives, looking for a better job, house, community, or even climate, are the right attitude to the life. I prefer this opinion.

For somebody who spends their entire lives in one place, they can only know the outside of hometown by television, newspaper and books. They may live with unhappy environments such as cold, sand storm and pollution. Only know somebody who is old classmate and have a few people can talk with. So, their knowledge is less than some body who like to move.

If you would like to move from one place to another you can find one that is your choice. you will happy with the climate and enjoy the fresh air and sun shine. It is easy to keep your body healthy. you will be feeling fresh and getting new friend with. you will get different new idea about the life. The new culture will give you more knowledge, more interesting. Furthermore, you can make more new friendship to help each other.

So I prefer to move and search another place rather than spend my entire lives in one place. One of the famous man said: the tree will be died after moved, but man alive.

Essay 239 Topic 31 **Do you prefer to stay in one place or move around?**

Some people spend their entire lives in one place. Others move a number of times throughout their lives, looking for a better job, house, community, or even climate. I prefer to move in search of the most places for my life rather than stay one place.

First, I like to find a better job in my life. People cannot find a perfect job in one place. We need to move several places for finding a better job. People like to say if they find perfect jobs for themselves; they succeed most of their lives.

Secondly, people need their perfect lovers. I always believe if I find my husband, I need to go another place to find him. Because in biology people are married in the same place, their offspring are not so smart as couples who are from different places. People from different places have more issues to talk. Maybe sometimes they love their lovers having differences.

Finally, people like to find a perfect climate for their health. In my childhood I always coughed in winter because I lived in a cold place. When I moved to a warmer place, I did not cough again. Some people like warm places, others like cold places because they like to see snow and to skate on the ice. I prefer living in a place, which have four seasons.

On the other hand, people living one place in their whole lives can save money. They do not need to spend much money on traveling to find a better place. Maybe some people cannot find a better place to live when they use their whole lives to find it, but I think they have a lot of experiments to tell their offspring. If we do not move from a place to another place, we will not know which place we can have a happiest life. I prefer to move for finding the best place where I can live most happily.

Essay 240 Topic 31 **Benefits of Moving**

Along with the rapid development of modern society, there is a growing tendency that people are concerned about what a better living style is? staying in a place for entire lifetime or moving to other places for opportunities and challenges? Personally, I support the latter pattern of life and the reasons will be followed. My first reason is that moving to a new place is always a challenging and exciting matter. You learn many knowledge and skills from adapting to the locality, for example, making new friends or looking for another job at a place no one is familiar with you. That could be frustrated or painful at the very beginning. However, after all, you will find you can always survive from it and all the new things around you seem so fresh and different. My second reason is that moving across the country or even around the world is a demand of modern life. Students go abroad for further study and academic research. Businessmen travel here and there to expand their business or searching for new markets. Skilled workers choose to immigrant to foreign countries to seek for new professional opportunities and higher living standards. People will lose their chances of self-development if they solely stay in one single place. My third reason is that people tend to be more conservative and narrow-minded if they are lacking of experiences on exploring new environment of living. The more they are afraid of changes, the more they refuse to try new things. All in all, I strongly suggest people to move from their original places to travel to different places, to experience new and amazing things, especially when they are young. You may never regret for leaving your hometown since you have gained so much from it.

Essay 241 Topic 32 **Do you spend money as they come or save them?**

Is it better to enjoy your money after you earn it or is it better to save your money for the future? Today the question is a prevalent topic undergoing serious debate. When it is

placed in front of me, I found it is really difficult to make a choice. After pondering it from several aspects, I think it is better to save money.

The first reason for my propensity is that I can buy relatively expensive things that I need by saving money. Modern utilities are needed in modern time. A Mobile phone and a car are necessary for me. As a student, I cannot buy them immediately. But I can save my income monthly. Step by step, I will own enough money to get what I need.

Another reason why I prefer saving money is that I can save money for special use. Education is expensive. As an adult, I must depend on myself to afford the tuition. Sometimes I want to travel. As we know, the expenditure of travel is big. All of these must spend me a lot of money. Saving money is really a good resolution.

Finally, I must prepare money for emergency. Generally I have my plan to use money, but I really cannot predict what will happen. When a sudden illness catches me, I must cover the medical expenditure. If my friends ask me for help, I can even use the money I save to help others. "Save money for rainy days." It really tells the truth.

From all we have discussed above, we can safely draw a conclusion that it is better to save money.

Essay 242 Topic 32 **Do you spend money as they come or save them?**

To enjoy one's money as soon as he or she earns it is not practical to me. Since one cannot foresee the future, a person should save some money for emergency, lifelong dreams, and the needy.

First of all, if one has savings, one will not need to worry about the future. From TV and newspapers, we learn that accidents happen everyday. How can we be certain that we will not encounter some misfortune like that? How do we know how much money we will need in order to survive or to solve the problems we are faced with? Money is definitely should be saved for one need it to handle the unpredictable situations.

Besides, if we save our money instead of spending it immediately, we can use it to pursue our lifetime dreams. Take me for example, I had a part-time job and have saved some money in order to achieve my goal--to go to the US for graduate studies. If I did not save the money, I probably will not have a chance to fulfill my ideal. My friend Kelly also has a dream that she wants to travel around the world. Think about it! How much will it cost? Too often, with little money saved, one's personal goal or dream is hard to be accomplished.

Also, money can help a lot of people. Whenever I go the or phage, I always feel that I should work harder, saving more money to help those children. Buying something they need, I see glimmers of hope in their eyes. In this world, there are too many helpless people such as refugees, orphans, and the senior citizens that need our assistance. We can

never turn a blind eye to the situations of them. Therefore, I believe that donating money on these poor people is much more meaningful than spending money on things we do not necessarily need.

We can never know when we have to use a large amount of money. Therefore, the best way is to keep the money in our accounts for those possible incidents in the future. With enough savings, we will not be struck with panic when encounter accidents, we can make our dreams come true, and help those who need our assistance.

Essay 243 Topic 32 **Do you spend money as they come or save them?**

When faced with the decision of saving your money for some time in the future or enjoying your money when you earn it, quite a few would claim to enjoy their money, but others, in contrast, deem to save their money as the premier choice and that is also my point. This quite different view is based on the every possible reason.

Fore most reason for saving the money for future use is when you need a lot of money to deal with some emergent things that happen to you, you should not worry about the fund or lend some money everywhere at that time. For example, two years ago, I spend my summer holiday in a famous scenery pot, after a wonderful trip of the first day, I lost my wallet unconsciously, and then I took out some money in the bank to finish the trip. If you did not have some deposit, you can imagine how embarrassed you are.

Second, I have finished my college study, and I am going to go abroad to get a master degree to enhance the ability to face the challenge in the society. Plenty of money is very important to me, so I have to save all the money that I economized for future use.

Third, the economy condition of my family is not so good that I decide to earn enough money to buy a big house for my deeply loving parents.

This is arbitrary to judge saving money for future use according only to the excuse I mentioned in the above paragraph. But I do not deny that enjoying the life is also important to everyone because of brief life. That is to say, I will enjoy my money if I deposit enough.

Essay 244 Topic 32 **Do you spend money as they come or save them?**

Some people want to use their money for the enjoyment of present life. Others save money in order to prepare for their future. Although both of them use their money for their sake in the end, I would be on the side of saving money for the future. There are some reasons for it and, I would like to mention two reasons with examples.

Naturally, people who save money worry about their future than present life. Some may think of their future payment of house loan. Some other people may think of their retirement life but, all these people save their money for their future happiness. On the

contrary, people who use their money in their present life probably enjoy their life without expectation. From the perspective of my view, people who do not save their money are more optimistic about their future than people who save money. I think we should worry about our future life now. Because the recent trend of economic situation around the world is mildly declining. If we spent too much money recklessly, we will probably pay for it in the future.

Another reason for the people saving money is that they have more ambitious than non-saving people. The proverb goes this "The poor are always busy." However, in our society, people who earn much money do not spend much money in their present life. Because they always seek for their possibility to obtain another chance. Some people may save their money to enroll college for their carrier improvement. While they are aiming their future prospect, they are probably satisfied without using money. In a word, this is an ambition. Their future possibilities are derived from their present aspiration toward future. The bigger the expectation is, the more they can manage to save money.

These two main causes, worry and ambitious, are the reasons why I think people save money. For me, with these aspects, the expectation to my future is largely expanding. With these in mind, I strongly support people who save money.

Essay 245 Topic 32 **Do you spend money as they come or save them?**

Whether to save money to enjoy it will totally depend on what's outside and personal condition. From my understanding and experience, using money properly is much more important than just saving it.

Firstly, money itself do not have very little value. The value of money presents when owner use it. If you use it to buy good food, it will benefit your health; if you use money to travel, you will increase your experience; if you buy gifts to your friends, you will get friendship; if you pay money to good school, you will gain knowledge. But if you just save it, it will not give you any real benefits. So, let us enjoy the value of what money can bring to you, instead of enjoying the increased number that saving can provide.

Secondly, in a mature society, various finance organization will help you handle most of the special difficult time. To make sure you can survive when you are sick or disabled or old, you should buy those insurance. To have big money to pay for elite school, you can apply for a education loan. You want house, no problem, mortgage company can help me, so many zero down payment, zero cost finance. When you lost job, you can get unemployment check for at least half year, maybe even longer. That's also one of the reason that US person has very small amount of saving. After pay for those finance organization, the money come to your hand is what you should spend.

In the third place, no one knows tomorrow, too many saving actually take a lot of risk. Incident dying, inflation or country turning over all can get rid of your saving. I believe all the people who lived through 80s and 90s will remember how the inflation ate most of

your saving. So do not take too many risk, instead, let those finance organization to take.

More over, saving money is also not good for a nation's economy. If everyone spend very small amount of money, then a lot of goods or service will have no customer, which will cause those company to cut cost, layoff workers, and cause less income for the residents in that country, which will cause everyone spend less. This is something like spiral deflation, and it is very dangerous for a economic entity. On the contrary, if everyone spends as much as they can, then more money will come to companies, which will hire more workers and raise the salary, and pour more money to the invidious in that country.

On the whole, save money is an inactive life style, it looks safe, but actually it may cause you lose what you are suppose to get. Instead, we should enjoy our fruit from your hard working, improve ourselves, and enjoy the beauty of the life. And spend properly will also help our society, and it will eventually help everyone.

Essay 246 Topic 33 **A piece of jewelry vs. a concert**

Which should I chose, a piece of jewelry or tickets to a concert, by using the money as a gift. After pondering the questions from several aspects, I prefer a piece of jewelry. I am affected by the following reasons:

Because of its great value and beautiful appearance, jewelry obviously becomes a nice gift. A man likes to choose a diamond ring for the lady he loved. Mothers always receive gold earrings from their children. In this way, people express their emotions and best wish will be sent with jewelry.

Another reason for my propensity for a piece of jewelry is that it is permanent. Unless you lost it, it will be with you forever, even notes a unusual day for you. Every time you wear it, it gives you a great pleasure. The ticket stub cannot bring all of those to you.

How about you look like with or without a piece of jewelry such as earrings, rings. The answer is obvious. And people will always tell you what a beauty you are by wearing the jewelry. With a good wish to be beautiful, more and more people like to wear jewelry.

From all we discussed above, we can see a piece of jewelry is the best choice. It is a permanent adorning, and a great gift. Tickets to a concert can never give all the happiness and pleasures we can get from it.

Essay 247 Topic 33 **A piece of jewelry vs. a concert**

If I have a gift of money that is enough to but either a piece of jewelry I like or tickets to a concert I want to attend, I probably choose to go to the concert instead of jewelry.

First, a concert can give you an entertainment and experience that a piece of jewelry such

as diamond rings and necklaces can't give. A few years ago, I attended a farewell concert of a famous singer. The moment when people submerged into the beautiful melody was unforgettable and that is one of my most precious memories I have ever had. If I had used the money to buy some jewelry, I would have been regretful in my lifetime.

Second, concert is an experience that can't duplicate, while jewelry can. If you can't buy a piece of jewelry at once, you will probably get it a few years later. But a concert is different. You can't find the singers, the location, the atmosphere of joy exactly the same if you miss it. So that gives concert a priority to jewelry and many other things.

Finally, concert can give you an entertainment of art and a relaxation from the busy work, while jewelry can give you at most just a moment of vanity. Compared to concert's long lasting joy, jewelry's is just an evanescent one. You will remember a wonderful concert for a lifetime. But I think there are few pieces of jewelry you'll wear for a lifetime.

If I have a choice between jewelry and concert, I will pick up the tickets of the concert without hesitate. Because I don't want to miss a probably once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, and spending the rest of my life regret for the wrong choice I make.

Essay 248 Topic 33 **A piece of jewelry vs. a concert**

Regarding the question which is better, jewelry or concert tickets, the vast majority of people would deem the concert tickets as the premier choice. Others, in contrast, vote the jewelry. Personally, I have a propensity for the latter.

There are numerous reasons why I want to buy a piece of jewelry instead of a concert ticket if I have received a gift of money, and I would in here explain a few of the most important ones. One convincing argument for my choice is that buying a piece of jewelry is a nice investment. It is known that jewelry is so valuable that even a little worth much. People can buy some jewelry instead of putting their money into banks when ample money is available. Furthermore, when you are trapped in a serious lacking of money, the jewelry you bought can help you out.

Another reason why I cast my preference for buying jewelry when money is available is that jewelry is permanent. An illustration can be presented in order to make my point. It is well known that few things can destroy a piece of jewelry. Once you get it, you can keep it throughout your life. Moreover, I am sure you will remember the day you get it. And It will remind you of the your nice memory.

An additional reason given in support of jewelry is that jewelry is fashionable This demonstrates the undeniable fact that wearing a piece of jewelry can make you stand in the frontier of the fashion. Also, a piece of jewelry can make you feel confident. As a result, you can enjoy your life better and do things more efficiently.

Admittedly, it is undeniable that buying a concert ticket has its own merits. But if all

these factors are contemplated, the advantages of buying a piece of jewelry carry more weight than those of buying a concert ticket. Judging from all evidence offered. We may safely arrive at the conclusions that choosing a piece of jewelry when you obtain a gift of money is a wise decision.

Essay 249 Topic 33 **A piece of jewelry vs. a concert**

There are so many things we want to possess need to spend money, such as a piece of jewelry, tickets to a concert and a modern car. If I have received a gift of money and the money is enough to buy either a piece of jewelry or tickets to a concert, I will buy the latter. The purpose of my essay is to address the reasons that make me decide.

The most significant reason is the internal value the tickets to a concert have. A piece of jewelry is a piece of jewelry, no matter where you wear, no matter how you use, what you get is only a piece of jewelry. But a concert ticket is different. For example, someone attends to the concert, listens the music carefully and quietly, and is intoxicated with the splendid and superb music. In this case, the one deeply feels the emotion, background and meaning of the music, which makes him in a high spirit, upgrade his graceful taste and improve his ability to appreciate. And what he obtains from the concert cannot buy by using money and more valuable than the concert tickets. It is obvious that a concert ticket has a wonderful and plentiful internal value that cannot be measured by money. And the price of a piece of jewelry determines its value.

On the other hand, safety is another considerable importance. People always heard about someone's jewelry was robbed, but seldom or never heard someone's tickets to concert were robbed. For example, if someone goes out, wearing a piece of jewelry, she will always keep an eye on her jewelry so carefully and cautiously that she may do things absent-mindedly. And if she goes out, wearing the jewelry on the unknown place, then the purpose of wearing jewelry will lose. But if she brings some tickets to concert with her, she will not be so alert and can do things casually. Because in most of the cases, the concert tickets do not attract the robbers. Therefore, it is safer to take tickets to a concert than to take a piece of jewelry outside.

In conclusion, I prefer to buy tickets to a concert than a piece of jewelry if I have received a gift of money. It is natural and logic because of the wonderful and plentiful internal value the concert tickets bring and the safety for their owner.

Essay 250 Topic 33 **A piece of jewelry vs. a concert**

Before rendering my opinion, it is important to take a glance at the arguments on both sides. Many people may feel that a piece of jewelry is much more advantageous; on the other hand, others might think that tickets to concert is even better. The choice, nevertheless, is not easy to make. However, I shall agree that the former is more reasonable. In the following discussion, I would like to reason and provide the evidence to support my viewpoint.

First of all, the important reason in support my view is that it is the faithful love that a piece of jewelry signifies. Generally speaking, when a husband asks his wife to marry him, a splendid diamond ring is indispensable, since it fully express the love between them. What the glorious diamond ring sees is the forever love; what the splendid diamond ring expresses is the beautiful memory between two lovers; what the shining diamond ring contains in the perpetuated belief that the husband makes a promise to take care and protect his wife until she leaves the world. Obviously, a piece of jewelry includes not only its own value but also the memory inscribing deeply in lovers' mind. Significantly, there is no better example than this to demonstrate the strength of this point.

Another chief reason for my view is that a piece of jewelry will raise your status in society. No matter how knowledgeable you are, the outer aspect is far more important. It will leave deep impression for others as well as symbolizes someone's status. Even more, a piece of jewelry will help you more. As far as we are concerned, the more beautiful jewelry you wear in a ball, the higher status in society you are. It is the major reason why all of the ladies in the ball wear all kinds of style jewelry to catch others' eyes. If you can see that, you will understand it more deeply.

All in all, given the reasons discussed above, which sometimes intertwine to form an organic whole and thus become more persuasive, we may arrive at the conclusion that a piece of jewelry is better than a concert ticket.

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Essay 253 Topic 34 **Should business hire employees for their entire lives?**

Some people believe that if employees were hired for their entire life, it would provide businesses with excellent, experienced and highly knowledgeable specialists. However, after careful thought, I tend to disagree with this idea. I am sure this practice will have the adverse effect on the employees' performance and career options for many people.

First of all, it will eliminate the competitive element, which whips up many people to improve their professional performance. Since everyone would be hired for the entire life, there would be no need to make sure you keep you job, or to strive to get promoted.

At the same time, it would be almost impossible to change your job, if you are not

satisfied with your present one, or if you feel your present career does not suit you.

Personally, I find this prospect scary, because it often takes years and various experiences to finally find your professional niche: the job with provides you with the fulfillment and good feedback.

Finally, it will make the employment process abnormally important. It will determine the whole life of a person, which can result in widespread corruption. Recruitment managers will enjoy excessive power-the temptation too hard to resist, so their decision may not serve the businesses' interests.

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Essay 256 Topic 35 **A live performance vs. television**

Attending a live performance is really more enjoyable than watching the same event on television. As I am very interested in football matches, I have experienced that watching a football match at a stadium is not comparable with watching the same thing on TV. I never forget the first time that I went the stadium and the match is inscribed in my mind. It was an unforgettable event. At a live performance, you can see everything that is not possible on TV. Cameras zoom on special scenes and you cannot see what is going on the rest of the stage. For example, at a football match, the cameraman always tries to see the ball and its related events. When you are watching a football match on TV you cannot see that a player kicks another one because it is out of stage. But when you are present at the stadium you can easily see it.

On the other hand, you can cheer and boo and even cry in a live performance. A crowd like you has attended the match. All cheer and shout together and it encourage you to take part in their happiness. This is really enjoyable. Imagine you were attending Michael Jackson show then you could dance, whistle and cheer. This was not the case when you were at home. You might be alone because others did not like that specific show or they wanted to study. So you could neither dance nor cheer. You had to sit before T. V and turn down its voice. It is not enjoyable at all.

Another advantage that you achieve by virtue of attending a live performance is that you can have the feeling of participating in the performance. Every thing is live. If it is a football match for instance, then it is as if you were playing yourself. You were part of the match and could sense the kicks of the players on the ball.

Above all advantages there is only one disadvantage. It is that you must pay money to buy the ticket and spend time to reach the location of the performance. But it does not matter for me. By considering that I can achieve many things like seeing any event, cheering and shouting and feeling that I am participating in the performance are with no doubt unforgettable and highly enjoyable. I myself attend a football match even if it were in another country and it would cost me money and time.

Essay 257 Topic 35 **A live performance vs. television**

There are two ways to watch a performance, such as a concert, a play, and a sport event. You can either attend the live performance or watch it on television. Generally speaking, I prefer the first way. Attending the live performance you can see more than on TV, you can enjoy the performance with other people, and you can get much closer to the performers.

A live performance is more than what you can see on TV. You can only see what in the camera if you just sit in front of your television. For example, in a soccer match, the cameraman always focuses on the ball. You may miss some important details, such as a player kicked another one, by just follow the cameraman. If you attend the live performance, you can see the whole match, you can focus on whomever you want. You will not miss what you are interested in as the result of the limitation of the zoom of the camera.

In live performance you can enjoy it with other people so that there is a much better atmosphere. You can cheer, you can cry, you can shout, you can dance, you can do whatever in a live soccer match, because people around you are the same as you. But if you watch the game at home, you cannot turn the TV loud, you cannot show your enthusiasm with other fans. You have to force yourself to keep calm. Without the atmosphere, the game will not be so interesting.

In live performance you can also get much closer to the performers. You can experience the performance directly. In some play or concert, you can even got chance to be face to face with the performer. If you are a soccer fan, or a pop song fan, you may even get the signature of your favorite stars'. It is really a good feeling to see the "real" performers.

In brief, you can get many advantages by attending the live performance. You can see more than on TV, you can enjoy it with others, you can also get closer with the performers. So attending the live performance is more exciting, and more interesting than just watching it on TV.

Essay 258 Topic 36 **Which transportation vehicles has changed people`s lives?**

Nowadays, many forms of transportations, such as airplanes, bicycles and automobiles, have been introduced into the society. Though people`s views vary from each other, I believe that it is the automobiles that changed people`s lives. Because automobiles could give people more convenience, save everyone`s time and increase the efficiency of the world.

Automobiles have given many freedoms to ordinary people. For the working people, the car enabled them to work in the city and live in suburban areas many miles away. Admittedly, commuting is commonly believed uncomfortable. However, as the land in the city is expensive, a comfortable big house in the suburbs is more preferable than a

small apartment in most people's opinions. Without automobiles, they would not have this opportunity.

Automobiles give people great convenience, too. Although public transportations are cheap, they cannot always follow the lines in our mind. It means that we will spend more time on traveling than really need. I once go to a university to do something urgent so I went there by taxi. It cost me only 20 minutes. But when I got back by a train and a bus, the journey cost me almost an hour. "Time is money." The automobiles have given a great many conveniences to today's world. Of course, we had better take a plane for a very long journey, but the automobiles are more accessible for ordinary people in daily lives.

To sum up, the automobiles have greatly changed our world and I believe that they have contributed much to improve people's living standard.

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As opposite to cars and bicycles, airplanes changed human lives in a most radical way. While automobiles in most cases link people living within the same country, a transcontinental aircraft is capable of reaching most remote locations on earth within days and even hours thereby connecting people and carrying goods and ideas. Fast and inexpensive air delivery system benefits all aspects of social well-being, from industrial needs to emergency and rescue operations.

Moreover, modern tourism based primarily on air travel makes it possible to visit virtually any country or even countries within regular vacation time and, therefore, serves the most noble purpose of establishing mutual understanding and trust between nations.

On the other hand, military airfare also drastically changed both military doctrines of the nations with modern air forces and battlefield tactics by significantly reducing number of military and civilian casualties in armed conflicts, increasing intensity and effectiveness of assault on enemy troops thereby reducing total duration of a conflict.

To summarize, aircraft revolutionized modern life in many areas in most cases serving to the benefit of humanity.

Essay 260 Topic 36 **Which transportation vehicles has changed people's lives?**

Since human beings invent the airplanes, People's lives have dramatically changed. If I have a chance to choose transportation vehicles from automobiles, bicycles and airplanes to travel, I prefer to choose airplanes. There are many advantages of choosing airplanes. My arguments for this point are listed as follows.

The main reason for my propensity to choose plane is that the plane is fast and saving a time. For example, The university where I study in the capital of my country is far from

my parent hometown. It takes 5 days by train. Every vacation I spend half of vacation days on the road and make me so tired. I just have little time to stay with my parent. . But now everything is different since the airplane emerges. It only needs 3 hours to my hometown by airplanes. Can you imagine the conception of 5 days (120 hours) and 3 hours? I could have a breakfast in the university dorm and later enjoy the delicious hometown's lunch that my parent cook for me in the same day. It is the airplanes that fast reduce the distance between my parents and me.

Another reason why I advocate the attitude of the airplane is that the airplane is known as one of the most safe and convenient vehicles. It is reported from the statistic date that accident ratio of the airplane is far under that of the train, the ship and the automobile. With the development of the hi- tech, Faster, safer and more comfortable plane are made. The plane provides variety of the equipment to make customers comfortable.

In a world, In spite of the fact that there may be a couple of advantages by the automobile and the bicycle, I feel the advantages of the airplane are more obvious. Taking into account of all the factors, We may reach the conclusion that as an important transportation vehicles the airplane changes our daily life and at same time brings enormous influences to our society.

Essay 261 Topic 36 **Which transportation vehicles has changed people`s lives?**

The recent decades have seen incredible development in transportation vehicles. Our everyday lives have been tremendously changed by most of these modern vehicles, among which automobile is a good example.

Recalling the age before the invention of automobile, in which the best transportation vehicles people can utilize is manpower and animals, we should owe the inventor of automobile, Benz, for the great conveniences and facilities automobile have brought us.

Firstly, automobiles provide people with the ability to go to anywhere they want to in a short time. This changes people's everyday lives not a little. Thanks to automobiles, people in big cities lead better lives, they drive to supermarkets, post offices, hospitals and cinemas, most of which are far away from their houses; driving a car makes people's life much easier. What is more, someone can even live in the suburb and drive to work or to school in less than an hour.

Secondly, it is much more convenient for us to drive ourselves than to take train or airplane, especially when we are traveling among many places. Driving a car, we can arrange our journey flexibly, and do not have to meet the schedule of those public transportations. And if we have a van, we can also take anything we need with us.

Admittedly, possessing a private automobile also brings us some trouble at the same time. We have to pay for the car insurance and regular maintenance. Additionally, traffic accidents due to automobiles are not rare. But on the whole, automobiles give us facilities

rather than troubles.

In a word, automobiles have changed people's lives in various aspects. Our everyday lives become more and more convenient owing to this modern transportation vehicle.

Essay 262 Topic 36 **Which transportation vehicles has changed people's lives?**

In 1903, the Wright brothers tried out the first powered airplane in the United States, and led human into the era of the airplanes. One hundred years later, when we have already successfully sent astronauts into the moon and been able to reach any place of the world within one day. Airplanes, as one of the ground-breaking inventions of us, have greatly changes our lives.

Firstly, The distance of the world seems shorten by airplanes. Before the emerge of this vehicle, to travel around the world is always a arduous work, and sometimes very dangerous. It usually took severally days or even months to reach the destination by train or by ship. The planes, featured by its speed, are able to transport passengers to every corners of the world within 24 hours. Furthermore, it is always a pleasure to sit in the comfortable couches and drinking coffee in a huge jet to make the journey. airplanes serve as a better transportation vehicle because of their convenience and effectiveness.

Secondly, People's communication within each other has benefited a great deal from the development of the airplanes. Thanks to the vehicles, the world itself is often referred as a "global village". The cross-continent trip, made easier by the airplane, sometimes even save our "villagers' lives". For example, we have often heard some people who had to take a organ transplant got donator in another country, it is the flight to transport the donation freshly and quickly. Many other ways, provided by airplane, such as the EMS or UPS delivery, the great fight campaign, indeed make the life today unbelievable to our ancestors 100 years before.

Thirdly, also the most important, is that the airplane make our dream of flight come true. It seems that the Weigher Brothers' 7-mins off-the-ground can hardly be seen as a real flight nowadays. But it exactly incited the later generations to achieve one and another victory in our endeavor of shaking off the gravity of the planet, and it is also that try-out led to the later trip to the moon. And we can say that from that day on, although our root is still on the ground, our hearts is high above the sky.

At the centennial of human powered flight, the airplane has become a part of our daily life and has spread its influence everywhere.

Essay 263 Topic 37 **Is progress always good?**

I believe that progress brings both good and bad but it is inevitable and we have to do our best to decrease its bad consequences and increase the good ones. The inclination to progress is one of the properties of humankind. It is acquired during the evolution from

animals to human beings. We can observe both tendencies by reading the history of progress. The fields of agriculture, and industry might provide a spectacular example, too. Our generation should take lessons from history and enforce the favorable parts of the tendency. The early history of humanity is the history of struggling for survival and the history of the birth of progress on the human genetic level. Using the simplest weapon, like stick, to defeat more powerful beasts and survive was the naissance of progress in technique, while gathering in groups for the same purpose presents example of social progress. The human's existence in the wild nature caused its genetic inclination to progress.

In the contemporary conditions of many nations, agriculture is the field, in which people struggle against hunger and for life. We see that the progress in chemistry increases crop yield but engenders health problems. Thus, scientists try to avoid chemical poisoning and develop natural means to increase harvest. Modern industry shows one more aspect of contradiction in progress. We could not enjoy television and cars, Internet and clothes washers without industry's achievements but extensive industry, also, produces a vast pollution. So, states and companies should more and more invest in clean technologies.

So, progress is proper to humankind, and it is a controversial process, which contains favorable and unfavorable manifestations. Society has to control it and prevent bad consequences.

Essay 264 Topic 37 **Is progress always good?**

It is truly hard for me to agree or disagree with the statement that progress is always good. As many things in life progress has also its 'black' and 'white' sides.

I would not generally agree with those who claim that progress is always good. They would say that progress in medicine has helped people live longer and fought with terrible diseases that have tortured human kind for centuries. Furthermore, these people would also say that technical progress has improved our lives enormously. The use of machinery, automation in industry and new kinds of communication are things that have changed people's lives tremendously.

However, I would agree with those who believe that the price we pay for our progress is too high. It is a fact that the earth is overpopulated as a result from medical treatment of various diseases and longer life thanks to progress in study of medicine. Consequently, we not only consume much more than we can produce but we also run low on natural resources.

What is more, as a result from our technical progress our air, soil and waters are irreversibly polluted. Besides the fact that we live in a poisonous world, technical progress has brought a new disease called 'stress' that is considered a basis of many different health disorders.

Nevertheless, I would not dare to argue with those who think that progress is good. I agree that progress has made human abilities unlimited. But on the other hand it appears that we all are victims of our own progress.

Summing up, I believe that progress is good, unfortunately not always.

Essay 265 Topic 37 **Is progress always good?**

The nobleness & the use of progress in any field, to an individual, or to the society on the whole, will depend on what use the progress is being put to, and I feel, cannot be generalized as stated above.

Progress has been inherent with the human race. As the human brain developed, so has progress been achieved, in almost all fields known to man. The cultural progress over the ages, have made humans better and made this world, a better place to live in. Similarly, scientific progress has been effective in eradicating diseases, providing better food crops, facilitating transportation etc. Literary progress has helped us better document our history and has produced works that have made us think. Progress in communication techniques have converged this whole world of ours, into the 'global village'.

If we look at the above examples, we see that they are all aimed at the betterment of our world. Here progress is being applied for the society's good.

The products from the same progress in the various fields, when in wrong hands, wreak havoc in the same society that they are supposed to make better.

Sophisticated arms & explosives in the hands of terrorists & children, science of human cloning in the hands of scientists, crop control technologies in the hands of corporations etc., are some of the examples of how progress can go wrong. Think of how much better the world would be, without nuclear and biological weapons, without mutated food grains et al. Think of how many people would not have died or maimed for life, if there had been no land mines ? After witnessing the destructive use the Dynamite could be put to, Alfred Nobel himself repented his own creation of Dynamite so much that he set up the Nobel prize, to be awarded to people who work for the betterment of the human society.

Therefore, it is my strong contention that progress is only good when it is put to the right use, for the betterment and uplift of the individual and the society, on a whole. Progress put to any ulterior uses should be out rightly condemned.

Essay 266 Topic 37 **Is progress always good?**

Is progress always good? Almost all the people think progress is a good thing to improve their lives. Though some of them point out that progress brings about some bad side effects at the same time. In my point of view, I think progress is always good, if we attach higher importance to its minor negative effects, it should show even significant

merits. I have several reasons to demonstrate my opinions.

First of all, progress means development. With the rapid technical development, our lives are changed tremendously day and night. For instance, nowadays, we can travel to another country in a few days or even hours. We can keep contact with clients in thousands miles away by e-mails every day. These progresses ensure us to live in a comfortable society our older generation could hardly imagine in their times.

Second, progress enhances healthy competition. We can see that several big companies' pitch for the flagship position in the market. When they make big technical progress and lessen the costs so as to make more profits, they obtain the leadership position in the industry. Thus, many companies are eager to carry out new inventions and technical breakthroughs.

Admittedly, overheated industry progress sometimes brings about some bad shortcomings such as pollution, deforestation, etc. However, its advantages surely outweigh its disadvantages, we should not throw the water out along with the baby in the same bathe basin. If we set up strict policy and sincerely obey the law, we can minimize these bad things to a large extent.

We can conclude from the foregoing reasons that progress is always good, Besides, when we cautiously avoid its bad side effects, we can ensure it benefiting us more in a long term.

Essay 267 Topic 37 **Is progress always good?**

'Change' is an ever present, recurrent factor in man's life. Man's hatred for monotony has enabled him to race towards progress. His quest for more comfortable life resulted in the advancement of science and technology.

Without progress, life is drab. Society vegetates. Life does not improve. Science is the religion of modern age. So it is very much essential. Progress makes life outgoing, expansive, assertive and fearless.

Progress affects all spheres of life. In the field of agriculture it has resulted in the construction of dams, improvement in the field of irrigation, increase in the production of crops and machinery. Progress in medical science mitigates misery. Revolution in psychology, commerce etc. has brought a great change in the overall development of man. Progress in the field of nutrition has helped in better health and prolongation of one's life. Progress has resulted in the invention of telephones, computers and assisted in better weather forecasts.

It is because of progress man's life has become more comfortable. The various facilities man today enjoys are due to progress in science and technology. It provides him greater material befits. Progress has made the world smaller. The invention of the transportation

vehicles and mass media network has resulted in bridging distances and bringing people of the world close to one another.

Hence progress is a quintessential feature for a person or a nation to grow.

Essay 268 Topic 37 **Is progress always good?**

Progress, an abstract noun in the vocabulary, varies in different fields. Usually, we will take pride in some kind of progress as it takes along success. But is it always good? I do not think so. Sometimes it's on the opposite side of the active effect.

Our nature is one who is suffering from our progress. Progress in the industry has been giving great damage to our earth. Look around and you'll find this point. It's the progress of technology that gives us brightness even in the evening. But later we lost our stars, which is called light pollution as it's too bright in the evening for us to see the stars. This is only a common example of the numerous cases of pollution in the world. We can see others if you want to find some. Natural pollution is only a part of the bad effects progress has.

Also, our society is a sufferer of the progress of our own. Here, computer will show us why. It's called the greatest invention last century. That's progress of our science. It indeed has turned many dreams or supposals into truth, which is I have to admit. But what comes along with the progress in the science? Computers help biologists to find the secretes of DNA, and thus we have the technology of clones. However, what would happen if clones are used on us? While the spread of information is speeding up, we are becoming more and more unconcerned about our relatives and friends. And what's more terrible is that the computer is used in the military which is threatening the precious peace nowadays.

Now you will see that progress is not always good. Just like the coin with two sides, progress has its good effect and also has its bad effect. To us, it's necessary to pay attention to the bad ones coming along with the good effect which may not appear at the present time.

Essay 269 Topic 38 **Is learning about the past useful?**

Nowadays, someone holds the opinion that learning about the past has no value for those of us living in the present. This statement is radically wrong. On the contrary, people living in the present can learn no more from anywhere else than from the past.

The most valuable things one should learn from the history is politics, and this is why so many statesmen are familiar with history. Our society ran and is running in exactly the same way. Those events, such as great depression, financial crisis, and warfare, will show

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It is for these reasons that people study history. History is the best candidate that can show us right and wrong, true and false, good and bad. Learn from the past, one can learn more than he has expected.

Essay 270 Topic 38 **Is learning about the past useful?**

I fully disagree that learning about the past has no value for those living in the present. In fact, it is much more useful than somebody thinks.

Although sometimes it may be good to overlook the previous knowledge in order to avoid constraint conformity, we cannot scorn the important role of the vast knowledge from the past for the following reasons.

Admittedly, nothing emerges from zero. All knowledge that we acquire nowadays is from the past: language, customs, academic subjects, and so on. We inherit the past knowledge, use it and improve it. In deed, only with the knowledge of prior achievements can technological progress be made. For example, the discovery of micro particles made it possible for the physicists to create the flow of electrons under the influence of magnetic field. Hence many inventions based on the discovery of electric current have been made.

Besides the fundamental knowledge, learning from the past provides us with the most valuable experience. As we have neither hardships nor difficulties, it is really advisable to learn by our predecessors' experience. For instance, the Chinese medicine is accumulated by the knowledge of the effect of plants on illness, built from trials, even on men, and errors through thousands of years.

Furthermore, it also helps prevent reoccurrence of negative events in the history of our civilization. By examining our actions in the past and making judgments about what was right and what was wrong, we can avoid causing those same mistakes again. Let us take the example of the Holocaust, the infamous massacre that nobody ever wants to happen again.

In short, learning about the past is necessary for everyone. It is advisable to ignore the past to make a breakthrough and to keep free thinking, however, not at the expense of past knowledge.

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Essay 273 Topic 39 **Can students learn more information quickly with the help of new technologies?**

With the help of technology, students nowadays can learn more information and learn it more quickly. In my view, I disagree with the statement because of one point-surreal, though it is very convenient and fast.

By overlooking the society, more and more novel science and technology emerge, so grasping information is making a few progresses. In these years, Internet blooms like mushrooms, so that many people begin to scout for information on the Cyber world, especially X-generations. In these youths' points of view, little time-consuming and energy-saving are their priority. For example, my schoolmates always stroll around on the Net for something-report. As soon as finishing their papers assigned, time leaving for fooling around, and plagiarizing is the only way. Of course, they are able to capture tons of information and data on the Cyber world, putting them into contents of papers, handing in them to their professors on time.

On the surface, it is a good way to seize news on the Net, learning information easily. One side effect, however, gradually erodes their minds and souls. It is idleness that discourages their interest in books or newspapers. Frankly speaking, we may learn real knowledge from abundant books and newspapers, instead of Internet. However, as the rapid growth of technology, fewer people have the habit of searching for information in volumes.

There is no doubt that ambling on the Net is funny and interesting. In addition to hunting, downloading what you want is addictive. I have to confess that I also enjoy looking for something on the Cyber world. In my opinion, however, receiving knowledge from newspapers as well as magazines is always better than searching for pieces of news on the Net.

Essay 274 Topic 39 **Can students learn more information quickly with the help of new technologies?**

How do you think that technology today is helping your daily life? Honestly, our life would be much difficult without it. Can you imagine your life without technology? Without computers, telephones and even televisions? But even technology is something that cannot be missed in our daily life, there are some disadvantages as well as advantages that comes with it.

The advantages that we can gain from the technology is that it has made our life much easier. For example, television has made it possible for us humans to learn more information about what is going on around the world easier and faster than newspapers. Computers has let us gain information that we need for our assignment in school and let us use e-mail services which we can send to people all around the world and much faster than using normal mails. How can we imagine our life without technology? They have made our life much easier n simple.

But we should not forget that it is not only advantages that we are getting from using new technologies that has been invented. Young people today are getting lots of bad influences by watching televisions that are not for young kids. Televisions are something that anyone can watch at anytime. And we cannot avoid the fact that kids today are getting loads of bad influences by watching things that they should not be watching. And even worst, by using the Internet, they are allowed to go to any website that includes pictures or articles that they must not be watching at their age.

Can anyone say that technology influences us only in a good way? I certainly do not think so. In my opinion, it is the fact that we cannot live without technology, and we would be devastated without them. But I think that there are too many negative things that come with it. Yes, it is the fact that we can gain information faster n easier by using Internet or by watching television. But are not they forgetting to use important resources from books at the library? Books from the library are more specific and can be trusted than Internet resources. So I disagree with the following statement. And people today are forgetting what is really important in our life.

Essay 275 Topic 39

In this descend, the information technology developed so rapidly that nearly all families in Hong Kong have at least one computer nowadays. Not only can students surf on net and search for information at home, but they can also use computers in schools, at cyber centers and even in certain fast food restaurants. For no doubt, the convenience in accessing information on the internet enable students to learn more information and learn it more quickly. In the past, students can only learn from traditional books. In addition to the school curriculum, students might be able to learn from the extra-curricular books. They can go to the library and search for information. But this is much incontinent than just sitting in front of the computer and learning things from websites from all over the world. In comparison, the information from the traditional books is so limited. By surfing on net, students can get a wider horizon on any kind of information and have a deep understanding on each field. On the other hand, students can never have such a quick way to search for information that they required. In a library, students might have to spend a whole hour in searching for a single book with relevant information. Yet, with a computer, students can search for an entire page of links with a search engine such as Yahoo. The whole process involves just few clicks and several seconds. Moreover,

information from books in library might be outdated. On the net, students can learn the first-handed information. With the help of technology, students can learn information much quicker. However, searching on the net for information has its disadvantages too. It is difficult to ensure the information is true or not as the publishing of website do not have controlling policy as that of publishing books. Yet, in general, it is still true that the information technology help students to learn more and learn more quickly.

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Essay 277 Topic 40 **Never, never give up**

Most people like to encourage others with the words “Never, never give up”, if their friends, family members or relatives encountered failure. But I do not think it is always right to persuade or encourage others in this way.

Almost every body will encounter failure on their pursuit of life objectives or high goals. They failed, because they might not have worked very hard or their objectives do not fit the reality or their abilities are beyond such a high goals. The encouragement with the words “Never, never give” might be appropriate for the first situation. But for the second situation, it may mislead the loser. It means we will encourage them to stick to the wrong things with obstinacy for ever. So it might be wise if we help the losers to review their goals and assess their capacities to achieve the set goals. If it is impossible for them to

succeed, “Give up” is the most wise encouragement words for them.

Furthermore it is not foreseeable for a person’s ability and potential to achieve a set goal. Their ability and potential for certain goal vary as the accumulation of their experience and knowledge. The surrounding is changing all the time as well. They might set a certain goal based on the current surrounding situation or their actual personal skill. But any changes will cause them impossible to reach the final point and succeed. So what they should do is not to stick on it anymore, instead they should give up and look for a new starting point.

We all expect our friends to have a good future and live better, but it is silly idea if we encourage them “Never, never give up” anything. Sometimes “Give up” might be a starting point for another success.

Essay 278 Topic 40 **Never, never give up**

Not getting success in any work does not means failure, but is only an indication of keep trying until the job is done goal achieved. This principle is clearly reflected in India’s struggle for Independence.

Every person in this world has some ambitions and targets and he works towards those targets in fulfilling them. For realizing his aims, he works hard, but there are instances when he is not able to meet his ambitions. The reasons can be many either because of unplanned methodology or shortage of resources or not setting realistic targets.

The real struggle is to work again towards those goals but this time with new zeal and preparations so that all hurdles and challenges are successfully countered because work done half-heartedly and without preparations can again topple you from reaching summit and this in turn can lead to frustration.

This reminds me of a story of a king who lost his battle and ran away. Later he saw a spider trying to climb uphill and every time it fell down after reaching half distance, but the spider kept on trying and ultimately it succeeded in climbing the hill. This inspired the king to organize his army again and he attacked the enemy seven times before finally conquering over his rivals.

The essence is to gear up again and fight for the job and come up with flying colors. Therefore constant struggle should be taken as a part of life for working towards and achieving one’s ambition.

Essay 279 Topic 40 **Never, never give up**

I agree with the expression “ Never, never give up”. It’s not necessary that we get success after first try, so we should try that thing at least once more. Let me explain my point of view.

There is always another opportunity. First time I appeared for the pre pharmacy test, I could not get through. I realized that I did not cover all the topics and I was so nervous during the exam. Lack of confidence and improper preparation were the reason of my failure. But I did not give up; next year again I appeared for the examination. This time I got through and got admission in one of the top universities. The reason for my success was correcting my mistakes and proper preparation for the examination.

There is always another goal. After graduating, I thought of pursuing my studies in abroad. But due to financial restrains, I could not do this. I realized that only reason for studying in abroad was to pursue research. I changed my goal from doing research to helping in research. Now I am working as research assistant in a firm. I am gaining the knowledge, which I wanted.

There is always another option. Once I wanted to watch a movie. I could not go to theater for movie, due to the shortage of money. My cable operator told me that he cannot show movie on cable at least for one more week. Since I really wanted to see the movie, I went to near by rental movie shop and got the movie. So you can always look for options before giving up.

If you give up, you might not be able to succeed in your life. I think one should always look for another goal, another option, or another opportunity. I think this is the way life goes on.

Essay 280 Topic 41 **Should we save land for endangered animals?**

In the present time, many species of animals are in danger because they are harmed by human such as destroy the forest, hunting them for fun or as sports. There are some groups or people acting to protect those endangered animals by asking for some preserved land for those poor animals. In contrast, there are some people arguing that lands which are used for human purposes like farmland, housing and industry, are more effective. In my opinion, there should be some spaces allocated for harmed animals. I will discuss all the reasons in the paragraphs below.

Back to basic, all lives in this universal are equal. I think every body does agree with this sentence. There is not only human's right, but also the animal's right. They all have rights to live in this world the same as human does. I think we should respect every single life in this world.

To harm or threaten those animals is to harm ourselves. There are a lot of food chains in this world. Those animal as well as human are in those food chains. Little or more, we hurt ourselves, our children and children's children by destroying those animals, getting the land to serve our needs and neglect to care for endangered animals.

Another reason, the best place for animal to live is the forest. We save the animal and

save lands for them thus finally we can save the forest. In the forest, we cannot refuse that there is amount of natural resource, for example mineral, woods, rare plants which are the resource of the whole world. In addition, the forest can keep the land's moisture which provides us a water to drink, water to plant the vegetable and even the power from water in dams.

In conclusion, I would like to say that I really agree to keep or preserve some lands for the endangered animals because of all the reasons I explained above.

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Nowadays, with the increasing number of the human population around the globe, it is necessary to expand the development of the human needs such as housing, industry and so on. I agree with the statement above that people think more about their needs than about saving land for endangered animals. In the following paragraphs, I will try to support this point of view with several examples. It is believed that during the last several decades, human lives generally have lasted longer than the lives of people of the past. With the increasing development of modern technologies, especially in medicine, millions of people could prolong their lives. This opportunity, of course, has raised the overall human population around the world. The increased human population has made a new problem, the availability of the planet space and resources have been decreasing significantly due to the enormous expanding of the human activities. It is generally understandable that the tremendous density of the population would probably continue to destroy many beautiful lands together with endangered animals unless these lands are protected by governments and many organizations focusing on the saving of the mother nature. Generally, I would like to say that, governments should support the nature organizations, such as Green Peace and expand the bounders of many protected lands, preventing the inevitable death of endangered animals and plants. In my opinion, in the future, it would be possible to save the Mother nature by the building of space stations on other planets of our universe. As far as I am concerned, it would be the only one way of saving the nature...

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Essay 283 Topic 42 **What is a very important skill a person should learn?**

With the development of science and technology, the world is no longer what it used to be. Everyone should master one or more skills in order to survive and succeed in the world. As far as I am concerned, the most important skill one should learn is to teach himself or herself.

To begin with, no one can depend on a teacher in the whole life. In high school and university, several teachers can teach you physics, chemistry, biology and so on. But when you find a job and leave school, few people will tell you how to solve the problem you encounter in the job. What you can do is to read books and find the answers yourself. If you do not have the ability to teach yourself, it is difficult to survive in the world.

In addition, what we have learned in the school is probably not enough. Nowadays new science and technology develop very rapidly. Suppose you are majored in computer. As we all know, the computer science is changing fast. New idea and concept may appear everyday. Once you stop studying, you may probably leave behind and even lose your job.

Last but not least, keeping studying can lead you to a high salary job. If you understand the most advanced knowledge, lots of companies may hire you, because the more science one can master, the higher productivity he will have. Do you have a dream to have a good job? If you do, learn how to teach yourself right now.

So from what has been discussed, one can reach only this conclusion that teaching himself or herself is a very important skill a person should learn in order to be successful in the world today.

Essay 284 Topic 42 **What is a very important skill a person should learn?**

What is a very important skill a person should learn in order to be successful in this world to day? As far as I am concerned, I contend that the skill should be the ability of introspection. There are many reasons why introspection is the skill crucial to success, and I state some primary reasons as follows. First of all, it is impossible for any person that never encountered failure in his or her life. Since failure is the essential and

unpleasant part of our life, what we should learn is the ability to overcome it. Therefore, I deem the ability of introspection as the skill that we should learn, because it is the most effective way to overcome our failure. By introspecting ourselves, we could find the reason that causes our failure and then we could learn from this failure. As an old saying goes, failure is the mother of success. Having the ability to introspect oneself means having the key to success. Thus introspection is the skill to learn in order to success.

Secondly, we all know that success in one thing does not guarantee the success in another. However, many people were still lost in this kind of confusion and finally lead to their failure. To avoid this, we should learn the ability of introspection. Because this ability could make us awake in every step we do, every decision we make, and this ability could guarantee our success in the long run. Thus it is essential to learn the skill of introspection.

In conclusion, no matter it is success or failure that we encountered, we all need to introspect ourselves, because this skill could help us exam our behavior or decision, and this method is the secret of success. Therefore, to learn the skill of introspection is important to success.

Essay 285 Topic 42 **What is a very important skill a person should learn?**

Many problems are solved in our society every day. These are problems about policies, such as allowing or disallowing driving at certain speed or forcing mandatory voting. It is the principle of the democracy that citizens have to participate in the debates that concern the policies and laws. To participate in the debates one has to be rather skillful at presenting his argument. Bad presentation can diminish the value of your point and the opposition will win.

I have read articles in newspapers that discuss certain policies. It is very nice that people care about the problems and participate in the discourse, but unfortunately in many articles the fallacious logic is evident. The author seems to have a good point, but after reading the article the impression is that he doesn't know what he is suggesting.

It is very important to correctly present your point in the debates that concern these policies. To reach a fair decision all members of community should present their ideas without logical fallacies. For example the ideas of poor people should be presented equally well as the ideas of the elite. Otherwise the social group of poor people will not be properly represented in the government and the democracy will degenerate in oligarchy.

It is unfortunate that most people do not pay much attention to their obligations as citizens. I am of the opinion that being an active citizen is crucial in the modern democratic society and that one cannot be a proper citizen without the ability to correctly present one's argument. One who overlooks the citizenship obligations knowingly or otherwise supports the oligarchy.

Essay 286 Topic 42 **Learning how to communicate**

Nowadays, people are living in a society which is more and more socialized. What is a very important skill a person should learn in order to be successful in the world today? My answer to this question is the communication skills. The human society used to be little socialized, in which the relationship between people are not important. A farmer was able to support himself by planting rice and vegetables himself, and there was little need for one to exchange things with others. In such a society, the communication skills were dispensable. While, as time goes by, things change gradually. People in the society are becoming more and more interconnected with each other. In business, a big project involves dozens of individual; in academic, it is usual that there are hundreds of scientists and engineers working for one project, for instance, the Apollo Project, and the Manhattan Project. In such cases, the communication skills become a very quality for a good colleague. One should be willing to exchange thoughts with others, to study from others. And, the most important, one should have skills to share his opinions with others, and let others value his thoughts. Only possessing these skills, can one make best use of his capabilities and do well in his career, since he can make himself better understood and valued by his colleagues and the superiors. This would be beneficial to both the person himself and the business. However, this is not to say that once one has communication skills, he would definitely succeed. There are a lot of other characteristics one should have in order to be competitive in his career. At least one should virtually have some valuable ideas which deserve others' notice. What is more, one should keep himself from communicate with others in wrong way. As a case in point, it would be inappropriate if one tries selling business secrets to other company. Besides communication skills, one should also have communication morals. In sum, today's society is so socialized that the communication skills become a quality which is indispensable to a person if he want to be successful. At the same time, there are some other important traits.

Essay 287 Topic 43 **Why are people attracted to a dangerous sport?**

Today, most of the people would like to play dangerous sports or dangerous activities because the world is getting faster and getting sophisticated or complicated. While working their work, they want to escape from their job because it is hard to keep working their job without feeling from other activities which can be dangerous sports or dangerous activities. Then, if they did something dangerous activities, they definitely would like to look for other dangerous activities again. A couple of years ago, I went to Colorado for snowboarding. I had to take a helicopter to go to top of mountain which is located in Aspen. Before went to top of mountain, I had to sign up a document which is responsibility for death. When I was dropped the top of mountain, I was thinking about only one thing. That is whether I can survival or not. There was no rescue and there was no safety tape which can protect us from wrong way, but there were just snow and mountain. I just had one map and my friends. My friends also were thinking about their death. When I arrived at bottom line of mountain which is our motel without injury and losing my friend, my feeling was so great. I thought this experience was the most exciting

moment entire my life. I also thought I could do whatever I want to because I made this happen that nobody wants to do that. The most important feeling is freedom which can make me to forget about everything I have. After this happen, I was looking for more dangerous and exciting activities. I have tried bungee jump two times because when I fell down from top to lake, I could feel real fear. Before trying it, I really worried about rope and heights. I thought I had no idea if the rope tore or cut and I had no idea how length from top to bottom. When I was top of tower, I just decided to jump because I wanted to get more dangerous feeling. When I did it, it was nothing. It was just jump from top to bottom. In conclusion, people want to get more exciting feeling because their work and their society make people to do this. And then when they did something very dangerous, I want to get more thrills than before they did it.

Essay 288 Topic 43 **Why are people attracted to a dangerous sport?**

Have you experienced the fear of bungee jumping? Have you ever enjoyed the excitement of car racing? Nowadays, many people are attracted to such dangerous activities, especially the young people. Wondering why? The reasons responsible for it are the lifestyle of those people.

While the world is becoming more competitive, the task on each person's shoulder is getting heavier. People's activities everyday are very intense. They would be fiercer after days of hard work. Therefore, everyone wants a release. The best way to relax and get relieved is to do the things that the person has not ever tried, such as adventure before. While he is doing something dangerous, he must be concentrated on it, and he cannot think about anything else. Hence the person relieves all the pressure and the troubles he had in daily work.

In addition, to take risks and try out new things is one of human being's basic instincts. People always like to do something new, especially something in trend. According to some statistics, the dangerous activities are extremely popular among young people. If a boy does not try the game, people will think that he is a coward and afraid of doing it. Consequently, it is reasonable for some people to show their courage by putting themselves in danger.

Based on getting relieved and showing modern, some people are attracted to dangerous sports or other dangerous activities. However, I do not like those activities. Also, I believe that people are attracted in it for a whim. After realizing countless disadvantages of them, people will reconsider about them.

Essay 289 Topic 43 **Response to Topic 43**

Some people are attracted to dangerous sports or other dangerous activities for various reasons: religious purposes, material interests, enjoyment etc. Many religious people sometimes go to a road of dangers and risks to the sacred places in order to show their firm belief in the religion. Every Moslem people, no matter where he lives, is required by

the holy book to go at least once in his life to Mecca, the sacred place, for pilgrimage. In ancient times, it was a long, tiring, and dangerous road for many to travel to Mecca, who might go through deserts or barren lands with such bad conditions that their lives were constantly in threat. However, they went without hesitation to this road, which was regarded as one to salvation, despite of the dangers they might face. No doubt that many people engaged in dangerous activities are out of material considerations. At the time of Columbus, sea voyage was a very dangerous activity due to backward technology and limited geographical knowledge. However, inspired by stories of the wealth of the Oriental countries, Columbus led his fleet to a voyage full of risks and uncertainties. In the past century, the growth of population and economy imposed great pressure on the environment. Countries in the world competed against each other for land and resources. People explored to many remote areas of very bad conditions, even the polar regions, in search of new resources. Nowadays, some people like to be involved in dangerous sports or activities merely for enjoyment. Gliding, parachute jumping, surfing on sea waves, all give them exciting experience that cannot be got from other common sports. The higher the danger is, the greater the enjoyment they have. Finally, when doing dangerous sports or activities, we should ensure our own safety and be care not to harm the interests of other people.

Essay 290 Topic 44 **Travel with a companion vs. travel alone**

With the development of economy and the living standard being raised immensely, more and more people can afford to travel to different places in their vacation, expecting to see more of the world and meanwhile have a relaxation after a period of hard work. And generally, people prefer to travel with a companion, believing it would be more fun. Whereas other people choose to travel alone, maintaining that it offers more freedom and fewer restraints. According to my personality and fondness, I would certainly choose to travel with a companion. Numerous reasons can be cited, and I would in here explain a few most important ones.

The first and foremost reason is safety. I believe it would be safer to travel with a companion than without. On the long journey of traveling, no one can foresee what would occur. It is not unusual to be encountered with some emergent happenings. For example, you may come down with a sudden illness, like sunstroke, or diarrhea. On such occasions, it would be disastrous if you do not have someone around to take care of you when you are far out in a remote place. What's more, what if you are unlucky to meet some ill-intentioned guys?

Secondly, as traveling is an activity from which you expect to get fun and during which you hope to learn more about the world, and it would impossible to do so if you travel alone. For example, when you come to a spectacular place and its natural beauty tremendously amazes you and you strongly feel liking sharing your feelings with someone, but there is no one around, then how would you feel? I am sure you could not fully appreciate the beautiful scenery. Moreover, it would surely add richness to your journey if you and your companion discuss about and comment on what you see and

what you hear on the way. The above discussion is far from an exhaustive one, but we can clearly see the advantages of traveling with a companion. So I would choose to travel with a companion without hesitation.

Essay 291 Topic 44 **Travel with a companion vs. travel alone**

I prefer to travel with a companion.

First, you can save plenty of time and money. In the travel, you have lots of things must do except see landscape such as booking hotel, buying tickets, looking for bus stations etc. If you have a companion can do these things with you, you will have more time to see landscape and to rest. It's the most important that you will have a good mood rather than be upset by those small beer. Money is a very big problem. If you like to travel alone, you must afford all. But if you have a companion, you can save money in transport, hotel, even tickets. That may let you travel more days than you plan.

Time and money is important to you, but when you have trouble what you want is sincerely help. I like climbing mountain. I have been to the Jiuzhaigou in the Sichuan province. It is very beautiful place, but it locates high altitude. We meet big trouble of breath when we climbed mountain. in the way, my friend and I had a turn on carrying bags and helping each other when we felt tired. when we reached the mountain peak, we embraced. We all knew the one thing that if you have no help from your friend, you cannot reach the peak.

In most of time, you may get funs from your friend. When you want to get a photo, your friend can take a picture for you. When you feel scared, your friend can encourage you. When you are lonely, your friend can joke you. When you get a beautiful place, you can share your happiness, inspiration with your friend.

A companion can bring some help, save time and money; also you can feel human's spirit in the same time. Your eyes not only see nice landscape of nature, but the beautiful landscape of human beings.

Essay 292 Topic 44 **Response to Topic 44**

Some people like to travel alone for they feel that they can go everywhere at their own will and concentrate on their own affairs in traveling. However, like most people, I prefer to travel with others because there are many advantages by doing so. When traveling to other places, the most important thing for us to consider is safety. In China, many famous scenery spots with Buddhist temples or shrines are situated in deep mountains or remote areas. Travelers sometimes have to go on a tiring and even dangerous road before they can arrive at these places: crossing rivers with rapid currents, climbing high mountains, walking along a narrow path on deep cliffs etc. If a person travels with others, he may receive aids or lend a hand to his companion in time of needs. Several years ago, I traveled with some other people to Wuyi Mountain, a famous scenery spot in Fujian

Province. When climbing a high cliff, one of the people slipped, but a man grasped him by hand almost instantaneously at his side. If he had traveled there alone, he would have fallen down the high cliff and injured himself. Another reason why I prefer to travel with others is that we can ease the feeling of loneliness and nostalgia by talking with each other. When traveling to far away and unfamiliar places, we may easily fall into a low spirit and have strong nostalgic feeling. There are numerous ancient Chinese literary works, poems or essays etc., which describe such feeling on road. A man sat in an empty hut, facing a small lamp, seeing the dumping rain outside the window, etc., all constitute a typical picture of a lonely traveler. But if at this time, the traveler had a companion to chat with him, his sad feeling would be much lessened. In a higher sense, life is like a traveling, most of us need someone to accompany us to go through the road. I think those who have to live alone are unfortunate ones in human society.

Essay 293 Topic 44 **Traveling alone**

Although it might be more comfortable to travel with a companion, I certainly prefer to travel alone. If you go by yourself, you have the chance to learn a new language, to get to know cultures and customs and to meet new friends. If you travel alone, you have to learn the language of the country. Otherwise, your trip would be very difficult. Speaking the national language makes many things, like shopping and interacting with native people, much more easier. If you travel with a companion, you are possibly not anxious to learn the national language because your friend might already be able to speak this language. Speaking the national language enables you to get to know new cultures and customs, too. You might see strange customs, but on the other hand, you will understand them because you get familiar with the background of the people. If you travel with a friend, you might be not as open for new things as you are when you travel alone. Last but not least, you have the opportunity to get to know new friends when you travel alone. Interacting with other people is always the first step to find new friends and you might find someone, who accompanies you for a part of your trip. If you travel with a companion, there is no need to find new friends because you already have one. Altogether, I am sure that I prefer to travel alone. I would have more opportunities to get to know the language, the customs and the people of the country. As a result, I have the chance to experience a lot of new things.

Essay 294 Topic 45 **Getting up early vs. staying up late**

Everyone has the same 24 hours in a day. Nothing is more precious than time. Of course, if we did not need to sleep, it would be better because we can have more time to do something but it is almost impossible. Sleeping is integral part for us. Therefore, we need to make and find time effectively so that we can have more time. As a result, getting up later makes me have several advantages.

The first reason why I prefer to get up later is that I prefer to go to bed late. Since I am a university student, I need to study. I usually choose night time to study because I can concentrate my attention on working at night more than in the morning or evening. Night

is good time for me to study because of the atmosphere. It is so quiet that I study hard without being annoyed surround noise.

The second reason I prefer to get up later is that there is more things to do in the afternoon and night. Even if I wake up early, what can I do? I may take a walk, read a newspaper, watch TV while I am drinking coffee. I can do all of them in the afternoon and night, too. I can read a newspaper at night. I can drink coffee at night. However, can you drink in the morning? Can you play with your friends excitedly in the morning? People usually more excited at night. You can do anything at night you can do in the morning but the reverse is difficult.

Finally, I must go to school on weekday. Therefore, I must wake up early even though I am sleepy. Even though I go to bed earlier, I will wake up the same time when I go to bed later. As a result, I can have more time.

Going to bed later and getting up early or at least at noon is most effective way we can use time well and enjoy ourselves.

Essay 295 Topic 46 **Important qualities of a good son or daughter**

Every child is different. However this difference comes from the family, environment in the house and the way one was raised. A son or daughter is considered good if she is respectful, successful at school, and tries to do everything possible to not let the family down.

Respect, in my opinion, is the most important criteria for a child. If children respect their parents they are never going to argue with them; parents' advice and opinion will be valuable. For example, in my family my sister and I will never disrespect our parents. Moreover, a respectful child will always take care of his mom and dad.

Both academic and athletic achievements at school are important for a child. Every parent would love to see their offspring's success, and it is delightful for them to hear from teachers how smart and grateful their child is. My dad always asks me about my school. If I brought him good news he would be very happy and that night we might go out somewhere, but if my marks were not so great, which is rare, my father would not even talk to me.

Finally, if a son or daughter is good she will not disappoint her parents. In my opinion, the worst thing that parents might know about their kid is that he does drugs; and if it happens parents become terrified and worried for teenager's health and future. You can also make your parents worry by not coming home on time, having a friend with criminal record, and by not communicating with the family.

Shortly, a child should love and respect his parents, try his best at school, and never make his family worry. This is the only way you can make your parents be proud of you.

Essay 296 Topic 46 **important qualities of a son**

In Chinese culture, a person who is filial and obedient to his parents is regarded as a good son. Confucianism, an ideology that had great effect on the Chinese society, stresses the importance of harmonious interpersonal relations between family members, particularly that between parents and children. Judgment on a man is often based on his attitude toward his parents. Confucian classics contain many principles regarding the "right" conducts people should have to handle the relation with their parents. For instance, people in the past were required to pay respects to their parents everyday in the morning. Children should follow whatever orders or instructions their parents issued. A person who was most respectful to his parents was highly praised and often set up as a model in the society. The ancient Chinese thought that there was a connection between the relations within the family and political institutions of the country. They extended the formula of administering a family to social and political affairs. In other words, the Chinese people ran the country on the principles based on family life. The emperor was respected by his subjects as a father was by his children. An official faithful to his lord was often compared to a son filial to his father. However, China has undergone great changes over the past century. Influenced of western thoughts, the Chinese people have revised and transformed many traditional ideologies and their way of thinking. Parents have no longer had absolute authority over their children. Now young people may stand on an equal relation with their parents and they stress more personal freedom and independence. But the traditional ideology remains to be very influential, a good son who is respectful to and takes cares of his parents is considered by others as one of high moral character.

Essay 297 Topic 47 **Working for a large company vs. working for a small company**

No doubt, I choose to work for a small company because there are too many benefits that outnumber its disadvantages not to choose. But working for a large company has advantages no more than its disadvantages.

The most important benefit of working for a small company is that I will have many chances to develop. In general, a small company is a developing enterprise and it is not easy to absorb many excellent employees. If I enter this small company, I think that the boss will appreciate me and give me many opportunities to reveal my abilities. Only I let the job do well, I am sure that I will rise very rapidly.

On contrary to this, a large company is already a high developed institution. There are many prominent talents working for it. A good position will absorb hundreds of opponents. It will take me a lot of time and vigor to get this position. Maybe I have no chance to win this competition at all.

Another benefit of working for a small company, which working for a large company almost cannot achieve, is that I can learn more skills in a small company than in a large company. As shown above, a small company is a developing enterprise. This means that it have no a great deal of money to employ many persons. So, I can do all kinds of jobs at the same time. I think that this will be useful to compete in the society. But in a large company, maybe I only engage a monotonous job over a long period of time. I believe that this will be helpless to improve my capacity.

Of course, choosing to work for a large company also has advantages to some extent. For example, it will afford handsome salary and will be not easy to fail in business competition. But from my own development, I still want to work in a small company. In addition, I believe that every large company originates from a small company. Maybe I will become an important person when the small companies in which I work become a large company.

Essay 298 Topic 47 **Working for a large company vs. working for a small company**

I have had one-year experience of working for big company and two-year experience of working for some small companies. So now I evaluate that working for big companies should be always better than working for small ones. In a big company, you can have a stable job with high salary, get a lot of experience with new technology and widen your relationship with more helpful friends, which may not be found in a small company.

In a big company, you never have to think about losing your job; you never have to worry about delaying in getting your salary. In my case, when I worked for some small companies, they had very few projects so that the income of the company depended on those small projects; as a result, sometimes I got the salary late. In contrast to that, a big company always has many projects, so the company's income is more stable. Even some projects may fail, but you never have to worry about losing your job and delaying in getting your salary

What you get more in a big company that you cannot get in a small company are new ways of working and new ideas. There are so many kinds of jobs in a big company, so you can feel free to select the best one that suits you. In addition, working with many people means you can learn a lot of new ideas so it may help you to have your work done in the fastest way. Another advantage is that, in a big company you do not have to face to heavy job pressure, so you may have more time for your studying and your family, which will give you better future.

The last but not the least, getting more relationships which cannot be found easily in a small company but might be found easily in a big company. In big companies, you work with many kinds of people with many kinds of characteristics, so you will have more relations not only in that company but also with other friend companies. And when you have more relations, it will help you succeed more easily.

Based on all discussion I have made above, with all of my experience, I strongly believe that working for a big company will give you more advantages than working for a small company. Those are stability, high salary, a lot of experience and new relations which will help you go through your life easily.

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Essay 301 Topic 47 **where to go**

Each year, millions of students graduate from schools and join the army of people seeking for jobs. Many of them aim at getting a position in a large and outstanding company which often means higher income on average and good fame. Walking in and out the high buildings in downtown areas and wearing professional clothes and dressings, those lucky people working in big companies are admired by others. They are often referred as "white collars" or even "golden collars" who rank high in the society. A large company offer many advantages that are helpful to a person's career development. I am now working in a company which is one of the largest ones in China and ranks among Fortune top 500. Our office building is located at the most prosperous downtown area in the city. Staff members of our company have higher income than those of many other companies. In recently years, our company is aiming at proceeding into the world market and has established business connections around the world, which provides us with opportunities to work abroad. In short, working in a large company may enable us to gain valuable experience and have broader views in a competitive environment. But not everyone is suited to work in large companies. For those who like to work independently and enjoy more personal freedom, a small company may be a good choice. People in a large company may feel stable and be less likely to be dismissed, but they are also subjected to many restrictions imposed by the regulations of the company. A small company may require their employees to do more comprehensive works and give them

more free choices. In business, stagnation equals retrogression. Wherever we work, large or small company, it is essential to work hard to make progress. In a fast changing society, if we always stay where we are, we will face the risk of being surpassed by others.

Essay 302 Topic 48 **Why people work?**

Earning money they need to live is one of the most important reasons for people who work, but some other reasons do exist, at least it seems to me. People also work because they enjoy doing what they like, they like to work for a goal in a group, and they love the sense of success.

Almost everyone has some actions that are what he or she most likely to do. When they put most of their time on the things they love, they will feel they are the happiest guys on the earth. For example, some of the young today look forward to working as computer engineers, just because they love the moment to spend in front of the screen, the moment to put their tips on the keyboard, and the moment to solve a problem of it. To them the click of the mouse is a melody composed by themselves.

Some people insist on going to office everyday, although the Internet has made it possible for them to work at home. To them, they cannot be adapted to work at home without colleagues around them. To them, the feeling of a group is important. If they are separated from the working group, they will feel some lonely and sometimes may think that they were deserved by this world. So they will never give up the opportunity to work with others.

The last reason but never the least is that most of people like the feeling of success in the competition of modern society. For example, billionaires who have enough money to live a luxury life always see money in the check as a code of success. They work day after night, and only want to increase the number of the code, even though they know that the money they have is much more than they can use in their life, but they persist in working as if they are playing a race game.

From the reasons and examples above we can see that we work for money, but we do not work for money only. I believe that people who enjoy the work is happier than those who tolerate it only for the money.

Essay 303 Topic 48 **Why people work?**

It is commonly known that people work to earn money for their different living purposes and other needs. But truly, money is the only one part of people's desires and willingness to work. In the following paragraphs I will discuss some values of why people work, supporting my opinion with a few examples.

Since ancient times till nowadays human societies have developed moral aspects to

establish a civilized and systematic scheme of people's behavior. One of those aspects is a tendency to work in order to be successful throughout their lives. Since childhood, people are taught in a particular way to be accustomed to study, practice and work. They do their homework, pass tests and exams to acquire perfect results achieving important values of future working.

After graduation, people usually think about taking a new step in finding appropriate careers according to their life goals and gained knowledge. They aspire to acquire interesting careers in different fields of people's activities such as business, politics, medicine and so on. In this case, I think, people work to satisfy their aspiration and goals, showing different successful results in their fields of working in order to be respectful and admired by community members as a perfect example of being successful. Generally, I would like to say that, people work not only to earn money to live but also to achieve certain levels in their communities.

Essay 304 Topic 48 **Why people work?**

In modern society, work has already been a necessary means by which all the people live in the world, in spite of a few exceptions. First of all, people must work in order to get the money to meet their living. Besides, there are some more reasons that are also important for people's working, of which making continuous progress is what I mostly want to emphasize.

As we all know, the human being is an animal greatly more advanced than, and greatly different in many aspects from, other common animals in the world such as cats, horses, oranges and so on. So feeding is not the only aim that people live for, as is said in a Chinese saying, &"human beings are not living for only living. &" People also need to make continuous progress personally in the modern and continually changing world. And all kinds of work give people one of the most effective ways to make progress, which can be illustrated by some reasons below.

First of all, people can learn varieties of basic knowledge and abilities that they need to deal with all kinds of problems they may meet in study, life, or work in current society. All the abilities, except for those physiological functions, people need to live in the world are not innately, of which family and school could supply only a small part, and most of them must be given by work. For example, proper relationship in work is the basic warranty of your working successfully. While in work, you would learn how to deal with the relationship between you and your leaders of your company, if you are an ordinary employee, or the relationship between you and your followings if you are a director mastering the company. Further more, this rule can surely also be used when you affiliate with other people you meet in society.

Besides, on the way of making continuous progress, people usually cannot control themselves correctly by themselves in two basic aspects: the direction and motivation of progress. However, in the course of work, people will not lost their basic direction

according to the daily task given to them. As the same time, once you have a fresh task that can interest you, you also will process the motivation to finish it, which keep you making progress in your life.

In a word, there are various kinds reasons that people need to work, some of which usually combine to each other. So far as to me, however, making continuous progress is one the most important reasons because it is people's one of the most expected aims in their life, and work gives people a very effective approach to reach the aim.

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Essay 307 Topic 48 **People work for money and more**

Most people work because they need money to live. This is not true for some people who prefer to do it as a hobby, passion or research. Some others work because they need something to do besides sleeping, eating and watching television all day long. The twentieth century has brought up hundreds of new inventions and discoveries. Some of these scientists really enjoyed working; not because they needed money but because they liked to do research, gain more knowledge, and, sometimes, make some discoveries. I knew at the university a teacher of mine who used to work there because the university allowed him to use its labs for his experiments. He did not need money but a passion to follow. There are plenty of people who also work as a hobby; for instance, sportsmen and athletes. It is not about money but about a hobby they really enjoy doing it. Not to mention that it brings some other rewards such as fame, recognition, and prizes. At high school, John, my classmate, liked to run every day; It was his favorite hobby. Nowadays, he has won a lot of marathons (besides money) and championships by running as the fastest competitor. He still enjoys running as much as he did on high school. No wonder why he is so successful running marathons. Besides, I have found people that are used to work not for a need but they want to do something. They usually have a lot of money and do not have a clear goal in life. Working is a way of wasting their time; otherwise they will feel bored. In my neighborhood, there is a very rich family whose only child, a 25-year old gentleman, got a job nearby downtown because he did not know what to do with so much time available during the day. He really enjoys working because it is such a pleasure for him to serve other people. It is not because he needs money but because he just want to do something. Money is not the only reason for working. There are some other reasons such as hobbies, research, or passion. Also, a few people work because they just need something to do in a lifetime. Whatever the reason is, money is one of the rewards work brings.

Essay 308 Topic 49 **Face-to-face communication vs. emails or phone calls**

There are many different ways of communications, such as letters, emails, or telephone calls. However face-to-face communication still is the most efficient way to communicate among people.

First of all, face-to-face communication is indispensable in situations such as a relationship. Lovers need body contact such as a hug and a kiss, which cannot be done in letters or emails. Although lovers can use letters or emails to communicate, being apart for a long time is definitely not beneficial to a relationship.

Second, face-to-face communication is the most helpful way to express people's behavior. People need eye contact and body language to express their feelings.

Sometimes they are so happy or angry that they are out of words. At these times, there is nothing more efficient to express their cheer or sadness than a big hug or dancing. If a person visits a foreign country, his language is not fluent; gesticulations might help him or her understand more quickly. He can order simply by pointing our fingers to the menu when he is in a restaurant.

Finally, by face-to-face communication people can get direct response from others. When they talk with their friends, they can immediately gain feedback from their verbal response, body language and facial expressions. Based on these responses, people know what the next step is to take, such as how to carry on the conversation. Sometimes, speaking words and body languages may not mean the same thing. Although people can hear words through a telephone conversation from friends, people do not always know what friends really mean. This is also true in criminal inspections. Police inspectors would judge whether the suspect is telling the truth through his or her body languages; therefore, that helps quickly solving a criminal case. Thus, face-to-face communication is more perceptible and helps us understand a speaker's true feeling better than other ways of communication.

In brief, communication is very important for us, especially face-to-face communication. Face-to-face communication is good for people to understand each other better. Also, it is more visible, more direct and more effective than any other ways.

Essay 309 Topic 49 **Face-to-face communication vs. emails or phone calls**

Since that communication can be misleading, reducing the misleading of the communication may be important. I agree that face-to-face communication is better than other types of communication.

Language is a kind of good ways for communication, especially face-to-face communication. Through someone's body language, facial expression or even the tone they speak, we can know more clearly what they think or what they mean. However, there are more convenient types of communication, such as email or telephone calls. Face-to-face might be more important just because we need more contact with people that we can make sure of their feeling and expressing.

Many people may ignore that face-to-face expression may be a direct communication. We can react what we hear or what we see to people and discuss about what we think. More discussion might reduce the misleading of language because people can discuss the different ideas and find a balance of their results. Take myself as an example, I have some living habit problem with my roommates at first time we live together. We find many ways to get along with each other, but finally we find the best way is just talk to each other when we feel not good. Through this way, we can deal with our problems and try to get a balance, making sure everyone feels good in a very short time.

Make sure our expression of the words might not hurt someone. Face-to-face is the best

way to communicate. It is also a respectful ways to communicate with people in case we can show our kind in our expression.

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There are many different ways of communications, such as letters, emails, or telephone calls. However face-to-face communication still remains the most efficient way of communication between people.

Firstly, in face-to-face communication people can get direct response from the other party. When we talk with our friends, we can get feedback immediately from their verbal response, body language and facial expressions. Based on these responses, we can know what's the next step to take, such as how to carry on the conversation, and change the direction or finish the conversation if necessary. Sometimes, speaking words and body languages may not mean the same thing. Although we can hear words from a telephone conversation from our friends but we do not always know if they really mean it. This is also true in criminal inspections. Police inspectors can judge whether the suspect is telling the truth through his or her body languages, therefore get new clues and solve a criminal case more quickly. Thus, face-to-face communication is more perceptible and can help us understand a speaker's true feeling better than other ways of communication.

Secondly, face-to-face communication is the most helpful way to express ourselves. In communication it is just not enough for us to say the words; we need eye contact, body language to express our feelings. Sometimes we are so happy or angry that we are out of words. At these times, there is nothing more efficient to express our happiness or anger than a big hug or turn our face to another side. When we are a tourist in a foreign country, language is not always enough, and gesticulations might help us get understood more quickly. We can order in a restaurant by simply pointing our fingers to the menu when we do not know how to pronounce an item exactly.

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In brief, face-to-face communication is a very important way for us. It is good for better understanding. It is more visible, direct and more effective than any other ways.

Essay 311 Topic 49 **Response to Topic 49**

In our developed society there are many means for getting in touch among people, such as e-mail, letters, and telephone calls. In my opinion however, the best way for talking with people is the traditional and the oldest method- face-to-face communication. I consider it the best way for communicating for several reasons. First of all, there are many things, such as gestures, emotions, body language that can't be interpreted by e-

mail, for example. By face-to-face communication you have the chance to understand what the other person is thinking at the moment. Gestures, signals and other kinds of body language are accounting for more than ninety percent of the whole conversation. These signs mean a lot, but they can't be interpreted through other kinds of conversation. Moreover, as you speak with your partner face to face you can always understand if he is lying to you or if he is honest. By using other methods of conversation, you can't be sure of the person's sincerity and emotions. Another reason why I think the best method of communication is face-to-face communication is that you can talk to the other person immediately after him, with no delays. This is very helpful because if you don't understand anything you can just ask and you aren't likely to misunderstand something. For example, a few months ago, I talked with my boyfriend through the Internet and we were kidding. I told him that I wanted to break up our relationship and he didn't understand that I was joking. He was very surprised because he didn't get it in the right way. It took me few days to explain him that I didn't mean it. If we had talked face to face, he would have understood that I was joking and there wouldn't be this lack of understanding. In other words, I consider face-to-face communication the right and most secure way of communicating because there is no misunderstanding and you can feel the real emotions in the conversation that you can't feel in the other ways of communicating.

Essay 312 Topic 49 **face to face talk**

I agree that face-to-face communication is better than other types of communication, such as letters, email, or telephone. Nowadays people go from one place to another for various purposes: business men go to the market places to visit their customers or promote their goods; diplomats attend conferences to settle international disputes or crises; even military people from different countries hold regular talks to avoid misunderstanding or exchange ideas. On all such occasions, face-to-face talk is indispensable for them to attain their goals. Face-to-face talk provides an opportunity for people to have interactive communication. Today, companies that need to recruit new staff members generally require an interview with the applicants. Bosses may test the applicants' ability and try find whether they are suited to the jobs by asking them questions or even giving some quizzes. On the other hand, the job-seekers may ask the interviewers something they want to know about the company or the position they apply for. Another advantage of face-to-face talk is that one may communicate the other people he talks to by means of something other than languages. For instance, sometimes language constitutes an obstacle for communication between people of different countries. However, they can communicate with each other by using gestures, facial expressions, or other body languages. On other occasions, one may persuade other people by affecting their moods or feelings, which only possible when they face with each other. Of course, in many times, people use other types of communication, such as letters, telephone calls or email. For those who live far away, face-to-face talk may be too costly as they have to spent money and time for the traveling. Sometimes people have no need for direct talks as the matters may be too trivial and a letter or a telephone call is enough. But face-to-face communication has remained the most important means and has many advantages over others.

Essay 313 Topic 51 **Taking risks vs. planning**

It is truly hard for me to give a certain answer what does success exactly come from. I believe that it is a wrong way to depend only on chance or risk. On the other hand, I am not so sure that careful planning is the only factor for success.

When we talk about success we should be aware that it has different measurements. I can be a successful person in my job field, for example. It may mean both I have planned carefully my way to success and I have taken my chances right on time. If we quit our job looking for a better paid or more progressive work position, the real situation at work can destroy at once our expectations if we do not have enough information about the job, we apply for. That is why, any important decision that refers to our success at work should be made after careful planning along with taking rational risk.

Another aspect of success, I believe, is making and keeping a happy, well-bound family. In this case some people would say that it is crucial for everyone to know his partner very well before a serious engagement. While others feel that meeting the right partner is a stroke of luck and only a week appears to be quite enough for them to find themselves at the altar. Referring to love and family success results sometimes neither from taking risks nor from careful planning.

I hardly know a person who does not want to succeed in life. In my opinion, both viewpoints in the topic are extreme answers to the question: 'which way we should chose to success'. Life shows that everything in Nature should be balanced so if we find the same way sooner or later we will see that real success comes from taking risks and chances after careful planning.

Essay 314 Topic 51 **Taking risks vs. planning**

To reach success is a general goal of most people, however what success comes from is a public debate nowadays. Some people believe that success in life comes from taking risks, while others hold the idea of a careful plan. In my opinion, hard working, a careful plan and a good luck are the best way to head on success.

In the first place, a hard working people can get a good result. As all know, it is impossible to gain without suffering in pain. As a student, to receive a good mark is the most important thing. They work hard day in and day out just for a simple purpose. Furthermore, through hard working, students can learn a lot of knowledge not only about the subjects, but also about life and themselves. Finally, they will success in their study field.

In the second place, a careful plan plays an important role in success. Anyone without a good and careful plan for their study, work or life will not achieve a real success. Those people lack of managing skill for themselves. Sometimes it is very meaningful in many

cases, because a good plan can provide anyone a well organized mind, so that they will not in a hurry at most time. Moreover, they can well concentrate on their study or work too.

Last but not least, no one can succeed without a good luck. Obviously, it is one the most important thing in the process to reach success. When taking a road test, for instance, it is significant to have a nice examiner and an easy test line. This is result for those who have a bad luck, but eligible driving skill.

All in all, hard working is the basic step to success, as well as a careful plan. Also luck is significant for all cases. Those three factors make an easy way to achieve success.

Essay 315 Topic 51 **Taking risks vs. planning**

Everyone dreams success. When he or she is asked where that success come from, we got different opinions. Some people believe that success in life comes from taking risks or chances, while others believe that success results from careful planning. But in my opinion, both of them are not completely right. I believe that the success comes from careful planning, taking risks and working hard.

First of all, success needs us to plan carefully. Actually, only a very small school of people are success so far, and that will always be true. People know the opportunities of success are not anywhere. if they do not plan carefully in advance before they take some important actions, they will lose and suffer a lot. We can ask those successful people, such as politicians, CEO of big companies, and movie stars if they successes without plan carefully. I believe, nobody will say that.

Secondly, success needs us to take risk most times because success is not easy. We know the risk is lost. Nobody wants to lose. But only we do nothing, we never lose. If no taking risk could lead success, then everyone would be successful. It is not the case in the world. Whenever we do anything, make any decision, or take any action we have to take the risk. “No risk, no profit”. This is popular law.

Furthermore, success means working hard, this is still because success is difficult. “no pains, no gains”. Success always loves those people who work hard. The great politician, the former prime minister Mr. Churchill only slept 4 hours a day, all other time was used for his work.

In summary, although everyone like to become success, only those people who plan carefully in advance, take risks or chances, and work hard can enjoy the success.

Essay 316 Topic 51

When I think of success, there are several words such as perseverance, aspiration and obstacles come to my mind. Those words all related with the way which everyone faces while trying to succeed. Without these words, success cannot be explained. For me, Success is defined with the obstacles which I have overcome along the way to succeed, and perseverance and aspiration is the key to success. Following is my illustration. First, success is measured by many elements. When people try to succeed, there is a long process which they have to get through. For example, people who want to get a better job will prepare for a job interview and essay writing. However, some people can do better than others even if they are educated in the same school. This disparity is result from one's personality, uniqueness and effort. Also, confidence and luck will contribute to the success. However, all these elements can be obtained by the one's perseverance and aspiration. Even the luck can be led by the person's efforts. Therefore, success can be accomplished with these inevitable evidences. Secondly, the obstacles which one get through while trying to succeed imply one's ability to cope with the problem. If one can get over the higher obstacles, one can get closer to his or her success. However, it is difficult to define what is real success. Success is scaled by the individuals own purpose. Some people think of their success as a marriage, while others refer it as reputation or position in their work. In my opinion, success is the ability to deal with things. In other word, this is a progress. If I make a progress, I can handle what I could not do yesterday. So the Success is the future progress which is derived from my ability. All in all, Success, for me, is the progress which will happen in the future and it can be attained by getting over obstacles which face in the purpose of one's success. I believe that if people have a perseverance and aspiration, they can succeed in the end.

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Essay 318 Topic 52 What change would make your hometown more appealing to people your age?

If I would be given a chance to work for my town, I would definitely like to change and improve drainage and water supply systems existing in the town. As these two are the basic amenities which should be given prime concern. I have given top priority to these problems so as to bring happiness and comfort to the dwellers of my town. I think, this is however a big task but always possible to deal with.

However it is known that no one can live on this earth without water. Thus water plays a vital role in man's life as water is needed for so many daily activities such as for washing clothes, for drinking purpose, for bathing etc. And if your town lacks this basic facility, it becomes a headache for everyone. Therefore I think that this problem should be seriously dealt with. The problem of water is caused in my town because the government has not changed pipelines supplying water for last many years which might have met with corrosion as the time progresses and due to this corrosion inside and outside the pipelines, flow of water is either blocked or obstructed resulting in a less or no flow of water at consumer premises. There are serious leakage problems also in some areas of the town on account of which precious water gets wasted. What I want to say is that infrastructure exists in the town but what is to be done is to pay attention towards the problem along with the periodical maintenance and periodical cleanliness of these systems. Until now no one was serious about this problem but now I have decided to do needful in this matter by holding meeting with the concerned authorities making them aware of the problem. I had given written complaints and if government would not be serious to deal with the problem, I have make up my mind to file the petition on behalf of each and every dwellers of the town in the court. And why shouldn't we go in to the court? We pay taxes to the government for what? Obviously for our easiness and comfort. It is our fundamental right to ask for these basic amenities.

In India many years ago, when the kings were ruling, they had taken a wise step of building ponds, lakes inside the town or city. One can also see rainy tanks inside some old houses and these tanks are built underground to store rainy water collected in rainy season. All these things were constructed keeping in the mind to collect water in a big amount during rainy season rather than to get it wasted. But today's modern politicians

have done a ridiculous job by sealing these lakes, ponds etc to acquire big money from builders and thus made a situation out of control and terrible. In spite of being the fact that 1/3 of the land on this earth is full of water, people have to suffer. These sufferings are panic which has arise from bad management of water supplying and different government policies.

Due to such a large problem, our town has to suffer a lot. People avoid working in our town as the industrial growth is also hindered. Also we are not getting enough electricity as people try to pump the water through pumps. Intellectuals like doctors, engineers also not ready to face this problem and are leaving the town causing more trouble to the dwellers.

Now I am fed up of this problem and have firmly decided to fought legally against the government so as to get the earliest resolution of this problem and I hope, I will be succeeded in my hard endeavors as I am fighting for humanity and I hope my serious efforts might open the eyes of concerned authorities to pay attention towards the above mentioned difficulty.

Essay 319 Topic 53 **Is money the most important aspect of a job?**

Nowadays many people have shared a belief that the most important aspect of a job is the money they earn. As far as I am concerned, I disagree with this statement and the reasons are given below.

Firstly, money cannot represent everything but only meets our needs of living; while a job can provide us with more important aspects such as the spiritual impetus, which can make people rich in spiritual life. One concrete example can throw some light to this point. Many people who have retired from their post will feel so idle that some of them cannot bear the life without work. Even there are some people who volunteer to work without pay.

The second reason I disagree with the statement lies in the fact that a job can make a person more progressive and cultivate many virtues such as carefulness, which also outweigh the importance of money he earns. A person taking a job will often face the difficulties and drawbacks in the task, which stimulates the person to work harder and more careful as well as to learn more knowledge from professional references.

The last but not the least, a person can get to know a lot of colleagues when working and benefit from the group. Since people working in a group can help and care for each other, which not only does good to the working spirits but also facilitates the accomplishment of jobs. This is called teamwork? which has become more valued when compared with money.

Admittedly, money is necessary for our daily life. Without money we cannot survive. However, money is anything but the most important aspect of a job.

Again, I would state my objection to the issue after analyzing the three reasons. The money a person earns is not the most important aspect of a job.

Essay 320 Topic 53 **Is money the most important aspect of a job?**

In modern societies, people pursue various careers that could provide tremendous salaries and successfully interesting life. It is commonly known that social statuses of individuals could be estimated and recognized according to their job occupation and average salaries earned annually. I firmly agree with the statement above since the estimation of money that people earn could be one of the most important aspects of people's jobs.

In the modern and competitive world, where money is the top priority of the people lives, it is very important to have a highly paid job in order to be a successful person. Today, modern communities are divided and interpreted into social statuses such as low, middle and upper ones. Particularly, the most important factor of the status estimation could be the money people earn and their job positions. Throughout the people's lives, most individuals are trying to accomplish and acquire the most rewarding and highly paid salaries that could be found in the upper class's job positions.

However, the quite interesting fact is that people could have different kinds of job positions, in which, the money they earn could be put aside since their jobs could be expressed as a priority of self-satisfaction. In this case, people usually could have two or more jobs, focusing on some of them as money earning ones, since the money is required for their needs of the every day life.

Finally, I would like to say that, most people try to accomplish all the necessary knowledge and skills gained from educational institutions in order to acquire job positions that are highly paid. This aspect of a job could initiate the willingness of younger generations to study and work hard in order to be successful of getting the most prestigious and outstanding job positions with the high salaries.

Essay 321 Topic 53 **Is money the most important aspect of a job?**

Nowadays many people think that their most important aspect of a job is the money they earn. But I think differently. In this essay I am going to argue money is not the most important aspect of a job.

The experience we can learn in the company is very important when we choose a job. While working, we may learn some skills that we have never been learned before. When I worked in a restaurant during the summer holiday, I learned the way to set seats, how to take the bill and how to help the customer to order food. This is all I could not learn from book or use money to buy. Although the salary was low I worked very happily. The skill

we learn in the job will be useful in life e but money will spend all. It cannot be kept but the skill can.

Working environment is important. It can affect people's working. If we work in a large company, we do not enjoy our work because of the poor environment. It will affect our work and make our performance not good. So to choose a good place to work is important. If we do not like the job or the environment, I think we are better look for another job and do not waste time!

Having mutual understanding among colleagues is important. If we do not communicate well with the people in company, it will cause misunderstanding. Although our salary is high, we will not have any friends in the company. It will make our work become boring and no mood to continue to work. So mutual understating is important. Social skills cannot learn from the book too. Gaining mutual understanding is important among counterparts in our workplace. All in all, money is not the only aspect to choose a job. The environment, what can be learned and the mutual understanding are very important too. If we are going to choose a job, we should think more clearly about all the factors. Do not only choose the job that the salary is high. Maybe the job is not suitable for us and we will work badly.

Essay 322 Topic 53 **Is money the most important aspect of a job?**

Job is a major issue, specially, in this era and one of the major factors that govern this issue is Income. Whoever is seeking a job, without the disparity of age, sex, religion and location, the prime consideration stays how much will I get?. ?But my opinion is that this is not the most important aspect; in fact a person counts on a number of factors. In this essay I will discuss various aspects of a job and will argue against the idea that Income is the most important one.

It is the nature of man to seek luxury. And when certain desires are fulfilled, demands increase. This is a natural tendency. And this enlightens the importance of money. As the source of income is usually a job, it may seem to follow the rising demands of finances; and usually it does. This has become a common trend, a so-called un-official rule of progress, to kick away every hurdle in the way towards becoming rich. People do not take into account their close ones in this rush. But there is a back door of every room. When someone steps-in through that, concepts abruptly change. I mean to say, there is something called self-respect. No one will like to get a few bucks more by losing his honor and nibbling his head down or when reputation of a person is at stake, consideration of money evaporates. Same is the case, when there is a risk of life in a certain job.

The discussion can be concluded by saying that, people have different priorities, in different circumstances, but there are certain aspects that keep the highest hierarchy with them, under all circumstances. And to change the sequence is not a common practice, it takes more than just a man.

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Essay 325 Topic 54 **Should one judge a person by external appearances?**

Some people judge a person only by his or her external appearances. I disagree with their attitude. I think that one should never judge a person by external appearances.

Judging a person by his or her external appearances may mislead your understanding him or her. A person who has a pretty face and wears beautiful clothes may not have same kind of heart inside. On the other hand, the internal characters of a person cannot be judged by his or her external appearances.

If you judge a person only by his or her external appearances, you may lose chances to make good friends. Everyone has his own habits to choose clothes, hair style and the way to live. Maybe both of you have interests and hobbies in common. You cannot know this point because your wrong judgment from his different ways to deal with something prevents you from knowing his interest and keeps you too far from him to make good friends.

Judging a person by external appearances is unfair and one-sided. To evaluate a person fairly, you have to know his family, his situation and him entirely and clearly. A person who is from poor family may be intelligent and diligent. The one who can afford expensive clothes may be indifferent with others.

So I think that judging a person by his or her external appearances always leads us to draw a wrong conclusion about a person. It is limiting and unfair. Everyone longs for the understanding from others. So we should give others chances to show all of their characters and at the same time we should evaluate them fairly and objectively.

Essay 326 Topic 54 **Should one judge a person by external appearances?**

I do strongly agree that one should never judge a person by external appearance. I have following reasons and examples to support my opinion.

First, usually beauty attracts most people. One of the characteristics of human beings is that they are followers of beauty. Therefore, most of the time beautiful persons are at the center of public attention. However, in many cases the beautiful individuals are not very sociable and nice people to communicate. Sometimes they think that they are very unique and have supremacy against the others then they cannot behave well with others and people in spite of their beauty prefer not to communicate with them.

My second point is that in contrary, most ugly individuals are very nice and kind persons. For example, I had a classmate in my university that he was an ugly person. At first sessions of university classes when I was a freshman, I could not talk to him even a word. However, after one term, I could communicate with him more and then he became one of my best friends. He was very kind, very scholar and he could help me with many of my difficulties in the lessons. In the lab classes, the existence of him was very helpful for other students and he taught every thing that he knew to the others.

Third, in retrospect to humankind history, many of the cruel and tyrannical leaders or governors do not have special appearance characteristics such as ugly faces. Therefore, their appearances do not reveal their actual brutal feature. Nowadays, many murderers and criminals do not have special characteristics in their semblances to be recognized by the people or their victims. Mostly, they conceal their real face behind some attractive and beautiful masques. Their fake appearance can entice the unwary individuals. Then the governors should inform people about those criminals that have fake semblances and people should try their best not to judge the others from their appearance.

In general, I do believe that all people have some good and bad characteristics. However, the mental characteristics of different individuals are so vary that we can sense or fathom out them. Therefore, we must communicate with people with wise and caution. The people are not trustworthy just because of their attractive, beautiful or bountiful appearances.

Essay 327 Topic 55 **Should one make an important decision alone?**

People chose their friends for many different reasons. Some seek someone who is intelligent. Others want their friends to be reliable. While many of us prefer their friends to have sense of humor. However, the characteristic, I seek most in a friend, is reliability.

The reason why I consider reliability so important is that along with my family friends are the closest people I have around me. Therefore, I want to be able to rely on them as I always rely on my family.

When do we need our friends most? I would answer: when we are in trouble, or experience some difficulties, or we are truly unhappy. That is why, I always expect help, or advice, or some understanding from a real friend. But I can call 'real friends' only people that have proved I can rely on them; moreover, I can trust them without reserve.

In addition, I think that reliability is the most important in friendships because to be reliable means also to be tactful, to be able to keep secrets and to be ready to give hand in tough moments. What is more, real friends should depend on each other in any situation. Furthermore, if my friend is reliable I expect that he or she would never mislead me.

Of course, I appreciate friends who are intelligent or have sense of humor. It is always better to keep around me people I can talk to about everything or I can have fun and

laugh with.

I truly believe that the most important characteristic of a friend is reliability. But if someone possesses a lot of these qualities: intelligence, sense of humor and reliability this person will be the best friend the man can ever have.

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Making a important decision alone or not absolutely depends on what kind of issue you have to decide on. We could not draw a conclusion simply that everyone must consider other opinions or allegiances otherwise he should never make a important decision alone. Different problem is solved by different method.

For example, the future private life plan, I think I can decide it by myself, because I know entirely what is suitable for me and what is my genuine interest. In case that my parents, teachers, or friends will all persuade me to agree with their varieties of suggestions, I would probably confuse. However, in the unknown field of our social life, it is better to ask other experienced persons or experts for help before deciding, such as stock market, real estate. I still remember what had happened, when I was seventeen years old and had to decide my major and university just before University Entrance Examination. A great many ideas came from relatives, parents and teachers into my mind, consequently making a decision became difficult for me. Finally, I choose a famous university with a hot medical major even though I am really interested in Computer Science concerned major. I regretted it until now and it almost lead to my quit from the university. I believe that things could be better unless I can decide it alone.

To sum up, I advise that you had better decide something alone if you could convince that you know all about it better than others. You are the one to enjoy your own life, not anyone else.

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If you always have someone one around who is really helpful, you are lucky and can ask them about your important decisions. But sometimes you have to make important decisions by yourself for several reasons.

Sometimes you are alone. For example, when you start to study in a foreign country. Your parents and your friends are not there. Thus you have to make some important decisions by yourself, like if you need to have a part-time job, how to buy a car or if you need to get a loan and how. Those decisions are all important to you, but no one is available to help you that time. Your parents and friends in your own country really don't know what's going on, and your new classmates or teachers hardly know you. In that situation, you have to make all the important decisions by yourself.

Furthermore, in many situations, the people around you don't have the same interests as yours. Many parents are like to help their children to decide their futures. If the father is a doctor, he may want his kids to be doctors, too; if the mother was graduated from MIT, she may want his children to send their applications there. In that case, you have to consider carefully by yourself. Do you really interested in what your parents' interests? Maybe you'd rather be an engineer instead of a doctor. That time, you have to make the important decisions by yourself.

Although you may find your decisions are wrong at last. And since they are important, the loss will be big so you may want other people to have the responsibility of the possible big mistakes. But you can only learn when it's you who lead to the failure. Otherwise, you'll either fail or learn nothing.

Anyway, it's always good to have other people giving you suggestions. Many people there are more experienced in some aspects, and many people there are really care about you. Their advices are usually very useful. But if it seems only you can make the decision, just go on, or you may miss your own interests and regret in the future.

Essay 330 Topic 56 **Should a company give money to support the arts or protect the environment?**

Civilization has changed made things in this world. One of the major impacts of this civilization is the use of factories to make goods. These factories differ from each other in many ways. But all of them have things in common. These are: firstly, all have inputs, then all produce the goods, finally all have waste products. It is on these similarities that I bias my discussion.

If a newly opened factory has to survive, it should recruit officers to fill up open jobs. And this is most likely done among the community that the factory is built in. Many other kinds of business establishments would be created in association with the new flow of human resource. In addition this factory would compel other kinds of business making opportunities that would boost the economy of that particular community. Furthermore, the community would be benefited from the products of the factory. It would even be better for the community to buy goods from the factory since the price of goods gets more expensive when your moving further away form the source.

However, the waste products produced by this factory would be hazardous to the environment the community lives in, there by affecting the community itself. As most of environmental problems, the effect of the waste products of the factory would be gradual and would not be noticed until much damage has been made. Therefore, in the long term, the factory would deteriorate the environment and would ultimately make it unsuitable to live in.

I would most likely support the building of a factory if such kind of offer came upon my

community. Here I must once again mention the fact that I live in a poor country, which means that a factory would be compulsive. My community would most likely welcome a source of income and might be filled with apathy towards the future.

In conclusion a factory may have both advantages and disadvantages. If it were to be built in a community it would be beneficiary and damaging at the same time. Therefore it all depends on the status and perception of the community.

Essay 331 Topic 57 **Serious movies vs. entertaining movies**

This is a very flexible topic to argue upon. Both the sides have their own pros and cons. But I would like to argue on the fact that the movies are to amuse and entertain the audience rather than fomenting their emotions and causing them to think. In the following paragraph, I have supported my argument with some examples.

Think of a person who is working the entire day. While he returns home, he will be completely exhausted and will start feeling that he leads a very hectic life. At that situation, if he watches a movie which is full of lively pranks and jokes, he will be revitalized like a battery that is being recharged. This is what everyone wants, especially when they are dejected and doomed.

On the other hand, when a person watches a movie that is very serious and emotional, it will only raise his tiredness. He will be having a lot of thoughts in his mind, like, what to do next? what is my first job when I go to work tomorrow? what are my assignments tomorrow? what is my account balance? Among all these numerous things, when he watches a movie that contains serious dialects, he will start thinking about those things. This is not the thing that he has to put in mind to relax.

Moreover, a movie can be made to convey a thesis in an entertaining way rather than by serious ways. This will do more good for children also. We would have seen many kids who will be imitating their favorable characters. For example, the American kids are greatly moved by the cartoon character called the 'Barney', after seeing which they try to talk in the same accent and style. So children can be molded through their favorite character. The movies can be made to convey a good moral through their famous stars, which will inculcate a deep emotion in them in the right way.

On the contrary, when a serious movie is watched by the children, they are left confused and soporific, that they neglect it even when there is a good moral in it.

Hence, I conclude that, the movies which are filled with amusement and entertainment will be appreciated by most of the people of all categories. After all, movies are virtual world where impractical things can be put into practicality and ideology.

Essay 332 Topic 57 **Serious movies vs. entertaining movies**

Which kind of movies should be chosen, the serious movies or the amusing ones, is a prevalent topic undergoing wide debate. After pondering from several aspects, personally, I prefer the amusing movies. The decision I made is based on that they can give me relaxation, show me how to be humorous, and keep me in good spirits.

As we know, firstly the movies are designed primarily to amuse and entertain. After a hard working day, all I want to do is to get rid of the fatigue. A amusing movie make me laugh and relax while I am watching it. After the movie, I feel so good that I am ready to take the challenge of the next day.

Another reason for my propensity for amusing movies is that I can learn the humorous style they show. A humorous person is always welcome anywhere and anytime. When seeing amusing movies, I find many funny things in them. The ways in which actors speak, also the pose they show, are very humorous. I am affected so much that almost all my friends take it for granted that I can bring them a lot of fun, and no doubt, they like me.

Finally I want to mention that the amusing movies give me a good mood by helping me relax and get ride of fatigue. Then I can focus all my energy on my study. So, obviously, we can see how great benefit they give to me.

From what we discussed above, we can find the movies that designed to amuse and entertain are really helpful. And I like them very much.

Essay 333 Topic 57 **Serious movies vs. entertaining movies**

I have watched many movies. One type of these movies were serious, designed to make the audience think, while other type of these movies were designed primarily to amuse and entertain. If I have to choose which one I prefer, I will choose the first type of movies. That is because these movies are always more instructive than the second type of movies.

First of all, I enjoy appreciating the way how the director show me his ideas through the movie. Sometimes, the method the director used may be particular and special. Have you ever seen the movie named Chicago In this movie, what impressed me most is that the director assigned all the actors and actresses act as if they are carved wood figures in a situation of the hostess's public speech. At first, I thought it was very funny, until I realized that the director wanted to show us that the lawyer in that story controlled all the other people, just like the man who played the wooden figures. Then I was attracted deeper by this movie. Watching this kind of movie is like communicating with the director through the movie. So I love these movies most.

Secondly, through these movies, I can learn about something that only some particular people would meet. For example, I have never been to a war. But war actually took place earlier and a number of people in elder ages around me have ever been to a war. If I

hadn't seen the movies about the war, such as World war 2, I might hardly imagine what the soldier's life might be. Watching this kind of movies extended my eyeshot and help me communicate better with those particular people.

Lastly, I can feel really relax after watching these movies. After my busy working or studying, my brain needs relaxation. Watching movie can help me forget my work temporally and get relaxed. Someone may argue that the entertainment movies can give people more relaxation than serious movies. However, After watching these so called relaxation in the entertainment movies, I always found myself learned very little.

In conclusion, I love the serious movies better, because they are more instructive. They can show me movie director's idea, they can give me more information and they can relax me indeed.

Essay 334 Topic 57 **Serious movies vs. entertaining movies**

It is a controversial issue that what the main purpose of the movie is. Some people suggest that movies should be amusing and entertaining, while other maintain the opposite view, regarding the solemn movies are the best. As far as I am concerned, the former carries more weight.

I take this view on account of the following reasons. First of all, after a hard working day, people need to take a break and have a good change of pace. Amusing movies definitely meet such kind of requirement of people. Sitting in a theater and watching a amusing movie, people can temporarily forget all the troubles they got recently and enjoy the point of live, all of which will extremely promote people's attitudes toward live and work.

Second to take into account is that entertaining movies let people have the opportunities to participate in the situations that they never meet before. For example, a movie about racing car will give the chance to car fans to enjoy the hurtling speed and get in touch with the secrets that they cannot see from TV and newspapers.

Last but not least, both amusing and entertaining movies make people relaxed, and such relaxation is very crucial to the people's health.

However, just as English proverb goes, 'a coin has two sides' those who maintain the opposite view are partly reasonable that solemn movies may be the best choice of teaching history and theories.

Even the factor I outlines, we can easily conclude that, generally speaking, the primary purpose of the movie is entertainment.

Essay 335 Topic 57 **Serious movies vs. entertaining movies**

It makes me sensitively to think of Hollywood place where movies were first made

before World War I. In those days, Hollywood movie was like a magnet, drawing ambitious young men and women from all over the world.

Up till now, there is nothing that can substitute for the position of movies that is the most efficient way to relax ourselves. I prefer to the movies designed to make the audience think. As far as I know, most movies are supposed to be made from the source material that mirrors a part of the social events. That means there is another method to force us to think about what we have done for our country, what is our responsibility in the society and so on. De facto what kind of information we need can be gained from different medias including television, Internet, radio, newspapers, especially from some movies.

Tracing back to my childhood, I like watching the first work directed by Alfred Hitchcock, *Rebecca*. So young though I was, it did make me sunk into contemplation. Not only did the plot make me a little confused, but also it really told me the truth that whoever is right or wrong, no one can live in the shadowy place and everyone must live his or her own life, enjoy the sunshine belonging to their own.

Ad hoc, a movie worthy thinking about should conquer everything, including one's heart, never fade with time going by, even be possible to change our lives.

Here I cannot help siding with the other view, however it does not mean that we should totally ignore it, this is not a matter of making an either-or judgment. What we want to clarify here is what is primary and what is secondary.

If permits, a movie primarily designed to make audience think add some amusement and entertainment, just like tasting a cup of cappuccino.

Essay 336 Topic 57 **Serious movies vs. entertaining movies**

Movies have become more and more popular in our daily life. Many people like to choose to go to a theater or watch movies on TV in their spare time. However, it seems that different people have different tastes. For example, some people like to see some serious movies; on the contrary, others may enjoy the ones just entertaining themselves. As far as I am concerned, I prefer the former ones, the kind of movies designed to make us think.

Firstly, serious movies can give us something to think about. Unlike amusing ones, probably there is nothing still left in our mind after a certain period of time. Comparatively, serious movies are supposed to stipulate the audience to think, acquire something valuable from the thinking and then keep it in mind for a relatively longer period of time. Such is a kind of course of learning, and what we obtain in this way maybe turn out to be a necessary supplement to what we learn from the textbooks.

Furthermore, the serious movies can help us gain some life experiences we might have not had in our real life before. Through imaging ourselves being in the plot, we may get

to know how to make the proper reactions in different situations. Also the movies give us the opportunity to think or value whether the roles act right or not, through which we are sure to become smarter than before, which is definitely benefit to our future life.

For us young generation, we need to learn something new every day by different ways. In this case, thinking is incredible for us. Fortunately, serious movies play a right role in leading us to a more thinking life.

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Essay 339 Topic 57 **serious and entertaining movie**

While some movies are designed primarily to amuse and entertain, there are other kinds of movies, which I personally prefer, urge audience to think and contemplate. My preference of such kind of movies is attributed to various reasons. Concurring with the opinion saying that art by all its kinds, and among them movies, are nowadays playing a role in educating people and prodding them to think because they may reflect the reality as it is without any retouch or makeup. One of the movies that illustrate the aforesaid is American Beauty. This movie which won a number of Oscar awards pictures the disunity that roles the relations in some of the American families. We are seeing movies besides being amusing or entertaining are making people think. Being directed by distinguished directors and devoted producers, there are movies that show reality as it occurs within a comedian formula. An example of that is The True Man Show. The movie contains some funny shots but also pointing out how the communication means like TV channels are intruding the privacy of our lives for the sake of increasing the viewers rate of the programs they are producing. Being seen by millions of people around the globe, I believe that the importance of movies is gradually increasing. Some people prefer watching movies than sitting and reading books because movies satisfy their needs better. Therefore, more efforts should be devoted for the production process of movies to see, hopefully very soon, superior movies that entertain and educate at the same time.

Essay 340 Topic 58 **Should businesses do anything they can to make a profit?**

It is claimed that the only aim of business is to make a profit. Moreover, it is thought that running a business without making benefits makes no sense. Actually, from an economic point of view, the statement "businesses should do anything they can to make a profit" is

thoroughly true. However, from a moralistic and legal point of view that statement seems not quite well sustained.

I consider that to make a profit means a person deals with business to be as flexible as possible. It means to put new technologies in operation or to explore new scientific areas. Furthermore, to invest in individual improvement of employees' professional skills and to be aware of the global market tendencies are things absolutely necessary for the modern management of business.

Unfortunately, business is not a quite fair game. It is well-known that sometimes businesses have their own "dark" sides such as tax evading, illicit trade or disloyal competition. In addition to this, many employers make their employees get overworked without any extra payment.

Another point worth mentioning is that businesses do not care enough about environment and they frequently pollute it. Law in most countries prosecutes these actions, although some businesses keep breaking it without any punishment.

I consider that businessmen sometimes forget about utter limits in their ambitions to make a profit. Generally speaking, I do agree that businesses should do anything they can to make a profit but do not forget that anything does not mean everything.

If I ran my own business I would do it in a way that would neither ruin my name nor corrupt my conscience.

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When it comes the issue of the business development strategy, some people suggest that one company should do everything it can to make money, while others maintain the opposite view. As far as I am concerned, business should not be entirely profit oriented.

I take this view on account of the following reasons. First of all, totally profit oriented companies may make decisions and develop some industries, which may extremely destroy the environment, and overlook the health problems of human beings. For example, one chemical factory may outlet its high polluted materials directly into a river for the purpose of reducing its cost. With the new law and the development of social awareness, such kind of companies will be swept out sooner or later.

Second to take into account is that making money not in proper methods will eventually hinder the development or even destroy the company. To make best profit, companies may be dishonest, cheat their partners, or do something illegally. Probably, they can achieve the temporary prosperity but can never develop constantly by using such tricks.

Last but not least, employees are the fundament of the company's success. How can expect such dishonest and totally profit oriented companies have outstanding and real

honest people.

However, just as English proverb goes, coin has two sides? those who take the opposite view are partly reasonable that making profit really plays a crucial role in the company's existence and continuous development.

Even as the factor I outlined, we still can easily conclude, generally speaking, making profit should not be the orientation of business.

Essay 342 Topic 59

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Essay 344 Topic 60 **Are games important to adults?**

I strongly support the idea that games are as important for adults as they are for children. As an adult, I have realized that need something interesting in my normal life. Playing games is an great option. I will render my opinions as follow:

Firstly, as we can see, many kinds of games in the society make for adults, such as gambling, extremely violent computer games, and so on. Obviously, game is one kind of entertainment. There are so many products that only sell to mature. As it is for children, game is also an activity for adult that is important.

Secondly, we have to relax after the busy working. Relaxing ourselves well is an effective way to prepare for the work of tomorrow. For example, if you are a social worker, you have been talking with some members of the society, who have troubles, for a whole day, and you still keep working on the housework non-stop when you should have a rest, you will fall down one day. That is impossible for you to get back to with a good mood any more. Game is not the only way for an adult to relax, but as a convenience method, it is important for adult.

Thirdly, we will live in a gray environment without games surrounding us. We will have no happiness and be sad all that time. Why children can be so innocent and naive? This is because they can get fun from games. The same thing will take place to adults. Games can mostly make fun. The sociable people are conversable and easy going. The reason for that is they play games with you as communicating with you. Therefore, games can make you accessible and widely welcomed. That is very important.

Games are the recreation in the life, the way of relaxing, the way of reforming yourself, as they are for children, they are important for adults too.

Essay 345 Topic 61 **Should parents make decisions for their older teenage children?**

In today's fast paced society, parents and adult relatives play a significant role in shaping a child's life. They teach them how to live, how to make a right decision, & struggle for achieving their goals. Most of the teenager thinks that they are able to make all decisions in their lives. In my opinion, I strongly agree that parents and adult relatives should make important decisions for their teenage children because teenagers are inexperienced, over-confident and do not realize the consequences that the important decisions can have on their lives.

Teenagers being in the adult world and having their first experiences of their adult lives, think that they are capable to make their own decisions without parents opinion. However, most of the times, their friends influence their decisions. For instance, a student may get a scholarship into a top university, but just because of his/her friend is going to the college, he/she also follows to go to college too. This is not a creative or proud decision they have make. In this case the decision is obviously influential and in the future it may have great negative effects. So, parents or adult relatives should play their role to make decisions for their children.

Secondly and equally important, teenagers mostly are over-confident to make up their own decision. The teenagers have not enter the practical life, they are still fresh and do not have any idea of how practical world works. Teenagers are living in a kind of fantasy world before entering university. They think everything is cool and perfect or too ideal such that their mind is too easy and simple to make decision. For example, teenagers might think that playing badminton in school definitely can get them selected on national team. This may be true in some cases, but usually it would not work out in this way. So if they neglect their study, just to concentrate on their sport, they are going to be definitely loss and might give a deep impact of their lives.

All in as far as I concerned, I agree to stay that parents or adult relatives make important decisions for their teenage children because teenagers are lack of experiences and over-confident not be able to make decisions for themselves.

Essay 346 Topic 61 **Should parents make decisions for their older teenage children?**

I disagree the statement. Parents or other adult relatives should not make important decisions for their older (15 to 18 year-old) teenage children. Their older teenage children should make the decisions by themselves. The reasons are as below.

The children will not be regret if they do the decisions. When children get the age 15 to 18 year-old, they have a lot of decisions to do. Most of them are about the rest of their lives. One of the most important decisions is the education one. Go to the college, university or work? Sometime the parents or other relatives like to make a decision for the teens with their idea, however, most of the time the kids do not like adults' idea. When the children grown up, they may feel regret. For example, I like history very and I

am doing very well in history. I want to study history in university. However, my parents want me to study engineering in university. While, I am a good child, I let them make a decision for my major. finally, when I get into the university, I could not get good mark, could not get scholarship, I could not get everything I expected. I am regret right now. I always think if I did that decision by myself, it will be much better.

Teens should learn how to make decisions. Parents or other adult relatives could not always make decisions for them, especially when teens grow up. The age between 15 to 18 is a perfect time to learn how to make a decision. Their parents or other adult relatives can help them. Remember, it is help them, it means give the teens some advices. The teens can think about their advices. The advices may helpful for teens to make decision. It is good for the teens' world lives.

In conclusion, teen's should make any decisions by themselves.

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It seems a little bit difficult to choose approval or disapproval between these two opinions, because they both have their own positive sides and negative sides. To some extent, it is hard to distinguish strictly, but this does not mean they are of the same to me. After weighing two distinctive features, I disagree with the above statement that adult family members should make important decisions for their older teenage children, if personal quality is considered as a criterion to choose things.

There are many reasons that can account for my personal opinion. The most important one is that an big decision to these older teenage children may influence their life or behavior heavily in the future. The decision made by parents is not absolutely fit to their children or the young people will not satisfy with their parent's decision, though parents knew their children very well. If the children did not like the decision, they will not perform it very well automatically and, apparently, it will not get a good result. Like an eighteen-year old teenage children, he or she is going to enter a college or university. Which major will be taken is problem to them. A good, fit decision which is made by children's considerate thinking leads them to the way of success.

The second obvious reason is that learning how to make an important decision is an essential thing to these older children. From birth to growing, people always learn how to make decision either small one or big one. This is a necessary ability to everyone. A child when he or she is going to adult age especially should know how to distinguish things. The skill is absolutely useful to them. Parents could foster their older children this capability through giving them some valuable suggestions and the result of things will depend on children themselves.

Furthermore, a people should have responsibility to what he or she decides. Older

children make decision by themselves and they also should take on the result. This rule is very important to them, especially for their future. A responsible person is always popular among his or her groups.

In conclusion, fostering older children to make decision is an important job for adults.

Essay 348 Topic 61 **Should parents make decisions for their older teenage children?**

First of all, it is not easy to define if people at the age of 15 to 18 are adults or children because they are physically grown up and intelligent enough to carry out general work like adults do in a company, while a lot of them are under their parents' control. I believe that they should be able to make important decisions by themselves, no matter how hard for them.

Needless to say, recognition of age and maturity is not universal sense. There were some times that 15 to 18 years old were recognized as adults and supposed to think and act independently. It was usual for women at the age of fewer than 20 to get married in my grandmother's generation in Japan. Even the present days, it maybe still a common thing in some developing countries. Thus, I guess it depends on whether the community is wealthy enough for 15 to 18 year-old children to be children or not. Women in my grandmother's generation needed to get married as soon as possible to have about 10 children in order to get enough labor forces for their family business and have them taking care of their parents and grandparents. In those days, children must have grown up with prediction of earlier age they had been supposed to become independent.

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I strongly believe that this phenomenon has made today's adults more immature and immoral. I could not believe that a lot of 20 year-old Japanese people attended the ceremony for Coming of Age Day with their parents this year. Unless adults stop treating young people like children, future adults will become even more immature. They still need parents' and other adults' advice to make important decisions but I cannot agree with the statement: parents or other adult relatives should make important decisions for their older teenage children. I would say that it is no more than spoiling children.

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many reasons and examples to support my view.

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Another reason for my view is that letting children make the important decision by themselves is very helpful to cultivate their independent, responsible character. If parents always make the decision for their children, it might lead to children overly depend on others. Furthermore, children do not need to be responsible for the result of the decisions. since decisions just were made by parents or others. So they have more reasons to complain about their awful situation.

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First of all, it is not easy to define if people at the age of 15 to 18 are adults or children because they are physically grown up and intelligent enough to carry out general work like adults do in a company, while a lot of them are under their parents' control. I believe that they should be able to make important decisions by themselves, no matter how hard for them. Needless to say, recognition of age and maturity is not universal sense. There were some times that 15 to 18 years old were recognized as adults and supposed to think and act independently. It was usual for women at the age of under 20 to get married in my grandmother's generation in Japan. Even the present days, it maybe still a common thing in some developing countries. Thus, I guess it depends on whether the community is wealthy enough for 15 to 18 year-old children to be children or not. Women in my grandmother's generation needed to get married as soon as possible to have about 10 children in order to get enough labor forces for their family business and have them taking care of their parents and grandparents. In those days, children must have grown up with prediction of earlier age they had been supposed to become independent. These days, women in developed countries do not need to have so many children anymore and they can go on to higher education, by comparison with early times. It has enabled mothers to get a job as well as fathers in order to make their family more wealthy and keep their children beside them longer. As children are not expected to be important labor forces for their family anymore, it may not really matter if they are mature enough to make important decisions. Then how do children predict themselves to be independent at the age of 15 to 18 in such a situation? I strongly believe that this phenomenon has made today's adults more immature and immoral. I could not believe that a lot of 20 year-old Japanese people attended the ceremony for Coming of Age Day with their parents this year. Unless adults stop treating young people like children, future adults will become even more immature. They still need parents' and other adults' advice to make important decisions but I cannot agree with the statement: parents or other adult relatives should make important decisions for their older teenage children. I would say that it is no more than spoiling children.

Essay 352 Topic 61 **Taking decisions**

I believe that a person should most of the time makes his decisions particularly the important ones by his own because that will accustom him, to depend on himself and judge things in a reasonable way. The absolute rejection that a person should not take the important decisions alone is, in my opinion, wrong. This is because every individual wants to be independent and free. Decisions should be based on the perspectives of the concerned person and not to what some other people think or believe. While not ignoring

the importance of consulting and seeking the advice of elder and experienced people who might come through the same matters before, the final decisions should be always left for the related person to take since it is his life and his future. Parents, of course, should take decisions on behalf of their sons and daughters when they are children. But it is preferable that parents encourage their children particularly in the teenage to take decisions by their own and be responsible for the outcome or the consequences of their decisions whether being positive or negative. In adulthood, taking decisions is one of the main responsibilities of any person whether being a man or woman. Undoubtedly, it is okay to ask other people for advice and guidance in certain matters to benefit from their experience but the final decision should always be left for the concerned person.

Essay 353 Topic 62 **What do you want most in a friend?**

I think what I want most in a friend is some one who is reliable. There is two reasons: first, I think a reliable person can be trusted, then, I think whenever I have trouble, I can rely on him, he will be sure to help me a lot.

First of all, as a friend of mine, he must be reliable, so that I can trust him. I think friends are the ones who share secrets with me. I must make sure that he is reliable, then I can tell my even the deepest secret in my heart, may be the skeleton in the cupboard. Well, I am just kidding, but I do think that being reliable is the most important factor of a friend. Imagine that once you told your secrets to your friend, and you found in the following day that everybody in the school was talking about your secret---not a secret any more---how would you feel? It's such a horrible thing, is not it? Besides your huge anger, the only thing you could do is to regret that you didn't choose a reliable friend. Now you can see how important choosing a reliable friend is.

Secondly, a reliable friend is always ready to help you whenever you are in trouble. There is an old saying that friend in need is a friend indeed?which is very meaningful. That is what a reliable friend does. You can always rely on him. We can say that a reliable friend is a true friend. One is lucky if he has even one reliable friend in his life. Not too many words are needed for a reliable friend to help you, just one sentence thank you, my friend?is enough and you needn't think hard in the pay back because that is not necessary. That's the reason why I see reliability as the most important factor when I choose my friends.

A reliable person can be trusted and relied on---that's the two reasons why I think reliability is what I want most in a friend.

Essay 354 Topic 62 **What do you want most in a friend?**

Friends are angels who help us stand up on our feet when our wings forget to fly?
Friends are the siblings God forgot to give us? Friends are a gift from God? these and other similar quotes come up time and time again to try and find out the true meaning of a friend.

First of all, we need to know what exactly is a friend, and why is it that everyone seeks this relationship? Man is a social animal, and therefore, he cannot stay isolated. At some point in life everyone needs a person to confide in, somebody to look up to, somebody who is willing to listen to them, and somebody who stands by them through thick and thin.

In my opinion, it is wrong to expect too much off a friend, after all they are human being as well. But there are a few qualities a friend should possess. For me my friends are pretty much, all I have and so I look up to them for everything. It is important that a friend is reliable, trust-worthy, caring, dedicated, intelligent and most of all, someone who makes you feel comfortable, someone who makes you feel good about yourself.

A few people might say that one should choose friends who are intelligent, I don't, necessarily, agree with them, because friendship is a bond between two people that forms on its own. Although I agree with the fact, that an intelligent friend is a valuable asset, but if a friend is not caring and dedicated then there is no use of their intelligence, if you can't rely on them and cannot trust them then there really is not any bond or relationship.

Therefore, I would rather have friends who care about me and who stand by me in all sorts of situations than someone who is intelligent and good looking. After all friends are angels.

Essay 355 Topic 62 **What do you want most in a friend?**

Friends are very important in everyone's life. But there are different types of friends: some of them are very intelligent, some have a good sense of humor and some are reliable. What I want most is the friend who has a good sense of humor.

Humor is a very important character of a person, because a person who is humorous can always bring you happiness. I have a friend, who is not very intelligent and reliable, but he is one of my best friends, just because he has a good sense of humor. Whenever you call him, talk with him, he always tells you some funny jokes that make you laughing. Even though you are in a very bad mood, he can make you laugh and forget the sad things. A friend with a good sense of humor is very optimistic; they can make your world full of light.

If a person doesn't have a sense of humor at all, that's really bad. No matter how intelligent he is, no matter how reliable he is, he will never bring you happiness, although he can help you solve a few problems, his world is without laughter. In my class there is a very smart guy, but because of his lack of humor, we do not like to play with him, although it seems that he knows everything.

Friend plays a very significant role in everyone's life. But humor is the most important character in a friend, because humorous friends make you happy and see the world

optimistically. They make your world full of hope, and full of laughter.

Essay 356 Topic 62 **What do you want most in a friend?**

One good friend can have many characteristics that are very important. Intelligent, sense of humor or reliability is all desired characteristics that somebody whom we call friend should have. Personally, I prefer friends who are reliable. This is the most important characteristic that a friend of mine must have. I often need to trust a friend something or need to ask somebody to do a favor. That is because I prefer people trustable much to friends with any other characteristic. First, if we have friends, we need some support from them about our businesses. We need somebody on whom to trust our problems and experiences. This is one reason because reliability is the most important characteristics of a friend for me. Some years ago I had some problems with a former girlfriend, and needed to tell somebody about it. Because I had a very good and trustable friend, on whom to trust that experience, it was very easy for me to overcome those problems and finally decide to break my relationship. If I had not have that friend, I would not have been able to overcome the situation as fast as I did it.

Second, usually when we need help, our friends are the first people whom we go. So, we need trustable friends on whom to rely to do those things. Some years ago I was to be out home for several months. My wife had to stay at home alone; it was a hard experience for our marriage. However, thank to a friend on whom I could truly trust, the experience was not so difficult. In fact, my friend went by my home everyday and saw how she, my wife, was going on. I had only been able to give that responsibility to a trustable friend.

In conclusion, a friend who is reliable, is the most valuable treasure that one can have in life. The possibility of having a friend on whom to trust secrets, confidentialities, problems, etc. is very necessary and important value. Additionally, we need some reliable friends to ask for some favor and be sure that they will accomplish what we have asked for.

Essay 357 Topic 63 **Are difficult experiences valuable lessons for the future?**

During our life-long time, there are times of frustration as well as times of happiness. Life is realistic and sometimes cruel, no body can lead a smooth and happy life without encountering any difficulties and obstacles. So the question is how to look at these setbacks and bad lucks. In my opinion, if you always uphold such a view that, most experiences in our lives that seemed difficult at the time will become valuable lessons for the future, then you will no only successful overcome your current difficulties but also enable you to hold a healthy attitude toward life. As a matter of fact, these frustration and unhappy experience exert an import and far-reaching influence upon our later life.

As the foremost reason, the past setbacks and frustration will teach you how to cherish

your current peaceful life. Undoubtedly, life is a combination of painful struggle and happy harvest. There is an old saying in China which goes like this: no pain, no gain. So it is only after experienced all these hardness, you can realize that the peaceful daily life is a kind of happiness and then you will cherish it more than before. Actually, the one, who never taste the bitter of pain, can never truly understand what the life is, how to enjoy life, as well as how to lead a meaningful life.

Another strong argument for my avocation is that the past painful setbacks will remind you, from time to time, to avoid the similar mistake you offended past when you encounter the same situation again. And it will also offer you a rich experience to overcome this kind of difficulties. Moreover, this time, when you bad luck come again, you have become more mature, composure and experienced for your past frustrations have offered you strong reference background.

There may be other reasons available to defense my argument, but as far as I am concerned, above two are the most convincing ones. Personally, I truly regard the past difficulties and frustration as the most valuable lesson to our later life.

Essay 358 Topic 63 **Are difficult experiences valuable lessons for the future?**

I completely support the opinion that most experiences in our lives that seemed difficult at the time become valuable lessons for the future. The reasons are obvious, everything we did in the past should teach us something that will be useful when we encounter the problem again.

In the first place, we learn the academic knowledge in school to prepare for reaching our goal in the future. As we all know, learning can be the most difficult thing in the world, especially for the children in the age of playing games. They cannot sit down quietly to read books and listen to the teacher. But they must force themselves to do so. Why? Because their parents and teachers always tell them that if they do not learn well now, they cannot do what they can do in the future. I think that is a wonderful example that can verify that the experience of learning time seemed difficult but can become valuable lessons for the future.

In the second place, we take exercises everyday now to keep fit for the future. How can we fulfill our dream if we do not have a healthy body? Of course keeping fit is very difficult, but you must do it. When I jogged in the morning, played basketball on the playground, or played volleyball, sometimes I had a feeling to give up, but I recognized soon that if I did not do it today, I must lose a lot in the future. I must try my best to experience that.

In addition, some unhappy things we experienced teach us how to be a real man. Our own life always tells us how to become patient, honest, arduous, and so on. It is surprising that we must make some mistake then we can memorize what we should do in the future. For example, when I was ten years old, I needed to attend a test. But there was a very

interesting program on the TV, so I did not prepare for it. When I know that I failed in the test, I could not believe that. From then on, I know that what you get depend on what you have paid.

From what has discussed above, I agree with the title statement not only because the seemingly difficult experience can make us adapt to the future but also because it can bring us health.

Essay 359 Topic 64 **Self-employed vs. employed**

Although the idea of owning a business is an exciting and admirable one, it is not always a realistic option, especially for a new graduate like me. On the Contrary, I would like to work for someone else after my graduation. The reasons for my view go as follows.

The most obvious reason is that I can learn plenty of mature business and administrative knowledge as an employee. If I were given the opportunity to work at an outstanding company such as Mckinsey & Company or IBM, I certainly would absorb its first hand management skills accumulated for years. I would also benefit greatly from its various valuable training programs. With the help like that I can avoid many unnecessary trials and failures that may be involved in my own business path.

Another positive aspect of working for someone else lies in the development of my broader social contact network. As I just step into adult society, I am still timid and lack of communication skills. Working for others will offer me opportunities to get access to all kinds of clients, customers, and employers. Undoubtedly, adequate exposure to them will teach me how to communicate with one another, how to deal with socializing problems, and how to establish my own personal social network.

Moreover, working for an employer, to some extent, can build up nice personalities that are essential for my future career. As we all understand, management knowledge itself does not lead to success without a combination of broad social network and nice personality. Working with colleague helps me to cultivate nice dispositions-cooperative, responsible, caring for others, outgoing, etc.

All in all, working for an employer suits my situation perfectly. Therefore, from what has been discussed above, I would rather choose to be an employee and prepare myself in all fields, if possible, for my future self-employed.

Essay 360 Topic 64 **Self-employed vs. employed**

My friends and I always talk about our jobs. Whether to work for ourselves, own a business or work for an employer is one of the hot topics we discuss. Some prefer to work for themselves or own a business. While others prefer to work for an employer. As far as I am concerned, I would like to work for myself. My arguments for this point are listed as follows.

First of all, perhaps one disadvantage to work for others is that we could not plan our time freely. We have to work from 8 to 5 according to the employer's schedule. No matter what the weather is like and no matter whether it is necessary, we have to go to our office on time. We have no choice but to obey the rules set by the employer. Suppose we work for ourselves, we could decide our own timetable. We could find the best time for us to work and improve the work efficiency.

Another reason for my inclination for working for ourselves is that we earn what we deserve. Our wages would be very clear to us. We know what we should earn. That's fair and we would work harder to get better result. However, when we work for others, the boss decides what we earn. It often occurs that we get less than we could earn.

In addition, working for ourselves, we try our best in our work to reach our goal, thus it would be faster to be successful in life. If we work for others, the enthusiasm to work may not be so high. I heard many enterprisers who work for themselves succeed earlier than people of the same age.

In a word, in spite of the fact that there may be a couple of disadvantages to work for ourselves, I feel that the advantages are more obvious, that is we could plan our time for work more freely, earn the amount of money that we deserve and get early success in life. Taking into account of all these factors, I would choose to work for myself.

Essay 361 Topic 64 **Self-employed vs. employed**

Some people prefer to work for themselves or own a business. Others prefer to work for an employer. Personally, I prefer to work for myself. I choose to be self-employed because of the reasons as follows.

I can decide what I do according my own willing and interest. This point is the most important because one person can find work motivation from his interest. I also can decide how to do the thing. I can choose my own directions and ways, whereas those who are employed by others must do work according to the directions of their employers.

The other important point is that I have freedom to decide when I do the thing. The time I work is determined by myself. I am not constricted by other people. Hence, if I am tired, I can rest in the daytime; if I have more energy, I can work late at night. I have more freedom on the choice of work time than those who work for an employer.

I work for myself, so I only can depend on myself. This can train me to learn more knowledge and to work hard and teach me to face the success and the failure correctly. I can learn how to take advantage of different conditions and deal with different situations from the practice. I can learn to encourage myself when I succeed and not to be afraid of difficulties and failures.

Based on the above statements, I think that self-employing has more advantages. So I prefer to be self-employed.

Essay 362 Topic 64 **Self-employed vs. employed**

Today, we are living in a rapidly developed society. The science and technology are striding forward with a dramatically fast footstep. The styles of employment are also increasingly diversified. Some people prefer to work for themselves, while other prefer to work for employer. Personally, if I am qualified enough, I would like choosing to work for myself. As a matter of fact, to be self-employed have many advantages which can never be found when you work for others.

Firstly, to be self-employed can avoid the embarrassing fate of to be unemployment or to become the sad laid-off workers. You are your own boss and you can never suffer the painful course of job-hunting. Every one must know the severe and cruel competition in the talent market. Even when you have done a good preparation and hold a thick pile of resume and various kinds of diplomas or certification to have an interview, your fate still remain unknown. The feeling of disappointment and a sense of helpless and failure are beyond description by words, let alone the extremely tense stress you suffered during the course of job-hunting. So, imaging, if you own a company, you are the boss, every thing is yours, then what a wonderful sense of superiority.

Secondly, to be self-employed means you will face more opportunities to enrich your mind, expand your horizon and accumulate knowledge. The difficulties, obstacles and some other special experiences you encountered during the course of doing business will enable you become more mature and more composed. The heat competition in the business community will let you taste all flavor of our colorful life.

All in all, according to above analysis, we can safely draw a conclusion that to be self-employed is really a gold opportunity for you to achieve an all-round personality. Though, we have to admit that to work for other can enjoy more freedom and suffer less stress than to be self-employed, but why we do not find a chance to challenge ourselves and to lead a different kind of life.

Essay 363 Topic 65 **Should a city perserve its historic buildings or replace them with modern ones?**

Every culture has its special features. Buildings, as symbol of architectural heritage, are an important part of the history of any country or city. Moreover, they could help us find the answers of many questions about the historical development of our society. Therefore, I truly believe that every city-administration should try to preserve the old, historic buildings.

All over the world many buildings are preserved in their authentic appearances. Furthermore, many of them have unique constructions and are really beautiful and

impressive. In my opinion, the destruction of such remarkable pieces of architecture and their replacement with modern buildings can be called 'barbarity'. Nevertheless, a lot of old buildings belonging to the historical heritage of the world are protected by UNESCO.

It is a fact that cities, which have their old, historic buildings, are favorite places for holiday and tourism. The reason is that these cities keep their special atmosphere and could offer us a magnificent journey through their cultural and architectural history.

The only reasonable argument to destroy some historic buildings and replace them with modern ones, is when there is a risk of self-destruction, which could endanger human lives.

In conclusion I would say that preserving old, historic buildings could be considered as a sign of our respect and regard to the previous generations. I am aware that it is an expensive initiative. But who can evaluate the worth the historic buildings have, for those who will come after us. And I would dare to ask 'who gives us the right to destroy what the centuries have kept for us? And I would answer 'Nobody'!

Essay 364 Topic 65 Should a city perserve its historic buildings or replace them with modern ones?

A city could not destroy the historic buildings, the city should preserve its old, historic buildings. The historic buildings for a city even for a country have a unlimited value. When people destroy the buildings, they will not show up again and the historic buildings are record a period of history.

First, the historic buildings for a city even for a country have a unlimited value. Those buildings show up in a specific time. The time is the only thing could not go backwards. Therefore, if people destroy the buildings, they will never see it and have it again. For example, ShangHai, one of the biggest cities in China, destroyed some historic buildings in 1950's. Those buildings built in end of 19th and the beginning of 20th. Most of those building are building by the foreigners and with the foreigner styles. Not only on building like that but the whole street or the neighborhood. In 1950's, people were crazy, they destroyed the building, but in some reason, they did not destroy all of them and replace them with then modern buildings. However, right now, the people in Shanghai are repented. But all the buildings are gone.

Besides that, those buildings record a period of history. I still use Shanghai as an example. The people destroy the building in 1950's because those building built in colonial time in China. It records a very dark history in Chinese history. However, in 1950's the new regime just built up. People do not want to recall those histories by those building, so they destroyed them. However, yes, the buildings record a period of history because these styles and the stuffs. But the history could not be destroyed even destroyed the building.

Please preserve the old, historic buildings. Those buildings are the unlimited values for a city and they are the gift from ancestors

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In the world, many countries have many old building in their city. Some people thought that they should destroy it to build modern buildings but some people said that we had to prevent it because it's very important for their countries. My opinion, I think we should and have to prevent or conserve it because I have several reasons such as all of it will be the world heritages, it also will be an achievement of our ancestors and it can teach us about old techniques and methods to construct these buildings to give some idea for our next generation.

First of all, these building will become world heritage if it has been approximately one hundred years old so the UNESCO(United Nations for Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization)will recognize and put it in the list of world heritage. Also, it is very important for our economy because many tourist would like to visit all world heritage in the world so we can earn much money from their visit or buying some souvenir gifts in our historic areas or buildings.

Secondly, these historic building will illustrate the people in the world about our ancestor achievements. It also will be a proud of your country in the future. For example, the Great Wall in China have been a world heritage that recognize by UNESCO since 1987. All Chinese people are very proud of this monument. It also can improve Chinese idea try to prevent it and give its value to human value because all building are human value for all people in the world.

Finally, the historic monument or building can tell us about the ancestor techniques to build that building or monument so all people should prevent and preserve it because it will teach us to know their ideas. For example, Angkor Wat temple have been a world heritage since 1992 by UNESCO, its location is in Siem Reap Province in Kingdom of Cambodia, some foreign organizations went to study of conservation and preservation this temple because they wanted to know how they(khmer ancestor) could build this temple, why they built it and which method that they used. Now, four or five foreign organizations have studied some temple in Angkor are such as JSA(Japanese government for Safeguarding of Angkor), SOPHIA, Monument Fund, and some organization from India, Italy, and Southeast Asia. Then, they will report in the annual meeting and publish some documentaries that they study and research to Cambodian government and students.

In conclusion, all historic building have a lot of benefit that we can take from it and it's better than we destroy it to build modern building for only the business. Some develop countries have changed their idea from destroy to prevent these old buildings since 1980s,so I think all countries in the world should prevent and conserve their historic buildings rather than destroy it.

Essay 366 Topic 65 **Preserving historic buildings**

Currently, some cities are facing the situation whether to preserve the old, historic buildings or to destroy them and replace them with modern buildings. In my opinion, a wise solution to this dilemma depends on the circumstances. Firstly, it is obviously that the historic buildings are valuable and deserve being preserved. The old buildings are an important aspect of the traditional culture; they represent the history of a country or a culture. For example, the Forbidden City, lying in the center of Peking, is one of the representatives of the long history of China. Every day, visitors from all over the world go there to have a look on the palaces where Emperors lived thousands of years ago. These kind of historic buildings reminder people the history, and is reasonable to be well preserved. Secondly, some historic buildings are excellent textbooks on architecture, and need good care. One cannot imagine how clever the ancient architects were; they invented so many artful techniques and adopted these on their works. Every ancient building that lasts till today is a good example for certain architectural technique. One will be surprised to know that some of the ancient stone bridges in China have last for thousands of years. They are strong enough to suffer the ages. What is more, some of the techniques have been lost and people can no longer reproduce such bridges. The current architects realize that even with the modern techniques, people can hardly build as a lasting stone bridges as those ancient ones. These kind of historic buildings are supposed to be preserved. However, there are some exceptions. In some historic town in China, there are a lot of similar historic buildings. These cities cannot develop themselves any more because there no more space, unless they destroy some of the historic buildings. As a case in point, in my hometown, there used to be a large amount of historic housings, each of which is hundreds of years old. In this case, the best solution is, as the government has done, to preserve a few of these buildings as representations, and destroy the others in order to build new ones. By this means, we not only preserve the history but also develop ourselves. In sum, people should preserve the historic buildings. But we should leave enough space for the development of modern buildings.

Essay 367 Topic 66 **Are classmates a more important influence to a child than parents?**

Although students stay with their classmates all time in school, parents are a more important influence on a child's success. I disagree with the statement that classmates are a more important influence on a child's success in school, because of the reasons as follows.

First of all, parents are the people who understand their own children best. They know the children's good sides and bad habits. They can correct the children's bad idea and make them give rid of the bad habits. So children can found a good base to get success in school. But classmates cannot do this work.

The other reason is that parents have experiences on a lot of matters. If children have problems, parents can give them their experiences to help them solve problems. If parents have no similar experiences, they still can give their children some advice and make them avoid the wrong directions. Classmates can also give children some help, but they do not have more experiences than parents. So their influence is less than that of parents.

Parents also have other important influence on their children's success in school. Parents may analyze something in different ways and have different opinions from children. Classmates also can have different opinions on one thing, but they are at the same conditions with each other, their opinions may be similar or narrow. Children can learn more comprehensive knowledge about on thing from their parents.

So, based on the above discussion, I think it is clear that parents are a more important influence than classmates on a child's success in school.

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I strongly disagree that classmates are a more important influence than parents on a child's success in school. I would like to say, there is no substitution for parents. They could teach their children how to tell right from wrong, and set the best model for children. At first, I think the parent's function of judgment can never be substituted. In my opinion, family school is like a small society, where children learn how to socialize themselves. However, children would not know how to behave accurately by the imitation or competition of their peer group. They might learn something inappropriate, which they cannot judge by their own, and that is the main function of family.

Second, I believe that parents are always the best model. In most of families, the parents know their own duty--they should be responsible for the whole society, and then they will try to treat their children correctly. Nevertheless, the students in school are not. They just like different shapes of clay, needing to be educated. If your child learns how to behave according to what their classmates do, they will never know the correct way.

I will not deny the importance of child's classmates at school. However, they cannot always point out the correct direction for their friend. The function of family could never be replaced. Our parents play a very significant role in our initial learning, how to behave, and where is the model to follow, which our classmates could not do exactly.

Essay 369 Topic 66 **Are classmates a more important influence to a child than parents?**

Some people hold the opinion that classmates are a more important influence than parents on a child's success in school. As far as I am concerned, parents act the big role than the classmates for the child's success in school. I explain my main reasons as follow.

Firstly, the children have used a lot of time with his or her parents than classmates. When the parents pay more attentions on their child, child will get the influence by their parents. Furthermore, children need good model to imitate. The parents live with them everyday. So the parents play the main actors to be imitated. People say that like father like son. It means if the parents behave good attitude to others, children will learn the same attitude from their parents.

Secondly, when the children have made the fault, the good words and advices decide children the set of value, because parent advices and behaviors always have been followed by their child. The Classmates have not this kind of chance to influence your children. For example, when children have told the lie to others, parents attitude decide the children's behaviors in the future. If parents can tell them what is right and what is wrong. The children have less chance to be a bad boy or girl.

Although parents give more influent to a child's success in the school than the classmates do. I have to say that classmates also can influence to a child. Whole classmates of the child are hardworking students, the children will learn from the others. They will want to be an up-and-coming person in one day. However, compared with the parents influence, this is one of the small factors, just like many others contribute a child's success.

In a word, if a child's success in the school, the parent attitude plays ninety-nine percentage factors. We may reach the conclusion that like father like son. The parents play correctly behavior children always follow it and vice versa.

Essay 370 Topic 67 **Inexperienced, cheap workers vs. experienced, expensive workers**

Some employers prefer to hire people who have work experiences and pay them higher salaries. They may think that if they want to make a success in business, they have to do so. If I were an employer, however, I would rather hire the inexperienced employees and paid them relatively lower salaries. I do not care about whether experiences an employee has or not, I really care about the cost. Besides, it needs not only experiences to do a job well and experienced workers may not definitely be suitable to certain job position.

Hiring an experienced employee to do a job that he has experienced means that he can easily make the job done or do it efficiently. But here is the problem. I am a poor boss. As a young man, I have not earned much money myself. The experienced worker always asks too high salary to afford at my present financial condition. If I managed to pay employees higher salaries, it would probably push me to close my business eventually. So, I need to hire the inexperienced workers with lower salaries to cut down the cost of my business.

To run business well, I have to consider a lot of other factors of an employee, not only the employee's experience. Is the employee loyal to me? Could he probably cheat me in business operation? I really concern with these questions. If he chose to be not loyal to

me or chose to cheat me at work, the experiences he has would be useless for my business. Considering of this, I would rather hire a worker who is inexperienced but loyal to me and trustworthy.

An employee who has a lot of experiences does not always mean that he is just suitable to an assigned job. Someone who has experiences does not mean that he has experienced just this present job. His experiences are simply related with his former jobs. Everything can be changed over time and the needs for the same job can be changed, too. So, if I hired an experienced worker, perhaps I would still have to train him for just the present job again. Thus, if I have to train an experienced employee and pay him higher salary, why not train an inexperienced employee and pay him lower salary, now that I have to train any employee anyway? The cost of training is just the same, but the salaries I have to pay later are different: the former is higher; the latter, lower. Anyone who has normal sense will definitely choose the latter: the inexperienced but cheaper employee.

In short, taking the cost, the suitability and the loyalty and honesty of employees into consideration, if I were an employer, I would definitely hire the inexperienced employees and pay them lower salaries.

Essay 371 Topic 67 **Inexperienced, cheap workers vs. experienced, expensive workers**

To hire an inexperienced worker at a lower salary or an experienced worker at a higher salary, this is an interesting question for an employer. As far as I am concerned, a good employer will choose the latter without hesitation, because he knows an experienced worker deserves what he is paid.

Qualified workers play the most important role in any business. Directorate controls the business, managers manipulate the business, whereas, it is nobody else but the workers who are expected and responsible to make the products available and qualified. And product, without which the business will be a castle in the air, is the virtual pith of the business. Thus qualified workers are indispensable for an employer.

What makes a qualified worker? Undoubtedly, experience is one of the most valued merits. Experience means quality and efficiency; both of them guarantee a well-run business. It is true that the employer has to pay more for an experienced worker, but what such a worker earns the employer is much more than he is paid.

Admittedly, no one is born to be an experienced worker. A rookie is inevitably a rookie at his debut, and he needs opportunity to obtain the required experience. Hence there must be some employers who are willing to provide them with such opportunities.

In a word, for an employer, it is profitable to hire an experienced worker at a higher salary than to an inexperienced one at a lower salary. However, some wise employer may want to hire inexperienced workers with potential.

Essay 372 Topic 67 **Inexperienced, cheap workers vs. experienced, expensive workers**

There are some people who would like to hire an inexperienced worker at lower salary, but others prefer to hire an experienced worker at a higher salary. I would have to say that, if I were faced with this issue, I would probably to hire an experienced worker at a higher salary. In the following discussion, I would like to reason and provide evidence to support my viewpoint.

No issue is more important now than the one that refers to efficacy. An experienced worker can do the job more efficiently and create more fortune than an inexperienced one, so even if I pay a higher salary to him, except his salary I still can get more profits from him than from an inexperienced worker. Do not you think this reason quoted above is very persuasive?

Maturity is another head and chief reason that I have chosen to put here. It is no better reason that can demonstrate the view. An experienced worker often knows how to maturely face and resolve the problems which occur in his work and life, and he also knows how to treat the relationships well with his employer and other colleagues. It is a very important quality to a worker to know how to keep a balance between work and life and cooperate well with other co-workers. If you can see that, you can understand my viewpoint more deeply.

Superior as an experienced worker at a higher salary is, however, he also has own demerits, too. For instance, sometimes an experienced worker is less enthusiastic to his work. Besides, an experienced worker asks a higher salary. Nevertheless, the advantages of an experienced worker at a higher salary carry more weight than that of disadvantages of him, so the most striking conclusion is obvious.

To sum up, given the reasons discussed above, which sometimes intertwined to form an organic whole and thus become more persuasive, we can safely reach the conclusion that if I were an employer, I would prefer to hire an inexperienced worker at a higher salary.

Essay 373 Topic 67 **Inexperienced, cheap workers vs. experienced, expensive workers**

The labor market today contains plenty well educated people looking for work. At the same time, fresh graduates are also searching for jobs and employers have the advantage of choosing between more or less experienced workers. Regarding the statement put forward with myself put in a position of being an employer, I would prefer to hire an inexperienced worker at a lower salary to an experienced worker representing higher costs. My point of view is supported by the arguments listed below.

First of all, an inexperienced worker gives the employer an opportunity to shape the

employee in the best interests of the company from day one. No patterns have already been internalized into the worker, which means no bad habits to get rid of before introducing the person to new rules and methods. Second, and obvious enough, the company can save money by hiring workers at a lower starting salary level. This also gives the employee more of a chance to use a rise in payment as an incentive to push inexperienced workers to reach higher.

Despite what is said above, I realize that there are several cons represented by hiring people who have already worked for a while, and who knows the way to go about in different businesses. If their knowledge suits their new work, it could be a huge advantage for the company. On the other hand, if their backgrounds tend to be less compatible with their new job, the company would be better off putting their effort into educating new people to the job.

The topic presented is in my opinion highly debatable, however I certainly share the point of view that in the evaluation of new employees one should often prefer the inexperienced worker instead of the worker holding a lot of experience. Other aspects like for instance personality should most likely also be taken into account when hiring the right worker for the right job.

Essay 374 Topic 67 **Inexperienced, cheap workers vs. experienced, expensive workers**

If I were an employer, I would be glad to hire an inexperienced worker at a lower salary. My reasons are as follows:

First, those who can accept the lower salary are those not care too much about money, what they care the most is personal development. The success and failure of a company are correlated to employees' attitude, a success company needs some men with the heart that eager to success.

Second, inexperienced men are always modest and friendly, they like to learn and listen to others opinion or suggestion, so they can improve their working skills by accept some right opinions. These are two important characteristics of a good employee, not only they can bring success business to the company but also can set up a good company impression to the public.

Third, those inexperienced employees are mostly just graduated from school. They are active and enthusiastic, to some extent, they prefer working together as a team to working alone. teamwork can speed up the working efficiency and also make the company fill with energy.

Since there are so many advantages, why not hire inexperienced guys!

Essay 375 Topic 67 **Inexperienced, cheap workers vs. experienced, expensive workers**

The computer is the most beneficial for people in my country. Computer is transportation tool, computer is improving technology and easily use by people.

First, computer is a good transportation tool. In past century, from New York to Boston, people have to spend one month and more time to mail each other. In early twenty century, people can use three or four days to mail and connect each other. Because the transportation tools were improved. In the end of twenty century, human made computer. People can connect with each other in a few seconds. People can use easily connect each other from electric mail and net phone.

Second, The information technologies are coming from computer. Computers are going to change people life. Computer also can fill up free time for people. People can enjoy entertainment from computer and make more and more new programs. Thus, technology can improve in incredible speed.

Third, In 1990 of China, there are not a lot of people can touch computer even they worked on computer workplace who are not have professional skills. In 1995 of China, the people, who lived in Beijing, Shanghai and several big cities, are interesting in computer. Right now, almost everyone knows how to use computer and use computer on line. What a big deal! What incredible increasing speed, is not it? Thus, Computer is very easy and comfort by people.

In conclusion, In the last 100 years, computer is the most beneficial for people. Computer is transportation tool, computer is improving technology and easily use by people.

Essay 376 Topic 67

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Essay 382 Topic 67 **Hiring decisions**

One decision the manager of the personnel department frequently needs to make is to choose between an inexperienced worker with lower pay or a skilled one with higher pay. Seen from the side of the company, it is in fact a problem of investment and output.

And to make the maximum profits, the manager should consider it on a case-by-case situation. As we all know, the constitution of modern corporation is complex and the labor division is so specialized that no rigid conclusion can be made. So far as assembly line workers are concerned, I believe employing inexperienced workers is highly sensible. Low investment is, of course, a major concern of the employer and the workers inferior in education and experience ask far less than better-qualified ones. And this default can be easily made up by some compact on the job trainings that can quickly fit the workers into their niche. Since this kind of skills take almost no time to master, their shortcomings will not put sand in the wheels of business development. However, for management positions, I prefer to hire people with rich experience despite their higher salary expectation. For one thing, the performance of these people is firmly connected with the prosperity of the business and one decision of them can make a life or death difference. A careless decision made by an unqualified manager can lead to a catastrophe causing a loss that dwarfs the amount of money saved in his or her salary. Accordingly, money spent on hiring a shrewd manager can be compared to investments on some kind of blue stock which always makes sense. For another thing, to qualify for such position, one has to get fine education and usually a MBA degree, which cost a skyrocketing price. It is comparatively economical to hire those experienced ones than to try to train them by the company itself. All in all, whether to hire an inexperienced worker or an experienced one is a relative issue and no arbitrary conclusion can be made. Jobs with different requirement ought to be considered respectively to serve the best interest of the company.

Essay 383 Topic 67 **workers**

We live in a difficult era of competition with business manager to search the best for their companies. There are people who believe that the profit of the companies depends on the work which the workers do and so they prefer to employ experienced people, whilst the opponents claim that the inexperienced workers can bring to company much more money than experienced workers do. In my opinion, if I was an employer I would prefer experienced workers. To begin with, experienced workers have enough background Knowledge and they do not need education for the basic concepts of the companies functions. They know to react in difficult situations and they know the needs that will give to the company the opportunity to gain many benefits. In addition, experienced workers know to cooperate with their colleagues and to manipulate a variety of machines and computers in the company. As a result of this, the employer have not to hire other persons for this jobs since they have necessities. Furthermore, the hiring of experienced workers is essential for companies who aiming to develop a successful company in the market place. Despite that these workers are hiring more money than the inexperienced workers, the future profit of the company will be grater since they can do work in little time. On the other hand, people who prefer inexperienced people do not think the future of their company since they think the present and how to save money. They do not think that their workers will need education and that they will be useless since they do not know how to manipulate the machines of the company. To sum up, for all the foregoing reasons, since the time is money, I firmly believe that employers should prefer to hire experienced workers. Is due to experienced workers if companies are able to compete

other companies in the market place.

Essay 384 Topic 68 **Is daily homework necessary?**

As for students, they study in schools in the day time. When they go back home, one task for them to do is homework assigned by teachers. For a long time, a question has been discussed: whether daily homework is necessary for students. In my opinion, daily homework has its advantages and disadvantages, but the advantages always outweigh the disadvantages.

One striking advantage I want to mention is that, daily homework can be helpful to students to go over what they have learned at school. If they didn't do reviewing, the knowledge they have learned might be forgotten gradually. For some students of good memory, they can still remember what they learned without doing homework, whereas, they cannot apply what they learned to some practical questions because of superficial understanding. So homework is still necessary for them. Through the process of doing homework, students can have a better understanding towards what they have learned.

There is another advantage, that is, homework can help students organize their spare time regularly. After finishing homework, they can do some extra readings or outdoor activity. Gradually, students can strike a balance between study and playing. If there were no homework, given to the young age, some students may have less self-control, and they would prefer to play with others all the time! So that is why homework is necessary for them.

But there are also some disadvantages. Nowadays, some teachers assign too much homework to students, making homework occupy all their spare time. Being afraid of punishment they would suffer if they do not finish their homework, some of them may do it carelessly or even copy others'. What is worse, if homework is not properly assigned, it can make students get tired of study.

In a word, I want to claim again, homework is certainly necessary for students, but excessive homework can do no good to them. Teachers should assign homework properly in order to let students become interested in study and enjoy their study!

Essay 385 Topic 68 **Is daily homework necessary?**

You must finish your assignment when coming back from school, my mother always told me when I was a child. Therefore, I am used to doing my homework as my first thing at home.

According to my habits and fondness I am unanimous with this statement that teacher assign homework everyday. Maybe others hate doing homework everyday because they take it as a burden which will reduce their time for playing games. Here! Let me tell you why I advocate it.

The main reason is that teachers assigning homework everyday really helps me go over my lessons I have had on class. Through my homework I can understand the knowledge by myself and get what the teacher said the most important things in order in my brain. I really liked playing and postponed homework to the next day. Woo! That realizes an old saying *chew more than you can chew?*

Another reason is that completing homework everyday will help to raise habit that everyone need think in his/her own way independently. What teacher teaches us is just their understanding track and what we gain on class is just others' experience.

What I discussed above is just two points of many persuasive ones. To some extent, we may obey the rule-- *Always work and study makes Jack a dull boy?*

But if all these factors are contemplated the advantage of assigning homework everyday carry more weight than those of the opposite one. What I agree with is just personal idea. Maybe you can remember this word. *Reviewing over what you have learned will give you more new knowledge.*

Essay 386 Topic 68 **Is daily homework necessary?**

Many teachers assign homework to students everyday, and they seldom doubt it. However, as far as I am concerned, it is not necessary.

To begin with, not every teacher has classes everyday. For instance, a chemistry teacher may have no class on Monday. It makes students learn nothing new about chemistry that day. As a result, it becomes unnecessary for the chemistry teacher to assign homework. Because if the teacher still assigns homework, perhaps the students will not have enough time to review what they have learned that day, such as physics and biology.

In addition, everyone must have his or her own leisure time. Students are not machines. They cannot work without any rest. Even if a machine works everyday, its efficiency will become lower and lower and refuse to work finally. So the teachers must let students have some spare time, when they can play games, have a picnic and do other things they like. It is good to children's health.

Last but not least, assigning homework everyday is not a scientific way of studying. Suppose you must do physics homework everyday. After several weeks, you will probably think physics is so boring that it no longer interests you. How could one learn physics well under such circumstance? I think the only way to solve this problem is not to assign physics homework everyday.

So from what has been discussed, one can reach only this conclusion that daily homework is not necessary at all.

Essay 387 Topic 68 **Is daily homework necessary?**

Whether it is useful for many teachers to assign homework to students every day is a prevalent topic undergoing serious debate. After pondering the question from several aspects, personally, I agree that to assign homework is still necessary.

During the long history of school education, teachers always assign homework to students every day. Why? Following reasons will give the answer. First of all, to finish the homework given by teachers, students must review what they have learnt today. If no assignment is given, some students cannot go over the knowledge willingly. Then most they have been taught in class will be forgotten quickly.

Another important reason is that everyday homework helps students to absorb the knowledge step by step. It is well known that learning is a process of accumulation. By doing homework carefully everyday, students master what they are taught gradually and firmly.

When homework are finished and handed in, teachers correct them. By doing so, teachers can get the information about how their students learn, which side should be noticed, then decided what they will do to make the students learn well. Obviously, teachers' improvement will do good to students.

From what we discussed above, we see that daily homework can help students study well and build a bridge between the students and teachers. Then we can safely draw the conclusion that daily homework is necessary for students.

Essay 388 Topic 68 **Is daily homework necessary?**

I do strongly this idea that teachers should assign homework to students every day. There are numerous reasons why I advocate the attitude of assigning homework everyday, and I would in here explain a few of the most important ones.

At first, homework is helpful for students to recall the knowledge that they study at the same day. In general, students would like to play. After going home, if there is no homework, they will only play all kinds of games. Maybe they will forget all knowledge. But homework will force them to sit their chairs to review what they learn. So, homework will help students study better.

Secondly, homework will help teachers understand how their students study. Through examining their students' homework, they can know whether their students understand what they teach in the class. I feel that it will help teachers improve their educational quality.

Of course, there are some people who contradict homework because they think that assigning homework everyday will enhance the students' load. But I feel that study is the most important task of a student. After going home, they should spend some time

reviewing their knowledge. Only like this, they can acquire progress.

After understanding the reasoning above, I think that nobody would doubt this idea that teachers should assign homework everyday.

Essay 389 Topic 69 **What subject will you study giving a chance?**

What it comes to the subject that I would like to study, I immediately came up with physics. The reason why I am interested in physics goes as follows.

First of all, it seems to be wonderful that I can see the world with knowledge of physics. This is because I remembered that a physicist who is a friend of mine said that he could always observe every object in the world in terms of molecules, which are very tiny objects composed of every substance. To illustrate, if one shakes a other person's hand and feel warm, a physicist would explain following. The movement of molecules on a surface of the skin increases. Therefore, Too see the world in very small scale is highly likely to make me exited.

Another reason is the mystery of quantum mechanics, which is the way to explain the mechanics of small worlds. In quantum world, existence of each substance is illustrated by only any probability. For example, one can never understands both position and velocity at same time but only probability. Now, I do not understand it at all; I would like to try the real mean of this mechanism.

A final factor is the complex systems, which is a kind of study crossing different kinds of fields, such as biophysics that are made of biology and physics. Among them, I would like to econophysics, which is a new field of economy and physics. In fact, I have already studied economy at a Japanese university, and I expect econophysics to solve the complex of stock markets to a great deal.

For the above reasons, I choose physics as a subject that I have never studied and have desire to study. There is much probability that physics make me have broad eyes to the world.

Essay 390 Topic 69 **What subject will you study giving a chance?**

If I could have the opportunity to choose another subject, I would like to study children education.

For one thing, the psychology of children is different from that of the adult. As a mother of six-year-old daughter, I become curious about the world of the children. For example, we have been taught from a very early age that we must be truthful. But I discover that many children often tell lies now and then. When my daughter did it, I criticized her seriously. However, after I have read some books about children, I find that some untruthful behaviors of children are just the results that they sometimes confuse the

things that are in their imagination with the things that are true. It is not that they deliberately treat adults.

For another, I want give my daughter and other children a happy childhood and make them succeed. Every child is different, it can be said that every child is an intelligent. The key problem is how to find out his advantages and develop it. Some children are good at picture thinking, while others are good at logic thinking. Some children are good at language, while others are good at mathematics. If I understand their psychology and their behavior. I would be a good teacher who could utilize their advantages, increase their self-confidence and lead them to succeed.

In conclusion, I want to study children education not only because I am interested in it but also because I want help children to have a happy childhood and become successful people.

Essay 391 Topic 70 **Has automobiles improved modern life or caused problems?**

Some people think that automobile has improved modern life, but in my opinion, it has caused serious problems and even destroys our lives.

There are huge quantities of automobile of all styles driving on the road, giving off harmful gas like carbon dioxide, which make our climate warmer and warmer. While you are complaining about the hotter and hotter summer, you must hate automobile very much. Automobile not only causes air pollution, but also noise pollution. Have you once lying on the bed but can hardly go to sleep because of the noise made by the automobile on the street down your building? The scientific research found out that noise do a lot of harm to people, people may feel fidgety, dizzy or even want to vomit. That might explain the terrible feeling when you are walking on a street filled with automobiles.

Another problem that automobile makes is that more and more cars have made it harder for our transportation to afford. Everyday we see traffic jams here and there. Drivers are all very anxious, but they could do nothing except ringing the trumpet. If you have an emergency, you can just sigh while facing the endless line of automobiles.

It is true that sometimes automobiles make it less time and more convenient to get to another place, but if you are using an automobile for all the time, you may get a poor health. One who drives a car can rarely get any physical exercises, as he uses the car instead of his feet. Sitting in the front seat and driving is a comfortable thing but that leads to a poor health. Health is the most important thing in the world. I think giving up automobile is better than doing some extra physical exercises, is not it?

Automobile also causes more traffic accidents. There are so many people killed in the traffic accidents each year. Some of them are even children. They have not enjoyed their lives before they fall victim to the accident caused by automobiles. Traffic accidents cause too many tragedies, too many people lose their lives because of it and even more

people live in sadness because of their deaths. That is such a heavy problem, but we must face it and solve it.

The solution of all the problems listed upon is to control the number of automobile. The increasing number of automobiles is causing more and more problems. The number of automobile must be controlled. If not, what will the world be like in the future?

Essay 392 Topic 70 **Has automobiles improved modern life or caused problems?**

In my opinion, automobile has caused serious problems in our society. Because the prevailing use of automobile brings us a lot of environmental harm, traffic accidents, and traffic congestion.

First of all, one of the main reasons why our atmosphere is being polluted is the using of great amount of automobiles. It is quite obvious that the exhausted air which is emitted by automobiles is very dangerous and harmful to human's health. As people drive more and more automobiles, our health is being threatened day by day.

Furthermore, it is reported that the traffic accident kills more and more people everyday in all around the world. Many people also lost their legs, arms permanently during car accidents. Many kids lost their parents because of car accidents when they were young. Traffic accidents cause many tragedies which occur in our life. Traffic accidents bring us a serious social problem.

In addition to those above, traffic congestion is also a important adverse element which is brought by automobiles. Many people have the same experience that they had to wait hours in their cars during a rush hour. Traffic jam wastes our lots of time.

Admittedly, automobile gives us many advantages in our life. However, it has more disadvantages. It has caused serious problems in terms of environmental harm, traffic jams, and traffic accidents.

Essay 393 Topic 71 **A high-paying job vs. quality time with family and friends**

Which value is more important in our life? It is really a difficult problem. Some people seem to give up anything to make money as much as possible; others tend to devote large parts of their life on their family. Actually, these two choices are all valuable from different angles. In my own opinion, I prefer a high-paying job with long hours that would give you little time with family and friends.

First, making enough money can bring to happiness to our family. For example, my father is a doctor. He can get high pay but is very busy. However, because of his job, my sister and I can get best education and we usually go abroad to increase our knowledge. I do not need to spend much time looking for part time job to pay my tuition, and concentrate my whole mind on studying. Although my father do not have a lot of time to

accompany me, he gives me a wonderful life.

Moreover, it is more important to have good quality relationship with friends. It is wrong impression that good friends must meet everyday. For my experience, my good friend-Grace and I meet average one time a week. We are all busy on the weekday and cannot contact frequently, but we can use the money we make hard to enjoy our life. We often travel, go to concert, and admire arts together, these activities help us leave good experiences between Grace and I.

Last but not least, high-paying job not only can improve the quality of our life, but let us have much accomplishment. My uncle is a negative example, he try his best but always can get low-paying job. The failure makes him lose the confidence and often loses temper with his family and friends. Consequently, although he almost stays at home everyday, he doesn't let his family and friends happy.

Of course, it is very hard to balance the importance between money and time. Nevertheless, for the valid reasons I have presented above, I think the statement I support is better.

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A high-paying job may satisfy people's need for money, while it may also make them feel exhausted physically and empty mentally. If I have the right to make choices, I would choose to have a lower-paying job. For me, to live happily and healthily is of vital importance in my life. And a high-paying job with long working hours definitely cannot provide me with the life I want.

To me, a meaningful life should be based on happiness. Working long hours will certainly take my leisure time away. When I have no time to spend with my family members and friends, I will feel a sense of loneliness and emptiness. In order to save money for my tuition in University, I spent most of my time working in a fast food restaurant and cram school five years ago. That was the most miserable period of time in my life. I worked about 12 hours a day. Talking to no one except customers, I felt that I cannot release myself from the great pressure from work. The feelings of isolation made me feel helpless and despair. This terrible experience has convinced me that in order to have more free time to get along with my parents and friends, I would rather have a lower-paying job with shorter hours.

Besides, people's health may be greatly damaged because of their jobs with long hours. It is said that without good health, nothing big can be achieved. To maintain good health condition makes one feel energetic. Though high-paying job may bring money to us, it can never bring health to us. After all, one's health has to be kept by regular exercises and balanced diets. With little leisure time, normal lifestyle can hardly be achieved by people.

Life is short, and I do not want to spend all my time on earning the money. Can money bring me real satisfaction? Can money make me happy? To me, all the answers to these questions are negative. I might not get a large amount of money from the lower-paying job, while I have the most precious things in life--happiness and health.

Essay 395 Topic 71 **A high-paying job vs. family?**

Some people are so dedicated to their jobs, that they are willing to spend as many hours as possible in their office, while neglecting their families and friends. Others stay at work long hours only for the sake of the money they get. For my part, no matter how much I would enjoy what I am doing at work, no matter how well I would be paid, I find my family and friends to be more important. I would rather have a low salary than no time to spend with the ones that I love. I strongly believe that is more important having someone to share with the wonders and sorrows of life than having lots of money. If people do not find enough time to spend with their families, they might wake up one morning and realize that their children are adults and their parents are long gone. In such a situation is most likely they would wonder what was the point of their life so far. They would regret not watching their children grow. They might even find that their friends are scarce, and they do not call any more, tired of hearing "I am are too busy". Moreover, what would be the justification of having a high-paying job, if no time to enjoy the money you earn. The idea of spending them on expensive cloths and gadgets does not seem appealing to me. I would rather travel, go see the world along with my family. But than again, will have time for that? As far as I am concerned, the emotional side of life is more rewarding than the material one. I would make my life in such a way that I would be able to raise my children, be there for them, see them grow. I would not spend long unnecessary hours only for the sake of gaining more. In my opinion, family and friends are what really matter in life, and they should not be neglected.

Essay 396 Topic 72 **Does grades encourage students to learn?**

Nowadays, what the students talk about most is grades. It seems that grades has become the purpose of studying. In my opinion, grades force students to learn, but not encourage them.

There is a popular saying among the students that marks are theroot of the students? that shows the importance of marks. As knowledge is taking a more important part in our society, we students are all trying to get better education because we know that the more knowledge we get today, the better we can prepare for the future. We are all willing to go to a famous university, as it is easier for a graduated student from a famous university to find a good job. Since marks are closely related to bright future, we can easily understand why students are crazy about their marks.

I do not deny that marks make students to study hard, but that is a kind of enforcement but not encouragement. Students study just because of the stress of future living conditions. That is a horrible thing, isn't it? Study, which should have been a kind of

happiness, has now become a way to survive, that's too heavy for this word and may have caused some tragedies.

We read in the newspaper continually that some students killed themselves just because they did not do well in the test. They may have a bright future, but they died so early just because of the low marks. Maybe they are not strong enough, but there is no reason to let them die! The grades become a heavy stress for the students, which do not encourage them, but discourage them, disappoint them and finally lead to their death.

We can also see some classmates around us who do not compete in the right way. In order to get better marks than others, some students damaged or hide other students' book, some even cheat in the exam. Such kind of thing makes a very bad influence on those students' further lives. They might do the same thing when they had grown up and that would obviously cause more serious consequences. Students should not study for marks, but for themselves. Study means more than just getting good grades. Study stands for many, many things, such as the happiness of absorbing the knowledge, the satisfaction of mastering the knowledge. Those things are for the students to dig by themselves, but grades take up the time of that.

Grades are not everything for students. It has not encouraged the students to learn, but led them into the wrong way. Grades have become an obstacle of the development of the students' study.

Essay 397 Topic 72 **Does grades encourage students to learn?**

When it comes to the issue about the effect of grades, different people have different ideas. Some people suggest the grades stimulate the students to work hard, while others maintain the opposite view. As far as I am concerned, the former point of view carries more weight. I agree that the grade system is good on account of the following reasons.

First of all, grades can help the students see their situation clearly and recognize the deficiency, therefore they can improve themselves. For example, after a period of time of study, a freshman thinks he has mastered all the textbooks, but the result of the test reveals he is wrong. Consequently, he will spend more time on his study.

Second point to take into account is that everyone has the complete consciousness in this competing society. Students who get lower grades will feel uncomfortable and losing face. As a result, they will decrease the time spending on sports and entertainments in order to achieve higher grades.

Last but not least, good grade is the symbol of success, and scholarships will be awarded to the best ones. Therefore all the students will work hard for being recognized as the excellent ones.

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Marks is a very important thing for all the students, no matter the students in high school or university. But, I do not think grades(marks)encourage students to learn. The reasons are as below.

Some of teachers believe that grades encourage students to learn or spend more time on study, but I do not think that is a good idea. When I was in China, my teacher making our marks in order from the highest to the lowest and published in the classroom to show all the students and parents. However, it seems no one learn more or spend more time force on some subjects than before. On another hand, it makes students feel sad when they get bad mark and sometime the students will not like study anymore because the low mark.

Besides that, in my opinion, learning is a personal thing. When the students interest in some special area, they will pay more attention on that. If the students do not like it, they will lose their interest and get bad mark. For example, when I was in high school in China, I hated chemistry very much. I had never care about my mark in chemistry. Even I get very low mark in chemistry, I never thought I should do more practice in chemistry or pay more attention in chemistry class. The reason is I do not like, so I do not care about it.

In addition, marks just a thing to check how is study going in the past. Students just can learn what they did not learn very well in the past few months. The past things are all gone. Why the students still worry about it? There is no reason for that, so there is no reason for marks can encourage students to learn.

In conclusion, grades or marks could not encourage students to learn.

Essay 400 Topic 72 **Does grades encourage students to learn?**

Over millennia, the grades from tests or examinations have been using to evaluate the students' performance, although many people debate that it may neglect students' abilities outside the textbook. However, we cannot find a sound method to replace it. As a result, I personally agree with the statement for the following reasons.

To begin with, the grades are the results through fair competition. Students gain their deserved grades after reading over the designated contents. The result reflects their understanding of the knowledge in class and the grades give students a chance to inspect what they have learned. Whether he gets high scores or not, at least he knows his deficiency through the fault.

Secondly, grades can give students the sense of achievement, which is the biggest motivation for learning. Studies show that confident students will learn better than others. If students constantly maintain good grades, he will study harder and harder. For those who usually do not get good grades, they also have a chance to reverse from the adversities if they study harder.

Last but not least, grades develop a responsible attitude for students, because they must bear the failed results due to his idleness and distraction. By comparing with their counterparts, they not only know the reality they face, but learn how to catch up from behind, because we know, sometimes, the frustration gives us more than success.

From the reasons above, we can easily conclude that grades encourage the students to study. An old saying said "no pain, no gain." Good grades are the reasonable results of hard work. We must keep asking ourselves not whether we seize good grades, but whether we study hard.

Essay 401 Topic 72 **Does grades encourage students to learn?**

Many people in the world share a belief that grades make students work hard. I agree with the above statement because I believe that high grades are more helpful in getting a bright future.

One of benefits of the high grade is that it promotes a learner's interest. Interest is the best motivation to encourage students to learn. If a learner has a good score in English, he will find that English is a beautiful language. For example I love to learn math, because it brings me happiness when I get a high score in a math exam. When I went to university, I select math as my major.

The second reason is that schools give us a chance to learn knowledge, why not try our best to get it. In our lives these knowledge has important effect on our mind which need be wise by a by. In addition, self-credit may be instruct by good marks. It is also important to our life.

A further solid argument for the high grade is that it means a good future career. Many companies would rather hire students who are with high grades.

As far as I am concerned, I come to the notion that there are main reasons why I support that grades encourage students to learn. Firstly, high scores spring learner' interests. Secondly, students get self-credit through it. Furthermore, A good job may wait these students who have high marks.

Essay 402 Topic 73 **Has computer made life easier?**

Some people believe that computers provide easier and more convenient lives for them. In their opinion, computers help them surf Internet and share information. They may communicate directly by E. mail. But others hold that computers have made life more complex and stressful and they point out that computers bring many bad effects to human beings, such as information security problem because of hacking attack and environmental pollution because of irradiation. As far as I concerned, I prefer the first opinion rather than the second view.

My opinion comes from following three aspects. First of all, computer made life more efficient than before. For example, people might access websites, gain a lot of valuable information and contact each other around the world. Secondly, computer made life more relax and easier. Computers provide variety kinds of games and people could enjoy and relax from them everyday. Finally, compute help people solve many complicated problem by software, such as investment and finance. Therefore, people's life becomes more simple and convenient.

However, just as what other people say that computers give us some negative effects in the meantime. For example, Irradiation does harm for our bodies and eyes, so we cannot make people seat too long in front of computers. Hacking is a really trouble, and we are

supposed to enhance computer control and technology.

In general, computers give people an easier and convenient life. Although there exists some bad effects of computers as mentioned above. We are supposed to do our best to solve the problems and pay more attention on their good effects. I believe that our society will benefit more from them in the future.

Essay 403 Topic 73 **Has computer made life easier?**

It is a widely controversial issue about the function of the computers. Some people suggest that computers have made life easier and more convenient, while others maintain that computers have made life more complex and stressful. As far as I am concerned, the former point of view carries more weight.

I take this positive view because of the following reasons. First of all, computers link people with the outer world. Using the computers, people can enter into the Internet world in which almost everything exists. It is possible for people to buy some commodities, read books and even watch movies on line. For example, a person can purchase anything he demands from the shopping center in the net, all he needs to do is just only knocking at the keyboard at home, the commodity will be brought to him.

Second point to take into account is that computers can finish the large calculating process quickly. By inputting the properly procedures into the computers in advance, people can deal with heavy burden in a few minutes and the results the computers give are definitely right.

Last but not least, many tasks are charged with computers, the saved people can involve in other meaningful jobs.

However just as the English proverb says, coin has two sides? those who take the opposite view are partly reasonable that the high speed the computers bring can increase people's life pace.

Given the factors I outlined, we can easily conclude, generally speaking, computers bring more conveniences and easiness.

Essay 404 Topic 73 **Has computer made life easier?**

The information technology has developed so fast that computers, which were completely unknown decades ago, have stepped into almost every household in the world and brought deep impact to the way people work, live and entertain. However, like the saying goes-every coin has two sides, computers have also brought some trouble to people.

As far as work and business are concerned, computers have brought revolutionary change to our traditional practices. It greatly increases the efficiency and effectiveness of our work and it is also due to them that E-commerce; E-banking is made available. For example, because of them, there is no need for you to queue in the shopping mall as the shopping cart and goods are just one click away in front of you. What is more about computer is that it makes possible to do two or more things at one time. You could communicate with your friends and do shopping or playing games or watching movies simultaneously.

However, computers do have a lot of disadvantages which we shall consider. First, they are machines which are not infallible. Virus could easily spread out through computers and cause chaos, which destroys all the data which has been stored in them or make some fatal mistakes to business or work. Secondly, though E-commerce facilitates our life, computers encourage credit fraud or ID fraud, which means someone else could pretend our identity and the machine could not differentiate. Last but not least, we have no control over the content on computers, which might expose unhealthy content to children and seriously affect their development.

Though discussed above, I hold the idea that the advantages brought by computers far outweigh their disadvantages. As long as we could use them wisely, like control certain website to be browsed to children, use anti-virus protection and encryption code, we could make them useful to the greatest advantage of human kind.

Essay 405 Topic 73 **Has computer made life easier?**

Once upon a time no computers existed and mankind consisted of no more than a handful of nomadic tribes. This simple life following food sources from location to location is far reached from today's modern fast paced life. With the advent of the microprocessor the world almost changed overnight. Initial uses for the so called 'computer' were as an arithmetic machine used during war time to crack enemy codes. Today computers offer a wide variety of uses and while some argue they made life overly complex I argue otherwise. Computers have offered us a freedom through technology, opened new doors for science and bettered the quality of life for most.

In today's day and age humans in North America have many liberties that we take for granted. Many of these daily conveniences are made possible by a microprocessor that you probably never even thought about. Think of cell phones, the uses and advantages of being 'wired' have almost become mainstay in our culture. Some argue that always being 'wired' causes techno stress and loss of freedom, however, what these people do not realized is there is a button called 'off'. Sure people wishing to find you can attempt to call you, but in actuality you decide whether that call gets through or not by deciding if your phone is on. Also what of the liberties and freedoms that the use of computer allows us, some may use a computer to print up a 10 page essay. Tell me, would you wish to

hand write a 10 page essay neatly? The uses and time saved by using a computer far outweigh whatever time and complexity that the invention of the computer has brought.

While discussing the liberties we take for granted provided for us by computers, let's discuss the achievements for science that computers have allowed. Computations done by computers today are astronomical and without them it would be almost impossible to do them. After all, scientists have discovered the 1 billionth digit of Pi! While, this may not be interesting to you, I am sure it was for the scientist running the project. Well besides enjoying the nature of Pi, medical research has been vastly helped by computer simulations, such as protein folding. Most medical research utilizes computers processing powers and without them science would still most likely be in the dark ages. All these discoveries made with the computer help make our lives more convenient, for example drugs found with a computer may allow someone to lead a normal life or have quicker treatment, therefore making their life easier.

In the end all these advantages of computers equate to a better quality of life. A lot of items these days are made by robots controlled by computers. These products would otherwise have to be made by hand and it would be very costly. Also, people making these products would have a very mundane job and as many studies have shown, repetitive jobs have high turnover rates due to dissatisfaction. By having robotic machines produce goods it makes supply greater and the inputs are often less due to greater efficacy, hence making items cheaper for the general public. Also, many basic utilities are all run by computers and what about interact and credit cards. All these conveniences are made possible by a computer and its network. Furthermore, the Internet is made possible by computers. The Internet has offered ease and convenience to all its users, whether it be shopping for a gift, doing research, chatting and so on all from the your own home.

As one can see, computers play a pivotal role in making life convenient and easy. Through technology people around the world have been offered the chance to save time if they use computers effectively. With the effective use of computers scientists have been able to break down walls and gain new insight that would have never been possible before. Such breakthroughs, such as robotics, have made quality of life all around better. Without computers it seems hardly possible that life could be made simpler. While it is true computers add a certain level of complexity to one's life, I would not directly relate it to computers so much as human evolution. As evolution takes shape, the object evolving often becomes more complex and well suited for its environment. Imagine if we were still cavemen hunting animals, life would be very simple, hunt, eat and sleep. Nevertheless, in the end, the word simplicity and convenient is subjective, and as it boils down, no matter what side you believe, computers are here to stay.

Essay 406 Topic 73 **Has computer made life easier?**

Have you ever used a computer, your efficient partner, to process the numerous data needed in your work? Have you ever had a computer-controlled microwave, your

intelligent chef, cook all the dishes for you? Have you ever employed a computer, your magic mail carrier, to carry deliver your e-mails to your friends on the other end of the world?

As far as my measurement, computers do have made our life easier and more convenient. Among the countless reasons why these intelligent machines become popular and widespread, the conspicuous one is that their abilities to efficiently process data can successfully emancipate man from the tiring tasks of collecting and sorting information. A good case in point is the application of computers in nearly all the banks today. With the help of computers, tellers are now able to carry out any kind of transaction in just a few seconds, while in the past even opening an account might require many complicated and time-consuming procedures.

It might also be noted that the extensive use of various computer-controlled household appliances have significantly changed our life, making it more convenient than ever before. A particular example for this is the intelligent refrigerators now in domestic use all over the world. Controlled by built-in computers, these machines can automatically adjust the temperatures inside them to different conditions of the fruits and vegetables stored in, thus making them freshness whenever we want them.

In addition, computers, together with the Internet, provide us with the most efficient way to communicate with our friends. That is to say, not only can these magic machines deliver messages from one end of the earth to the other in just a few seconds, but they also cost astonishingly less compared to making long-distance phone calls. As a result, in our modern world, the dominant role that mails and telephones once played in the field of communication, has gradually been weakened by the new concept of e-mails that computers have brought to us.

Admittedly, continuously staring at the computer screens may cause eye problems, and the abuse of computer games may lead to people's addiction to them. However, considering the great changes these intelligent machines have brought to our life, we couldn't deny the fact that just as the invention of electric lamps indicated the advent of the era of light, our comprehensive application of computers has informed us that a new epoch of information is coming along.

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Essay 409 Topic 74 **Is it better to travel with a tour guide?**

Travel is more and more a common activity for people to get refreshment. As a result,

there is always controversial ways to arrange trips. Personally I would prefer to travel with friends only, rather than in a group led by a tour guide.

For one thing, a tour guide can be regarded as the manager in a team during the trip. His/her experience and personality will have direct impact on your feeling about the whole trip. During every long holiday in China, the government will announce the numbers of travelers' complaints, plenty of which are due to the unpleasant cooperation with local guide or guide from the agency. For those who expect every minute in the trip to be enjoyable, it is unwise to depend too much on the tour guide.

For another thing, people might argue that having a tour guide is mimic owning a dictionary, which will introduce all the historical stories behind every scenario. To some degree I agree with this comment, but, people are able to find out all these things through book reading and Internet searching, which is for sure more vivid and impressive. Plus, a tour guide is more focused on the time management and he/she will push you running from one site to another, and you cannot stay where you are more interested or leave early where you feel nothing worthwhile to take a look. That is always a problem for traveling in a group by a tour guide.

Overall, recently a new kind of traveling prevailing in China can best explain my point. The Agency will arrange the hotel and transportation for you, and it is you who design the details of the trip and manage yourself. The reason behind its popularity is its flexibility and saving cost, plus, people who prefer to travel without a so called tour guide will choose this solution without hesitation.

Essay 410 Topic 74 **Is it better to travel with a tour guide?**

When planning a visit to a place for the first time, there are plenty of decisions to make: One of them is whether to take a guided tour with a group or travel on one's own. Some people consider that having an expert guide and plan the trip is the best way to travel. Others prefer to explore places on their own.

If one chooses to take a tour where there will be a group of tourists and a guide, there are some advantages and disadvantages to take into consideration. As advantages, we could mention that there would be an expert in charge of the group, so it would be safer for everybody, since it is less likely that one can get lost, and in case of an emergency there is someone reliable to count on. The places to visit would be already planned, so one as a tourist would not have to do research on what places are better to eat, or what places or shows are not be missed. The plans and schedules are designed by somebody who knows the place well, and they're done to fulfill the expectations and needs of new tourists. On the other hand, traveling with a group can bring some trouble. One has to wait for all the group to be ready and complete, or maybe there would some tourists who can have annoying habits that might spoil the trip. The schedule may shorten the time we wish to spend in certain place, and limit our freedom to decide where to go. Sometimes we can disagree with the tour guide's opinion or taste, and find less interesting the places we are

taken to.

In my opinion, I think that being part of a tour led by a guide can be a good choice if the destination is unknown and the languages and costumes are difficult to learn. It is safer to make a trip in a group, and if one chooses the tour carefully, by asking for references and analyzing the schedules carefully, the trip is more likely to satisfy us. We should do a little research on the tour we're about to take, and that way, disappointments and trouble can be prevented.

Essay 411 Topic 74 **Is it better to travel with a tour guide?**

In my particular opinion, I am not consider that to be led by a tour guide be a good idea when you are visiting new places. There are many reasons that can support it. I am going to synthesize why I am no agree with to get this kind of assistance.

Traveling do not only give you the opportunity to know the different places but also give you the chance to feel new emotions around the places. In this aspect, the tour guides ought to be in-charged to help people to find their own emotions in those places, nevertheless, some tour guides do their work with the same routine every day. It is a disadvantage, because of people may not enjoy their trips enough.

Maybe one of the best pleasures in the live is to do what ever you want, even in places that you do not know. When you are leading by a tour guide, you always have an special schedule to do different and specific activities, for that reason, you cannot re-schedule them. In other words, if you are not interested in something, you cannot change it. The main point on this fact is that you have paid for it. Of course, you are free to choose what ever you want but if you want to go to another place, you have to pay again!!.

Even though, a tour guides can be an helpful people when you arrive to a new town or city, to travel alone allows you much more opportunities to discover new places, people, customs by yourself, and choose every activity that you like. But, there is a little problem when you travel alone: if you want to be happy as a clamp in your trips, you have to spend more money that you pocket has. A big deal, but it deserves it.

Essay 412 Topic 74 **Is it better to travel with a tour guide?**

No doubt, I do strongly advocate this idea that the best way to travel in a group led by a tour guide. There are numerous reasons why I agree with this opinion, and I would in here explain a few of the most important ones.

At first, I can get many conveniences if I travel in a group led by a tour guide. I do not worry about some things such as residence, transportation, and eating. During the whole journey, I can completely enjoy the pleasure of traveling without being disturbed by some trivial things.

Another reason why I agree with this idea is that traveling with a group people is more enjoyable than traveling alone. We can share with the beautiful view each other and can express our feeling each other. In addition, if I encounter certain difficulties, there will be many people to help me. So, this traveling pattern will also more safe.

The last reason is that a tour guild will let us learn more knowledge about where we will go because we aren't familiar with that place. Maybe due to our ignorance, we will miss many interesting places without a tour guild.

Understanding the reasoning above, it is quite safe now to say: the best way to travel is in a group led by a tour guild.

Essay 413 Topic 75 **Multiple subjects vs. specializing in one subject**

The academic structure of a higher education institution may vary it is content due to several external or internal factors.

In one hand, diversity clears up prejudices and gets a better glance of problems, in the other hand specificity aims to profound knowledge, there are many courses that require either one of those methods, but for true you could not compete against such methods not knowing which are your goals in those courses.

Some Universities have a more cultural or humanitarian profile, so by including many different subjects they provide a better glance of what the major will tend to or what are the real facts to take in count when studying a specific assignment.

The academic subjects have a strict relationship on what kind of vision the institutions will provide to their alumni, a wide variety of subjects or a narrow one will directly impact on the product send to the professional market and even the way that members of that academic community conduct their selves.

It's a known fact that the university you attend will set the steps of what kind of job you will develop, for example, many people think that Harvard is the best institution for a lawyer, but the academic structure of NYU, Georgetown or the University of Florida takes advantage in terms of private tax practice.

The qualification of which method is superior, must be made before attending such institutions, for example, if I am looking for a global view and not to be saturated with, lets say economics, I would rather study in a more plural university rather than one that only focuses on math and economics.

The above mentioned can also be shown when a student takes an LLM or a JD, depending the professional orientation and needs, the variety or specialized courses would be suitable for one scenario or the other.

Essay 414 Topic 76 **Should children start learning a foreign language early?**

Many people think that children should begin learning a foreign language as soon as they start school. I agree with this point of view. As a college student, I am convinced that learning a foreign language is so important to our future, although it also would be a tough job. In fact, we should begin to learn a foreign language as early as possible. There are three reasons about it.

First, a child has a very passionate interest to study. Everyone should agree with it, for we all have the same experience that a child always asks you about something with full of interests. He or she always try to understand things around them and would be eager to seek all of answers about their questions. On the contrary, when a child grows up, he or she maybe will lose interets on new and unknown things.

Second, Compared with adults, children have greater abilities to study a foreign lanuage. Many studies indicate that a child can study a language more easily and quickly, meanwhile he or she has a good memory to remember so many words, and can distinguish the subtle difference between two words that sound no differnce.

Third, studying a language is not a easy job, which need a long term and continuing study. The language is not only a kind of tool, but also a kind of culture. If we want to fully grasp a language, we must spend a lot of time studying it.

In a word, children should study a foreign language early. It has many advantages. As I far as I know, in my country many elementary schools have given English lessons, which makes great effects on stuying a language.

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Considering the existing educational system, some people debate that learning a foreign language in the early age is unnecessary and it may give the young children too much burden. However, they may neglect that learning a foreign language can be an enjoyable experience and it is necessary to catch up the worldwide trend. In my opinion, learning a foreign language, even not English, as soon as they start school has so many advantages now that we cannot deny the importance of second or third foreign language.

My first reason to support my view is that learning a foreign language enlarges the young kids' fields of vision and gives them the idea of global village. In their immature mind, they begin to know how large the world is and one day they will get the chance to explore other countries.

Secondly, children's abilities of imitation and memorization, the key points of foreign language learning, are better than adults. Hence, they can quickly seize the skill of pronunciation because their mother tongue hasn't fully formed, and it affects their fluency of speech so much. As we know, many people probably can read or write very well, but their speaking abilities are just mediocre, for they begin to learn English too late.

Finally, if the children develop their interests in the childhood, they will learn better because they will not hesitate to open the mouth. Although it also has disadvantages, for instance, the children may at last risk both their native and foreign language, we adults should take positive attitude to encourage and assist them to learn.

The language is a skill of communication that helps to solve the conflicts and strengthen interpersonal relationship, and it is also an element of leadership. Needless to say, we all wish our children had excellent foreign language skills that help them not only learn a different culture, but also find more opportunities in this international society.

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I think that children should begin to learn a foreign language as soon as they start school. Even many parents taught their children the foreign language before elementary school. It is obvious that really necessary.

People can learn a language easily when they are young. Many older people often say that they are too old to learn a foreign language. They cannot remember the words or phrases even after hundreds of times reciting. It's hard for them in fact, but while it's quite different from the young. A healthy child has a better and quicker memory, so the new things he learned may not be forgotten easily with the process of time.

When you go to the primary school, you begin to learn the knowledge from your teachers. Most of them use their native language while teaching you. If you do not touch the foreign language you want to learn, the longer you receive the education, the more difficult for you to learn it. More and more opportunities to speak Chinese will affect on the consequence of foreign language study directly, unless we start learning it as soon as the school begins.

Another reason for early language study is that the young may dare to talk with foreigners and it's a very good chance to practice oral skills. As you know, many grown-ups are bashful to talk with the foreigners, but Grade One or Two students can do so very easily, for they do not care their grammar or expressions right or not. In fact, neither do the foreigners. If they start to learn a foreign language as soon as they go to school, they may also talk with each other in it. What a good chance! It will help a lot, I think.

In a word, learning a foreign language as soon as starting school is helpful and important.

It's not a burden but one of the best ways of learning.

Essay 417 Topic 77 **Should boys and girls go to separate schools?**

We live in the same society where whether boys or girls, men or women are attracted by each other for their differences and can get spiritual satisfaction through communications, it is natural demand.

To let boys and girls attend separate schools obeys the nature itself. Some people may consider that it can let them concentrate on their study and thus benefit for them. This kind of thought comes from juvenile problems, that is either girls or boys cannot deal with their relations in good ways during their teen ages and eventually lead to bad results. In order to avoid these problems, they think they should do like this to apart them from each other, but what is the consequence? Everyone knows it is not a good way to resolve the case because it violates natural rules. Then what is the best way comply with the human natural demand? To let students know what they want to know and teach them correct ways to handle matters and help them come through together, it is active to face problems. When problems come, we should face courageously not hide.

We separate boys and girls by different schools, why we do not separate men and women, now that sooner or later they will work or live together, why not let them learn how to contact with each other early? Either boys or girls have their own characteristics; it is fun to find something different and can learn from others. In summary, in accordance with natural rules and to find more fun in our daily life can make people especially boys and girls more flourishing and more vigorous.

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There are lots of people believe that boys and girls should attend separate schools in sake of learn more about themselves. But I think boys and girls should attend mixed schools for a better communication and for a good result in studying.

In the first place, boys and girls need communication when they are very young, because that really helps them to understand each other after they grow up. It is a very natural way of learning different group of people and both boys and girls can benefit from it. Some people would like to share their separate school experiences; many of them feel unlucky that they attend in separate school, because they lose a very good chance to learn opposite sex people, and they have difficulties to understand each other that result in failure in their jobs and marriage.

In the second place, boys and girls attend schools together can bring them more fun and more motivation to be good in study and behavior. In Gloding's famous novel *The Lord of the Flies*? for example, there is no girls in the novel and that is one of the reasons that

the boys lose their proper behavior so fast. Also in the school, there are always more fun while study in mixed school; in contrast, separate schools seem lack of attraction and interest for some students. Moreover boys and girls study together can encourage and help each other in many ways.

All in all, there are more benefits that students attend in mixed schools than in separate schools. Not only because there will be more fun in school, but it also an important chance to learn each other and it will make communicate easier in their future life and work. Therefore, it is good for boys and girls attend mixed schools.

Essay 419 Topic 78 **Teamwork vs. working independently**

If someone asks me whether I like to work independently or work with a group of people in a team, without any doubt I will choose the second case. Working in a team gives you more chances of getting new ideas and experience from others, it also helps you in hard situations and you can share your job and your opinion with other people in the group.

First, without talking and discussing daily work with other members, you cannot find the good ideas; it means that you cannot find the best solution for your project. Different people have different ways of thinking, thus, working with different members in the group you can get different way to solve a problem that you face to. From that, with discussion, you can follow the right way in order to reach your goal more easily than in the case that you work alone.

Second, if you work alone. When you get stuck in a hard problem, you might pay so much time to think alone but you still could not find how to solve the problem yourself. In that case, if you work in a team, other co-worker will help you to solve this problem very easily because each person have each own strong point. Your experience can never be enough to overcome everything that you have in your working time.

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Base on all issues that I mentioned above, it is very important for one person to be able to work in a group of people in a team. It reduces high pressure in heavy jobs, gives you more ideas in working and helps you overcome in difficult time.

Essay 420 Topic 78 **Teamwork vs. working independently**

It's obvious that man has always been a social animal. Most of his achievements are attributed to social structure and teamwork. In my opinion it is more important to be able to work with a group of people on a team than to work independently.

The first significant reason is that every person has knowledge unique to himself. No person has complete knowledge about any subject. People have different approaches and contribute in different ways to the same cause. So, a group of person can contribute more to a cause than a single person can do. Having many persons working together also helps in the fact that a group can execute its plans more strongly and in a better way, whereas a single person may fail to do so because of lack of opinion or resolution.

Another aspect of this issue is that a team also promotes team spirit. There is a healthy competition within the group members and this breeds innovative ideas by provoking thoughts. On the other hand, a single person thinks in his own way. The possibility of verification and hence improvements are less than they are in a group. I fear he may continue to make same mistakes and will realize them very late. A team person draws ideas from each of his teammates and hence is more exposed to the current progresses and latest methods in his field.

The last but not the list is that the capacity to work in a group means to respect each other for what ever they are, develop positive attitude and good behavior. While working in a team we get to know about each other, the values, the cultural diversity and over all life style. Working in a group means to develop interpersonal skills, which is very important for developing ourselves.

Summing up I strongly feel that team work is essential in everybody's life. It brings out the best of a person. Even a brilliant person cannot strive for excellence without anybody's assistance. Therefore, it is very important to develop team's attitude.

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As part of a team, one can develop many skills and traits. First is communication skills. To work in a group demands communication. One needs to communicate effectively to be able to send a message to the other team members. Second is respect. One should learn how to respect the ideas and opinion of others as well as their time. Fourth is cooperation. Cooperation is essential for the group to achieve their goal. Fourth is responsibility. All of the team members should be responsible enough to do the task they are assigned to do to complete their work and therefore achieve their goal. These are only some of the skills and traits that one could learn as part of a team.

Aside from all the traits mentioned above, working in a team also saves time, effort and energy. Since there are many people working to achieve one goal, less time, effort and

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Essay 426 Topic 79 **Who would you choose to build a statue for?**

If I were asked to build a statue of monument to honor a famous person in my country, I would definitely choose Mr. Andy Lau, who is not only a world prominent Chinese singer but also a successful businessman, without any hesitation. Among countless factors for my propensity, there are three aspects as follows.

The main reason for my view is that Mr. Andy Lau is an excellent singer and a typical ideal admired by a lot of people in China. As a world prominent singer, Mr. Andy Lau has had more than twenty years experience of singing. His appealing and inspiring songs are enjoyed by almost everyone in China and his fans always maintain that Mr. Andy Lau's songs are the best entertainments. Furthermore, Mr. Andy Lau has won countless awards in various singing competitions, both locally and internationally. The 80's and 90's decades in China was remarked as the Andy's Age? There is no denying that we should build a monument for Mr. Andy Lau.

The second reason for my view is that Mr. Andy Lau has made significant contribution to our society. For one thing, he donated large amount of money, approximately a million dollar, to the cancer association of Hong Kong. His generous donation was really helpful for hospitals and medical research centers to find out new ways of curing cancers, which could be highly beneficial to a lot of people. Besides, Mr. Andy Lau has adopted several children who lived in poverty and did not have enough money to continue their education. With Mr. Liu's help, all of those children have graduated from universities and obtained fairly good jobs.

Last but not least, Mr. Andy Lau is an outstanding businessman, who owns a famous entertaining company with property of more than twenty million Hong Kong dollars. Although his company had only lasted several years, he played a vital role in developing Chinese entertaining industry. In a word, taking into account of all these factors presented above, I am convinced that Mr. Andy Lau is a really successful person, who deserves a statue or monument in my country.

Essay 427 Topic 80 **Describe a custom from your country that you would like people from other countries to adopt.**

In a world where many customs and beliefs are built in, I am proud to be a citizen of a country here people are known to be warm and hospitable, Philippines.

Filipinos are fond of ?Fiestas. ?This simply means, ?a gathering or a celebration. ?This is one custom I would like other countries to adopt because it pulls people closer and it serves to enlighten us to relive our culture. The Philippines is an archipelago with 7200 islands and almost all of the islands conduct a fiesta once a year.

An example of a fiesta is the Panagbenga which is done every February in time for the summer season in Baguio City where people from all walks of life joins the parade or floats of flowers, highlighted with street dancing, concerts and fireworks. The native of this city came up with this kind of fiesta to thank God for giving abundant harvest of flowers. Panagbenga is just an example of a fiesta in my country. To name some, we also have the Ati-Atihan festival, the Maskara festival and the like.

Fiestas have truly become a part of the Filipino people's customs and tradition that would never fade because of the spirit of joy, fun and excitement that thrills not only us but also the tourists who also takes time to visit our country.

Essay 428 Topic 80 **Describe a custom from your country that you would like people from other countries to adopt.**

In Vietnam, we are very proud of the custom to give our full respect to our teachers. As far as I am concerned, this is a very good custom which everyone should adopt. There are many reasons for my belief and I would like to address hereafter some main ones.

Firstly, I would like to describe how respectful we are to our teachers. In our country, teachers are considered as our second parents. We never do anything against their advice. We often come to visit them on important days. For example, if we spend the first day of a New Year visiting our parents, then the second day will be for coming to our teachers' homes. Each year we often show our great respect to our teachers on the Teachers' Day on 20 November. On that day, students all over the country come to meet their old and current teachers to express thanks to them. We often give beautiful flowers and best wishes to our teachers on that day.

There are many reasons for which we respect our teachers. The first reason which can be obviously seen by everyone is teachers are people who found the first brick in our knowledge wall and also are the one to help us to build that wall too. Since they day we

first come to school, it is our teachers who welcome us at the school gate. They go with us during our school life. Without our teachers, we could not know how to read and write, how to do count, how to understand natural events, and so on. It is totally true if we say that most of the knowledge we have is due to our teachers' effort.

Moreover, our teachers not only teach us lessons of various subjects, but they also help us to learn how to become a good person. They teach us to distinguish between the rights and wrongs. They are happy to see how we grow up and become mature. I still remember my teacher of Literature in my high school. Whenever we made mistake, she was very sad as if she had not fulfilled her responsibility to take care of us. She always gave her best advice to our problems. As for us, she is really the spiritual sponsor.

From the above reasons, we can conclude that our teachers always help us to become a good person by teaching us scientific and social knowledge. Therefore, all students in the world should love and respect our teachers.

Essay 429 Topic 81 **Has technology made the world a better place to live?**

Whether technology has made the world a better place to live is a prevalent topic undergoing serious debate. After pondering it from several aspects, I totally agree it is true that technology has made the world a better place to live. This I support with the following reasons

As we know, firstly technology can help people to live a longer life. A small example can give some light to this point. At the stone age, our ancestors' average age is about 25. Due to the development of medical technology, now people's average age is two or three times of that time.

Another reason why I prefer to this choice lies in the fact that technology ameliorate the environment in which people living in. for example, thousand of yeas ago people lived in caves, which are cold in winter and hot in summer. With using Architectural technology, people build up houses, skyscrapers. Living in them, people enjoy the comfortable lives without worrying about the whether it is hot, cold or rainy outside.

Finally I want to mention that technology has brought our lives more and more convenience. For instance, many people like music, classic music or pop music. At the beginning, people must go to the theater whenever he wanted to hear a song. . Today, by using great technologies, walkmans and Discmans are supplied for the music fans. Then they can enjoy their favorite songs anywhere and anytime.

From what has been discussed above, we can safely draw the conclusion that technology has made the world a better place to live.

Essay 430 Topic 81 **Has technology made the world a better place to live?**

I agree that technology has made a world a better place to live. With the busy lifestyles of people now, it is nice to know that we now have computers to do some of our work thus saving us time and energy. We save time and energy therefore we can do more work in a given time and day.

Cellular phones help us communicate with business associates, friends and family. We can call important people in cases of emergency or every time we just want to say hello thus enabling us to foster better relationships as communication is essential in every relationship.

Another form of communication that technology gave us is the use of the Internet. We can send emails all over the world with just one click of a finger. We can also gain and share knowledge by browsing through the websites. Students save time in researching using the Internet than going through several books in the library to get information they need.

We now have computers that can save tons of data. People used to keep important documents in drawers wherein they could be lost. It also occupies space especially if you have a lot of documents to keep. Now, we can save space by saving the documents in the computer. This also helps us organize data for easier access.

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Essay 433 Topic 83 **Is modern technology creating a single world culture?**

Some people believe that modern technology is creating a single world culture. In my opinion, I disagree this statement. With the modern technology, we have more chance to feel different cultures, we have more ways to understand different cultures, and we can record and preserve culture information more easily and more efficiently.

First of all, the best way to love a different culture is to feel this culture by ourselves. With the help of the modern transportation, we can get different places more convenient. Ancient Egypt will never be forgotten because thousands people are arriving Egypt through airplanes everyday to visit Pyramid. This situation could not be imaged one hundred years ago. For people from North America, just to spend one week, we can take photo at the foot of the Great Wall, enjoy the delicious Chinese food, and experience the Chinese culture. If more and more people have experienced others' cultures, no culture will disappear.

There is not only way to understand other cultures. Modern technology has helped us to communicate with more people from different culture backgrounds easily. Just click our mouse and keyboard several times, we can chat with people who we do not know, and make friends through Internet. With the video telephone, just sitting home, we are able to communicate people. Communication is essential for us to avoid prejudice and bias between different cultures, and live together peacefully. The last but not the least, for some ancient cultures and minority cultures, it is not hard for us to discover or record information about those cultures. The development of archaeology depends on the technology. Meantime, some small culture which is going to die out can be recorded through modern technology. There are just several of most important reasons why I

disagree with this statement. In a word, Modern technology is not creating a single culture, but creating a multicultural society in our planet.

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Some people hold the opinion that modern technology is creating a single world culture while others contradict it. It's true that the development of modern technology enhanced the globalization, but does it contribute to create a single world culture? As far as I concerned, it doesn't.

There are more than a hundred countries in the world, even in one country there are many different cultures. How can them combine a single world culture? The concept of single world culture is unreal. For example, Canada is a country where immigrants from many different countries gather together. Does Canada have its unique culture? Obviously not, its culture is a multi-culture, not single culture.

Moreover, modern technology is just a part of culture. It can influence culture, but definitely it can change culture. There's an undeniable fact that people will not speak the same language no matter how developed modern technology is. Plus, it's also impossible to change the background of one culture which is its own history. Most parts of one's culture such as custom, come from one's history.

So as we discussed above, it's now clear that the modern technology is not creating a single world culture.

Essay 435 Topic 84 **Has Internet provided a lot of valuable information or caused problems?**

The philosophy of Internet, as means of providing information and connection between different people all over the world, is one of the noblest ideas in the twentieth century, and also one of the most important. It is a good question, whether with the avalanche of information, which best describes Internet nowadays, it can fulfill its purposes.

Everyone using Internet know that it is very hard to find quickly the right item, you are looking for. Doing this, man is wandering trough piles and piles of useless information and the process of looking resemble much of a fighting with a creature unfamiliar with your desires. When I am doing a project, for example, it is very hard for me to separate the popular information from the scientific, and I often find that I would have finished more quickly, if I had used the old fashion library.

Other problem of the Internet usage is that it is filled of uncensored information as violence, terrorism or sex. This is limiting its possibilities to be a good help to the children to understand the world or unless the world their parents want to show them.

Yes, the Internet is a window to the world, but our world is not so good to view it all. I accidentally come upon this sort of information and I am sure that it is decreasing the advantages of the World Wide Web.

The Internet is a store of information. Some of it is valuable; other is useless or even harmful. As humans, if we want to make the Internet as useful as it is purposed to be, we must find some tool to navigate through it without the difficulties, which we are experiencing now or it will become useless.

Essay 436 Topic 84 **Has Internet provided a lot of valuable information or caused problems?**

Some people believe that access to huge information through the Internet creates serious problems such as Internet pornography spreading and software piracies. Consequently, they deny the use of this new technology. However, in my opinion, the Internet provides people with lots of valuable information, and its advantages greatly outweigh its negative affects.

Admittedly, some people use the Internet to make profits by spreading unhealthy pornography. These activities harm the growth of teenagers without correct knowledge and social experience. Some people even intercept personal information about credit cards, and then consumes carelessly in the Internet business shops. This greatly damages the business trade on the Internet concerning security. Nevertheless, many countries are cooperating together to control Internet crimes. Many new laws have been enacted to protect people's privacy and security.

The Internet technology is improving our living and working styles. We used to read news from newspapers or television, but now we can quickly and vividly obtain news we are interested through Internet by subscribing to Internet news services. We can work at home or in another city and simultaneously keep close contact with our managers and colleagues through email. Shopping no longer needs us wandering in traditional stores, because we can do it conveniently through Internet stores. Looking for information become so easily that we just need to type in keywords and let the computer to search for us through the World Wide Web.

Clearly the negative affects of the Internet are relatively small compared with its positive benefits. We need to take suitable measures to limit its harmful influence, and make the best of this new technology.

Essay 437 Topic 84 **Has Internet provided a lot of valuable information or caused problems?**

As many new technological inventions and modern innovations The Internet has many advantages and disadvantages. I would agree with those who consider that the Internet provides people with a lot of valuable information. On the other hand, I would not argue

with the rest who think that access to so much information may create problems.

It is a fact that the Internet has changed our lives tremendously. It is a whole miracle how people have access to the global world twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, three hundred sixty-five days a year. We can find and learn almost everything with only one click of the mouse on the screen.

Thanks to the Internet, nowadays, people are not only better informed but also their abilities to communicate with the entire world become unlimited. It is truly hard for me to imagine how the mankind would advance without these uncountable bits of information.

Unfortunately, people who think that access to so much information creates problems are generally correct. Since we live in the Information Age many people have access provided by the Internet to our personal deals. What is more, the Internet brought to life a new kind of criminals called 'hackers'. We all well know how many problems such people can create only within a day to the world communications. Furthermore, any computer program can protect our private life completely, as we are already a part of the global virtual world.

There are many other examples in favor or against both points of view. I cannot generally agree or disagree with any of them because I am thoroughly aware that as the Internet provides people a lot of valuable information and allows them to communicate freely with each other as such free access often creates problems to all of us.

As many things in life the Internet can be either harmful or beneficial. I hope that its advantages will outweigh its disadvantages in the forthcoming future.

Essay 438 Topic 85 **A one-day-visit in your country**

If a foreign visitor has only one day to visit my country, the best place that I suggest is the museum in my country. In the museum, the visitor will be able to see a lot of special things which can represent my country. the museum will also be able to provide a lot of knowledge for visitor to understand my culture better. Since the time is limiting, museum is the best choice.

First of all, there are a lot of precious things which can only be displayed in museum. For example, the fossil of the ancient animals which existed million years ago is very attractive. It also has important scientific value. This foreign visitor will not be disappointed if he sees this valuable fossil.

Furthermore, things displayed in museum is capable to represent my country's culture. A lot of typical traditional artwork, and pictures which reflects my culture are displayed in the museum. There are also some audio and visual material in the museum. At least, after one day's trip, this foreign visitor can get a basic concept of my culture.

Admittedly, there are many other places that are worth to visit. But the visitor only has one day. Time is limiting. The museum condenses all best the information about my country. It is the most convenient way to understand my country to visit the museum. And the cost is relatively low.

Overall, I strongly recommend this visitor to visit the museum. Because during one day, museum has most precious information and material to be displayed. It reflects a lot about my culture. He will feel that his trip is very interesting and memorable.

Essay 439 Topic 85 **A one-day-visit in your country**

A foreign visitor who has only one day to spend in my country, India, should definitely visit the city of Agra where there are a number of historical monuments, most notably The Taj Mahal.

The city of Agra was an important headquarter of the Mughal Dynasty which ruled India for nearly 400 years from the 15th to the 18th century. The famous rulers of the dynasty were Babur, Akbar, Shah Jahan and Aurangzeb. Various monuments of immense historical and cultural significance were constructed during their rule, of which many are in Agra, namely The Taj Mahal, Agra Fort, Buland Darwaza, etc.

Taj Mahal is an architectural masterpiece. It was built by emperor Shah Jahan in the memory of his beloved wife. Situated on the bank of river Yamuna, it evokes a sense of awe and amazement in every tourist who sees it for the first time. I still remember the day I saw the Taj for the first time as part of a school trip. I was enthralled and spellbound by its magnificent beauty and splendor. In fact, visiting Taj Mahal is part of the itinerary of almost every foreign dignitary who visits our country. US president Mr Clinton and the first lady were also captivated by its heavenly beauty. On a moonlit night, it is at the prime of its pristine beauty.

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Essay 442 Topic 85 **One-Day-Tour in China**

My native country is China, and it is one of countries that have the ancient civilizations in the world. Only one-day visit in China is very limited, but it is enough to get a little bit taste of this great country. The city I will pick for you is Beijing. Here is what we will do for this only one day you have in China. First, I will take you to the Tiananmen Square to see the flag rising in the early morning, and since we are there, we will look around the Tiananmen Square. Surrounding the Tiananmen Square they are many public buildings, such as the Great Hall of People, the museum, the memorial of the war hero and also Chairmen Mao's tomb. In this area there are also some of the main roads of Beijing, and if you are observant enough, you will learn something about Beijing, and its people by

watching the people passing by on their way to work. This part won't take too much time, but it will give you some idea about China. Then we will start our morning by touring The Forbidden City. As you may know, The Forbidden City was where empires lived and worked for many centuries. A couple hours tour there will help you to get to know some of China's history and wonderful architecture. The vivid carving and design of the whole city shines the wisdom of ancient Chinese. If our morning tour is not enough to impress you, I am sure you our next tour will do---The Great Wall. No matter what books you have read about the Great Wall, you won't realize what a wonder it is until the moment you walk on it. Can you imagine the Chinese made this without any modern technology? I am always amazed how the ancient people can fight on it when I found it even difficult to walk on it. Our last tour is the silk alley. I am sure you would like to buy your family members or friends some Chinese gifts, and the silk alley is the right place for you to go. You can find many colorful silk products and imitation ancient antiques. Finally, we will end our day with the delicious Peking duck, so you will have a real "taste" of our capital city of China.

Essay 443 Topic 86 **A time and a place in the past**

There is no denying the fact that when and where you would like to go back in the past is an interesting question discussed much. As far as I am concerned, I think I would go back to my hometown 15 years ago because of several reasons and they go as follows.

The first reason why I want to go back to my hometown in the past is that the scenery in my hometown is very beautiful. A huge river crosses my hometown and so many trees are planted near banks of the river. I still remember appreciating the sunset at riverside with my grandpa. How magnificent the picture was. I had never experienced this landscape before in my memory. I wish I can go back there to watch a sunset again.

The second reason why I desire to go back to my hometown is that I can meet my grandma who taught me much knowledge. Although my grandma passed away five years ago, what she taught me is still useful for me. She often teaches me how to communicate with people and how to deal with the relationship of friends when misunderstands happen. It is undoubted that these types of knowledge are still practical in the modern society. The last reason why I would like to say this is the pace of the relaxed life. As can be seen, we almost cannot put up with the fast pace in city. For example, a lot of problems will be cleared up, a large amount of money need to be paid, a great deal of information flood in our brains. Therefore, I am tired of this kind of lifestyle and desire to go back to my childhood to experience the easy and unrestrained lifestyle.

To conclude, everybody has his or her dream of going back to a period in the past. But I believe most of people desire to go back their hometowns because hometowns in their memories are always be the most beautiful places.

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When I was young I would like to listen to the radio, waiting for my favorite songs... ? this yesterday once more? always gives me most cherished memories in my life. I want to be an responsible, warm-heart, brave, and confident person, and I keep trying to do my best for myself, my family, and my country. However, I am not perfect and made a lot of mistakes before. If I could go back to some time and place in the past, I would definitely go to these places to do better:

When I was in Grade 5, my 75-year-old grandmother lived with us. She cannot see very well at that time, but she insisted to write letters to my uncle, her eldest son, who lived far away from us. Because she even didn't finish her elementary school. Honestly, her handwriting was too terrible to let my uncle and others understand, but nobody told her about that. I knew my uncle would not read her letters according to my parents' words. I thought it would be honest to point out, so I told her about the awfully writing. Her heart was broken. She thought the whole family cheated her. With tears in her poor eyes, she told me that, she tried so hard to write these letters with shaking hands and worse eyes, but they didn't read it, and it seemed nobody care about it. After two days, she was sick, and she died two months later. I felt I did the worst thing in the world. Even today it is still hard for me to tell the impact of my honest. If I could go back to that moment I would tell her, everybody like to read her letters, and we all love her very much. I think that is not a lie, but a communication skill. When the bike-chain is rusty, we put some oil in it. Kind people say something untrue to let other persons feel better, such as comforting the panic friends. Time teaches us lessons of life. I do not want to leave a lot of regrets for it. I remember when I took a bus to my friend's house, I saw a mid-age man stole an old lady's wallet, but I was too afraid to say a word. If I could go back to there, I would tell that man to stop bravely. The world needs more just people to make it better. If nobody says "no" to these things, could you imagine how the world would be?

Essay 445 Topic 86 **A time and a place in the past**

I am someone who enjoys dreaming and always imagines that I have the capacity of going back to anytime and anyplace as I like. If I were equipped with such a skill, I would dated back six hundred years and go to the areas around the Yellow River. My concerns which influence the decision are presented as follows. The first and foremost reason is that I am worried about the environment there and am eager to change the situation. As we all know, there would not have been so many floods and such large deserts if the people haven't over reclaimed this area in the past. Therefore, if my dream came true, I would describe the awful environment to the people at that time, and suggest them against unwise reclamation. At the mean time, I could teach them useful science and technology, which will enable them to live an even better life without the expense of

destroying the environment.

Another reason for my choice is that about six hundred years ago, the areas around the Yellow River so prosperous that I can have many wonderful experiences there. I can do shopping in the ancient stores, learn KongFu from real masters, and take part in all kinds of their daily activities. What a nice experience it would be!

In addition, as far as I know, the language used there at that time are quite the same as what we use now, which means I would not have trouble in communicating with others if I could go back there. Otherwise, I will not have a happy life their.

In a word, I really hope that I could go back to the area around the Yellow River at about six hundred years ago.

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Essay 448 Topic 87 What discovery in the last 100 years has been most beneficial for your people?

Many discoveries in the last 100 years benefit the people in different ways and different scales, but I believe the benefit of computer tops all.

Firstly, computer has become a necessary tool of human beings, applied almost in every field. It is very hardly to image the world without computer. Picture this, how could it possible to build up the project like Three Gorge without computer, how could we make the precise calculation for spaceship launching without computer. The precise control of aviation, the management of comprehensive database, the effective virus detection in the seconds and so on, all these things only can be done under the help of computer. Computer is not only providing convenience to the society but also make our works more precise and correct.

Secondly, computer liberates the people from arduous work and make human beings's life more enjoyable. For lot of work, it takes several days ever more physically and personally to complete, but computer may complete it in several minutes or ever less. What you require to do is just to press a button or clicking mouse. I am an irrigation engineer and actual computer helps me to earn my bread. I design the works and make drawings with computer, it makes my work more efficiently and easily.

Thirdly, there are so many danger works treating people's life, but computer makes it possible to avoid any dangerous work. Robot devised with computer can almost do anything dangerous instead of human beings' physical work.

All in all, computer is the necessary tool of human beings, it benefits people most than other new discovered technology.

Essay 449 Topic 88 **Has telephone and email made communication less personal?**

Some people argue as if it is a general truth that some modern instruments such as telephones and email have made communication between people less personal. Superficially, it seems to be a sound saying, however, I do not think this view can hold water. A close inspection of these arguments would reveal how flimsy they are. There are numerous reasons why this is so, and I would explore only a few of most important ones here.

The undeniable deficiency in this remark is that it is negligent of the bare fact that telephone can cut the distance between two cities short. For instance, there is a couple who have to be separate just because of their works or some other reasons. They cannot meet everyday, but they could share the happiness or sadness with each other by making a call. Obviously, telephones could strengthen their love no matter where they are, and no matter what difficulty they met. Just calling, everything will do better.

Also, it is arbitrary to judge that the view I argued is correct according only to the excuse I mentioned in the above paragraph. As everybody know, it takes at least one day to deliver the letters from one area to another area through post office. Sometimes, we need to let the letter reach the goal region as soon as possible. In this case, email plays a important role when considering the efficiency. Just in one or two second after you clicking the button, the message will fly to the destination. It is no difficult to see which one is more convenient.

I would probably not be too kindly disposed to the idea that writing letter is not important. Nobody can deny that writing letter is a traditional method to communicate the feeling from one person to another. On the paper, the receiver is able to touch the handwriting, it cannot be instead of email. There is another advantage of letter. It is more available to get a pen and a piece of paper, no matter whether there is an electrical power.

While it is true that the argument I disagree hold a little bit of water, I think that telephones and email can contribute more beneficial things to the communication between people, especially those who have a long distance from others. Given all the factors I outlined, in my opinion, I will always live in the same world as those who oppose to the title.

Essay 450 Topic 88 **Has telephone and email made communication less personal?**

I disagree that telephones and email have made communication between people less personal. New communication methods, like telephone and email, are different with old communication like face to face or send a letter. Telephones and email make people more close each other. They can save people's time, convenience and make people contact easily.

Telephone and email can help people clear and quick communication. In the past, people spend a lot of time to wait for their relative or manager's message which might be important from far distance such as a new strategy from a manager, a dangerous disease message from relatives. When people get their relative or their supervisor's message, they are also hard to respond the answers. Now, people can depend on telephone and email to communicate and get answer.

Telephones and email can help people contact more easily, so they can spend more time to communication. Have you ever get some status like your good friend need to move to other city to work or study, or maybe you have friends who acquaint with you in a trip, and they are from other countries. For those conditions, the better ways we can keep our friendship is go by telephone and email because telephone and email can make people contact easily and communicate frequently.

Telephone and email makes people communication more convenience. In Chinese, we have an idiom say that neighbors are helpful than far relatives. The reason explains easily because the relatives are live too far for people to contact and communicate. Now, every problem is resulted by telephone and email, telephone and email is the most common tools for people to contact and communicate. For instance, my mother has four sisters, and they live in different city. My mother almost talks with their sister every night by telephone. Also they use email to share their experiences.

Telephone and email can help people clear and quick communication, more easy contact, and communication more convenience. According for three reasons, I disagree that telephones and email have made communication between people less personal.

Essay 451 Topic 88 **Has telephone and email made communication less personal?**

With increasing developed long distance communication techniques, people become more dependants on telephone and email to contact with other persons other than face to face talk. Some people feel afraid that such trends will make communication less personal. However, other people insist that it is not a problem, because email and telephone provide life with more convenient. I think that both the two sorts of opinions have their own advantages and disadvantages.

On the one hand, email and telephone actually cut down personal associations not only in daily life, but also in the work. For example, in modern business, email and telephone replace traditional mail acting as main communication way for buyers and sellers. A contract and trade can be accomplished even without face-to-face talk. It promotes the efficient of work through saving travel time and labor cost. While some people, especially those who not live with parents, always just call their parents other than go home. To some extend, it decreases the time for them to get together with their family. In a world, new techniques decrease personal talk, benefiting business with low cost, but cut

time that people spend with their family.

On the other hand, email and telephone are furnishing people more chances to communicate with outside world and broaden their association scope. Through email and telephone, people can freely and timely talk and write to other ones who live faraway. In transnational company, market manager who live in North America can accurately grasp the market situations of European or Asia through a email or telephone report. The impossible communications before are turned into reality, which to some extent, promoting personal association and communication. To those people who live far from their hometown, new technique give them chance to talk with their family and friends through telephone frequently or email. Especially new trends of development market email more personalized, which can attach a video file or picture files. As a result, their relationships are continuously enhanced through such approaches.

From what have been discussed above, the beneficiations and drawbacks of the use of telephone and email are weighted. Even though new communication methods cut some personal communication, it contributes to worldwide development, such as in the global business and trading; at the same time, it tightly connected the whole world together. People who live far from home will not feel alone if they own telephone and email. Therefore, I think that telephone and email, strengthen personal connection other than decrease it.

Essay 452 Topic 88 **Has telephone and email made communication less personal?**

The recent decades see rapid development of technology in communication. Things such as telephones and email have changed the style of communication between people greatly. Someone think such technologies have make communication between people less personal. But, I do not agree with them.

Apparently, they are right because telephones and email prevent people from communicating in person. Technologies provide people with possibilities to communicate in voice, or even in word. But, the method of communication is not the point.

Actually, technologies also provide people, especially those who cannot communicate in person, with the opportunity to keep in touch with each other. For example, being thousands of miles away from my girlfriend, I can however keep in touch with her by calling her and sending emails to her every day. We tell each other what happens around us, and exchange our feelings. Owing to these modern technologies, it seems that we are not as apart as it really is. And I really cannot imagine how I could be were there neither telephone nor email. In that case, I will be driven lonely and disappointed.

Admittedly, some people become hesitate to communicate in person, because of the convenience of telephone and email. But in most cases, these technologies contribute much to help people connected with each other. It is nothing but telephones and email that makes communication between people more personal.

Essay 453 Topic 89 **What person in history you would like to meet?**

If I could travel back in time to meet a famous person, Georgia O'Keeffe, a famous and outstanding painter in the early twentieth century and died in 1980s, will be the one I most like to meet. The purpose of my issue is to address the reasons why Georgia O'Keeffe is the one I like to meet.

The most significant reason is Georgia O'Keeffe is my favorite and appreciated painter. The accomplishment she made is unique and unable to replace in art history. I like her just for her amazing and fantastic paintings that shock me deeply, not for her fame or reputation. What I want to do, if I have the chance to meet her, is standing beside her quietly and looking her when Georgia O'Keeffe is painting. Because I always want to know how she can paint the touching flowers, which are full of emotion, passion and desire, with such simple and pure skills and colors, and why people can feel the messages that the flowers transmit while looking at her paintings.

On the other hand, Georgia O'Keeffe is the one that always chases perfection. For example, in her life, Georgia O'Keeffe traveled numerous places, such as Mexico, Asia, Europe and so on. The purpose of her trips is to know if she was living in a right place that most suitable for her. If I could travel back in the time to meet Georgia O'Keeffe, I will travel follow her so that I can learn the determination and brave of chasing perfection and see the beautiful and wonderful sights of the world with my favorite painter.

In conclusion, Georgia O'Keeffe, who painted various outstanding and distinguished works and chased perfection forever, is the one that I most like to meet if I could travel back in time. It is natural and logic because I like her very much and never have the chance to meet her.

Essay 454 Topic 89 **What person in history you would like to meet?**

If there were a time machine, how wonderful it would be! By traveling in time, I cannot only meet many famous heroes but also experience the fatal historic event by personal. Among the Chinese history, there was only one woman who ruled the Chinese dynasty. Her name is Wu-Ke-Tian? the only queen in Chinese history, she's definitely the most attractive person whom I wish to meet.

The sexual discrimination in China has passed generation by generation. No matter the family, the school, the whole society, even the kingdom regarded women as a tool for breeding. What women have to do is stay at home and give birth. Women are not allowed to participate in any kinds of social affairs, needless to say politics. Therefore, Wu-Ke-Tian is the first woman who could defeat all opponents and entered the nuclear of the kingdom. Even now, we learn that it's very difficult for a man to compete with others and get the leadership in a country, and so that I can imagine how bad the situations she might be and how smart she was. From the whole history in China, we have learned that Wu-Ke-Tian's dynasty is

the very fair and open dynasty. As a ruler, Wu did a lot of contributions. It's not easy for a woman. That's the reason I wish to meet her.

If I could go back to the Wu dynasty, I could meet her and ask her feelings of being a ruler and learned the wisdom from her.

Essay 455 Topic 89

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Essay 457 Topic 90 **What famous entertainer or athlete you would like to meet?**

Sine I have watched the movie *leppless inSeattle?* I became fascinated with Tom Hanks, an outstanding and distinguished actor. So if I could meet a famous entertainer, Tom Hanks would be the one I most like to meet. The purpose of my essay is to address why I hope to meet Tom Hanks.

The most significant reason is Tom Hanks' splendid and superb acting, and two Oscar prizes for the best actor and other numerous prizes can prove it. Hollywood is full of handsome men and pretty women; while Tom Hanks, who has no striking appearance, is always welcomed warmly by reviewers and audiences because of his natural and wholehearted acting. He have perform completely different characters such as a heartbroken husband, a sturdy and brave AIDS patient, a feeble-minded man and so on, which he acted professionally and portray details to bring the characters to life and make the movie more excellent. Every time I watch Tom Hanks' movies, I am deeply moved. So, Tom Hanks is my most favorite actor and I hope to meet him.

On the other hand, the healthy and positive image of Tom Hanks is one of the reasons that I like to meet him. Out of the movie, it is admitted that Tom Hanks is a warmhearted, friendly and honest man. For example, he never appears in passive news. I like to meet him not only because of the reputation or fame of Tom Hanks but also his nice personality. If he is only a superstar, I prefer to watch his movies only to appreciate his performance. But he is a person with so many merits that I hope I could meet him and make friends with him.

In conclusion, Tom Hanks is the one I would like to meet. It is natural and logic because of his superior and splendid acting and the excellent personalities he has.

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If I was given an opportunity to meet a famous entertaining star or athlete, I would like he is Tom Hanks, an outstanding American film star, due to the following reasons.

First of all, personally, Tom is one of my favorite western film actors. My first encounter with him was at Forrest Gump? an excellent emotional film that provided Tom with the Oscar prize of the best actor in 1994. His acting skill was so sophisticated and vivid that I still can remember even a single facial impression of him in that film.

Secondly, through enjoying his film, not only can I have a wonderful time with a good film, a good story and a good actor, but also I can achieve some additional fortune from him. As an actor who has no handsome feature but quality acting skill in Hollywood, Tom presented incredibly successful sample of American dream, which encourages and appreciates personal success through their own capability and hard work. Especially in the film of Forrest Gump? with his wonderful acting, I was strongly moved by the story and role presented by Tom.

Last but not the least, in real life, Tom Hanks was a good father and husband. Undoubtedly, life in Hollywood makes people very easy to be eroded. However, it doesn't work when it comes to Tom. He managed himself to be a compatible father and husband who spend lot of time with his families without making any pink news with other stars. In this point of view, his personality is worthy of our respect.

For conclusion, there are too much I can benefit from meeting with Tom. His quality personality, his sophisticated acting skill, his success story are what I am expecting to enjoy.

Essay 459 Topic 90

There are many famous entertainers and athletes, all of whom have contributed to the development of the field or fields they perform in. From famous artists and musicians to world-known athletes, there are many interesting people whom I would gladly meet. But if I had to chose one of them, that would be the king of the football, Pele, and below are some of my reasons for doing so. I think that football is the most exciting sport. But it does more than just entertaining the audience. It models the personality of its players throughout the years. For example, it requires a very strong physique, so the players can actually rival with professional sprinters. Running ninety minutes also gives physical endurance to the player. However, good footballers should also have a strong and creative mind. They should be able to remain calm even in the most exciting moment. They should be able to always know what the situation around them is, and consider it, and make decisions in an instant. They should even be able to figure out combinations, which requires a sort of thinking similar to a chess player's. That's why playing football develops both physically and psychically the player. Actually, I know nothing more about Pele than that he was a great football player. But, given the reasons above, that is enough

for me to strongly want to meet with him. I believe that The Game would have created a great man out of him. In brief, I am charmed by the sport football, a sport which combines elements from many other sports. That is why, because of all its requirements, I believe that it shapes the personality of the player in a way that makes him a good company. Therefore, the best player of them all, Pele, should also be the greatest companion.

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Essay 461 Topic 91 **What question you will ask a famous person?**

If I had an opportunity to ask a famous person a question, I could come up with many questions. However, in particular, I would like to ask Yang Chen Ning, a famous physicist who was awarded Nobel Prize for his remarkable scientific accomplishments, how did you become a successful scientist??The reasons why I ask this question are given below.

The most important reason is that I want to get some useful lessons and suggestions from this outstanding man. Yang Chen Ning is the Nobel Laureate in particle physics in 1957. He is a Chinese-born American theoretical physicist. In China, he graduated from National Southwest University, and got a master degree in Tsing Hua University. After that he studied and completed his doctoral degree in University of Chicago, and was awarded a honorary doctorate in Princeton University. Professor Yang is not only

distinguished in research field, but also well-known in education field. He is a professor in Chinese University of Hong Kong. He had called for Chinese Youths to challenge Academic Authority. He suggested Youths should not forget Chinese tradition at the expense of learning the newest foreign technologies. I believe I can be inspired by his answer of my question, and I can be pushed study hard from his experience.

Another reason is that Yang Chen Ning is my idol; I would like to hear his instant presentation as long as possible. As I known, Professor Yang is a very quiet, modest, and affable scholar. I really wish I can stay with him and talked to him. As far as the question how did you become a successful scientist??is concerned, it must be a long story. I think Professor Yang will talk about the things starting from he being a child to being success. It must take a long time to say.

All in all, taking into account all the reasons that I have talked about above, I really want to know how Professor Yang got the success. Furthermore, I want to get some suggestions from his story, and I would like to enjoy the time with my idol.

Essay 462 Topic 91 **What question you will ask a famous person?**

If I could ask a famous person one question, I would like to ask the world famous scientist Li Siguang if our city could build a statue or monument to honor him. Because I think that he definitely deserves to be honored in some methods for his great achievements and building a statue or monument to honor him is appropriate. Besides, to honor him will stimulate our children to model this famous scientist and push themselves to study hard. But I have to ask his permission.

The famous geologist Zhao Siguang had made great achievements in geology. One of his famous discoveries is that he renewed the continental drift theory in China. By applying his new theory into practical use, protectors have been exploring a lot of crude oil wells and precious mineral sites in china. These discoveries have been promoting our industries greatly and therefore made him famous both in our country and in the world. we need to honor him for these achievements.

There are a lot of ways to honor a famous scientist like Li Siguang, such as to establish an extra holiday, to name a street after his name besides building a statue or monument. However, establishing a new holiday will involve a series of legislative process and there is already a street that is called after his name in our city. The left choice is to build a statue or monument to honor him. Besides, he was born in our city. My city is his hometown. So, I think nothing can be more appropriate to honor him than to build a statue or monument.

After the statue or monument having been built, our later generations of the city can model him more easily. Our children are usually to know this famous geologist from books and magazines, or hearing his name from their teachers. It is a little more difficult for our children to adore him because all the stories about the famous people are seemed

to be similar to one another. From building a statue or monument to honor him, children can look up to him anytime and know that he was born in the city and just standing over there. This will stimulate them to study hard and hope themselves to be as famous as him in the future.

Overall, if I had the opportunity to ask a famous person one question, I would really want to know if our city could build a statue or monument to honor Li Siguang. We really should honor him for his achievements and his potential positive effect upon our children. However, he is too modest a person. So, I have to ask him about this question and hope that he will say & es&?to me.

Essay 463 Topic 92 **One-season or four-season climate**

If I ever had the chance to choose whether to live in a place where the weather changes several times a year or an area where the climate is the same all year long, I would prefer to live in the place where the weather changes several times a year. By living in the place with the changing climate, I would enjoy the four beautiful seasons such as summer, autumn, winter and spring. In the following paragraphs, I would discuss the advantages of the weather seasons by providing several examples.

One of the most exciting weather seasons, in my opinion, is the summertime. During the summer, people could have so much fun and enjoy the beautifully warm and sunny weather. Also people could have the opportunity to spend their leisure time outside their houses and enjoy outdoor activities such as hiking, camping and playing beach volleyball and football. Also during the summer, the trees are green, flowers are in the bloom and fruits and vegetables are in the abundance. All these summer advantages could give people as much energy and important vitamins as possible for good health that are necessary when autumn and winter come in their houses.

When autumn comes, the weather changes significantly. Climate usually becomes much colder than during the summertime. Trees lose their leaves, clouds and wind are noticed more often and it rains almost every day. However, during the autumn, people could observe so much beautiful changes of the nature. For example, students, who study art, are very excited about the autumn, since they could catch a beautiful gamma of different colors of trees leaves.

During the icy and snowy winter, people, especially children have a lot of fun. Everything around us turns white. I like this season so much, since I enjoy winter activities such as skiing and snowboarding.

When the spring comes, the life awakes from its long dream during the wintertime. Days become longer and warmer. Buds on the trees start growing, birds return from south and sing beautiful melodies. I really enjoy the spring time since it gives a lot of positive feelings about coming sunshine and warm days.

Essay 464 Topic 92 **One-season or four-season climate**

I prefer to live in places that have the same weather or climate all year long. Certainly, this place is not in some cold place. It had better near the seaside. There are many benefits in this situation.

The first reason is that cold weather is not convenient for living and working. It is too cold in winter and the wind at that time is very fiercely. I could feel the ache on my face and the time on the road would be very tough. And I should take on very heavy coat, which is not convenient for sports. And everything around is very dark. No green trees, no grass.

The second reason is that hot weather is too horrible for me. In hot days, I would always feel weak if I stay outside of houses and often sweat too much. And I do not want to go out to do anything.

The third reason is that I do not like to fill my closet with lots of clothes and waste my time to find the suitable clothes. If the weather changes from January to December fiercely, I should prepare lots of clothes for every season. It would cost me lots of money and time to buy them.

So I think good climate give me more freedom. If I live in a place that always has the good weather, I think I can plan my life very well. I need not always consider about the weather or my clothes.

Essay 465 Topic 92 **One-season or four-season climate**

I was born in a four season country. I believe that each season has its own beauty that can hardly be found in other season. Some people prefer to live in places that have the same weather but I cannot imagine the world without the busty of winter, spring, fall and summer or without the special feeling that one can have when a season finishes and the other one starts.

First of all, each Season has its own beauty. Some countries have the same weather for example some Mediterranean countries always have a warm and rainy climate. I cannot imagine Christmas without snow when the ground wear a beautiful white dress and look like a fairy tale book. I love the contrast between weather and hot environment in Christmas.

More than it, no one can deny the beauty of spring which comes after winter, when the trees bloom and you can see new buds, the first grass that come after a gray winter. Spring is my favorite season, when all nature wakes up and you can change your mind, behavior with changing of the nature.

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Essay 466 Topic 92 **One-season or four-season climate**

Colorful and meaningful life does not only depend on life itself but also the surroundings of human beings activities. The weather is one of the very important factors of surroundings, it effects man's life quality from certain way. The same weather or climate all year long will make people easy adaptive to the surrounding, but it will make the life very dull. It is more enjoyable if people live in areas where the weather changes several times a year.

The changeable weather can make the people aware of the magic of the nature. People could wear different style of clothes, eat seasonal fruits and live different lives as season changes, which can make people's life new, different and enjoyable every some days. Pictures this: People live one year as one day, wear same clothes, eat same food, the surroundings are always same, same color, same temperature and same sports. What a dull life if we live in such an environment! I live in a country, where the seasonal change is very obvious. We enjoy the green season of Spring, the breeze make the people aware of the new start of one year. We enjoy the flower season of Summer, the colorful world make people touch the splendor of their life. We enjoy the golden season of Autumn, the harvest in the season make people ponder the philosophy of life. We enjoy the white season of Winter, the coldness trains people's volition.

Biologically the changeable weather can make people longevity and work efficiently, the changes of weather will make people more fresh, challengeable and conquerable to the difficulty during the process of their adoption of its changes. Furthermore, when season changes, people will be looking forward to another season in one year and make new goals and objectives accordingly in new season. The different seasons something like milestones to remind and urge people to be aware of the time lapse. It can make people inconsistently check if their actions are in line with their schedule as the season changes. The milestones could be the steps to the success if people could use them properly.

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Essay 471 Topic 92 **The seasons**

While many people would like to live in a place that has the same, warm weather 365 days a year, I prefer a climate with different seasons. So, I can adapt my activities. In the winter I like the snow, in the spring I like the awakening of the nature and in the summer I enjoy the warm temperatures. Every time I wake up and see the white snow outside in the winter, I am surprised and happy. There are a lot of things you can do with snow. We often throw snowballs, go ice-skating or travel to the mountains where we go skiing or snowboarding. Furthermore, having a white Christmas is very beautiful. In the spring, the nature and the animals wake up from their winter sleep. The days are getting longer, the skirts are getting shorter and nature is getting very green. I love this season because you can feel the power and the energy of the nature and you can experience that it changes the people, too. In the summer, we all enjoy the hot and dry weather. We are sitting outside in the evening and it is still comfortable. We are doing sports or going to swim. In my vicinity, there is a lake with a nice beach. During the summer months, many people gather here in order to swim, to party or simply to relax. Altogether, I would not like to miss the diversity of the seasons. Therefore, I am happy with the place I am living now.

Essay 472 Topic 93 **What are some of the important qualities of a good roommate?**

Many students choose to share accommodation with other students when they are in school because there are many advantages for living together with roommates. However, if you choose your roommates inappropriately, you may get yourselves into a trouble and jeopardize your life and study. So what are some of the important qualities of a good roommate? Given different personalities and preferences, many people have different opinions. I will choose a good roommate based on several qualities.

First, a good roommate is a person who does not have bad habits or addiction such as smoking or drinking. Take the example of smoking. Smoking will pollute the indoor air and contaminate clothes and bedding. With a smoker in the same apartment, I cannot breathe health air and have a good rest, let alone concentrating on studying. Even worse, I may become a victim of passive smoking. In a word, a roommate's bad habit can seriously impact my life and studying.

A good personality is the next quality that I would use to measure if he/she is a good roommate. It is my preference that my roommate is an outgoing person. He/She likes to make friends and respect other people, and in the mean time has a sense of humor. With a roommate who has a good personality, for sure my student life will become more

enjoyable.

Finally, a good roommate should be a person who puts cleaning room as part of his/her routine schedule. I am a person who like put everything in other. With a clean room, I will find myself easier to concentrate on reading and writing. I believe many of other students share the same view.

All in all, having a good personality but no bad habit and cleaning room regularly are the most important qualities for a roommate and I would choose my roommate based on those qualities. I am certain that I will enjoy my school life with such a roommate.

Essay 473 Topic 93 **What are some of the important qualities of a good roommate?**

I think most of us have the experience of sharing room with others. For instance, when we are at the university, we have to live in the school's dormitories with roommates. If I am asked what are some of the important qualities of a good roommate, I would say they are consideration, easygoingness and sincerity. There are numerous reasons for the qualities I choose and I will explore a few of the most important ones here.

First, the reason why I think my roommate should be considerate is because of the fact that different people have different habits. For example, I like to get up early while my roommate doesn't want to get up until noon. There exists the inconsistency. Suppose one morning I get up early, there must be some noise when I put up my clothes, get down from my bed and go out to brush my teeth and face. If my roommate is not considerate, she must get angry with me all the time since we have other different habits. Thus we cannot live together anymore. So, to be considerate is necessary.

In addition, why my roommate should be an easygoing person is because I want to make friends with my roommate and let my life in the dorm be more harmonious. I hope we can help each other when the other is in trouble and we can chat in our leisure time. Friendship is the necessities of one's life I believe.

Furthermore, The reason for my roommate to be sincere is that no one likes the person who always cheats others. I believe that to be sincere is not only an important quality of a good roommate, but also an important quality of a good person. That is a usual way of evaluating people. I would also like that to be my criterion for choosing my roommates.

From the above you might get the idea that sincerity, consideration and easygoingness are important qualities of a good roommate.

Essay 474 Topic 93 **What are some of the important qualities of a good roommate?**

The important qualities of a good roommate

We become more independent and learn more life experience while live without families,

but your roommates. However, to live with other people is neither easy nor difficult. You should learn how to be a good roommate, basically.

Believe or not, dormitory life is a extremely happy thing. You make new friends, experience independence, difficulties and enjoy the freedom. But all of these are base on your behaves as a good roommate.

Firstly, you should know how to respect people. Not only your roommate, also people around you. It is the most important factor in our communications. Whatever what is your background, you are the same as your roommates, you guys are all equal. To respect your roommate, respect their religions and cultures. Do not laugh at esthetic people or racism. That is rude and stupid. We should respect what God created for us. Besides, you must respect your roommates' privately, everyone have right to have their secrets.

Take your duty and responsibility. You cannot ignore and think about those are negligible. Do not tend to ask your mates to do things what you have to do. Remember, no one will like a lazy and irresponsible roommate. In general, you should help to cleaning, put litter bags to dust heap, put things back after you used. To be quite when others are studying, take care of your men is another factor among.

In addition, You are one of members of your dormitory. Do not hide yourself behind, you are buddy of your roommates. Try to share your ideas, experience of study and life, your happiness etc. And you listen to your mates experience as well. Take care of your mates You dormitory will be lively then.

All in all, as long as you enjoy your dormitory life, get well with your friends, then you should be a good roommate. Whatever what you experiences, those of them will be a beautiful memorial of your rest of life. TRY IT.

Essay 475 Topic 93 **What are some of the important qualities of a good roommate?**

While going to school or university, we usually have to live with roommates. Since the roommates are those with whom we spend quite a lot of time, we often expect our roommates to be sincere, kind and magnanimous, for these qualities are deemed as some of the important qualities of a good roommate.

Firstly, a good roommate should be sincere without doubt. Many of us have the experience of being low in mood and eager to find someone who can listen to our story and give some positive advice. In such cases, sincere roommates are naturally the best choice, with whom we can sit bay the table, or lie in bed chatting. Since we are all sincere, we can trust each other and talk about our own thoughts and feelings, which will do much good in helping us get back to good mood again.

Another equally significant quality of a good roommate is kindness. It is this quality that keeps driving us roommates to care for each other and help each other. I'd like to take my

dorm as a good example to illustrate this point. Whenever some one fell ill, others will voluntarily take her to the hospital, buy medicine for her, make meals for her, and so on. We all appreciate such a kind atmosphere, and we love each other.

Furthermore, a good roommate should also be magnanimous. As we are still students, and have not much experience of living with others, we may probably do something that will hurt our roommates' feeling unconsciously. Without the quality of magnanimity, a roommate will be easily irritated, and the friendship will be easily broken.

In a word, sincerity, kindness and magnanimity are the three most important qualities of a good roommate in my mind. Fortunately, I and my roommates all have such qualities, which has resulted in our cozy dorm and long lasting friendship.

Essay 476 Topic 93 **What are some of the important qualities of a good roommate?**

While going to school or university, many students have to live with roommate. In fact, roommates can influence on your quality of campus life, friends you make with, even the academic achievement. A student should notice the importance of roommates and carefully chose good roommates when she or he initially goes to school. The issue is worth discussing over three dimensions below.

First, the definition of a good roommate have to reach some basic standards, for example, she or he must be free from drug abusing, alcoholic drinking, illegal activity and so on. Besides, she or he have to be clean, friendly and is pleased to give a hand to other people in need of help. In my opinions, Most of student in school want to find a roommate like what I describe above.

Second, a school, university especially, is accommodated over hundred or thousand students from different families, ethnic groups, and regions, even countries. They possessed diverse thinking style and habit which may be good or bad. If a student lives with a roommate who does like to solve problems in violent way, It could be terrible to imagine the situation while a dispute happening between them. Instead, when I live with a rational, peaceful and listening roommate, It is easy to get along with and can benefit each other whatever in study or communicative skills.

Third, a good roommate could be a good friend even after graduating from school. The employer of plastic raw material company in which my father serves now was his roommate at university twenty years ago. They kept in touch closely for a long time, and supported each other in work or in recreation exercises. Until now, the two families members have kept the best friendship in the world.

Finding a good roommate and live together in school is the first thing any freshman should devote himself to doing while receiving a letter of admission for school. It is also a critical period to decide what person a student will become when she or he chose a roommate.

Essay 477 Topic 93 **What are some of the important qualities of a good roommate?**

I have had many roommates in my life, and I realized that it is very significant to have a roommate who I can get along easily. The qualifications I look for a roommate are, must be responsible, respectful and friendly.

First of all, my roommate must be responsible. Three years from now, we rented an apartment with a very close friend of mine. We were so excited and happy about it. Unfortunately, it did not work out. She started to delay the rent. She would not clean the kitchen when she messed up, and she would even bring friends over at unsuitable times without asking. Therefore I moved out, and we could not become good friends anymore. After this sad experience, I understood that being responsible is really important when sharing a place with someone. It does not matter she/ he is stranger or best friend.

Like being responsible, being respectful is important as well. When a few people share a place, they should set some rules about it. For instance, it might be annoying listening to loud music during exam week, or bringing over night friends. Roommates should be clear to each other, and tell about their expectations from this commune life.

Another qualification I look for is being friendly. My roommates had been also good friends of mine. I would like to have meals together, chatting after a long day, or going to movies. I do not like using my house like a hotel, but home, which means I want to have a common life with the people I live with. An easygoing roommate makes my life more enjoyable, because I know that there is somebody at house waiting for me.

Moreover, a generous roommate would not be bad at all. Of course, it is not a requirement to share things; however, I feel comfortable in this way. For example, when I cook something I do not expect my roommate asking to eat. I like to make people feel free about these things, and I would be happier if they do the same thing for me.

In conclusion, choosing a roommate is a complicated decision to me. I look for people who are responsible, respectful, easygoing and generous. When I have somebody like I want, home life becomes more fun for me. Just like personal relationships, relationships with roommates are important in my life.

Essay 478 Topic 93 **What are some of the important qualities of a good roommate?**

Are you a student? Do you live with somebody? Are you satisfied living with your roommate? Do you have some requirements for looking for a roommate you like? Most students who live with somebody likes to have a roommate with some necessary qualities which is friendly, considerable, and responsible.

For the first important quality, a roommate should be a friendly person. As we know, nobody likes to live with a person who is difficult to communicate and make friends; also

he/she has some weird characters, which make you always feel unhappy whenever you face your roommate at home. To get a comfortable environment to live for gaining a satisfied student life, making a good study, and also getting a great relationship with your roommate and both of your friends, every student want to find a kind roomier.

The second vital quality is student like to live with a person who is considerable for their friends. Because students leave their family and share apartment or house with somebody, they and their roommates are in the same boat as if they are a kind of family. As we known, when we live with our family, we get cares from our family and we also take care of everyone in the family. So, for most students, even though they live without their families, they still want to live with their roommates like a family. This makes everybody feel cozy and happy without his or her families; therefore, they will not feel alone so much. They treat each other like their sisters or brothers. For example, like me, I am a international student and I have a roommate too. I remembered that once I caught a heavy cold, and I felt so bad as if I was in the hell. At that time, I seriously missed my parents. I thought if I had a ticket to China, I would go back as soon as possible. However, I changed my mind soon. Because my roommate warmed up my heart, I did not feel alone anymore. Thus, for everyone, they like to live with this kind of person. They have much fun for living together: make some perfect plan, help each other study, cook some delicious meal and so on. The last point but not the least important is responsibility. If we make survey about responsibility, I am sure nobody prefers a roommate without it. So, clearly, responsibility for everyone is very important. For instance, your roommate does not have responsibility to clean up your apartment, how do you feel like this? Do you happy with this? I do not need to answer this question, everybody have already known it for sure.

To sum up, most student choose their roommates who are easy to get friends and live with, take care of the people around them, and have responsibility to be a part of their families.

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Essay 481 Topic 94 **Does dancing play an important role in a culture?**

Dancing is an integrant part of the culture. In my point of view, dancing is as important as, if not more important than all art forms. So it is sagacious to assert that dancing change the face of our world by improving the communication among people, keeping the culture alive, and bringing fun in our lives.

First of all, dancing is a way for people to communicate. In the past, before people discovered the language, they used gestures and body language to communicate with each other. In time, this transformed in a form of art, which is called dance. In my culture, there are specific kinds of dancing that represent happiness, sadness, marriage, grievances, and death.

Secondly, by dancing the tradition was transmitted from generation to generation. Because it was the easiest way to pass the knowledge of a culture, the old taught the young to dance, and to keep the spirit of their culture alive. For example, my grandmother told me that when she was young, she had to go for dance every Sunday afternoon. The entire village's young had to be there to can continue the tradition to their ancestors.

Thirdly, dancing is an integrant part of the process of socialization. Teenagers, and not only them, meet and go to dance. There can make new friends, learn about different customs of various countries, and so on. Foe example, when I was student at University I was to Disco and there I could listen several times Flamenco music. I was so impressed about it, that I ask a Spanish guy that studied in our university to tell me more about their culture. In this way I made a new friend, and I improved my knowledge.

To sum up, because the important role that dancing play in communication among people, benefit to passing the culture through dancing, and conspicuous role in the process of socialization, dancing have made this world richer and more beautiful.

Essay 482 Topic 94 **Does dancing play an important role in a culture?**

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Human has a diverse ways of making his culture exist in the world. Culture of various countries is obviously different in many ways, influenced by their past, life styles, and the habits. And man has always been in the trial of propagating his culture to the world since ages. And the best resource he could ever have is 'dance'.

Dance of a particular country is specific and specialized according to their culture and heritage. When we see the dance of a particular nation, we happen to be enlightened with the knowledge of the type of dance it is, to the nation it belongs and as a result we also come to know the particular style of people's dressing, hair styles etc.

More interesting part of dance has been the facial expressions which becomes an amazing factor because it is again of a specific type.

When it comes to one of the traditional dance of India, BHARATANATYAM, people can almost have a lots of information regarding not only the type of life style existing there, but also get to know the culture because often their dance depicts a historical story or the song of the dance would be regarding the lord they pray. And thereby, many fabulous incredible stories regarding, say lord Shiva or more alluring the story of lord Krishna come into existence letting people know about the past of the hidden heritage and culture of India.

Dance is one such thing, be it American, African or Asian, becomes a common source of knowledge and entertainment. And for people who study history and make it up their career often choose dance to be their best form of source.

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Essay 485 Topic 95 **Should government spend money exploring outer space or on Earth?**

I agree with both the opinions. Governments worldwide should distribute their money on both the issues.

I think outer space is beyond a fairyland and one has to study it find the answers for several unanswered questions. How Earth is formed? About existence? etc. Another important aspect of space exploration is to find any threats to Earth from celestial bodies. For, sure these sound highly imaginative and fancy concepts, but Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 collision with Jupiter is no imagination. The value of the data collected by observing the collision is far from our arguments. These days materials developed for building spacecraft's are used in manufacturing products that help physically challenged people.

At the same time if government with a capability of producing spacecraft's imports all

items from pens to car it is of no use. 'What good it will do for its country?' is the question that every government should answer before it allots funds over an issue. First government should be concerned with improving the standard of life of its people. This will enable in building a nation with rich human resources.

I feel governments, which have a balanced plan and transparency in the above two aspects, will definitely win the hearts of the people.

Essay 486 Topic 95 **Should government spend money exploring outer space or on Earth?**

Every year governments spend a lot of money in exploring outer space as well as in improving the living conditions of the poor. Someone may think that why not put the money to our basic needs on Earth instead of the futile attempts to conquer the cosmos? Yes, that sounds practical, but they do not realize that money is not the only thing that matters in our basic needs, and the outer space exploration is not so useless either.

Governments' money is an important resource of public construction, health care, education, and security etc. If there were no any outer space research, that will still be the majority of the governments' expenditure. We can see in fact the main problem now is the distribution of this fund among different classes and communities of the society, but not the exact quantity. It's the complicated social and economic system that causes the difference between the haves and have-nots. Some people drive fancy cars, live in huge houses and hold expensive parties, while some other people are struggling for everyday's food. Obviously these problems will not be resolved easily just by canceling some outer space projects and put the money into charity work. Instead, we should pay our attention to how to use the money more fairly and efficiently to improve the living standard for all. And that will surely be a long course as our economy, science, technology and society develop.

As for our basic needs on Earth, someone might think it has nothing to do with the outer space exploration. They think wrong. We humans have been using the resources of the earth for thousands of years and they are mostly untraceable, like fossil fuel and forest. We are destroying our nature by pollution too. Nowadays these problem has been so urgent about our basic living needs that it cannot be neglected anymore. Outer space is one of the places the scientists are trying to find the solution for many of our energy and environmental problems. By researching other planets and galaxies, we will know much more about ourselves and how to protect and make good use of it.

Basic living needs and high technology research are both important parts of the development of a modern society. So we should not think of drawing back the fund for outer space exploration but how to make better use of them to bring us sustainable development.

Essay 487 Topic 95 **Should government spend money exploring outer space or on**

Earth?

Some people think that government should spend as much money as possible exploring outer space, while others want the government to spend money for our basic needs on Earth. There are arguments for both positions, but in my opinion government should spend substantial amount of money on outer space.

Investments in areas related to space exploration are investment in our future. There are a lot of very hazardous industrial factories, that have great impact on the environment and cause global warming effect. We are not capable of living without products, that those factories manufacture - car tires, chemical solutions and many other necessary things. But we can relocate factories, for example, on moon or any other planet in our solar system. But to do it, we need to invest in that area.

Space exploration is impossible without investment in science. To build space shuttle you need to hire thousands of engineers, mathematicians, computer programmers. Often things, that were initially developed for space program, are applied for more down-to-earth purposes. For example, high-temperature plastic was originally built for lightweight rockets. Many other challenging tasks were solved, during developments of space program.

But there are a lot of unresolved and daunting tasks on earth. For instance, more than third of world's population live below poverty level, that UN defines at one dollar a day per person. Also to improve ecological situation in large cities we need to invest huge amount of money in developing environmental-friendly engines. One of the most promising technologies for that are fuel cells.

In conclusion I want to say, that though we need to invest heavily in space program, we need to balance it with other tasks, for example with financing poverty relieving efforts. But if we want to have a future, we need to explore outer space.

Essay 488 Topic 95 Should government spend money exploring outer space or on Earth?

Some people think governments should spend as much money as possible exploring outer space, for example, traveling to the Moon and to other planets. Other people disagree and think governments should spend this money for our basic needs on Earth. Personally, I agree governments should spend this money for our basic needs on Earth. The reasons are as below.

The budget for every governments is limited. If the governments spend as much money as possible exploring outer space, they will not have a lot of money for our basic needs on Earth. For example, North Korea, the government in this country spends a lot of money for developing the nuclear weapons, but the people in this country do not have enough food to survive. If the governments spend as much money as possible exploring

outer space, the resort will be the same as North Korea.

Besides that, the outer space is always there. It does not show in this moment and then will disappear. Human beings can explore it at anytime they want to, but right now is not the good time because each country has their problem for their people. Exploring the outer space will spend a huge money. If they can be used in our basic needs on Earth, I think everybody on Earth will have a wonderful life. Therefore, the governments should use those money to fix up the problems they have not for exploring the outer space.

In addition, the governments do not need to know the outer space. I always think do well in our own business is more important. Outer space is not our business. Earth is our home. So the governments should spend as much money as they can to make our home more comfortable but not to explore the Earth's home.

In conclusion, the governments should spend as much money as they can for the basic needs on Earth not exploring the outer space.

Essay 489 Topic 96 **The best way of reducing stress**

Modern life has become so demanding nowadays that everyone is facing the problem of stress. In order to escape the stress due to work pressure people try out different ways to become stress free. These include reading, gardening, cycling, playing and many more things as per their choice. For me the best ways to escape stress are listening to music of your choice, going on a short trip and spending time with family. The reasons for the above choices are mentioned below.

Firstly, listening to good music is the best way to escape from stress as because it takes us into a different world. While listening to the sweetly composed tunes it makes us forget all the worldly worries. Also we can listen to music anywhere using portable systems. This helps us in avoiding stress whenever we feel so. Therefore I think listening music is an excellent way to avoid stress.

Secondly, going on a short trip refreshes us and helps us to escape stress. Whenever we go for such trips we just leave aside our daily routine and just try to relax. We enjoy doing things out of the daily schedule. So this change simply lifts our spirits and helps us to escape stress.

Also whenever we spend time with our family, we talk our heart out to our loved ones, listen to their sweet thoughts and play like a child with the young ones. All these help us releasing all our thoughts which create stress and make us young and fresh at heart.

In conclusion, I would like to say again that listening to music, going for a trip and spending time with family certainly releases stress as supported by the above mentioned points.

Essay 490 Topic 96 **The best way of reducing stress**

Almost stresses and difficulties of modern life are caused by high density of working when people face to hard problems in daily working. It seems to me that the best ways to reduce the stress is playing sports to relax and think wisely to find the best solution to overcome the difficulties.

According to me, playing sports is the best way to relax and release the stress. When you get the stress it means that your body is tired and your brain is no longer sober. In that case playing sports gives you not only good physical health but also sober mind. Moreover, playing sports help you extricate yourself from negative thinking because when you focus in the game you always think positive therefore you will get fresh mental powers. In my case, whether I feel stressed or not, I always play my favorite sports at the weekend. In summer I choose swimming, in winter I choose table tennis or badminton. To me, playing sports at the weekend helps me free all the strains of the passing week and give me more power for the coming week.

Along with the way that I have mentioned above, in order to get out of the difficulties, one more thing you should do is to think wisely and try to find the best solution for hard problem that you are facing to. When getting into hard problems, people tend to work continuously for very long time without a break and they think with high density of working will help them escape the hard situation. They are wrong, because the more they are tired the less their brain is intelligent. In my opinion, in that case they should reduce their work and think in another way before continue. For example, they had better discuss and share this problem with other friends and co-workers, more people have more ideas and the best idea will help them to solve the hard problem.

Taking all above discussions into account, it seems very clear that playing sports is the most effective way for combating stress and thinking wisely is the most positive way to solve the difficulties.

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Music, of course it is the music; I think, that is the best way to escape the burdensome stress. So magic is the music that we can obtain a great deal of advantages from it.

Firstly, a *grazioso* classical music can make us relaxed and joyful, temporarily shunning from noisily worldly affairs. When we enjoy the symphony No. 6? composed by Beethoven, we can feel the charm of villages, forests and springs without going out of the noisy surroundings of the city.

Secondly, the rock and roll can also release our stress and abreact displeasures. For example, if you were criticized by you boss and no one like to hear your explanations, I suppose, listening to Beatles, Rolling Stones or Nirvana's music will be a good choice. It is perhaps the reason why the rock music was so prevalent among the youngster after the

Second World War.

Thirdly, pop music sometimes reflects the social and individual problems. When we hear these songs, we may feel more comfortable. Some librettos are so coincidental with people's mood that one can reduce his dismay.

Finally, different music will give different ways to escape the stress and difficulties of modern life. Whenever you are and whatever you do, music can be enjoyed conveniently. Music can restore harmony to not only mind, but also body and spirit.

Judging from all evidences offered, we may draw the conclusion that the music is the best way of escaping stress.

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There are different ways of coping and reducing stress. These vary for different people in terms of personality, lifestyle, age, gender and other similar factors. But in my own experience, I have some simple ways of reducing stress.

Every time stress hits me, I always make sure that I get enough sleep. This can really help as our body needs rest for it to function more effectively. Stress can cause us to be physically weak, thus we need to revitalize our physical strength. I also do some exercises to be physically and mentally active. Doing cardiovascular exercises like walking or jogging give me time to think about things and focus clearly on them.

I also engage myself in activities which I really enjoy doing such as watching my favorite programs on television; reading a feel-good book; and cooking a specific recipe.

Another effective way of reducing stress which I frequently do is to talk with my family or friends about just anything. Having a chat with somebody who is close to me simply unloads my burden. I get the chance to pour things out and express my sentiments. The mere thought of having someone who listens to my stories is like a heaven's gift.

These things help me reduced stress but I think the most effective way is having a good attitude. I know how to manage my time and physical effort. This way I do not dwell too much on unnecessary things which could only result to stress. I do not allow negative things to affect me especially at school or at work. If somebody tells me that I have a lousy job, I try not to get angry. But I will look into my work and examine where my flaws are and correct them. Getting criticisms from people should not be taken as a negative thing. These should serve as constructive comments so that we could improve our skills and become better people.

To sum up, I think the level of stress a person can get greatly depends on how he or she deals with everyday life. The keyword is good attitude.

Essay 493 Topic 96 **The best way of reducing stress**

There are many different ways for relaxing yourself from the chores that you have to face everyday. Each person has his own style. For me, I like to relax myself by travel to several tourist places in weekend that is not very far from the city where I live.

Traveling is one of the easiest way to relax myself from tedious, disorderly and contentious life in the modern city. Advance preparation is really simple, and I follow these steps when I want to travel. Choosing what kind of place you would like to go is the first step. Although, there are many types of tourist places in my country, Thailand, such as ancient temples, beautiful beaches in Andaman Sea, and ranges of mountains, I prefer a journey to touch the exquisite nature, because I like standing at the peak of the mountain, seeing the dawn of the sun, diving to see coral reefs. After that, planning what places you will go is more important step because it can save much time. For example, if I have to stay at the five star resort one night, the advance reservation is necessary. Finally, preparing the essential items that I think it is proper is also crucial, because I will be upset if I forget something that is indispensable such as swimming suit when I go to the beach.

Moreover, an adventure is a fun and warm thing, because I can enjoy my leisure time with my family, my friends, my colleagues and also my customers. For instance, I often travel by driving a car to the destination with my friend; therefore during the time on car I and my old friend talk together in many topics, because we have not time to talk with each other as much as in the past. It is so blissful that why I like to take my time with the challenging adventure. Additionally, when I trips altogether with my family, it also make my relationship between members of my family and me warm.

In brief, one of many ways that you can relax yourself is traveling. Not only it is very easy to do that, but it also make me fun with my lovely father, mother, mates or colleagues. However, there are many types of recreations that can make you fun also. It depends on your styles.

Essay 494 Topic 96 **The best way of reducing stress**

In today's society, everyday we may face some kind of stress and difficulties from work, school or family. In order to escape them, people have different methods. Some read, some exercise, while others work in their gardens. From my point of view, I would like to use different ways according to different stress.

First, the stress from work and school maybe the most common stress. In this circumstance, I like to listen to music, especially some inspiring music. When I appreciate it, I can transiently forget those unpleasant things and let my head sober. After

listening to those inspiring music, I feel that I am full of encourage overcoming difficulties. Then I will calmly analyze my circumstance and find the way to solve problems.

If my stress comes from my family or my friends(foe example, some misunderstanding and squabbles), I think that the best way to erase this stress is a sincere conversation. I will positively converse with my relatives and friends. I hope that I can know what is their opinion and also let them understand me. I feel that when we understand each other, all conflict will disappear.

In a word, everyone can find the best way that is suitable for himself/herself. But conservation and appreciating music are the most suitable for me to erase stress.

Essay 495 Topic 96

There are many different ways for relaxing yourself from the chores that you have to face everyday. Each person has his own style. For me, I like to relax myself by travel to several tourist places in weekend that is not very far from the city where I live. raveling is one of the easiest way to relax myself from tedious, disorderly and contentious life in the modern city. Advance preparation is really simple, and I follows these steps when I wants to travel. Choosing what kind of place you would like to go is the first step. Although, there are many types of tourist places in my country, Thailand, such as ancient temples, beautiful beaches in Andaman Sea, and ranges of mountains, I prefer a journey to touch the exquisite nature, because I like standing at the peak of the mountain, seeing the dawn of the sun, diving to see coral reefs. After that, planning what places you will go is more important step because it can safe much time. For example, if I have to stay at the five star resort one night, the advance reservation is necessary. Finally, preparing the essential items that I think it is proper is also crucial, because I will be upset if I forget something that is indispensable such as swimming suit when I go to the beach. Moreover, an adventure is a fun and warm thing, because I can enjoy my leisure time with my family, my friends, my colleagues and also my customers. For instance, I often travel by driving a car to the destination with my friend; therefore during the time on car my old friend and I talk together in many topics, because we have not time to talk with each other as much as in the past. It is so blissful that why I like to take my time with the challenging adventure. Additionally, when I trips altogether with my family, it also make my relationship between members of my family and me warm. In brief, one of many ways that you can relax yourself is traveling. Not only it is very easy to do that, but it also make me fun with my lovely father, mother, mates or colleagues. However, there are many types of recreations that can make you fun also. It depends on your styles.

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overcome the difficulties. According to me, playing sports is the best way to relax and release the stress. When you get the stress it means that your body is tired and your brain is no longer sober. In that case playing sports gives you not only good physical health but also sober mind. Moreover, playing sports help you extricate yourself from negative thinking because when you focus in the game you always think positive therefore you will get fresh mental powers. In my case, whether I feel stressed or not, I always play my favorite sports at the weekend. In summer I choose swimming, in winter I choose table tennis or badminton. To me, playing sports at the weekend helps me free all the strains of the passing week and give me more power for the coming week. Along with the way that I have mentioned above, in order to get out of the difficulties, one more thing you should do is to think wisely and try to find the best solution for hard problem that you are facing to. When getting into hard problems, people tend to work continuously for very long time without a break and they think with high density of working will help them escape the hard situation. They are wrong, because the more they are tired the less their brain is intelligent. In my opinion, in that case they should reduce their work and think in another way before continue. For example, they had better discuss and share this problem with other friends and co-workers, more people have more ideas and the best idea will help them to solve the hard problem. Taking all above discussions into account, it seems very clear that playing sports is the most effective way for combating stress and thinking wisely is the most positive way to solve the difficulties.

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Stress is part of the life like enjoyment and fun are part of one's life. A great quote goes like this "After stress comes relieve, after hardship comes ease, after sacrifice comes victory". Most of the people suffer stress due to the problems or obstacles they face in life. Stress can be handled easily if people have self-confidence in them. Very often do people ignore the problems faced by them in such situations where it is hardly difficult to control one's health. Like if people are going through hard times, the first symptoms they get is a big headache which burdens more stress in their life. Certain things must be bore in mind before handling such situations while facing stress. 1) Have self confidence in oneself. If one is not self confident then he cannot escape stress, no matter how much he tries to reduce it. 2) Indulging in other activities which will not all the time cause him stress, that means he will not worry much about it. 3) One can discuss his problems with his close relatives so that they could help him reducing stress. This will result in greater relieve of one's stress and will make less burden of it. 4)The most important action one could take is getting possible reasons as to what caused him so much stress. Try to understand his problems that is causing him so much stress. This could help him solve his problems in such an effective way that his stress will be automatically reduced. 5) One should always be optimistic in life. Sometimes negative thoughts can also create stress in one's mind. 6)One must not take all the things so seriously that when the things do not come up as he wills, then this can also cause him feeling much stress. At the end, one must not also always believe that he will all the time have fun and enjoyment and will never face any kind of stress or problems in life. Just like joy is in one's nature, sorrow or stress is also a part of it. One must be able to control his stress in such a way where he

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Essay 501 Topic 96 **best ways of reducing pressure**

In today's society, we may face some kind of stress and difficulties from work, school or family. In order to escape them, people have their own methods. Some read, some exercise, and others work in their gardens. Personally, I believe that the three best ways to reduce stress are to plan ahead, to have realistic expectations, to maintain a sense of humor. The first and foremost reason that I have to put forward is that to escape stress we

should plan ahead. To illustrate this point, there is an example more persuasive: if we have to take extra responsibilities, we should be careful that these do not overload to us. Furthermore, we should always include extra time in our plans to deal with emergencies and unexpected development. For instance, if we have to drive someone to the airport, we should arrive a few minutes early and could avoid some delay happen on the road. In the second place, another chief reason for my view is that we should have realistic expectations. For instance, no matter how tempting it may be, we should not allow people to think that we are supermen or superwomen who can handle any or every demand at a moment's notice. We should see stressful situations coming, and avoid them in advance by only agreeing to do what we can accomplish easily within the time we have available. Finally, we should maintain a sense of humor. For instance, we should be able to laugh when our plan go wrong, since laughter is an antidote to stress. Moreover, we should laugh at our problems in front of others, to relieve tension and encourage them. To sum up, given the reasons discussed above, to escape stress we should plan ahead, and always have time for unexpected. Moreover, w should have realistic expectations, and not try to solve every problem for others. Finally, we should maintain a sense of humor and laugh when we face some problems. I believe that these are the three best ways to reduce stress.

Essay 502 Topic 97 **Should teacher be paid according to how much their students learn?**

Teaching quality is the key element to influence learners' achievements. Being a teacher myself, I am not completely satisfied with the teachers' performance in my country. Thus, I find the idea of financial interdependence between teaching quality and students' academic results appealing. I believe, I can solve such common problems as wasted time or boring lessons.

Teaching is a paid job, therefore, if some money incentives were introduced, it would encourage teachers to seek for the most effective way to present and get across the material. For example, it could make us more interested in new teaching methods. We would attend special workshops more often and do our best to implement the techniques we previously shied away from.

If some objective tests of students' achievements were introduced, teachers would be more interested in getting involved all the class. Which could help to solve the problem of teachers focusing their attention on the strong students only, while neglecting less advanced ones.

Making the learners achievement the crucial element for estimating the quality of the lesson would encourage the teachers be more efficient with their time. It could eliminate the common problem of wasted time and personal stories. Shifting the emphasis from ?optimistic environment in class ?to academic achievements would be more beneficial to the students in the long run.

I believe, that financial incentives are able to improve teachers performance in class,

make us more interested in using some innovative techniques, be more productive with the time and focused on all the students. That is why I favor the idea of changing the pay system for teachers and make it more competitive.

Essay 503 Topic 97 **Should teacher be paid according to how much their students learn?**

I think it unreasonable that teachers are paid according to how much their students learn. In fact, teachers should be paid according to how much effort they pay. How much students learn cannot exactly judge how much effort teachers pay. So teachers should not be paid according to how much students learn.

Teaching and studying complement each other. If a teacher does not teach his students anything, the students will learn nothing. While if one student does not study carefully, no matter how much his teacher teaches him, he will learn few. If the teacher is paid according to how much that student learn, the teacher will be paid few. It is unfair! Therefore teachers should not be paid according to how much students learn.

We suppose that teachers had been paid according to how much students learn, how can we exactly judge how much students learn? According to their grades, some students' grades may be A+'s, while some others' grades are perhaps D's. We will be according to which grade to judge how much their teacher will be paid? Moreover, some examinations are easy and some are difficult. The degree of difficulty may affect students' grades directly. Thus it is not comprehensive to judge how much students learn through examinations or any other way. So it is unreasonable to pay teachers according to how much students learn. Finally, if teachers are paid according to how much students learn, teachers will try to teach students excessive knowledge in order that they can be paid more money, thus the schoolwork would be too heavy to be control by students. Owing to pressure, students maybe lose their interest in study. In order to avoid that, teachers should not be paid according to how much their students learn. All in all, the means to pay teachers according to how much their students learn is in order to make teachers more responsible to their students. I admit that it is the positive effect. However, the three negative aspects I have mentioned cannot be ignored. In a word, the disadvantages outweigh the advantages. So teachers should not be paid according to how much their students learn.

Essay 504 Topic 97 **Response to Topic 97**

Although many people are paid according to how good they are doing in their profession, I think that teachers can only be partly rewarded for their students grades and knowledge. Getting paid only for the performance of the students in tests and quantity of their knowledge will lead to an excessive drill in classrooms, where teachers like and support only hard working, intelligent people because they are the cause for his good salary,

while people who have natural difficulties in learning things won't be good for teachers and popular among them at all. First of all I think that everyone should be paid according to his performance in work, that is why I would agree with the statement if the only thing teachers had to do is getting their pupils to learn. But teachers should also show and teach things to their students that are not approvable in normal knowledge tests, like social skills, tolerance and an open mind. That is why I believe that paying teachers only based on how much their students know would lead to a one dimensional style of classes in general, there would be many facts, dates and formulas to learn for students but some other important things would be left aside, just because the teacher would get no reward for teaching them. In contrast to that, a system where teachers are not at all paid for their performance is in my opinion not the best way to reward work either. If paid for how much his students know, the teacher will prepare well for his classes, he will inform himself about good didactic ways of showing things and his knowledge will be up to date. These are obvious advantages of the suggested system. The main drawback of the statement is that teachers would push and foster their students only in one direction and they would not care about their social and emotional situation. Support in other matters than learning would become rare, slower students could become a burden to teachers because they would lower their salary. Teachers will love their good students while the bad ones would bother them. This could even lead to teachers mobbing their bad students out of the class or similar actions. For this reason I think that this system would create more harm than good. Maybe a mixed system of generating a teachers salary would be good, like for instance apart from looking only on the performance of students also making polls about how satisfied and happy they are with the class given to them. A good teacher will have students who know a lot and also like him, therefore he should be paid well. Teachers who don't prepare for classes will have ignorant students and their pupils probably won't like them much either. A system like this could improve the situation at schools and universities and it would probably make teaching a more attractive profession for performance oriented people who until now were driven back by low salaries and lazy teacher-colleagues. Therefore, a change in the payment system for teachers is necessary but it should not be a burden on students, like the suggested one would in my opinion be.

Essay 505 Topic 98 What would you choose to represent your country at an international exhibition?

If I was asked to send one thing representing our country to an international exhibition I will choose an object that must to be distinctive, full of Chinese culture and loved by our national people. Therefore, a piece of cheongsam would be a perfect choice.

First, the cheongsam contributes women beauty. Cheongsam is a kind of female dress with distinctive Chinese feature. It fits well the female Chinese stature. Its neck is high, collar is closed and sleeves may be either short or long. Unlike other normal dresses the cheongsam is buttoned on the right side with a loose chest, a fitting waist. All of these were combined to set off the beauty of the female shape. It creates an impression of charm, elegance and neatness.

Moreover, The cheongsam has a long history. It has appeared in China for more than two hundred years. The name cheongsam simply meaning long dress is known as ipao. It originated from a Chinese minority whose women normally wore a type of dress which, likewise, came to be called ipao. With the improvement, the cheongsam has become the traditional dress for Chinese women.

Today, the cheongsam shows its charm in many markets. For instance, when wives of China's politicians, movie stars attend important social gatherings, a piece of cheongsam is their first choice among dresses. Now, the cheongsam is so much loved by women not only of China but also of foreign countries. If you are touring in China, I will strongly suggest you to purchase a piece of cheongsam for your wife, which must be the best gift.

I will sent a piece of cheongsam to the international exhibition in respect that as a Chinese woman, in my heart the cheongsam represents beauty, and it is a vibrant part of Chinese culture.

Essay 506 Topic 99 **Would you rather choose your own roommate?**

Regarding the question of choosing your own or having a roommate assigned, students have differing(different) opinions. Some claim that choosing their own roommate is better because they can share the room with their favorite friends, whereas having the university allocate their roommate would cause many problems such as continuous conflicts and arguments. However, those who think this way do not realize the beneficial merits of having a roommate they do not know well. In my opinion, it is better for students to be assigned roommates because of the following reasons.

First, by living together, the two people who have never met and have different personalities would not only have to communicate with one another but cope with problems that might come up. There may be many disputes when they live together. If either roommate insists that their point of view is correct one, they may then require their roommates to follow certain rules. Through discussing the problems with each other, however, they might not only discover that they were wrong but learn to listen to others. Furthermore, they would be learning how to respect the other's opinion. Today's students will become specialists working in a team. These communication skill will show at that time.

Another obvious advantage can be seen from a particular example. There is a student who is inactive and sometimes tend to be ignored because he/she is not popular. For her/him selecting a roommate is a really difficult task and a stressful burden. In addition her/his options would be unavoidably limited. I think at least universities should be committed to giving students equal opportunities and be ready to jump in to help students who cannot find their own roommates.

Thirdly, it is impossible to predict how two strangers are going to get along and this sometimes turns to be a special and unique surprise. Choosing people I already know as my roommate would be really boring, although it would be comfortable. To me, meeting new people is interesting. New people always expose me to new surroundings, besides, it helps me gather new information. When I entered the university of Korea, I met two roommates; one came from Japan and the other from China. Even though we had a difficult time communicating with each other, it was a really fine moment to get to know and to introduce each other. Even I got a fresh point of view about other culture and thoughts thanks to them. It gave me a chance to think my own as well as others. I will never forget the first impression and that moment.

In conclusion, it seems to me that having the university allocate students to their roommates is quite an excellent idea for the following reasons. First, It would give the students a chance to adjust to unfamiliar situation and to develop their social skills. Secondly, it would be really helpful to a student who has a hard time finding someone. Last, expecting a new roommate will be a peculiar experience and surprise. For that reasons, I advocate the idea that accepting the university determined roommates is better for students.

Essay 507 Topic 99 **Would you rather choose your own roommate?**

If my university had us share our dormitories with another person, I would rather choose my own roommate than allow the university to choose those with whom I have to live. In fact, if I can choose my roommate, I will have the possibility to look for somebody whom I know very well in order to get along. Additionally, I could choose a person studying the same as I am in order to cooperate each other in our studies.

If we can choose a person who has the same values as we have, we will have better chances to have a good time living together, and as time goes the roommate will become not only our friend but also our family at university. I have lived with a close friend when I attended university. I keep the best records of that experience. During my university's years I learned to share all my living experiences with him. Because my friend and I were far away from home, we needed support suddenly. We found that support in our roommate most of the time.

The possibility to choose a person who is studying the same as we are is also very important. We will have somebody going through the same problems near us. If we have to pass some exam, we will have the chance of studying together, which will lead to save a lot of time since we will not need to join with our classmates in other dorms or in the library.

In conclusion, I prefer choosing my own roommates to allowing the university to select them randomly. In this way, I can choose people whom I know their personality. Thus, I will avoid future problems in relation to live together. Further, I would try to choose people who are taking the same courses as I am such that we can help each other daily

because we live in the same place.

Essay 508 Topic 100 **Should governments spend money on computer technology or more basic needs?**

Many people believe that governments should spend as much money as possible on developing or buying computer technologies, while others think that governments should spend money on more basic needs. While spending both on computer technologies and on basic needs of society are important, I think that government should concentrate on the latter. Computer technologies are not very good investment from point of view of society as a whole, while investment in essentials has a much higher rate of return.

Investment in areas related to computer software, networks and hardware are not very profitable and will not improve life of ordinary citizens. Several years ago many thought that by investing in computer-related fields we can improve performance across the board, but reality proved to be much more complex. Most of Internet companies, dot-coms, went bankrupt. Although huge money was poured in those companies, they even were not able to support themselves. The promise of improved performance also has never come true.

But we have more than 20 million people who live below poverty line in the United States, the most powerful and prosperous country in the world. More than third of the earth population live on less than one dollar a day - official threshold of poverty declared by United Nations. We can greatly improve life of those people by investing in public education, organizing small business loan agency or other project that can help to alleviate poverty. What's more, computers can actually make this problem worse, because they make inefficient to produce anything by bare hands - so making most of world's uneducated population obsolete and without means to sustain themselves.

Analysts expect that in several decades more than third of population will not have access to clean water. This can leave famine, bad public health and other disasters. Some argue that we will have wars for access to clean water. To prevent this scenario we need to invest large amount of money in projects that will help to save clean water on our planet.

In conclusion I want to say, that investment in computers will not solve a single problem of our society. Computer will not prevent famines, which are so usual today, or help poor people. On the contrary computers can leave poor blue-collar workers without work and money to support their families. So governments around the world should spend all available money on basic necessities of our society, not on some dream projects.

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First of all, not only the computer industry will take advantage of the computer technology but it will benefit our whole society. For example, scientists can do more researches on their projects, obtaining more useful results and helping more people to achieve better lives. Moreover, doctors can use computer technology to examine their patients more thoroughly; therefore, save more lives.

Secondly, our world needs to get progress. By using computer technology, we can simulate a lot of different kind of situations that people can never imagine. For instance, exploring the outer space, our space shuttles need the most advanced computer technologies to support their journeys. Furthermore, without computer technologies, there is no Internet today, which is a big revolution for human beings.

Thirdly, our daily activities can be more convenient with computer technologies. For instance, managing personal expenses, we can use computer software to analyze all the details. Moreover, students can do their homework using computers, by which they can save more time, and therefore, learn more.

In summary, computer technology will help people in every field, and we all will benefit from it. Moreover, our society needs to get progress in which computer technology will be an important matter. Furthermore, our daily activities will be more convenient with computers. With these reasons, I personally agree the statement that governments should spend as much money as possible on developing or buying computer technology.

Essay 510 Topic 100 **Should governments spend money on computer technology or more basic needs?**

Nowadays, we are entering into a suplicated science era that more and more funds are put into exploring the space. However, some would argue that the government should render the main funds to people's basic needs. I think it depends on the economical situation of the country. Governments of developing and developed countries should in turn adopt different strategies for investment according to their specific cases respectively.

First, a developing country will be best served if it spends money mostly on meeting people's basic needs, such as food, shelter etc. For instance, China has more than over 3

billion people living under poverty, suffering poor health insurance and is deprived of the right of education due to the lack of money. In Africa, there are people die of various diseases like AIDs everyday, and the government are compelled to invest their money in medicine and correlated research. Only by ensuring people's basic needs met, the country would gain the overall national strength and develop further.

On the other hand, developed country will be better off by investing in exploring outpace. They have enough money and resources to do it. Moreover, they are leaders of the world. The discovery of space will only speed up their own growth, but also would be beneficial to all human beings on the earth. Admittedly, there is poverty in every country, but poverty is not the main problem for developed countries.

To put all into a nutshell, whether the government should invest as much as money on exploring out space is not a simple question. Developed countries will accelerate their development on exploring the space while the developing countries would be better off taking care of the basic needs of its citizens.

Essay 511 Topic 100 **Should governments spend money on computer technology or more basic needs?**

It is not wrong at all for a government to spend money on developing and buying computer technology, but it should take care of its people's basic needs first.

Undoubtedly, the development of technology would help a country to become more prosperous and would raise its international position. Take Japan as an example. She has a very high level of technology that brings a great deal of income to her via the sales of hi-tech appliances such as cellular telephones and audio equipment. Besides, it makes Japan so famous for her advanced technology.

However, it is my opinion that every government of a city should have a balance on how it spends its money. Only when the basic needs of the citizens are taken care of should the government think about developing its computer technology. Otherwise, the government is simply neglecting its people's cry and pursuing its own pride and fame. A good and responsible government should be one that take cares of its people's needs like food and health, living, recreational equipment and so on. It should make its people feel security and satisfy before it goes for other higher pursuit like computer technology.

To conclude, spending money on computer technology is wise only when the people are fed and do not complain.

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Essay 514 Topic 100 **Response to Topic 100**

Should the governments spend as much money as possible on developing or buying computer technology? Or should this money be spent on more basic needs? A wise solution to this dilemma depends on the circumstance. In most developing countries, money should be spent on satisfying the basic needs of the people, instead of on developing computer technologies. Unlike the people in developed countries, those in some countries are stilling leading a poor live, and are short of the most basic needs, food, drinking water, medic care, and so on. In these countries, any government with responsibility should spend as much money as possible on providing the people with basic recourses. After all, the problem of being alive is much more important than being equipped with modern technologies, such as computers. However, this is not to say that the development of computer technology is dispensable. On the contrary, our society has seen a great importance of computers. Nowadays, computers play key roles in every aspect of the society, e.g. in industry, education, and public communication. Without the help of computers, a modern society can hardly work properly. Thus, it is definitely necessary for a government to develop or to by computer technologies. Unfortunately, like other modern technologies, the development of computer technology consumes a tremendous amount of money. A regular personal computer costs thousands of dollars. A huge computer, which can do ultra-fast calculation, costs millions of dollars. What is more, the development of such computers is a complicated session, generally takes over ten years and a group of experts on computer sciences, meaning a great amount of investments. Although being a mission consuming money as well as time, the development of computer technology is supposed to be taken good care of, as long as the basic needs of the people have been satisfied. In sum, the appropriate choice between these two options depends on whether the basic needs have be satisfied. If no, the money should be spent to improve the basic living conditions of the people. If yes, it will be wise of the governments to spent enough money on developing or buying computer technologies.

Essay 515 Topic 101 **Doing work by hand vs. by machine**

Depending on personal experience, personality type and emotion concern, I find some

people like doing work by hand while others prefer using machines. From my point of view, I prefer to use machines rather than doing work by hand, because machines are more efficient, more precise, more clever.

Machines are efficient. They can repeat the same task repeatedly without tiring. Before the industrial revolution, farmer had to reap the corn by hand, this work is very hard and cost people much time, but by using reaper, farmer can reap the corn in a little time. Another example, do you like to wash clothes by hand or using washing machines? Of course, I choose using washing machines, for washing machines can wash clothes very clean and fast. Machines improve our work efficiency greatly.

At the same time, machines can be very precise. Before the computer invented, I had to do some calculation by hand and often made many mistakes, but now I can depend on the computer to do the same task, more precisely and faster. I cannot imagine doing the same task by hand now.

Machines are also very clever. When I use Word processor to type a paper, the computer can always find some spelling mistakes automatically and provide some possible choices. It facilitates my work considerably. In addition, I think machines are gradually changing everyone's working pattern.

Of course, some work has to be finished by hand, but if there is any possibility, I will use machines to do my work without hesitation.

Essay 516 Topic 102 **Should students evaluate their teachers?**

Some people tend to think that schools should ask students to evaluate their teachers while others fear that it will bring about some harmful effects to both teachers and students. In my point of view, I believe that the evaluation has more advantages than disadvantages. The argument for my claim goes as follows.

First of all, asking students to evaluate their teachers can conceal some inappropriate aspects in the course of the process of teaching and learning, in order to make the teaching more reasonable and effective. This process is interactive and it constitutes more than one part. Sometimes, teachers do not realize some occasional mistakes they made when they have classes and sometimes the way that they train the students is not quite suitable for the students. As a result, the quality of their education is hard to reach the satisfying level. Taking measures will make teachers realize all these facts, thus improving their education by means of making some adjustments.

Second, since education is a two-part process, the evaluation will probably play an important role in stimulating the creativity and activity of the students, when schools ask student to evaluate their teachers. They may feel that they are treated equally, not submissively. The sense of equality will make them participate the teaching more actively.

However, there are also some disadvantages in it. For example, some teachers may consider himself authority, never to be suspected. This enactment will make them feel uncomfortable and have the prejudice to these students who evaluate them.

After all, though these disadvantages really exist, the advantages outweigh. So I strongly recommend that the measures should be taken as far as possible.

Essay 517 Topic 102 **Should students evaluate their teachers?**

It is very challenging for me to discuss the matter 'should schools ask students to evaluate their teachers or not'. In my opinion, there are certain situations which require student's opinion. But on the other hand, I believe that it is not necessary for schools to ask students to evaluate their teachers.

One of the reasons that makes me disagree is that students are not enough mature to give 'grades' to their teachers. Many students have favorite teachers therefore, they can hardly ignore their subjective opinion and give a real evaluation for the practical and theoretical skills to all of their teachers.

Another reason why I think schools should not ask students to evaluate teachers is that young people do not have needed experience for that. Thus, many teachers having a lot of skills and knowledge can be rated incorrectly.

However, there are certain situations that require students' opinion for their teachers. Take for instance when some problem occurs between both sides. In this case it may be very useful for a school board to regard students' opinion. Some informal anonymous inquiry asking students about their evaluation and attitude to school teachers can prevent many further conflicts, for example.

In general, I disagree that schools should ask students to evaluate their teachers. I believe that young people are immature and inexperienced to disregard their subjective attitude to some of the teachers. That is why, if some conflict between students and teachers appears the measures for resolving it should be delicate because sooner or later students can become victims of their own prejudice.

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I strongly agree that students should be able to evaluate their teachers. When done properly evaluation can have a positive effect on teachers as well as students.

If a student is not satisfied with the way a certain teacher presents his/hers class the student has an opportunity to express his/her point of view and dissatisfaction about the class. Such technique allows teachers to be more productive as well as it leads to a better interaction between students and teachers. It also creates a perfect environment for the

students to absorb a school material more efficiently. The students can feel open and relaxed in the class, never hesitate to ask for help and most importantly be treated equally. Being treated equally will have a tremendous impact on a young student. He/she will realize how important it is to take studies seriously. Moreover he/she will want to learn more about a certain given subject which will enable him/her to see wider aspects of a certain topic, and as a result it will produce more qualified specialists for society.

However, there is a downside to such practice. It can become very personal and get easily misused. The students have to remain objective and be able to determine the difference between bad teaching or simply being a lazy student. Teachers should not be held responsible for the lack of personal discipline and rebellious behavior. Interestingly enough there are still young individuals who are not mature yet for the university life, and need some time to grow up.

As I stated earlier I agree that teachers need to be evaluated, but the process has to be fair and carefully examined before taking any actions in order to show certain dissatisfaction.

Essay 519 Topic 102 **Should students evaluate their teachers?**

Like every method there are some advantages and disadvantages when schools ask students to evaluate their teachers. It is also depending on what kind of tools are using for evaluation. A well-designed method definitely helps schools, teachers as well as students for their continuous improvement.

First of all I want to discuss about the disadvantages. When the students are very young they do not know the difference between good teaching and bad teaching. They may confuse and select their favorite teachers as good and strict teachers as bad. Some times it may force the teachers to entertain the students. The unorganized evaluation may encourage teachers to give punishment or rewards to the students depending upon their evaluation, and students make take advantage of this. So we should keep all the factors when implement a tool like this.

When we discuss about the advantages, there are many. The schools will get a chance to correct the bad teachers and it also encourages the good teachers. This method gives an opportunity to the teachers to know about themselves in the student's point of view. It boosts the student's responsibility and confidence towards the school. It also helps students when they have a trouble with their teacher. When I was in school I faced some bad teaches who never taught us anything and never told us the basics of a subject. If we have this kind of tool I could have used it.

If we can create a good evaluation method and well implementation, definitely it helps a lot. Students are the future of a country. So I strongly support this method for the bright future of students and thus the nation.

Essay 520 Topic 102 **student's evaluation**

Is it desirable that students evaluate their teacher? Or not? I ensure that student's evaluations are most important evaluations since students are consumer of teaching service. In addition, student's evaluation could be good feedback to teachers and teacher should listen student's voices to improve the quality of teaching. To evaluate something, we should ask those who consume that. This is same case. If we want to evaluate some teacher, we should ask students who get his (her) classes. I have seen many teachers who don't care of student's voice and feeling. Whenever I meet the teacher in classes who doesn't care of student's reaction, I lost my interest about his class. In addition, teachers can provide more qualified teaching service by feed backing to student's response. If teachers really want to teach more efficiently, they should understand students and keep listening student's response. By feedback, they can improve teaching skill and fulfill their shortages. My friend went to school as a middle school teacher 5 years. At first, half of the students napped during his classes. As a result of asking students who napped in his class, he know that his teaching method was too boring. He changes a way of teaching. He tried to make his classes exciting and his students have curiosities about the topic of classes. After all, he became a great teacher who every student likes. In summary, teachers should satisfy student's desire to learn and understand students. In other word, there should be interactive between students and teacher. So, needless to say, the student's evaluation about their teachers is very, very important.

Essay 521 Topic 102 **Evaluating the teachers**

In many schools, the students are asked to evaluate their teachers. Should schools ask students to do so? In my opinion, this measure is generally advisable, but not necessarily. Firstly, students are the best candidates to evaluate their teachers. They are the direct objects of the teachers' work. No one is more clear about if the teachers are capable than the students in the course. For example, other faculty may be able to tell if his colleague is good in his research work, but he knows little about if others teach well. On the contrary, the students take lectures, so they know if the professor is a good teacher. The evaluations from students are more precise than that from anyone else. So schools should ask students to evaluate their teachers. Secondly, the teachers have responsibility to their students. If a teacher is incapable, his poor teaching will obviously affect the students who take the course. So students should have the right to evaluate their teachers. In case that the teacher was incapable, the students should take some measurements to improve the teacher's performance, or to change another teacher. To evaluate their teachers is the best way to do so. Thirdly, this kind of measurements can invoke the potential of the teachers. Were there no evaluation, some teacher might think there is no difference weather he teaches well or not, and then will hesitate to work hard to improve his teaching. This is disadvantageous both to the teacher and to the students. While, if the teacher is aware that his work is to be evaluated by his students, and then he will be push to prepare his lectures better. However, this is not to say that evaluations from the students are always helpful. In some case, the result of this kind of evaluation is misleading. I happen to know a teacher in the physics department, who is giving lectures to some students in engineering major. Unfortunately, it seems that the students do not

like physics course a little. Although the teacher prepares his lectures very well, the students feel it boring. So they give a poor evaluation to the teacher. This story tells us that evaluation from students might be misleading. In sum, asking students to evaluate their teachers is generally helpful. But the results from this evaluation should be studied carefully, in case that they are misleading.

Essay 522 Topic 103 **What characteristic makes people successful?**

The success in life hinges on many important characteristics, although honesty, intelligence, and a sense of humor are all worthwhile characteristic, but they are not enough, I think the most important one in life is keen observation after my long deliberation. A observing person can keep watch for the situation between himself/herself and other people, and know how to use their honesty, intelligence, and a sense of humor.

Being honest is usually good behavior for the most part, but it's not always right for special situation. Sometimes, we must tell some white lie. For example, although I feel that my boss' joke is not funny, I cannot tell him my true feeling directly, I must laugh with him. Sometimes, even if we do not like a person's dress, we must say "nice" if he ask us about the his clothing. Maybe someone would regards it as sham, but let us think, if we tell him the truth by our honesty, he may be not only thanks for us, and go out angrily. A intelligent people often have an greater ability in a little display than others, if as a intelligent people without keen observation, he often neglect other's feeling, he can answer any teacher's questions, but he cannot give up some opportunity to his classmates to behave. The behavior maybe not unintentional, but really harm other classmates' pride sometimes. An observing person always knows when he can highlight his intelligence and when he cannot do.

A humor person can bring joy to everyone, but it's better to have keen observation, because we must understand who can joke with, and what kinds of joke can talk. An observing person can show his humor in the suitable time and place.

A observing person can make everyone comfortable, they can combine their original honesty, intelligence, and a sense of humor, and do himself specially and differently in his successful life.

Essay 523 Topic 103 **What characteristic makes people successful?**

If you are intelligent, you can solve a problem very quickly. If you are smart, you could easily find out the best way for your business. If you are clever, you can catch your boss eyes in what you do. So, to me, the most important characteristic that help a person to be successful in life must be intelligence.

In my company, I am considered an intelligent engineer. I always complete my work in the fastest way. Whenever I get new work to do, I always pay some time to think how I could solve it smartly. For example, in my case as a programmer, when I face a hard problem, the first thing I do is to search the solution in the Internet by using Google service, then I ask my friends for more new ideas, and at last I will choose the best way to do my task, and with my smart mind and my good basic knowledge, I usually finish my project successfully.

In addition, if one is smart he will find the shortest way to come to success. I take my boss as an example; he is a very smart project manager. With his smart mind, he can always think out the thing that the market needs. Last year, he found that every banking system needs to be secured, so he asked our members to start developing AntiSpy software. The important thing is that with his idea, we were the first one to develop this kind of software; hence we got successful results with this project and made our company stronger.

One more thing that you can get from your intelligence is that your position in your company. If you are clever enough, you will make your boss admire your working so you always have a good job in your company; this means that you will be successful.

From the above discussions, I firmly believe that intelligence is the most important characteristic which helps you a lot to become a successful person in your life.

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First of all, success means different to different people. While some women focus on pursuing their success in their career, some women choose to stay at home to take care of their kids. We cannot say that a career woman is more successful than a housewife. The problem is what is your own goal. I think that whether you are a career woman or a housewife, you are successful as long as you achieve your goal.

Every one cannot deny that it is not a smooth way to achieve the final goal. There may be countless failures and wins before success. How to cope with the failures and wins plays a critical role in pursuing the final success. We can get some insights from playing games, each of which has two possible results, win or lose. A winning team cannot always win if it is not keeping to improve. On the other hand, a losing team can win next time if it learns something from this losing. If we can keep our spirits to the final goal, we will have better attitudes and capabilities to well deal with wins and losses, and in turn, to achieve the final goal.

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I think a single characteristic will not make a person to be successful in life. It may influence the life what he is going to choose for himself, but it alone cannot make him successful.

To be successful in life one must have at least some of the characteristics like honesty, intelligence, hard work, well judgment, ability to take right decision, time maintenance, ability to create the opportunities, confidence and will power. One cannot have all the good characteristics. In the same way only one characteristic cannot make him successful in life. He may need to develop different characteristics to make him to be successful.

If I can take my life as an example, I have intelligence, honesty, and hard working nature but I couldn't make my dream successful because of lacking the ability to take the right decision in the right time in my life. My younger brother is very intelligent, honest, but lack of hard working he couldn't complete his law course. My father was a successful man but lake of will power and control he couldn't quit his bad habits and spoiled his life and career. A well-known friend of mine is honest, intelligent, hardworking and a successful entrepreneur, but lack of balance in the life he lost his married life and now living alone.

I think to be successful in life one must need well-balanced characteristics. Only a single characteristic cannot make him to be successful. A different and well-pronounced characteristic may make him famous or well recognized for that. But he needs to be acquiring different characteristics in his life to be successful.

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Essay 530 Topic 104 **Contributions of artists vs. scientists**

Science and art are two main streams of knowledge accumulated from ancient times by human beings. They have their own characteristics and provide to the society their contributions, which benefit the world in which we live. Some people think that the contributions of scientists are higher than the artists. Before I give my opinion, I want to see the two sides first.

Science is defined mostly as the knowledge related to the natural world. I think most of its domains are involved in the material things, such as food, housing, clothing, transport, etc. It is usually easy for people to feel the existence and progress of science, because it is usually taking place around us and becoming more manifest. In past, science has led us to make great advance in our life, and I believe in future, it will continue to improve the world we live now.

Art is more related to our spiritual world. It has long history, too. It has nearly developed coincided with the science. Art help us to know clear about ourselves and it can help us get rid of negative mood, which may restrain our work effectiveness. Many people admit that art can nourish their mind and make their spiritual outlook better. In this respect, art is a good complement to science.

Through above statements, I can hardly tell which one is more valued in terms of the contribution to the society. Because they are both imperative for us to build the world. The history of human has prove this. So I do not think it is wise and safe to say that one of them is more important than the other one. As far as I am concerned, I think they both weigh heavily with regard to the contributions to the society.

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Essay 533 Topic 104 **artists or scientists**

People are always estimating whether the scientists or the artists are valued more by the society. If there is one preference-which I take leave to make-then it is the scientists rather than the artists are more highly estimated by people. Admittedly, never could we ignore the advantages brought about by artists. One thing is certain that human beings can hardly live without any mental support that is mainly from the works of artists, both past and contemporary. Merely abundant in materials, people are likely to be addicted to toxic so called leisure? Only when they acquired meaningful hobbies were they capable of living pleasant lives, just like drawing, creating, appreciating classical works composed by enlightening matters around them. Artists with extraordinary abilities are able to show people the beauty and meaning of their life and lead them to discover the innate brilliance hidden inside commonplace things. Unfortunately, the larger part of the population forgets about it sometimes unconsciously. Adversely, it seems that contributions of scientists are more critical to the society and valued more by the society. The first reason for my propensity is that scientists exert such tremendous influences on

almost every aspect of people's lives even on the overall society. It is obvious that most revolutions of the society stem from innovations of science and technology. Take the Industrial Revolution for instance, it was the invention of the steam engine by Watt that overthrew the conventional ways of doing labor work. Millions of people were relieved of arduous and continuous boring work. Simultaneously the capability of producing goods roars so fascinatingly that the mercantile becomes more and more plentiful while consumers hold more and more money for their pleasant consumptions. Another subtle reason why I advocate that scientific improvements are far more highly estimated rests on the persistent attention and occasionally dauntless courage to try on the scientific research and advances from people. Focusing on more convenient appliances, more healthful diets, more comfortable forms of transport, more pleasing living conditions and cleaner fresh atmosphere, people are enthusiastic about new creations and inventions covered by mass media. Furthermore, part of them are prepared and ready to try the innovative products. Apparently, the willingness of possessing a more satisfactory life is never too much. As a result, scientists are bound to be respected and looked up upon in an age when everybody benefits so much from science. Taking all the reasons I listed above into account, it is hardly too abrupt to conclude that people are more willing to show admire and deference to scientists rather than artists who also do considerable dedications to the world.

Essay 534 Topic 105 **Living in university housing vs. living in the community**

Students at universities often have a choice of places to live. They may choose to live in university dormitories, or they may choose to live in apartments in the community. In my opinion, it is a better idea to live in university housing. I think there are more advantages.

First of all, I think it is more convenient to live in campus. You need not worry about the traffic every day. Especially if your university campus is located in downtown, you should think about the traffic jam when you go to your classroom. And it still costs you a lot of time on the road. On the contrary you can utilize it to improve you grade. Living in campus still can increase your opportunities to participate many activities held in campus. You will have more spare time to take it and it is very convenient for those students living in campus.

Another benefit is more safe to live in campus. Traffic accidents occurs everywhere and every day. If you spend two hours every day on the road, you should be very careful when driving. That is a dangerous work.

Finally, I still think it's helpful for me to improve my verbal English skill. If you live in campus, you have many opportunities to make more friends in cafeterias, in dormitories, and in playgrounds. When you contact with each other, you should listen and speak. It will improve your verbal English quickly. On the contrary, if you live in an apartment in the community, maybe you even do not know your neighbors because most people living in apartment have their family. After hard work, they spend their spare time with their family.

To conclude, it is a valuable experience to live in campus. It can help you live an easy, safe and wonderful life.

Essay 535 Topic 105 **Response to Topic 105**

Accommodation is one of the basic needs of today's society. It is not only restricted to the students living abroad but it also concerns to those people who either live in a renting house or paying for room in hotels. Living in dormitories or campus or finding an apartment depends upon the student's choice. Students and other peoples like workers, employers, businessman, etc will always look for such apartments which will benefit them or which may suit to their desires. A student living on campus or dormitories will have their reasons and the others would prefer to live in apartments based on their purposes. However, if we consider both, we can include the following points: 1) A student living in an apartment may seem to hold this view that he can share his room with other people which would reduce a great burden on paying off a huge amount of rent for it. While living in a dormitory one cannot have this type of advantage. On the other hand, who prefers to live in a dormitory may hold his view that one does not have to worry on getting up early and to rush for a bus or any other means of transport to attend one's class. 2) The strong view presented by a student living in an apartment is that he does not have to abide by the rules which is the main terms and regulations for a student living in a dormitory. Whereas, a student choose to live in a dormitory may strongly condemn this view that only they have to follow the rules of an institution or a university. They express their view stating that a student living in an apartment also has to follow the rules of maintaining the room properly, for example, to clean the room and make it neat and tidy, wash the bathroom properly and to furniture his room etc. 3)A student in a dormitory hold this view that everything has been provided to them. All the facilities are provided in a university or another institution while living in an apartment one may not gain this advantage. On the contrary, a student living in an apartment hold this view that a dormitory student is restricted to certain things such as they are not allowed to go out of the university only at the given times or if there is any emergency case. While living in an apartment will not cause one such problems, one is free of time restriction. In my view, I prefer living in an apartment because I will held my opinion that if I do not have enough money to afford a living in dormitory then certainly I would have to take a loan or any other means to pay for living whereas in an apartment you can share your rent with other people which may not burden your cost of living in it. Every thing has its advantage and disadvantage but it is on a student of how he considers and make use of it. Every one wants to get benefit while living in an apartment or elsewhere and it is quite natural.

Essay 536 Topic 105 **living in or off campus**

Students at university often have a choice of places to live. They may choose to live in university dormitories, or they may choose to live in apartments in the community. I

would prefer to live in a university dormitory, because I would be closer to my classes, it would be so much convenient for doing research after classes, and I would more easily attend university events. There are more advantages not to living on campus. For instance, when living off campus, the student does not have to be around twenty-four hours a day and seven days a week. After classes, he can, thankfully, leave the university for the rest of the day. Furthermore, when living in an apartment, the student is much closer to the movie theatres, the shopping centers, and the restaurants. Then he can enjoy his life if he lives in outside campus. However, there are also advantages to living in a university dormitory. For example, the student is much closer to his classes. Moreover, if he lives right on campus, the student will find it much easier to do research in the evening. All that he has to do, after classes, is return to the dormitory, have a supper, have a nap, and then head out to the university library. It would be much more difficult to do this if he were living in an apartment in town. Finally, if he lives on campus, he will find it much easier to attend university events and participate in the student activities. Personally, I believe that the advantages of a student's living in a university dormitory exceed the advantages of his living in an apartment in the community. For one thing, the student would be much closer to his classes. Moreover, he would find doing research in the evening much easier. Finally, the student could easily participate in the university activities.

Essay 537 Topic 106 **Methods of transportation**

The transportation is well developed in my city, there are several choices to make a travel to a place 40 miles away from my home, by train, bus, my car and the bicycle that I bought newly. But I prefer to choose my new bicycle as a transportation means for this travel.

Firstly, I am an environmentalist and hate to use those modern machines which are not friendly to the environment. Either train, bus or my personal car consume gasoline or other resources which are being depleted by human beings, they will also cause environmental problems, such as air pollution and noise making. Bicycle is no harm to the environment and it shall be promoted for short traveling by all of us.

Secondly, it is more economic, convenient and safe for such a short traveling to those cycling lovers like me. Cycling will be much enjoyable, because I can stop to view the scenery whenever and wherever I would like to. Bicycle can access those places that either train, bus or car could not reach. Furthermore, there are no parking problems and safety would be ensured if I am careful enough. But for other transportation means, my safety will very much depend on others.

Thirdly, I cannot only enjoy the traveling by bicycle, but also can exercise myself physically. I worked at office and always be busy with my work, the little exercise makes me feel exhausted. So I should take this chance to exercise myself and to challenge my physical limit.

As above-mentioned reasons, I will try to make short traveling by bicycle as possible as I

can, instead of those modern transportation means.

Essay 538 Topic 106 **Methods of transportation**

Transportation has been well developed over thousands of years. Despite of this, people always puzzled when encountered with short distance trip. 40 miles, for instance, is till hard to choose. Due to different transports bring various advantages and disadvantages. There are three sort of traffic tools ideal to cope with the short distance trip, coach, private car, and train. To be honest, I prefer train most in my point of view. In the following discussion I will reason and provide evidences to support my opinion.

It is quite easy for average people to choose driving a car. Obviously, this is the most convenience way to have a short trip. Even though, it still has some hidden problems. Firstly, once you face a traffic jam you will have no idea what to do but wait. Secondly, looking for toilet can be another big problem.

Taking coach can be the cheapest approach I suppose. Similar as driving a car, coach still cannot avoid the fate of traffic jam. Besides, since you want to purchase a ticket, you have to book it in advance. At same time, unlike a private car, a coach cannot stop at your desire destination directly. In particular, if you want go to Oxford, wait a minute, you have to stop at Coventry and Reading by sequence.

Eventually, may I introduce my favorite, train, which is the brilliant traffic tool. In the first place, it is quiet and nice. The large seats, bright windows with marvelous view, well-controlled air conditioning and even the convenience store can provide you absolutely comfortable environment.

In the second place, it is fast. You only need to spend two hours on the train to travel from Birmingham to London, and train stations always linking with underground, bus stations and taxi stop.

Last but not least, taking the train is convenient and cheap. People always regard train as some thing inconvenient and expensive. In fact, there is only about 10 to 15 minutes between two trains with same destination. As well as this, if you book the seat 5 days in advance you can have quite cheap price.

To sum up, I must admit that everyone has his taste. For people like me have no driving license, taking a train could be a fairly good idea. Although, coach and private car have some advantages, train would always be my first choice.

Essay 539 Topic 106 **Methods of transportation**

I prefer metro as my first choice

Provided I traveled from home to some other place, I would undoubtedly take metro as

my first choice. Compared with other mass transportations, metro has its own merits which could not be surpassed by others.

There are numerous reasons why I emphasized on my idea. However, I herein explain some pertinent ones.

What I matter most is its high efficiency. As we see, increasingly autos are running on the main roads of the cities. That doings cause more frequent traffic jams. Owing to that, if you want to cover a relatively long distance in a city, it is an absolutely boring thing. For instance, in Peking, during the rush hours of morning and afternoon, it is unlikely for you to cover ten kilometers in an hour by a bus. However, taking a metro would successfully solve the problem. Benefiting from no traffic jams, a metro run as an express train which would send you home in a short time.

Secondly, metro provides us a comparatively comfortable environment. In the underground, which functions as an excellent air-conditioner, people would feel cool in summer and warm in winter. In addition to that, there are a number of bookstores and grocery shops, where we can readily shopping after our whole day's work.

Last but not least, we should not gainsay that metro also has the superiority on price. In Peking, the single price-Three Yuan for all distances makes the metro acceptable for mass. Personally, I consider that the price is quite reasonable for many blue-collar workers and our college students.

Due to the mentioned reasons, which correlate with each other to generate a complete whole that would be superior to any each of these, I can safely conclude that metro should be the first choice for mass transportation.

Essay 540 Topic 106 **Response to Topic 106**

Transportation is one of the basic need of today's life. This new method of transportation has not only reduced the distance of the places but also the precious time which was not available in ancient times. Technology has raised the means of transportation even more up to the skies. To travel a place or destination having a distance of 40 miles one could have any means of transport in today's world. If we consider some of the following means of transport we can come up with the following points: 1) Car is one of the most popular means of transport and is usually known as "personal" cars. Many people like to have their own means of transport and car is one of the top demand in day todays' life. Car not only serves as a means of transport but also one feels comfortable while driving. It not only reduces the distance but can also preserve time and can cross 40 miles in few minutes. 2) Motorbikes are also another means of transport. Basically, this type of transport is based on the choice of the people. Some would like to ride a motorbike just to fulfill their desire of riding it. But traveling by motorbikes are second to travel by a car. 3) People who do not have enough money to afford a car has to travel either by a bus or by taxi or any other means of transportation. Traveling by a bus also has an advantage for

reaching a destination. One do not have to care any type of accidents or need to pay full attention to abide by the traffic rules which is one of the foremost regulation of a car driver. Therefore, a person traveling by bus may enjoy the travel and also tention-free of any avoidable mistakes. 4) Trucks are also a means of transport but one might hardly choose to drive a truck. Because of its' low speed and a lot of effort to drive on road is quite difficult than any other vehicles. But one who has enough moeny to drive a truck may buy either because of his desire to drive or one may not have any other means to travel. In my conclusion, I would prefer driving a car. It not only serves a driver for making him reach to his destiny but it can also serve others to reach their destination like giving a lift to someone who is in need of it. Moreover, car not only drives 40 miles, one can go anywhere traveling more than 40 miles. Every one will prefer those means of transportation which will benefit them because in todays' life, transportation has become a basic need of people.

Essay 541 Topic 107 **Should higher education be available to all?**

Before discussing this topic, we should consider how higher education was originally designed. Why is not university education compulsory? What kind of study does university provide? I believe that Studying at university ought to be available for only those who want to academically specialize themselves in a specific field, unlike most of today's university students. However, why do some people believe that a college or university education should be available to all students?

Since the number of universities has increased, universities have been plunged into changing their function: teaching academic theory to training practical skills. That has been the way for them to attract prospects and survive. The fact is that it is really hard for each university to keep getting enough students. Today's higher education just emphasizes that it enables students to stand on a better starting point for job hunting.

Whereas, as there are some special facilities for job training at the higher education's level, the function of university should not be changed anymore and I think we should reconsider how higher education should be. I really doubt how many students are purely seeking to satisfy their academic curiosity at university.

It is pitiable that university graduates are no longer specialized intellects. Making higher education available to all students is no more than making the phenomenon worse.

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This is a very flexible topic to argue upon. Both the sides have their own advantages and disadvantages depending upon the way in which we view the situation. But I would like to argue that a college or university education should be available to all students, rather than to only good students. I have exemplified my argument with the following facts and examples.

When a child joins in an elementary school for the fundamental coaching, it does not know the importance and wants to ignore the studies. But as it grows up, due to competition, he or she starts to concentrate on his or her studies and starts learning practically. Some students may be bright while the others may be feeble. Actually, most of the students tend to pick up only late when he understands his own interested subject.

Since the students tend to learn more practical things in college, if he is devoid of such education, then how can he identify his own talent? Also, real competition is faced by a student in his college or university. This helps the student to tune himself to all kinds of situations like embarrassment, happiness, anger, placidity, resentment, and kindness etcetera. Finally, when he finishes the education period, he can adjust to the society easily. Only after identifying himself, the student can thrive well as a brilliant student. Until then he will remain as a dull one only. Hence we should not decide on the basis of his grades alone as him to be a dull student.

On the other hand, if a dull student is not given a college or university education, he is devoid of giving an opportunity to find his area of interest and hence he will remain dull for ever.

Hence, I conclude that a college or university education is a mandatory thing for each and every student, whether he or she is bright or dull in his studies.

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The issue of who should attend college appears to be a controversial one. Some people believe that it should be available to good students only, for it would provide the society with excellent specialists, raise the prestige of universities and be beneficial to the students themselves. However, after careful thought, I am inclined to support those, who think that high education must be available to everyone, who chooses to have it.

First, the system of determining whether a student is capable or not is not perfect. Many outstanding scientists, like Einstein, were doing extremely bad at school. It is also not uncommon that a smart teenager is neglecting the studies because of the physiological problems of the age.

Second, the practice of selecting the students on the basis of the school grades only, would lead to a huge discrimination of many young people, and would deprive them a chance to improve their lives and pursue the careers they are interested in. I believe, it is absolutely out of the question in the modern society.

Finally, if the universities and colleges were highly selective, they would sooner or latter

end up being corrupted, because it is a fate of any closed and prestigious institution.

To conclude, I want to note that although the arguments of 'high-education-for-good-students-only' supporters sound very reasonable, I am convinced that the higher education must be available to all, who want to get it.

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If we only allow access to college or university to good students, we, may have an economical advantage but we, apparently, destroy the future of those who have lower marks. A student's life should be of prime concern and I believe that all students should be eligible for higher education.

To begin with, good study does not guarantee the qualities of a good specialist on field. A good student knows how to focus on all of the subjects of the learning program and have good marks in all of them, which gives him a good general preparation. In contrast, a good specialist has to be perfect in a specific branch and go further than the learning program prescripts. Thus, if we reduce the number of students in colleges and universities by only accepting good ones, the economical advantage for the whole society is not evident.

On the other hand, a mediocre student, sometimes, is driven by a passion to specific discipline or subject and finally becomes a veritable specialist. While total time of education is limited, this passion results in worse marks in other disciplines. But it does not mean that this student really is mediocre. When we accept all students to higher education we spend more for education but encourage development of person for the good of the whole society and, maybe, obtain a good specialist. Finally, some talented persons do not match to ordinary system of education. They are considered as very bad students. The classic example is that of Albert Einstein, the famous physicist, who had serious problems with arithmetic in high school. We could continue with examples of our days by mentioning extraordinary computer and electronics designers with similar problems.

Availability of higher education has crucial meaning for the future of all students. Notions of 'good student' and 'bad student' based on the marks, are not sufficiently sophisticated to define destiny of them. Consequently, all students should have access to colleges or universities.

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Nowadays, one of the most heated discussions is whether to let all the students receive higher education or just let good students do. This is something of a dilemma faced by many people. However, given the advantages and disadvantages on both sides. We have to say, higher education available only to good students is a better choice.

It is an obvious fact that according to the current education conditions, such as teaching equipment, teacher resources, college or university can only accommodate a certain amount of students, by which means can assure of the education quality. It is impossible for all the students to rush into colleges. In order to select good students to receive higher education, college entrance examination system has established.

This choice has brought another fact to students. That is, they have to realize that only by hard striving, can they receive higher education. Bearing this in mind, students have more spiritual power to study harder. Because we all know, mental stimulation is a must, and only those who survive in this severe competition can open the door to higher education.

Here I have to say, receiving higher education is not the only way for students. After graduation, some of them can look for a job or go into business. This can help them gain more social experiences. Experience is also great teacher and educator for one's lifetime! Gaining knowledge from experience in the society is as important as, if not important than, gaining knowledge from class and books.

Whereas, another important fact that we have to keep in mind: society cannot develop without educated talents. The higher the average education level is, the faster the society will develop. Knowledge is power! Those who cannot enter university or college can still go to technical schools to equip themselves with specialized knowledge.

Finally, the point I am trying to make is that, higher education should be available only to good students but that does not mean the rest have to stop learning. As lifelong learners, all the students should gain more knowledge from time to time by all means possible!

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Essay 550 Topic 108 **The best way of learning about life**

Some people believe that the best way of learning life is by listening to the advice from family members and friends. Other people hold a different view that the best way of learning about life is from ones' personal experience. In my view, I agree the latter view based on my years of observation. The main reasons are listed as below.

First, the advice from family members and friends always rely on the situation happened in the past. Things are changed and the presuming past events cannot ensure that it could occur in the current new situation. To illustrate this matter, there is an example that my parents persuaded me to stay in the physiology institute and not change my job to a pharmaceutical company. They claim that the job in institute is stable and promising, they reason that they worked in the same institute until they retired. From their experience, the work was very good in their times. However, I did not take their advice since I find there are lots of chances outside the institute.

Second, why I have such a view is that we have to make our own decisions in many occasions in our lives. The other people's advice can only be used for reference. As people are different in many aspects, even they are your close friends or parents, they are not yourself and they cannot make decisions instead of you. For instance, your friend is good at mathematics and can get good scores after only one-day preparation before the

exam. However, you cannot follow her study method since you are not expertise in this subject, therefore, you should spend more time on your preparation to get the same score.

Admittedly, the advice from the close friend and family members do help us in some occasions and give us many valuable references. It is less useful than the advice directly from the life.

Based on the above-mentioned reasons, I shall say that I find the best way of learning life is from personal experience.

Essay 551 Topic 108 **The best way of learning about life**

When it comes to the issue of the understanding of life, some people suggest that the best way to learn about life is getting others' opinions, while other people maintain that the best way is learning person experience. In my point of view, the latter opinion carries more weight.

In the first place, learning from successful experience is beneficial for people. For instance, a student who is preparing for an important exam can think of the past exams which he did very well, and this student can review more effectively if he learn from this experience. Moreover, the student can acquire the understanding of life that people who work effectively can be successful.

In the second place, learning from the failures of person experience can greatly help people understand life. A case in point is that, losing money because of unwise investments is part of many businessmen's experiences. If a businessman is going to invest a big project, he can look back at his experience of losing money and find out why he lost money. As a result, he probably will plan his investment more carefully this time so that he will not make the same mistake. Learning from those failures can help people learn how to make wise decisions in life, and people can understand that avoiding mistakes is one of the keys to success of life.

In conclusion, though learning from one's personal experience may have a few drawbacks, it may not take into account other peoples' opinions, for example, generally speaking, its advantages far outweigh its disadvantages, because both successful experience and setbacks help people understand their lives better.

Essay 552 Topic 109 **Follow the customs of the new country vs. keep one`s own customs**

The world has continuously grown smaller and people in general have a tendency to move around more than before. Some people wish to be integrated in their new environment and thus they choose to follow the local customs at a high level. Others try as much as they can to keep their values from their home country and the way of living they are already used to. Often this will appear when people have been forced to move to

a new place in cases of for example war or ecological disasters.

The topic presented is highly debatable. However, I strongly believe that if you decide to move to a new country, you have to be prepared to adjust to the customs you arrive at. To be able to fit in and be treated equally to the natives, one should gain knowledge of the country's rules of behavior and internalize many of the rules and norms.

On the other hand, I certainly share the point of view that it is important not to forget about your own background when moving to a new country. In many of today's multicultural societies people learn customs from each other, and everyone might benefit from increased knowledge about different customs. To make daily life go by smoother however, I think adapting to national customs is a necessity for immigrants. Some sacrifices must be made to avoid conflicts between natives and newcomers, and the arriving crowd should be the ones to change more. As my mother used to say; when you are in my house, you live by my rules. As far as I am concerned, this should count for moving abroad as well.

From what I have been discussing above, there is no doubt where my position is regarding the statement put forward. Although the statement involves both pros and cons, my conclusion becomes that adaptation to customs when arriving to a new country is a duty immigrants should take seriously.

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As we all know that there is no exact black and white in this world, the same rule also applies to the topic given above. My answer to this question is we need to keep our own customs, while we will also need to learn, follow others customs. At least, we need to respect their customs if we do not agree with them.

As a Chinese student living in the United right now, I have many personal experiences that I would like to share with you. Being cultivated and educated in China for 20 years, I am very grateful for what my county has done to me and I am prod to be a Chinese. Therefore, there is no doubt that I will keep my Chinese custom as I used to be. We celebrate our lunar Chinese New Years and Moon Festivals etc, in the United States as a way to thank Heaven (God in western society) for providing us the sheltering, food as well as all other living elements. It is a tradition that roots in our blood.

While I would like to keep my Chinese tradition, it doesn't necessarily mean that I cannot learn and follow other country's customs. There are so many good spirits that are located in foreign customs. Understanding these customs will help people from different backgrounds to understand each other better. I would like to give an example here. I also celebrate Thanksgiving after I came to the United States. If you know the story behind this holiday, you will appreciate What American Indians had done. It sets up a good example that people would like to follow: to treat people as the way to be treated, no

matter where you come from.

Finally, I cannot deny that in some cases I do not agree with some foreign customs. Let me raise an example here. I eat pork and I cannot follow what Muslim's rule in this case. However, I do respect their choice.

To summarize, people have to use their own judgments to decide what they need to follow. From my own experience, I think the best way is to keep your own customs and try to learn, to understand other countries' customs as well. In this way, people all over the world will appreciate each other further and we will live as a whole to make our tomorrow better.

Essay 554 Topic 109 **Follow the customs of the new country vs. keep one's own customs**

Moving to a new country that possesses distinctive culture and customs, people will have different attitude towards the new things. As far as I am concerned, I would like to follow the new customs, because it is valuable experience in my life to live with them harmoniously.

Admittedly, following a new customs is the best approach to the different culture. Humankind cultures bearing long history are various, and every one has its own advantage and advances. It is a good chance for people to learn some special, but useful knowledge. For a simple instance, attending the Christmas celebration in West Country, we can learn something relates with their religion and their life styles.

Emotionally, it will help us to communicate with the people in the new country. Following the new customs, expresses that I appreciate and respect their culture. When we can share the same kind of way to live and act, they want to talk with you and tend to work with you together. It is actually help newer to accommodate to the new environments.

What is more, different countries have distinctive climates and geography, which give rise to some particularly customs. The typical example is that people, who live in humid climate, preferring pepper, is a sort of spontaneous phenomenon, because pepper is helpful to defend humidity. When you tend to accept this kind of custom, it will benefit your living quality in the new place.

It is, therefore, obvious that to follow the new customs in a new country can be essential for people to adapt to an indifferent condition. Though some people tend to keep their own customs, it will not impede you to understand something about this country and people.

Essay 555 Topic 109 **Response to Topic 109**

Migration from one place to another has been the practice of ancient peoples. The term "migration" in the ancient times was the same as it is today. People in the previous days would move from one place to another in search of jobs, calm and quiet place, natural beauty and most importantly facilities of life, etc. When people migrate to another country they do not keep the customs in minds rather they look for some benefits which they want to acquire it. While clearly taking both the issues considerably we can include some of the following points: 1) People after migrating to another country decide to follow the customs of the new country because they are now going to spend their whole life in this country and it might be an obstacle for them to keep up their custom values. On the contrary, people who migrate to a new country may not change their customs because they believe that the custom is their "treasure" of life and it has been passing on from their forefathers to them and if they change their customs they would bring an end to the customs of their ancestors. 2) Many people would like to experience something new in life and they mention it as a "life style" so they alter their customs to the customs of a new country which brings changes into their lives. Other people believe that by practicing their own customs in a new country they will not only practice it by themselves rather they can attract the native of a new country to follow their customs and they can promote their own customs and beliefs which will help them create a new society. 3) People following the customs of the new country may hold this view that they can easily mix with them and one must go on with life according to the present time. On the other hand, people migrating to a new country may present their view that they are not the followers of any other customs or traditions. They have their own rules and customs, so why to follow others traditions which is not or may not suit to one's desire. They value or give utmost importance to their traditions first and then second to other things. To sum up, it is or rests up on an individual or a group of people on how to move on with their life and what conditions must be accepted while moving to a new country. One will always look for the benefits in life, and if by adopting a new custom of a country will bring some benefits or advantages in life then he will adopt it. I would prefer to keep our own customs and traditions, because these traditions are linked with our history and historical moments so we must preserve it for our next generation. Migration to a new country will not only bring new customs in one's life also new environment and if he tries to influence the native of a new country then he can promote his traditions which he may feel proud of it.

Essay 556 Topic 109 **keep or drop custom value?**

When people move to another country, some of them decide to follow the customs of the new country, but other people prefer to keep their own customs. If I were faced with this issue, I would agree with the first one. In the following discussion, I would like to reason and provide evidence to support my viewpoint. There are some advantages for a person, even after he has moved to a new country, to continue to follow the customs of his birthplace. For example, in celebrating the holidays observed in his country of origin, he is less likely to forget such important things as his extended family and culture.

Furthermore, in continuing to follow these customs, he is also less likely to feel homesick. Somehow, in practicing these customs, he remains connected to the family and friends he left behind. However, there are more advantages for a person to follow the customs of country to which he has moved. For instance, he will feel more at home, not to say less homesick for the country that he left behind. Moreover, following the customs of a country—the country from where he came as well as the country where he now lives—is a sign of respect to the wider community. It is a way of telling others that he is happy where he now lives. Finally, in following the customs, he is also more likely to get ahead financially. He will form more friendships and establish more contacts, thus improving his prospects of finding a good job. Personally, I believe that it is better for a person to follow the customs of a country where he lives than follow the customs of his country of origin, because it is a principal way in which he can affirm his being a member of the society in which he now lives. Moreover, following these customs is a sign of acknowledging to others that he is happy to move here. Finally, following them will make it easier to succeed financially.

Essay 557 Topic 110 **Alone vs. with friends**

If asked if one prefers to spend his time alone or with other people, in reality, for most of people it is impossible to answer give an answer as black or white, because one needs the both though the way of how to balance between the two should be different depending on individual. However, I would say that recently I put more preference to spending my time alone than to spend with friends for the following reasons.

First, these days I am more interested in improving myself as professional than sharing funs with my friends, and so I like spending my free time reading and studying alone. I would like to take advantage of being single because I know that after the marriage, especially after giving a birth to a baby, it is very difficult for a woman to find time to study for her own.

Secondly, now I do not have many friends with whom I can go out in my free time. When I was younger, I used to like going out with my friends and also I had more friends to study together. But now most of my friends are busy with their family matters or work and so they are also not interested in having funs with friends nor have time to study together. Now my communication with them is mostly by emails and telephone, instead of sharing our free time together.

Thirdly, I have very good relationship established with my coworkers at work, which certainly satisfies my emotional necessity of sharing things and feelings with somebody. We eat lunch together every day, joking and talking about our personal issues. Therefore I do not feel lonely even when I do not have any invitation and spend the weekend at home alone.

In conclusion, thus, my preference about how I spend my free time has changed very much since when I was younger and for me now the time I spend alone is more important

to improve my ability.

Essay 558 Topic 110 **Alone vs. with friends**

There are many lovely things in our lives such as the fresh air, country beauty, love and friends. Everyone has friends or is engaged in finding friends so that one can share emotions with them. Thus many people like to spend most of their time with friends like me while some others would rather stay alone.

There is no doubt we need some time for ourselves. When I am in dorm and there is no other person I can do anything I like, I could write some secrets in my dairy, enjoy some beautiful music without being disturbed by others or read some philosophy books quietly. Moreover, while being alone, it is convenient and quiet to consider some problems carefully and if I get many friends in the dorm I have no chance to do these things.

On the other hand, spending much time with friends is quite interesting. Since I am a sociable and open person, I always feel happy and relaxed when I do things with my good friends. We can take part in all kinds of after-school activities such as playing volleyball, swimming or climbing. Some good ideas often come up in my mind when I am with friends but being alone I have no this inspiration at all.

Another important thing is when I come with friends I can always exchange views about the study, the society or may be love with them thereby obtaining some interesting information or knowledge. Each person cannot do all things know all kinds of knowledge but a group of people may know them. When I face some serious problems and I do not know what to do, some good friends would help me and give me suggestions quickly.

Being with friends can be fun and can help you get through the rough spots in life. After all being happy in life means doing the things you enjoy and there is someone to share the feeling with you. Being with friends in most of time is an enjoyable thing for me because I would gain inspiration, satisfaction and much information from the process.

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Essay 561 Topic 110 **Response to Topic 110**

Time is one of the most precious things in one's life. To spend time with others is a good choice. I would like to prefer spending my time with my friends. Time spent with friends makes one learn how to deal with the people, spending time with them will share one's feelings with each other, hanging out with them will make one remember in his old age the precious moments he used to spend with them. Most of the time people use to pass their time with friends because they believe that it will help them how to deal with others in general and with friends in particular. Going out with them will make him know the surroundings around him and to get in touch with other people will make him learn how

to behave or be generous with the other people. Staying and spending time alone will often make a person narrow minded. Sharing feelings with each other could reduce one's stress or burden in difficult times. Therefore, spending time with friends will not only strengthen up friendship with them but also one could share his feelings. Especially, in today's time, most of the people rely on their friends when speaking out the secret or problem because they know that a true friend will always help him in his difficult times or when he is in need of it. In this way, he cannot only share his emotions but could also help his friend when he wants him. It goes without saying, "A friend in need is a friend indeed". When one starts to become older he will use to think of his past memories how he spent his time with his friends. He would remember how he used to play, have fun, kidding around with them. Words are forgotten but memories are always remembered even after one dies. In conclusion, I would definitely choose to spend my time with my friends. Having said the benefits of spending time with one's friends, I would strongly advise to others who oppose to spend time with friends that time is like a pearl and the one who uses most of it and values it will be successful in his life. Therefore, passing time with friends is far better than to spend it alone.

Essay 562 Topic 111 **Hunging out with one or two close friends vs. many friends**

I cannot imagine a person who hasn't enjoyed the company of a friend. Friends are very precious and therefore, we constantly love and cherish them. Spending time with friends has always been regarded as a wonderful thing to do with no doubt. However, one might choose to spend time either with few close friends or a number of friends.

Certainly, there is a difference between the joy obtained with our few close friends and the delight obtained with several friends. When we are with close friends, although their number is small, there is a special and unique affinity and cordiality in the atmosphere that would not be there when we are with several friends. In the company of intimate friends, we can be more true and open to ourselves. Although with few people around the scope of our activities get limited, it is compensated by the happiness and bliss we receive from the warm atmosphere.

If a person doesn't like the joy attained from the company of just few close friends and wants the elation that is more tangible and obvious, he can choose to be with many friends. When a group of friends gather together they can engage in myriads of group activities such as playing games, sports, and lots and lots of other things. This enjoyment doesn't necessarily require affinity among the group members. Only being gregarious and outgoing is enough to create a pleasant ambiance for everyone.

I'd rather choose the pleasure of being with my close friends than the enjoyment of being with a number of friends. With my friends around we do not really have to do anything in particular together. For us the significance lies in the fact that we are together, sharing our time. Although I also enjoy spending time with a group of friends, I dare not compare the elation I receive from my close friends with the fulfillment I get from the party of more than a few friends. As the saying goes, can spend hours without uttering a single

word with my friend and I'd have the best conversation ever. ?br>

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Spending time with friends is one of the most important part in our social life, it would make our life enjoyable and pleasant. But in which way we shall spend time with our friends, some like to spend time with one or two close friends, others prefer to spend time with a large number of friends. I believe both of them have their own advantages.

To spend time with a one or two intimate friends would give us more quite and peaceful time. We can share everything that we would like to share. In that occasion, it would be also a good opportunity for us to talk something that belong to privacy or so, we can listen to each other and get advises from my friends. So, it would be the right time for us to confide and pacify each other, especially, in the case that we are hurt or uncomfortable, it would be the wise way to spend time with one of two close friends to have a chat, play chess or maybe have a little drink. While it would make it ever more worse if we do that with a large number of friends, however spending time with large number of friends can create good atmosphere easily for entertainment, we can share our happiness and enjoyment with them and release ourselves by parties, picnic, team sports and traveling.

Both ways to spend time with our friends have their own advantages, if we arrange it in line with the actual situation and our own likes, definitely we could benefit from the time that we share with our friends, whatever, one or two close friends or a large number of friend.

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I think I prefer to have many different friends because we can learn more from having many different types of friends. If we have just a few close friends, then we cannot learn as much as we can if we have many friends. Therefore, I think it is better to have many different friends.

First, having many different friends can teach us about life and the world. I think you can learn many things about many different countries if you know people from all over the world. For example, if you have a friend from China and one from Iran, you can learn more about those two countries. If you just have friends from your country, then you do not learn very much about the world.

We can also have many different kinds of experiences if we have many different kinds of friends. For example, some people like sports, others like music, still others like to study. If we have many different friends with many different interests, then we can never feel bored and we can have a happy life.

Finally, if we have many different friends, then maybe we can have more help from people when we need it. For example, if we need some kind of help with something, but we don't know too many people, then it might be difficult for us to get help. However, if we know many people, then it will be easy for us to find help when we need it.

Therefore, I believe that it is better to have many different friends in our lives. Having many friends can teach us about the world, we can have more fun with different friends, and we can get help more easily if we have many different friends.

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It seems to be a little bit difficult to prefer one opinion to the other, because they both have their positive sides and negative sides. In some extent, it is hard to distinguish. But that does not mean they are of the same to me. After weighing these two features, I prefer to spend time with a large number of friends if personal quality can be considered as a criterion of choosing things.

There are many reasons that can account for my fondness for it. The most important one is that spending with a large number of friends are much more interesting than being with one or two close friends. In my memory, the happiest time was getting along with a group of my friends. We could play games which were requested a number of people. We could hold a party which together with so many friends of mine. When I spent time with them, especially during a sad period, I felt more relaxant, because all of them would give me different kinds of happiness. Comparing with spending time with one or two close friends, I can find more things to do with a group of friends.

The second obvious reason is that through being with a large number of friends I can get more information and different kinds of help. I remember that the first job I found was offered by one of my friends during one party. We were talking and exchanging our experience, thus there are so many valuable information that came from my friends when we get along each other. At the same time, my network will be efficient and larger.

Furthermore, when I spent with some friends, automatically, I should learn how to get along with different characteristic people. Apparently, some of them are distinct from me. Sometimes I need to know how to bear others, offer a substantial help to different needing, and even talk with district ways. This will supply me to train and practice my personal quality, and improve my adaptation to the society.

In conclusion, a personal choice depends on his or her own experience, life style and emotional concern. Spending with one or two close friends will give me warmer and more intimated feeling, but sometimes it also let me feel a little bit serious and pressing. Comparing with both of them, I would like to be with some of my friends and enjoy with them.

Essay 566 Topic 111 **Response to Topic 111**

Spending time with friends is a precious moments in one's life. Time has always been valued by all the people and by all societies. Some people choose to spend their time with few friends and others would like to prefer spend time with large number of friends. I would like to prefer spending time with few friends or one or two close friends. If we consider both the issues carefully, we can include some of the following advantages: 1) People spending time with one or two friends may hold their opinion that one can share his feelings and secrets among them who he believes are trustworthy and honest. Whereas, if you are accompanied by a large number of friends, then one cannot even imagine to speak out his problems or any secrets because not all the friends are honest in keeping one's secret or can be trusted. On the contrary, people used to spend time with large group of friends may present their view that one can have many solutions to one's problem if he shares it with many friends because he will likely to have many opinions from his colleagues which may help him come out of his dilemma. 2) Some people who like to spend their time with many friends may believe that accompanied with large number of friends one can enjoy more time with them. They can have fun with each other, can play games, kidding around, travel etc. Contrary to this, other people who hold this view that one or two close friends is more preferable present their idea that it is not necessary that only with large number of friends could only have fun. There are many games that require only few players such as playing cards, chess, video games, etc. And with few persons one could also go out to watch a movie or any other shows which may entertain them and they can enjoy more of it without being disturbed by others. 3) With few friends one could afford to make room for them in car while hanging out with many friends one may not be able to provide room for the rest of his friends which in result may annoy the rest of his friends. On the other hand, transportation is not a difficult means in today's world. If one cannot have a car, then a taxi or bus can suffice transportation. So it is not a big issue for the large number of friends not to have transportation to travel. In conclusion, having said the above benefits of spending time with few friends and with large number of friends, I would definitely prefer to spend my time with one or two friends. I will support my opinion that if one wants to relieve his stress or burden or any kind of difficulty he is facing then he can open out his secrets to his trustworthy friends who are close to him and in this way he can also know who are his true friends. A beautiful quote can be presented "A friend in need is a friend indeed".

Essay 567 Topic 112 **How should children spend their time?**

Some people think that children should begin the formal education at a very early age and should spend most of their day on school study. Others believe that young children should spend most of their time playing. I will name some advantages and disadvantages of each point of view and then argue in favor of people who believe that is better that young children should spend most of their time playing.

Some people may think that to start formal education earlier is helpful to the development

of young children, they learn faster and better. The disadvantages are that if you send children to school so young, they may miss their homes and cry all day, and teachers may lose control of them.

Playing games can provide children an excellent chance to work with other kids and develop their talents in a way that will always interest them, also they will be happier because that is what they like. The disadvantages are that they cannot play all the time and at any time they have to be sent to school and maybe they will not like that, and they will not learn faster.

I think that it is better that children should live what they need to live. I think that is wrong to send children to school at such a young age, they need to play and be with their mother for a while and then they need to learn at school but at the proper time.

Essay 568 Topic 112 **How should children spend their time?**

There is much discussion above when should children begin to study? Some people think that children should start learning as early as possible. Other people, however, argue that young children could begin to study late. As far as I am concerned, young children should spend most of their time playing and not begin studying too early.

Why do some people think that children should begin to study early? For one thing, children are very good at learning because they have good memory and accept new things quickly. If they waste their time when they are young, they probably need to spend much more time in learning the same thing when they are older. As we all know, learning a foreign language is a pain to adults, but is very easy to a child under ten.

Although I agree there may be one or two advantages for children to begin to study early, I insist that the advantages of learning late far outweigh them. In the first place, people who spend most of their time playing could be more creative. Learning more means that children can know more, but also more restrictions will be pushed on them. If children play more, they may find many things interesting in their playing and raise many questions, such as "Why can this happen?" and "invent such a thing to help me?" As a result, they always have more wonderful thoughts than those who begin studying very early, which helps them to study and work creatively when they grow up.

In the second place, children could be more anxious to learn when they grow up if they spend most of their time playing. It is known that children like to play. Even if parents force them sitting in front of the table, they cannot concentrate on the studying stuff. Instead, they are thinking how to finish the study early and go to play. They will be bored in studying when they grow up, since they think they study for their parents. But Children who spend most of their time playing do not have the bad memory of studying. When they grow up, they will be willing to study even if parents do not monitor them, because they feel they are studying for themselves.

In conclusion, I believe that young children should play more not only because that they will be more creative, but also because they will be more anxious to learn when they grow up. Therefore, I strongly hold that all parents should not push their young children into studying too early.

Essay 569 Topic 112 **How should children spend their time?**

In our rapidly changing world people begin to understand more and more that nothing is so valuable but knowledge. Education has become an important part of people's life and due to this some people think that children should begin their formal education at a very early age and should spend most of their time on school studies. But others believe that young children should spend most of their time playing. To my mind these two views should be balanced so not to go to the extremes. Here are my arguments for this view :

According to the first point of view that children should start early their studies brought me to the conclusion that it can be harmful and damaging for a child's inner world and personality. Here is my example : As I am a teacher I see the result of beginning early education. Children who start early are deprived and robbed of their childhood and their intrinsic right to play. In this way they keep playing at school and the process of learning stops immediately. Besides, the child that is not allowed to play and has to study can begin hate education process and teaches. So it can spoil the whole picture.

When facing a question of early education it is also important to note that children who begin to study at an early age are often overloaded by studying material and homework and they are not ready to cope with this. Besides some parents neglect their children and do not pay attention to the child's problems at school so here is the immediate result of hating school.

The second opinion that children should pay more attention to playing than studying at an early age is also for some extent faulty because the child is not prepared for school at all and has no idea what he is going to do at school and in this way he cannot be able to manage the school education program.

In conclusion I would like to point out that by all these illustrations I keep to the idea that education should be balanced appropriately so that not to deprive a child of the childhood that can be only once in life. And it is quite essential to manage to see whether the child is ready to go to school and cope with such challenges or this should wait a bit for him to have the pleasure of the play.

Essay 570 Topic 112 **How should children spend their time?**

What is the best time for children to start their school education? Different people have different opinions. Some people think that children should begin their formal education at a very early age and should spend most of their time on school studies. Others believe that young children should spend most of their time playing. Personally, I prefer the

second opinion because playing is the best way for young children learn.

As everyone knows, children, especially young children, like to play. When playing, they are pleased and never feel tired. This is a good time for young children to learn some things because at this time, young children can pay attention in their activities. When children play games, their brains are in a positive thinking condition. For example, many young children have learned math since they play games. Therefore, if adults often provide some proper games for their young children, their children will gain a lot of knowledge from their games.

On the other hand, if young children go to school at a very early age, they may not be able to remain to seat in classes. If their parents or teachers ask them to study, they may lose their interest about the school. More seriously, much more assignments and tests will bother them. Gradually, they may have bad moods when they go to school. As a result, they cannot get more knowledge from school, and in contrast, their health may be affected. For example, some of the young students have headaches, stomach pain, and eye myopia. All of these physical problems will affect their future.

In fact, when young children play, they not only learn a lot of knowledge, but also get many experiences for their lives. Therefore, young children begin their formal education later is not wasting time because they already learn a lot before they go to school.

Essay 571 Topic 112 **How should children spend their time?**

Education has always played an essential role in people's lives as in most cases it determines the intellectual and professional development of a person. One of the chief questions today is whether children should be encouraged to begin their formal education at an early age or rather wait until they are seven or eight years old to start school. Comparing both of the alternatives, I agree with the former assumption. Some people believe that as childhood is one of the most important stages in one's life it should be fully enjoyed. They point out to the fact that the pressure of today's world is too great to impose it to children when they are that young. Indeed, playing with friends is a thing that every child needs in order to grow up healthy and sociable. Games provide a great chance for children to explore the world around them and learn how to deal with difficult situations. Most of the time, when a child plays he/she talks and interacts with his/her peers, which is very helpful for building communicational skills.

However, we live today at a time when the world is constantly changing and people are required to keep in pace with new standards. In the Information Age it is getting more and more difficult even for people who are well educated to withstand the great competition. Parents are now sending their children to school at a very early age in order to prepare them for the challenges of the present. Nowadays it is no longer enough to study hard to succeed. It also requires that one start as early as possible.

Even though children's starting their formal education early may be considered a

sacrifice of the carefree years of childhood, I think that if parents want to provide their children with a good start in life this choice is worth it.

Essay 572 Topic 112

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Essay 574 Topic 112 **education or isolation?**

Education is a topic that has played an important role in human culture all through history. Approaches vary very much in different cultures but also in different social environments. In modern western societies it can be observed that children are subjected to less and less rules. Yet on the other hand the demand for well educated workers is on a steady rise. Thus it is not surprising that some people call for an earlier introduction of children to formal education. Actually, it is true that the requirements of our society for education increase while the level of education is hardly living up to them. It might seem necessary to start formal education at an earlier age to be able to convey more knowledge to future adults. Another reason why it might make sense to force a child to accept a certain schedule is to teach it to conform with a set of rules which is necessary not only in our society but has always been a part of education. Insisting on a certain amount of discipline might nowadays be especially important regarding all the distractions our society offers for children. This is also the main reason for the argument that keeping a child occupied with studying might help to avoid some problems of modern childhood. Especially by introducing ways of using one's free time except for playing video games or watching television. However it also seem important to me to give children time to spend on their own. They have to develop and use their natural sense of exploration, which is an important aspect of every childhood. They also need chances to develop their own will. The needs of modern societies not only ask for well educated people but also for people who are able to develop inventive approaches to various problems. Playing also is an important field for social contact and thus forcing a child to spend most of its time on studying might deprive it of chances to socialize with its environment and thus it might eventually contribute to isolating a child. I believe that if early education is to be applied then it should be child-friendly. It should attract children to education rather than deter them from it..

Essay 575 Topic 113 **A new university in the community**

The issue of building a new university in my community deserves careful consideration because it is such a complex one. Of course, there are advantages and disadvantages of establishing a new university, especially, in my community. Personally, I support this plan because the advantages of this idea are far more than its disadvantages.

In the one hand, there is only one disadvantage of this plan. It goes without saying that a new university can receive thousands of students in its campus. Moreover, many businessmen would set new stores surround the school, without question, it definitely attracts more people come to here to buy things. Finally, during the rush hour, the traffic

situation in community would become very serious.

In the other hand, there are more advantages of this plan. The first advantage is that a new university would bring a lot of work opportunities to local residents. Businessmen prefer setting stores nearby the school because students are their main targets. Absolutely, these stores need to hire many local people to work for them. The second advantage is that a new university in my community can greatly reduce the educational problem of local students. My living place is a small town, therefore, many students should go to other big cities which far from my community to attend university. Needless to say, students always spend a lot of time on commuting. Therefore, it is impossible to overestimate the importance of establishing a university in my community.

That is not to say, of course, that other points of view are completely without merit. However, I believe that the advantages I have provided in favor of my point of view are stronger.

Essay 576 Topic 113 **requirements and effects**

The community I live in is situated in southern Germany. It is a small city in the countryside with about 30.000 inhabitants. The area can be described as quiet and idyllic. Tourism flourishes but mostly comprises older people. Locating a new university in this region would have profound effects on the whole community, especially due to its rather small size. There are some reasons why it would seem opportune to build a university in this region: The general level of education is rather high due to several schools for secondary education in the region which also have a good reputation. The life standard in comparison to other regions in Germany is quite high and unemployment is not a problem. Thus, a calm atmosphere for concentrated studies is provided. There are also some resident industrial and research companies which might be willing to establish partnerships with a new university and thus give students the opportunity to do gain practical experience. A specially appropriate field of study in this region might be tourism due to the high importance it has in the regions economy. Yet, it might generally not be opportune to establish a university in a not very densely inhabited region. The variety in the industry in our region is very reduced. There would only be opportunities to establish partnerships in quite few fields of study. Also, such a region would probably not be very attractive for many students who rather prefer living in big cities. Thus, the region might be fit to establish a university that concentrates mainly on tourism or other fields of study which are represented in the region. Other majors might experience a scarcity in opportunity for practical studies. Yet, the question whether to establish a university in this region or not would not be appropriately discussed without taking into consideration the effects that this university would have on the community. Certainly, establishing a university would enrich city life in general. There would probably be a large number of new cafes and other locations appropriate for students. Having a local university would also be an appealing factor that would help to attract investors to the region. And last but not least, new projects - start-up companies, social projects or the like - can be expected to be initiated by the students themselves. All these developments

would help to improve the economic situation and would render the city a more important center for the region. Yet, this might also have certain negative effects on the community. Older people, being the major source of local tourism, might consider the changes in the city a disturbance rather than an enrichment. Furthermore a large number of students would lead to a general strengthening of the youth culture in the region. In spite of all the positive aspects this may also aggravate social problems like drug traffic, the abuse of alcohol or violence and crime. To sum up, it seems important to me to consider which type of university could profit from the local environment and to ensure that important factors as tourism will not be affected negatively.

Essay 577 Topic 114 **What is the most important influence on young adults?**

I would generally agree with the statement that friends are the most important influence on young adults. Certainly, I cannot ignore the influence that family has on young people because the parents determine their children's further behavior.

In my opinion, the most important influence on children is that family has. But when kids leave their usual circle of influence such as family because they become students they enter a new circle of influence of their schoolmates. In turn, their schoolmates become the most important influence on young adults until high school or college.

When children become teenagers or young adults friends are those who have not only the most important but also the strongest influence on them. There are several reasons for that. First, many teenagers leave home to study at a distant high school or college. They have already broken connections with their families and friends become the closest people around them. Second, the most frequent social contacts young adults have are with their friends which are usually at the same age. Therefore, teenagers share same interests with their friends; they have same problems and what is more they depend on each other for help or advice.

In addition, it is crucially important for a young adult to be a part of the youth culture. In order to be accepted in the society teenagers have to follow the same behavior models typical of their friends.

All of above mentioned forms my opinion that friends are the most important influence on young peoples' further behavior. While some people think that the family is the most substantial factor for development of young adults I believe that friends have the most powerful effect on young peoples' attitude to the other members of the society and to the world as a whole. And sometimes that influence may last forever.

Essay 578 Topic 114 **What is the most important influence on young adults?**

Young adults may be influenced by many aspects in forming their characters and outlook on the world. Some people believe that the family is the most important influence on young adults. While others think that friends are the most important influence on them.

Both views base on respective beliefs.

It is true that friends may exert great influence on young adults. They may study together in the same school and share similar experiences. They have much in common and may share their innermost secrets which they never let their parents know. Young people are easier to make friends with each other and communicate without bothering about generation gap, which is however a common problem existing between young adults and their families.

However, it's also generally accepted that parents are the first teachers in the growing process of their children. Parents teach their children how to utter the first word in their life, help them to step their first pace, witness their first love and give important suggestions when children need them. On the other hand, children follow their parents examples and even adore them when they are growing from little children to young adults. They are usually ready to turn to their parents who have more life experience than them for advice when they are faced with important decisions. Therefore, parents who witness most of the whole growing process of the young adults till they are mature enough are more important influence on them than their friends.

Although young adults may reap a lot from their communication with their friends of similar ages, the most important influence to their life is always their families.

Essay 579 Topic 115 **Making plans for free time or not**

When there are some free time, there are people who prefer not to plan what to do, while there are others who like to carefully plan what to do or where to go. Both points of view have some benefits. In this essay, I will compare the advantages of planning and not planning how to spend our spare time.

On one hand, if we plan how to spend our leisure time, we will probably make much more good use of it. Planning what to do is particular important if we do not have spare time very often. For example, my wife has her Saturdays for herself. On those days, she does not take care of our baby, or does not do any household activity. She enjoys planning exactly what she will do on Saturdays. I have to admit that she spends her Saturday time very cleverly doing a lot of things like making exercise, going shopping, visiting friends or maybe just sleeping.

On the other hand, there are people who do not like to plan how to spend their free time. These people generally do not like to plan anything; they just enjoy leaving things to flow. For example, for me it is completely boring intend to thing what I will do and what not. I simply cannot thing about it; I get distracted immediately. And this has its advantages I have to say. I do not have to take care of weather. If the day is sunny I decide to stay outdoors, if the day is cloudy I could thing of going on a walk, and if the day is rainy I simply decide to stay indoors watching a movie or playing video games. Furthermore, because I have planned nothing, I do not have to change nothing because of

the weather, or just because I do not want to do what I planned to do previously.

Summarizing, although both point of views are very respectable, I prefer not planning what to do. Of course, I understand the benefits of carefully planning our free time in order not to waste it; however not planning what to do in leisure time has also its advantages, which I have shown in this essay.

Essay 580 Topic 115 **Making plans for free time or not**

In today's life, it is undeniable that our lives are always busy. As a result, when having free time, one must consider how to spend his/her time wisely. Some people prefer planning the activities before their free time comes while others do not. For me, planning ahead is my preferred choice since I would like to spend my free time as hassle-free and economically as possible.

Spontaneity can be fun for almost everyone including me. Indeed, not planning for my leisure time can give me thrills. A good example of this is that when I decide to go to a new restaurant, I will enjoy the fact that I can explore new menus and learn about the new place. Moreover, after a day of hard-working, one rarely looks forward to spending their time preparing for their entertainment.

However, there is a cliché saying that "well prepared is half-way done." This means that well preparation for my leisure time would give me less work when I am taking my days off. For example, if I make a reservation for a hotel for my vacation in advance, I will not have to worry about having to find a hotel when I am actually on my vacation. Moreover, with advanced preparation, I will be reassured that my plan would run as smoothly as possible. Unsurprisingly, planning ahead also enables me to plan my vacation within the expected budget.

To sum up, although not planning ahead gives me thrills and do not require me to put more work on preparing, the benefits of planning ahead outweighs the benefits mentioned preceding. Because of this, I opt for having my leisure time planned in advance.

Essay 581 Topic 115 **Free to Be Free**

As the society works faster and faster, the free time which we can dominate is less and less. Some people prefer to plan activities for this less and less free time very carefully, while others do not. The latter hold the opinion that "Free to Be Free". As I know, planning free time can reduce the waste of this precious time. A schedule may make your holiday more efficient and more pleasant. However, a plan would also waste your time to make a plan sometimes. For example, a man has a scarce free Sunday, but he spends the whole morning to make a decision where he should spend this holiday. What a waste it is. As far as I am concerned, I like not to plan for my free time. Since I am a brainworker, I

am fed up with all kinds of plans and schedules. One day when I do not have to face them would be a free day to me. I want to be free in my free time. As many people say that, I want to be "Free to Be Free". Although it might waste the free time, but such a waste would be a break which make me out of my busy work and I am happy with that. Planing your free time or not makes less difference for everyone's life. The most important point is that if you are happy with your plan, plan it, and if you are not, then drop it. Anyway, do what you want to do.

Essay 582 Topic 115 **Free times**

Time holds a vital place in our daily life. Free times are often looked for having fun or to have complete rest. In order to make use of free times, one must always plan his daily work and how to use his free time. Therefore, I would certainly prefer to plan activities for my free time. If we consider both the ideas very carefully, we could include some of the following points: 1) Without planning any kind of work or activities in free time may result some important work left to be done. For example, if we have three hours to work and one hour is off, in that free time without planning how to use it, we sometimes spend it on other works that we forgot to do. Therefore, we cannot properly use free time on resting or having fun. On the other hand, if we plan our daily schedule and also plan some activities for free time, we can use full advantage of it and also we can maintain extra work on a planned schedule. 2) To plan activities for free time not only make us fresh for other works, we can also spend leisure time with our families and children, thus paying attention to other duties along with our work. Not planning could sometimes cause no free time at all, because of endless work at times may consume our free time and therefore making us more tired and restless. 3) Planning activities for free time may make us more self-confident in making good decisions which results in using most of the time precisely and accurately, while not planning could create a lack of decision making in one's life. 4) Plan one's activities may also results in the fulfillment of his desires of taking part in other activities which he is interested in. On the contrary, one cannot gain advantage of fulfilling his desires which could result in embarrassment of not using one's leisure time precisely. In conclusion, one should always look for benefits when spending free time, because often people do not have enough free time to spend and especially in today's world, free time is consumed by the burden of work which makes a person lost in his work and not taking care of himself. Time is always given much importance by all people and all societies of the world.

Essay 583 Topic 116 **Methods of learning**

Living in this developing world, people should keep learning. Some people learn by doing all the things themselves, others like to learn by listening to other people talk about things. In terms of my experience and perception, I am convinced that reading about things from books, magazines or newspapers is the best way to learn. The detailed reasons why I think so go as follow.

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systemically organized. I believed that all the books are well organized in a systematical way in which people who want to learn can easily understand. Moreover, before the books are published, they must have been carefully corrected by some professional people. Thus, books can provide the knowledge not only systematically, but also correctly. Given this, I strongly recommend that people should learn by reading about things.

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All of us have different learning styles. Some people are more visually oriented, and they are better able to absorb information if they read about it or see it presented in some way. Many people find that even if they are instructed about a given topic, they will not absorb the information unless they put it to use themselves. Still others need to process the information by analyzing it and discussing with others. I believe that we benefit most by receiving a variety of types of informational input.

I like to read about a topic and consult other visual learning tools such as video presentations, diagrams or charts. This is the type of informational input that is most important to me. I also like to keep notes on a topic so that I can refer to them later. While this form of learning works best for me, I find that it helps if the information is presented in a number of other ways as well.

Information can be absorbed better if we not only read about it, but also hear someone speak about the topic. This can personalize a topic and also help to clear up confusing points. Being able to ask someone questions when something is not easily understandable can really help make the meaning clear.

Some people find that they do not absorb information until they are actually able to put it to use. While I find that this is helpful, it is not the most important learning tool for me in most cases. In some instances, though, it can really make general concepts and ideas more understandable. For example, when reading about how to surf the Internet, it is difficult to grasp some of the ideas and instructions that are offered. Once you actually try it a few times, it becomes easier.

I learn best if I am able to hear a teacher or speaker discuss an issue, follow along by viewing diagrams and charts and also reading supporting material, and then, in some cases, putting that information to use by actually doing activities or exercises related to the material

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Essay 587 Topic 116 **Learning Methods**

Most people adopt the method of environment around them. People usually look for the benefit in every aspect of life. Learning also is one of the beneficial aspect in people's life. Some people are used to their surroundings, if their community practices learning by doing things and experiences then they also do the same. Others have different choices by listening to people's talk about things or learn by reading about things from different sources. I would prefer to learn by doing things. Learning with one's own experience and doing things can have several benefits such as, one can understand better the situation of work through personal experiences, handling the work effectively, making good decisions is one of the most powerful tool in learning process. To learn by doing things could make one understand the situations of life and works. Personal experience is a best way to learn and understand difficult circumstances which might not be achieved through reading books or listening from other peoples. One's own feelings and by doing things can make him better understand the situations he will be going to face in life because learning through experience can make him learn how to find the solutions to such problems. Through experiences could also make one learn how to tackle difficult problems and this could only be done unless he has been through such situations. Therefore, to learn by doing things could also make him skilful in handling the work effectively. One of the most strong point to learn by doing things is that one can make good decisions in solving hard and difficult problems. Learning through personal experiences can only make one learn what necessary steps should be taken in different situations of life. An additional advantage to learn by doing things is that one can be self-confident in himself when making decisions whereas this advantage cannot be gained

through listening to other people's talk or just by reading books. In conclusion, the best way to learn is by doing things. People should learn by themselves and must not depend on others when being encountered by different situations and phases of life. Therefore, having mentioned the above benefits I would certainly choose to learn by doing things. One must always take his account into consideration first during learning process.

Essay 588 Topic 116 **Ways to Learn, Ways to Success**

People learn solely by doing, reading, or listening things, and they try to persuade other people to follow their ways. However, numerous educators have advanced that learning is a very complex process, and it cannot be summarized to only one way. Thus, I think learning should be a combination of all cited above: doing, reading, and listening. I major in chemistry, and I prefer to use the learning of chemistry to support my point. For example, specific heat is the subject that the professor would introduce today. Firstly, you should read all the contents about this subject in your text book before the class, in order to get some superficial knowledge and your elementary thoughts about the specific heat. Secondly, you should listen carefully to the professor in the class, to get the main points about this subject and to compare the professor's theory and your elementary thoughts. This correction of your elementary thoughts would improve your understanding of this subject effectively. Thirdly, you should do some experiment about the specific heat, and then you can acquire the phenomena about this subject and make a progress in your sensitive understanding of it. Fourthly, you should do some homework about this subject, to deepen your understanding. Finally, you should read all reference books to learn the backgrounds and the latest development of this subject. If you finish all of these, I will be sure that you have grasped the specific heat thoroughly. This process covers reading, listening, and doing, and any one of them cannot make you fully understand the subject. In my opinion, all these ways are not only useful in learning, but also useful in the achievement of success. If you listen to the senior, read experiences, and do work hard, you will achieve your success more easily, compared with the ones who do just one of them. Therefore, we can regard all these three the ways to learn, and the ways to success.

Essay 589 Topic 117 **Different friends or similar friends?**

It's widely accepted that friendship plays an important role in so many aspects throughout one's lifetime. However, people always apply different standard on this issue. Some people, of more liberal mind, prefer to making friends with different background, interests and personality. One will gain lot from this kind of friendship, since when very different people meet, more topics on various issue will be discussed and shared, more different opinions will be exchanged, both of which, thus will certainly help one another to know more about those beyond his knowledge, to find interest in a new field and to gain additional interpersonal skills.

Kate, my sister, once an athlete of track and field, may be a case in point. After being trained as an athlete of track and field for three years, one day, when she met a counterpart of diving, Alice, the two became friends soon. From several later chat, Alice

knew that, Kate had great command of balance but was not experienced adequately in controlling her speed, which was the fatal bottleneck for her performance. Alice, as a professional athlete of diving, suggested Kate transfer to diving, a game requiring excellent balance command but not so good speed sense as do the track and field. Following Alice's advice, Kate soon found she was on the right track and now, she is an outstanding athlete of diving, winning a few medals in several national diving contests. Kate might have been never found her gift in diving had she not met Alice, from a very different background from her. and I myself belong to this category, I love to meet people of very different background and to share my life experience with them.

Still, there are a number of people more willing to make friends of their own kinds. It is easier to make friends with those of similar background, interest and personality. Common interests are useful to build more solid and lasting friendship. people of similar personality are tend to understand on another deeply and smoothly. It is always the case that the more similar in many aspects of two people, the more likelihood they will become close friends.

Essay 590 Topic 117 **Different friends or similar friends?**

When it comes to choosing friends, people's behavior differ a lot. It depends on one's personality, experience and lifestyle. Some people like to choose friends that are similar to them, while others prefer those who are different. In my opinion, choosing similar friends is a better choice because we are more likely to get along well with them and have fun.

It can be seen by everyone that people with the same background or experiences have a lot in common, they always got something to talk about, and as they talk, they might find more and more in common. This can make the conversation easy and enjoyable. Things can be very different when you are talking to a person from a different culture. You tell him a joke but he doesn't laugh at all because he doesn't understand what is funny. Will not you feel embarrassed and stupid?

Another reason is that we can have more fun when having activities with those sharing the same interests. For example, I am a outgoing person, and I like traveling very much. It's natural that most of my friends enjoy traveling, too. I cannot imagine going mountain climbing or skating with someone who just want to sit in the room and watch TV all day.

Like a coin has two sides, choosing similar friends also has some disadvantages. You may have little opportunity to know about different people and different cultures.

From all discussed above, I prefer choosing similar friends because it has more advantage over choosing different ones.

Essay 591 Topic 117 **Different friends or similar friends?**

Some years ago, I was in therapy for several months and the therapist made me realize that I had been looking for a mirror, not for a fiend. I had been looking for someone who I could look myself at. I had to change my approach, this was right.

I had always been looking for someone who agree with, who discuss with and not suffer from disagreeing, from being criticized, from being told what right, and what wrong. I thought that someone, that mirror? would avoid me changing my very close approach to the world. My hand was very close, didn't admit any kind of openness. But I had not been able to find such a kind of person. I had been searching at school, at private English classes, and so on.

But after that, I started to look for someone a bit more real, more human, more common. A friend who does not agree with everything, who discuss, who can advice you, is a much better option to have good time and fun together, to go dancing, to listening to music, to talk about different topics not necessarily the same as you have always held discussions about.

What a such boring world, it would be one composed, only, of similar people to you. But that world, I think, does not exist or at least I do not live in. I have not found such a person. Have you?

Essay 592 Topic 117 **Different friends or similar friends?**

Everyone has his or her friends. All of us have friends of different kinds. Some are similar to us, while others are quite different. When asking which kind I like, I will choose the latter one. Let us see the advantages of both kinds first.

Friends who are similar to us can fully understand us. They may think the way as we do. Suppose your boss blamed you, but you did not think it was your fault. A similar friend may advise you to explain the fact to your boss while a different one is likely to suggest that you just pass it by. Which one is more acceptable? To me, one who always sticks to facts, explaining it is the only way I can get released.

Every coin has two sides, as saying goes. There are many good aspects of different friends which cannot be surpassed. Friends of different kinks challenge you and they can make your life full of adventures. They can broaden your mind. I have a friend who works as a tour guide. He has traveled to many places in the world. After each trip, he will talk to me and give me much information about the culture and lives of the people who live there. To me, a student who has not enough money or time to travel in myself, such information is valuable.

In addition, when I need a second opinion, I will turn to different friends. They may think of different aspects of the problem while a similar friend can only consider it as I myself

do.

In summary, my propensity is for different friends. I am a shy person who cannot come across many things in my life, so I need friends who are different from me. Tomorrow is another day, said in the novel *Gone With the Wind*. I want my tomorrow to be different from today, and my life more colorful.

Essay 593 Topic 117 **Different friends or similar friends?**

Sharing the same thought, going in the same direction, understanding and helping each other in the easy way are the advantages of friends who are similar to you. On the other hand, friends who are different from you can easily help you to find out your weak points, give you new ways of living and may change your life direction to make you become a new person—a successful person that you have never dreamed of.

With the friends who are similar to you, they always understand you deeply. In daily working, they can share the work with you. When you get stresses they can easily find out the best way to cheer you up to release your worries. In studying, playing sports and doing your interests you often feel pleasant when being with those kinds of friends. Because if you best know each other, it is very easy to get understanding in discussion, get fun in playing sports and subsequently, you will be always happy. Another good thing of those friends is, they are helpful friends, they are always available when you need them because they go in the same ways as yours. Without them, your life will be less interesting.

However, with the friends who have the same characteristics as yours, you do not have chance to get new things in your life. But you can find them easily in the friends who are different from you. Those friends help you to figure out your weak points and help you to amend them in properly way. While giving you new ideas, different ways in solving problems, those friends may sometimes give you important decisions and one of these decision might change your life or give you new position that you have never think about. For example, with me the important change started from this time last year when I lived with a new friend. While I paid much of my time in chatting, playing games and doing waste things, he paid this time to study English. I began to think of his way and tried to follow him to study English. At that time my English skill was very weak, but after one year living with him, now I have good English ability and with my high TOEFL score I have just been promoted to a new position—project manager. This is a great point in my life that I got from my new friend.

So, from my discussions above, I would like to say that I like to have both kinds of friends. Friends who are similar to me make me always happy and friends who are different from me may give me some great changes in my life.

Essay 594 Topic 117 **Different friends or similar friends?**

Everyone has friends no matter many or few. Some people choose friends who are different from themselves; others choose friends who are similar to themselves. They both have some advantages which I will discuss in this essay. For myself, I prefer choose friends different from me better than who are similar to me.

First is that the advantages of having friends who are different from themselves. people can learn different life styles from my friends, for example, some of my friends live in countryside, but I never live in countryside. So when we get together, they can tell me something about their life and I can tell them something about my life. Besides that people also can learn some foreign language from their friends. A lot of my friends are bilinguals. They speak Spanish and English or French and English, but I speak Chinese and English. So we can teacher each other our languages.

Second is that the advantages of having friends who are similar to themselves. People will easily make friends who are similar to themselves. They are similar to each other. They may be from same country, speak same language. Especially in abroad people are always happy to meet someone from their country or their hometown. Therefore, people are easily to make some friends are similar to themselves. People are also easily to get some helps from the similar friends. Such as me, I get a lot of help though my Chinese friends when I just got Canada. I think because we have similar ideas.

My opinion for the friends is I would like to make some friends are different form myself. The reason is that I would like know more about others and something I do not know. If all my friends are similar to me, I know what they will do without their telling because we are similar to each other. They will do whatever I do. Life like that will lose much interesting.

In conclusion, having friends are similar to themselves is easily to make friends and to get help; having friends are different from themselves can know more about the different life styles, languages. So for my opinion, I choose the friends are different from me.

Essay 595 Topic 117 **Different friends or similar friends?**

I have always believed that choice of friends depends mainly on people's hearts, not on their minds. That is why some people become friends without having anything in common. In other cases we choose friends so similar to ourselves that we can understand each other much more easier than we do with our closest relatives, such as our brothers or sisters.

First of all, I like to emphasize on the fact that it does not matter what kind of man my friend is. I really do not care if he or she possesses a similar temperament to mine or my friend is totally different from me. The only thing, I truly care about, is my friends to be real ones, they should be reliable and I want to be able to count on them as they can always count on me.

In addition to above mentioned, I would like to say that having real friends, who are similar to me, has, of course, a lot of advantages. An example for that is my long lasted friendship with a schoolmate of mine who was born thirteen day after me; we are the same zodiac sign; we have the same beliefs and thoughts. It is very easy to have a friend like this. We understand each other with one word; only a look is enough for me to know what she wants and only a gesture is sufficient for her to 'see' what I think. Our friendship does not need to be proven because it exists regardless of time and distance.

However, to have a friend who is similar to me is as wonderful as to have one who is absolutely different from me. In this case I can discuss and argue with someone who has diverse opinion from mine. What is more, a person with different ideas and beliefs may help me to work things out in a different way which I consider really valuable. I think that if friends are not alike they can learn a lot from each other. Another advantage of communicating with friends who are different from me is that will increase my experience in dealing with people on the whole.

Comparing the advantages of having friends who are different from me with the advantages of having friends with similar temper my efforts, to determine which kind of friend I prefer, have failed. As I already mentioned the most important qualities of a friend are honesty and reliability. This kind of friend I prefer for myself and I wish this kind of friend to all of you.

Essay 596 Topic 117 **Different friends or similar friends?**

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Undoubtedly, there are a number of advantages of choosing friends who are similar to ourselves. One most obvious thing is that it tends to be easier for people with the same character and personality to get along. They can always feel free when talking with each other and express their own opinions openly without worrying too much about the consequence. Meanwhile, for two friends who are similar with each other in some degree; it will be easier for them to make a decision or build a common view at most of the time, just as most of the people would agree with this boundless proud sense 'that is what a friend for'.

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life skills, that is, how to successfully interact with those people who are different from yourselves; how to get along with them. Since a lot of the time in our lives, due to working, studying or even traveling, we actually deal with many people who have the completely different personalities or experiences from us. So that it is especially significant for us to develop a communicating skill from choosing friends who are different from ourselves.

Personally, I would prefer to choosing those who are in some ways different from me as my friends. For I always hold the belief that the key point in making friends is that we must be able to learn from each other, and therefore making progress together. That is the higher level of friendship I wish to achieve. For a true friend is not just someone who you share fun with, who you tell secrets to or who you search comfort from; a true friend is considered to be someone who can also give you some positive influence and from whom you can always learn from.

Essay 597 Topic 117 **Different friends or similar friends?**

When we choose friends, they can have personalities similar to ours or can be completely different from us. If people are similar to us, the mutual cooperation can be an important advantage. If people are different from us, we will see the advantages in the complementation. In this essay, I will compare the advantages of having the two kinds of friends.

On one hand, if our friends have personality similar to ours, they empower our skills. In fact, if one friend is similar to us, when we are together, we become stronger, particularly in the way in which we are similar. Two people, who have similar characteristics of personality and undertake something together, have more chances to be successful, especially in those activities that require the characteristics in common to them.

On the other hand, if our friends are rather different in personality, they will increase our possibilities of success in those activities in which we need to complement with each other. In fact, when we only have a part of the skills needed to perform a work, we need some help and cooperation from a friend who probably is different from us, but can provide those skills that we fail to have.

Summarizing, not only friends who are different from us improve our results in any matter by complementing our skills, but also friends who are similar to us raise our chances of success. Personally, I prefer friends who resemble me because I get along with them instantaneously. Besides, I am the kind of person who feels better in a friendly environment. Thereby although I could get some benefits from a person different from me, I strongly prefer having near a person similar to me with whom, I know, I will have less problems and differences when we share a while.

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Essay 602 Topic 117 **Company of friends**

People always look for those friends who are good in nature, best attitude, and one of the most important trait "trustworthy and honest", and other characters, etc. Some people chose friends who are different from them, others take those friends who are similar to themselves. I would prefer to choose friends who are similar to me. By choosing friends who are of similar type could gain several advantages like better understanding, helping in difficult situations, and in one's attitude and actions. Taking friends of similar kind could be benefit in better understanding among each other. Sometimes, when we want to express our feelings or when we are inclined toward something we often ask for advices from friends in such situation. If they are similar to ourselves they will verily look into

our matter through our prospective and can give advice accordingly. Contrary to this, friends who are different from ourselves may often present their view which may be contrary to our thinking because they are not similar to us and at times they also fail to understand the problems of their friends. Having friends who are not similar to us may not understand what our concern is on difficult problems, because they never thought of such situations due to different similarities and therefore in this case friends also cannot help in certain circumstances. Whereas, friends of similar kind will always help in every situation because they can feel the same as we do and our sensitivity will be akin to each other. This also is another advantage of having friends of similar kinds. When choosing friends who are similar to us usually have same kind of attitude toward different phases of life. When facing with different problems often our attitude changes and friends with similar kind could only understand the reasons in changing of our attitude. Whereas, friends not similar to us sometimes feels odd and may not be cooperative because they have different kind of attitude and actions. In conclusion, I would choose to have those friends who could understand me in every way, who could share same feelings and expressions towards me, who could be of same characteristic as I possess which could result in the strong relation of friendship.

Essay 603 Topic 118 **New experiences vs. usual habits**

Some people enjoy change, and they look forward to new experiences; others like their lives to stay the same, and they do not change their usual habits. Both of the ideas are have the advantages and disadvantages. However, I prefer the first idea. The compare and the reasons are as below.

First, enjoying change and looking forward to new experiences is a good way to make the knowledge of people more plentiful. There are two ways for people to make their knowledge more plentiful. One is reading books and another one is from experiences they get. Personally, I think the knowledge which get from experiences are more easily to remember and understand than from books. Besides that, people can also make a lot for friends though enjoying change. However, if people do not like change, they do not get them.

Second, to stay the same place and no change for the usual habits, it can make live much easy because of always living in the same place with the same or almost the same people and doing the something everyday. It will not happened the people do not know what they should do in the next day because they do not like change and they do the same thing day by day.

In my opinion, I am the people enjoy change. I traveled a lot and I do not always like stay in the same place, do the same things, and always with the same people. I like have different experiences. I think people, especially the young people should enjoy change. When people get old, they think about they live. If they enjoy change, they will have a lot of things to think and to talk; but if they do not like it, they have nothing to think and to say because everyday in their life are the same and it just likes one day. That life is not

interesting.

In conclusion, enjoy change and enjoy your life. More experiences are good for everything.

Essay 604 Topic 118 **New experiences vs. usual habits**

living in this world, people keep different rules and preference to their life. Some people prefer to experience what they do not know, some choose to regular their life and enjoy the quiet. Obviously, no one is wrong, while as for me, my personal opinion is similar with the former.

By positively changing their life people can enrich their knowledge. As for from the change of their job, People will meet the new environment where they must work hard to learn new techniques and skills to catch up with the new coming requirements. Staying in a stated position, people tend to be involved in their daily activities with all their time and energy without further progress.

Consciously changing their life will also benefit people to live happily. The feeling of life is boring is for sure coming to human being step by step if they always keep a stagnating living. As we all know, lots of couples complain their life is full of dull, and he or she also grumble that cannot feel their affection existing anymore. Why? it is, to some extend, for that they do not realize they should change they every day life from being stagnation. No changed life tends to make people tired and loose interest. A report said the contemporary social problem of youth suicide is very seriously, and investigation shows the reason is mainly for the kids feel their life is no novel. If only they were taught how to absorb the fresh air into their life!

I would like to claim again, keeping old habits and enjoying a stated life are not bad also, what they need is to use another way to make their life positive.

Essay 605 Topic 118 **New experiences vs. usual habits**

The topic about change could be approached from different angles because it is complex. Some people seem to enjoy change, and they look forward to new experiences; others tend to like their lives to stay the same. Comparing these two points of view, I feel change and new experiences are better for us.

On the one hand, there are only two advantages to always stay the same. The one advantage is that people do not need to spend more time studying. If people do anything that they are used to, they can achieve the goal efficiently. For example, my father is used to drive along the first avenue to his office, so he doesn't need to spend much time finding the way every morning. The other advantage is saving money. When we want to

change, we sometimes ought to use some money to learn new things. Therefore, if we can keep the same, we will not need to spend it.

On the other hand, There are more advantages to change. the first one is exciting. The life will become boring if we always stay routine. A little changing would let our life more interesting. The next advantage is that we could meet a lot of challenges. People need challenges in their life and promote their ability by these adventures. For instance, I have never known that I can make a good presentation to hundreds of people until I tried it in the last seminar. I built my confidence and improved myself in the new experience. The final one is broadening knowledge. We learn many new things when we make a change. It can help us learn much and increase many experiences.

Of course, it is argued on the other position. Nevertheless, I still think the statement that people should change is better because the reasons I present above are stronger in quantities.

Essay 606 Topic 118 **New experiences vs. usual habits**

The main part of our lifetime is dedicated to professional activity, which forms our life style, too. Some professions, like that of an artist or a writer, require experiences. Others, like the profession of an office worker or government personnel, need stable habits and accuracy. Initially, we choose one of these life styles on the basis of our previous education and rarely change it. I am a math teacher and prefer not to change my usual habits.

The desire for a new experience is proper for artists because they need inspiration for their creative work. Artists and writers have no rigid work schedule and frequently travel to change their environment and see new places and people. They compare new impressions with previous ones, with their personal conception and obtain materials, facts and sketches for new artistic images. Change is a part of artists' and writers' job; they are used to it and enjoy it.

On the other hand, stable habits and accuracy are the properties we expect from office workers and government personnel. We would not be pleased each time to discover that the schedule of the office we need has changed once again or an officer has not come at all. An official is supposed to proceed in a strict way during the years of his career. So, stability, not change would likely be a part of this character. Thus, these people like their lives to stay the same.

Education plays an important role in the formation of one's approach to life. Artists and writers study methods of novel creation. They try to produce change in their consciousness and to reflect them in images or written work, for example. The change becomes natural. But future officials study law, administrative control procedures and should be educated to comply with these rigid subjects. So, the love of change, most likely, will vanish.

Both approaches to life are important and related to different kinds of people. We choose one of the approaches with our education and harden it during our lives. I have opted for stable habits in my life to teach my pupils the foundations of math and I am never late for a lesson.

Essay 607 Topic 118 **Experiences of life**

Habits of people gradually changes with the change of time. But some people adopt to remain the same and they do not change or experience some new habits in their lives while others look forward for some new changes in their life styles and would want to experience new approaches towards life. I would prefer to have new experiences in life because it will not only bring change in my lifestyle, but also in my attitude toward other peoples in society, working experience with each other, about new environment around me. When looking toward new approach of life mostly, it changes the attitude of people with their society. Should I look forward to new experiences I would have to stay in touch with people most of the times. As time passes by, world changes a lot and so it brings many changes in the lives of the people and thus forming new experiences among them. In the same way, when I enjoy some changes in life it will bring new attitudes in me with other people, I can share same feelings with the modern world and I can also learn different habits of the people of different environment. Whereas when one remains the same and does not change his habits, it often leads to something odd with other peoples'. People at times look down upon such habits and consider it as old fashion or may sometimes consider it as boring. New approach toward life could also create communication among different people of different environment. Through new experiences one not only learns how to work with other peoples' but also creates understanding among them. On the contrary, same attitudes toward people sometimes disunite them because of lack of mutual trust and good understanding and also they just forcibly move on with their lives with their community. Change in life could bring me to a new world and new environment around me. I can have experiences of people of different cultures, societies, races, etc. This could bring a lot of information on how to live with them and what changes they want from us. On the other hand, usual habits could not gain such advantages, and often people feel them as isolated from society or they do not like to share their feelings with the people among them. This attitude could also cause embarrassment in one's natural habit and he may become more rude when dealing with other peoples. In conclusion, after giving advantages of new experiences in life, I would definitely choose to adopt new experiences in life because this will help me move on with my life with today's society and I can reach the goal only bringing some changes in life. One must always change his attitude with the change in time or else many obstacles one might face with usual habits.

Essay 608 Topic 118 **The Style of Your Life**

The styles or lives of most people can be summarized to two categories. The first, change, and the second, stable. Generally, the young people like the first style, while the

old people like the second. Of course, not only your age decide the style of your life, but also do your character. The ones who are energetic would choose the first life style more, and the ones who are conservative would choose the second. If you like the first life style, you can experience more, make more different friends, and accept more influence of the world, but, of course, you might live more hard. On the other hand, if you like the second life style, you can live with more ease, but consequently, you might lose much experience, much knowledge about the world, and many chances to be successful. As far as I am concerned, I belong to the first kind of people. Since I was eighteen years old, I have lived in four different cities. All those cities share different culture, temperature, levels of development, and opportunities. I am enjoy my migration because I have learnt more than many people through the change of my life. Generally, the people who live in each of those four cities do not know deeply about the other cities, however, I am fortunate enough to have the knowledge that many people do not have. Actually, I can introduce cities to the people who have never been there, so I can strengthen the combination between different people. For the same reason, I am looking forward to live in another city now, to improve my knowledge and let more people know about my homeland. Many literatures compare lives to rivers, I fully agree with this metaphor. When a river is still, it is winter, and when a river begins to flow, it is spring. Likewise, when a life begins to change, it would be the spring of the life.

Essay 609 Topic 119 **Do clothes make a man?**

Clothes play an important part in our lives. Some people think they behave in accordance with clothes they are wearing. Some others assert whether we put on fashioned and high-priced clothes or not we are still ourselves. I am in the latter group, firmly believing that human behaviors depend on education and his personality.

Characteristic is one of the most important elements determining human's behavior. An easy-going teacher maybe let you off when you do not finish your homework, but another stricter can punish you. These reactions have no relation to the clothes they dress. In some situations, people try to be someone else by wearing stylish clothes and behave not like themselves. But they cannot hide their personalities for a long time because they have become a part of us.

Another vital factor is education. We have been taught how to react to particular situations since we are children. As the time goes by, these lessons become something like instinct and we will behave in similar cases as we are taught. You see, an illiterate farmer, despite any kinds of clothes he puts on, cannot behave like a postgraduate. Similarly, clothes also cannot make a robber behave like a teacher. It is education that mostly shapes our behaviors.

However, the importance of clothes is undeniable. Formal clothes limit our behaviors to some extent and conversely.

In conclusion, though clothes are essential, they cannot take the place of personality and

education in determining human behaviors. So I think we should pay more attention to studying and training our characteristics than fashion

Essay 610 Topic 120 **Are quick decisions always wrong?**

I do not agree to the point that decisions made quickly by people are always wrong. In fact I believe that fast decision making power is gifted to only few person who as a result spearheads various areas. These type of people can make use of opportunities by making fast decisions while others just sit in ambivalence. People having this ability gets edge in social professional and personal life. This can be observed with example in everyday life

Sometime there are situation where person have to think fast and come to an immediate conclusion. People making fast decision handles these type of situation with excellence. Consider a situation when there is a road accident. All type of people surround the area but person who is able to understand the situation fast make people shift the injured at the side of road so that it do not block traffic, calls ambulance, search for identity of the person to inform his relative, intimates police and takes other necessary steps. Others are seen either standing stupefied not knowing what to do or obeying the instructions. This way people capable of understanding the situation and acting accordingly takes command of any unfavorable unanticipated situation and proves helpful to society.

In today's throat cut competition where there are less opportunities and more contenders, people who are among the first to understand the change in market trends captures markets and are seen as market leaders. Because of ability to think readily and give fast solution these type of people poses themselves as leaders and are unanimously selected as leaders. So fast-thinking people are benefited professionally too.

This way I believe that people having capability to make fast decisions have advantage over people who make decisions with careful thought.

Essay 611 Topic 120 **Are quick decisions always wrong?**

Some people argue as if it is a general truth that to make a wrong decision is better than to make no decision at all. But to be frank, I cannot agree with them. In my point of view, it is sagacious to spend more time on preparing to decide rather than hurry to make a wrong decision. There are numerous reasons why I hold no confidence on them, and I would explore only a few primary ones here.

The main problem with this argument is that it is ignorant of the basic fact that a bad decision will influence the subsequence steps, and produce an unsuccessful result even a failure. There is a famous saying; a good beginning is a half of succeeds. This proverb explains the important of decision of the beginning, while something say a deleterious effect of a wrong decision. For example, when a graduate is confronted with the choice the job after leave the campus, the first decision is every important for the future work

and live. An inapposite choice could bring him or she successive problem, even mistaken the direction.

Another reason why I disagree with the above statement is that I believe that not hurry to decide let people have more time to prepare and maybe they find an appropriate approach. Since careful plan and deliberate arrangement will become the precondition of succeed, then spend more time on preparing is necessary. In the instance above, the graduate should think over all sorts of the factors, such as the qualification of himself or herself, the condition of the job and the advisement from consuler of the college and parents.

The argument I support in the first paragraph is also in a position of advantage because careful arrangement will discovery the errors and mistakes in the decision. And that will have the chance to correct them, in order to make a right decision. The errors or mistakes could exist in everyone's thought. I think the best way to eliminate them is think them over. So it is sagacious to spend more time on preparing to decide rather than hurry to make a wrong decision.

General speaking, the deliberate consider can help to avoid the appearance of trouble effectively and to resolve problems successfully. Taking into account of all these factors, we may reach the conclusion that it is wiser to make no decision at all than to make a wrong decision.

Essay 612 Topic 120 **Response to Topic 120**

Are the decisions that people make quickly always wrong? In my opinion, this statement is not true. On the contrary, I believe people should learn to make a decision promptly. First of all, it is well known that the life is made up of a sequence of decisions, most of which deserve careful consideration. Some people hesitate to make their important decisions until they have taken all possible factors into account and found the optimized solution. For example, when a high school student is facing the decision of choosing a major in college, it is helpful for him to think over what he likes, what he is good at, and on which is he willing to devote his precious time and enthusiasm. So it should be a time-consuming consideration. Only after thinking it carefully, is he able to make an appropriate decision. However, it is not always the case that things are staying there waiting for people to think over and make a decision. Actually, things are so capricious that there is no adequate time that people can waste on thinking over and over. I have a vivid example in point in my real life. Once I saw a great deal on the Internet. An excellent digital camera is at a discount, costing only half of the regular price. But I was not very sure if I need it. When I had made my decision and tried to place an order, this model had been sold out! This story tells me that great fortunate is not waiting, hence people should be able to make decision in no time. Therefore, people can find that it is unadvisable to claim that all decisions made quickly are wrong. Where this statement true, most of the businessmen could have nothing to do but either making no decisions or making wrong decisions, since they are always supposed to make piles of decisions

within a couple of minutes. Consequently, people will find it helpful to make himself decisive. If one can make decision quickly, and what is more, if he can guarantee his decision is right, then he will gain much. While, if one is irresolute, he will sooner or later pay for his irresolution.

Essay 613 Topic 121 **Are first impressions trustworthy?**

It is said that the first impression is the best impression. But this is not always true. A person cannot be judged in an instant. First impressions can be misleading. However in some instances we have to base our opinion on the first impression.

We are very much influenced by the first impression of a person. Often it leaves a lasting impression on our minds. This is especially true of interviews. The interviewer is influenced by the attitude, appearance etc of the candidate. Within a short span of one hour the candidate's fate is determined. In other words if he manages to give a good impression he gets the job. But can a person's character be judged accurately so swiftly. It is very easy to give a wrong impression. During a social gathering if a well-dressed man were to arrive, he would be escorted to a seat because from his appearance, people have got the impression that he is an eminent person of the society. But an ill clad man would be ignored. Perhaps it is the latter who is the better of the two. Perhaps his honesty earned him only poverty.

Appearances are often deceptive. Many things in life which appear beautiful on the surface may be rotten inside. Drugs and alcohol are the classical examples. Just like a red and rosy apple that appears mouth watering but turns out to be rotten inside, drugs provide only momentary pleasure and ruin us in the end. As a poet once said; 'I have seen kindness done by men with ugly faces And flowers in stony places things are not as they appear. I remember an acquaintance of mine. She had the reputation of being very short tempered and selfish. But when I was in need she was the only one who turned up to help me. It was only when I came to know her better that I realized what a wonderful person she was.

So I would like to conclude by saying that all that glitters is not gold. The ugly stone when well polished may turn out to be a diamond. So we must not mistake the diamond for a stone and throw it away. Especially while looking for a friend, we must not count on first impressions alone.

Essay 614 Topic 121 **Are first impressions trustworthy?**

First impressions are very important because they weigh a lot in most people's judgments. Sometimes if a person shows bad first impression, he or she may fail to get a date, a job or a university admission. I will not, though, judge a person's character so quickly for several reasons.

First reason is that people's behaviors and appearance change. When you see a person in

different situation, you will get a different impression of him or her. For example, you may see your serious boss drinking and singing in a bar. If you first met your boss in that bar, you would have thought that he was not a boss that can handle a large company. And if you met him or her at the office the other day, you would have thought you just met a different person.

Another reason is that though some people can adjust their roles and appearance in different situation smoothly, others cannot. Some people are shy so they become nervous when you first meet them, and then they may look like they are arrogant. When I first met my friend Judy, I thought she is inhospitable. She did not smile and just said several words when we were talking. But when I knew her longer, I knew that she was really a person who liked to help the others. And she was just shy and did not know how to talk with a stranger.

Furthermore, since many people believe in the first impression, some people will use it for cheating. There are some cases reported by newspapers that some defrauders act and appear like decent people to defraud other people of money. Another example is that there is some training for interview. If a person pay to have interview training, he may get a higher interview score but, in fact, that person is no different.

However, First impression is very important for us since many people judge people this way. So you have to pay attention to your first impression to others especially in some important situation. But if it is we to judge other people, I believe that to judge others gradually is a right way.

Essay 615 Topic 121 **Are first impressions trustworthy?**

Human nature is a complex thing. Therefore it is impossible to state that one way to judge person's character is better than the other. Everyone should their best way. I have experienced that both approaches are right sometimes.

First impression about other person is based on many hidden intrinsic psychological factors and past experiences, that we are not even conscious of. The experience with other people has settled into our minds and it is sometimes causing a right decision. Latter analysis may even lead us to the wrong direction.

On the other hand, most of the people know about the importance of the first impression and they are trying to act accordingly. First impression may even be lead by many unimportant details like clothing, perfume etc. Therefore quick judgment may be unrealistic and fake. It is always good to spend more time with the person before the decision, because it is very hard to fake for a long time.

I have been led by wrong first impression, because the person looked untreatable. After I got to know him better he turned out to be a decent man and he is one of my best friends now.

I have also tried to ignore my negative first impression about a coworker and tried to believe in him. Although my belief even changed him to be better, we had to fire him finally.

My conclusion is that there is no one right way to judge person's character, that skill is personal and must come with experience.

Essay 616 Topic 122 **Unlimited Desires**

Desires are one of the natural habits of man. Desires developed in one's heart are endless. It is from the beginning of the human race that human wants are unlimited. Therefore, I do agree that satisfaction of people is never complete and they always want something new and different. People's needs are never satisfied because they want every kind of comforts in their life, if one of their needs are satisfied, the other arouses, want to have different lifestyles which results in endless desires. In the boundaries of desires, the first and the foremost thing is to have comfort in what the people possess. They need every kind of comforts and materials provided to them in their homes, at offices, in cars, etc. For example, when a person intends to buy a house, he first looks for a comfortable house that is suitable according to his desires. When he finally buys it, he then looks for quality furniture, air conditioners, other equipments, etc which will be suitable according to his will. Similarly, when he buys a car, he also desires to have an air conditioner in the car, good seats in the car, and also in the offices, and many other areas of a person's comforts and desires. Human wants are unlimited. When a person tries to satisfy one of his needs, the other arouses. This satisfaction of human needs are a continuous cycle of life and is unstoppable. For example, when he goes out for shopping, he prepares in mind to only have basic needs which are important to him. But as he enters the market area, his desires arouses to buy dress but along with dress he also intends to buy a wrist watch. And again, when he passes by a scent shop, he again wills to buy a good perfume and next to it when he peers at a shoe shop, his desires again arouses him to buy quality shoes. One needs satisfied leads him to arouse another wants. Therefore, when he tries to satisfy with one thing other needs arouses. Many people in today's world, adopt a new lifestyle. Change in lifestyle also results in increasing one's demand for other goods of life. For example, when a person tries different kind of things in his life, he suddenly feels to have a quality and different look on his personality. New and expensive dress wore led him to feel like a gentleman when he passes down the streets, or he feels like a model among the other people. In conclusion, unlimited wants and needs of people cause them never to end their satisfaction over their needs. One needs satisfied automatically increases in the other form, thus increasing the human wants. People are never satisfied with what they have, because these desires are in their nature, and they always want something more or something different.

Essay 617 Topic 122 **should one be satisfied or not**

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more or different? It is difficult to determine which point of view is better, because of the different comprehension of life. However, although it seems to be a little ambitious, I believe that most people are not satisfied with the present but to pursue a better and varied life. The most significant reason to support my statement is that nowadays our society are full of competition, if we are satisfied with ourselves and do not want any developments, we will soon be thrown out of the tide of the society, just as the old saying says that not to improve means to degrade. Since the industrial revolution broke out at 1800's, our world has changed more and more rapidly. Everyday we can find something new and better. Therefore, in order to keep ourselves up to the pace of the world or even lead the development in some special fields, we have no choice but to constantly renew our knowledge and views to create something newer and better. In addition to the pressure of survival, it may also be noted that not to be satisfied forever is the main motivation to stimulate people to earn a better life. Only when one has some definite goals in his mind will he be active and energetic to his life. We all have the similar experience that it is the most significant time when we bring one of our dreams to reality and gain some achievements. At that time, our pleasure is beyond the description. So we can say that only when we always want something more or something different will we have new aims and enjoy the rejoicing of succeed. To sum up, in order to adjust ourselves to the changeable world and make a better life, we will never satisfied with what we have but pursure more and different things. Remember, to develop ourselves constantly and renew our goals in different life stages is the most important thing for us to enjoy our life.

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Essay 619 Topic 123 **Non-fiction vs. fictions**

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Essay 622 Topic 123 **True stories**

Reading different kinds of books are one of the favorite hobby of the people. Many people read books and different kind of stories in their leisure time. However, some people believe that only those books should be read that are about real events, real stories, on established facts, etc. I do agree with the statement that only these books should be read which are on true incidents and well established facts because, it teach us how to cope up with such situations when it occurs, what lessons do they infer while reading real events happened around the world. When reading such books which are based on true stories, one feels that if such situations occurs to him how would he handle it or what steps will he take when tackling difficult and puzzled circumstances. Often real events mentioned in the books tries to motivate us how such people bore hardships to gain success or how they faced difficulties in solving their problems and even such events where people find themselves in such a dilemma where it took a lot of time to handle it in a normal way. Real events occurred with real people give us a lesson what measures they took when encountering difficult problems in life. Every story has a lesson because some stories are not only based on true incidents but also give us lessons that what purpose or idea was behind these stories. It also helps us in approaching better ideas when we are

trapped or facing same situations in our life. Therefore, books that contains true stories also helps us to gain better ideas and lessons. In conclusion, people should read only those books that are about real events of real people with established facts because these facts shows us the true meaning of life, could gain more knowledge about real events happening in the world, could learn different kinds of lessons these real stories provides us with. Therefore, I do agree with the statement that only those books should be read that contains about real incidents of real people with established facts.

Essay 623 Topic 123 **books**

Reality is one of the most important facts for us to survival in this real world, but not the only one which influences our life. We also should have some romantic dreams, idealistic imagination and perfect prospects to give us spiritual enjoyment. Similarly, in my point of view, there should not only have those books that are about real events, real people, and established facts in literary world, but also should have mysterious myths, romantic novels and scientific fictions. If we say that realistic literature give us some essential knowledge to survival in the true society, idealistic literature thus play another important role in our life. It is the main source of pleasure for us to forget our vexation and encourage our wishes. Most of us have some similar experiences that when we are in some troubles, we will feel better after reading the books about the superman who can easily solve all difficult problems in the real life, because these books send us to the idealistic world in which we become superman or superwoman and all troubles disappear in a moment. Though we have to face those difficulties after all, we can relax ourselves and refresh our mind to think out feasible resolutions after reading idealistic books. Besides, there is another significant reason to support my statement mentioned in the first paragraph, that is, if we only read those books that are about real events, real people, and established facts, our thoughts will be limited and we will become less creative. Newton did not only accept the truth that apples always fall towards the ground and do not fly in the sky, but to research for the reason of this phenomenon which had been considered as a common sense at that time, and then he built up the famous theory of gravitational attraction. It is a convincing example to demonstrate the importance of creation, and from it we can draw a conclusion that we should not always accept the established facts in books. In order to keep our mind active and widen our thought, we should also read those books based on hypotheses such as scientific fictions. In a word, although we learn much useful knowledge and gain many essential information from realistic literature, people also need idealistic literature, for reality and ideal are equally necessary for people to earn a perfect life.

Essay 624 Topic 124 **Social science vs. natural science**

Some people advocate that students should spend much more time on history and literature than on science and mathematics. They may have their seemingly reasonable arguments, but unfortunately, I disagree with them.

First, have a look at your surroundings, have your caught a sight of computers, cars or

TV sets? When you are working, do you think computers are quite convenient and do a lot of good to you? When you are tired, do you want to watch TV? Without your car, can you work home as freely as before? But remember, without science and technology improving, all these things are absolutely unavailable to you. You must walk home no matter it is how far from your working place. You can of course recite poems when walking, but can you avoid tired?

Second, it is announced that we will soon develop a new kind of computer which is hundreds of thousands times faster than what we currently have, are you looking forward to it? But if all students learn so less science and math on campus and all turned up to be poets or writers, who can you expect to develop such technology in the future?

Third, to learn science and math at school will improve your brain, turning it to be a more smart and intelligent one. Scientific and mathematic knowledge is logical and full of intelligent thoughts. It can greatly sharp your eyes. For example, when you look at sky, what you can see are merely a lot of stars, irregularly dispersed there. But if you have some knowledge of astronomy, you will be able to tell out which one is a star or a planet, and why some star looks yellow-white while some others looks red-white or blue-white. In this way the sky is an interesting place full of wonders instead of merely a cluster of stars.

Of course, I do not say this so that we can skip learning history and literature. The latter two are of important to us too even when we want to be scientists or engineers, no to mention if we want to be poets or writers. They can fill us with historical and literal knowledge, which can help to sharp our personality.

I think it is proper to point out that as science students, we should definitely learn more science and math knowledge than history and literature.

Essay 625 Topic 124 **Social science vs. natural science**

There is much controversy about the importance of every subject. Some people claim history and literature are much more important for students than science and mathematics. Others have an entirely contrast idea. I am of the view that all subjects are necessary and useful.

Unarguably, history and literature are essential for students. The former tells the young about his ancestor's life, significantly historical events of his own country as well as of the entire world, etc. . Knowledge about the past not only helps students understand the process of human history but also inspires them love for their country. The latter, literature, train students' behaviors and give them positive outlooks. To take more specific example, when we read a book about a very poor man overcoming many challenges to achieve success, we will, consciously or unconsciously, have a deep belief that we are able to do like that.

However, it's unfair to say that these subjects play a bigger part in school. While history and literature train our feelings and behaviors, science and mathematics seem to be more practical. As can be seen, we use basic knowledge of mathematics, including plus, multiply, divide in daily life. So a student with poor knowledge of mathematics will face up to many problems. Furthermore, if science and math are not paid attention to at school, how can we train scientists for the future? Imagine how the world would be if there was no scientist, meaning no inventions, no modern machines, no treatments for fatal diseases, etc... In other words, the world's development depends on the development of scientific subjects, which's why they must be taught and studied seriously at school.

Put in a nutshell, every subject has particular importance. Do not waste time arguing which is more vital, let us pay attention to all and specialize on your favorite.

Essay 626 Topic 124 **Social science vs. natural science**

The importance of playing games for adults has always been underestimated over the past years. However as newer studies are being undertaken in the field of human behavior, the value and significance of play in an adult human being's life is gaining vast importance.

From time immemorial, play has been a significant means of communication among children as a role model to the complex inter-personal communications among adults. The effectiveness of play to bring about bonding among other children/adults has been highlighted by scientists and sociologists all over the world.

In addition to the benefits of play on the physical systems of humans such as toning of the various organ systems to their optimum levels of functioning, the effects on the mental health of the individual are seen to have a greater bearing.

Furthermore, since man is more of a social animal, play tactics are often found to further enhance the individual's sense of self-esteem among the society he lives in. His functioning as a productive member of the community is further enhanced, and this also is seen to have an inhibitory effect on the negative aspects of one's personality. This holds good even in the face of the highly stressful lifestyles of today's people.

Truly, one cannot but agree whole-heartedly with the old grandmother's saying " All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy. " Indeed, play for children and an adult alike ensures a healthier, happier society

Essay 627 Topic 124 **Social science vs. natural science**

Does history and literature be more important for students versus science and mathematics? In my opinion, the two firsts go over because history give us the direction of the humanity and ours, lights the human instinct and literature disclose us some

different and possible ways for our mind. Science and mathematics are only means to progress in this unlimited world.

History shows the stream where we are in. For instance, the stops, the shortcuts, the acceleration tends to bring us to think more about our destination. At a lower level, for each of us, the knowledge of our roots would support us to conserve our soul and gain some proud ness. The American blacks used to maintain against the slavery because they have been free.

Furthermore, it displays the capability for human being and other species to tackle the problems. Thus students can improve their comprehension in acknowledging some typical behavior, which may be redundant. The understanding of wars rising would be utile to apprehend and avoid identical effects.

The only way to think about our condition is to know some others. Literature has this role to open our mind, which will become free to escape from the reality without any harm. That is why, all the dictatorial governments are afraid of the books.

In conclusion, we see that history and literature have the power to change us whereas sciences and mathematics can let us in mental and behavioral poverty.

Essay 628 Topic 124 **Social science vs. natural science**

The dispute between humanistic and scientific studies has been taken place for centuries. Both are vital for the humanity. Without either one, the humanity is impossible to conceive it. A balance between these two branches of human spirituality is always required. However, from my point of view, without neglecting the study of literature and history, I would suggest to consider more time in studies of math and scientific disciplines like physics, chemistry and biology.

First, we use the math and science daily. We need them in our quotidian business to take the most adequate decision. When we buy something from stores we need to know math to calculate our expenses. In addition, we need to have general knowledge in science to evaluate the quality of products. More than that, the most important innovations are owed to science. We cannot cogitate about them, without realize the preeminent contribution of science. Indeed, the television and radio channels, the Internet, the movie theatres, the cars, trains and airplanes, and many other discoveries are impossible to conceive without the major science thoughtfulness.

On the other hand, the innumerable number of applications that sciences offer to us creates for many of us a large job market. Indeed, an important number of people work in jobs that require a strong background in math and science. For instance, we cannot work as programmers without knowledge of math. We cannot work in telecommunications

without knowledge of physics and chemistry. We cannot work even a simple clerk in an office without a minimal scientific level in mathematics.

All in all, I would say that the in-depth level of knowledge in technological and scientific fields generate an increasingly need for math and science to study in our society. That is why, maintaining a reasonable level of humanistic knowledge, I should pursue more studies in mathematics and science.

Essay 629 Topic 124 **Social science vs. natural science**

Some people consider science and mathematics do more to our world while others think students should learn more about literature and history. What is more important? In fact, it is a problem of more than one aspect. Both of them are important in our life. Our world will lose its glamour without either of the two.

As we know, science and mathematics have been developing rapidly the last hundred years. Everyday we dial a phone number to call our friends or families, we go on net to get worldwide news, we drive to our workplace instead of walking there or riding there like the people in the ancient times, or even we can travel to a foreign country by air to see the fantastic scene otherwise it would take us months by ship in the old days. All of these are due to the development of science and mathematics. Without the scientific knowledge, maybe we will not be able to operate a washing machine or do not know how to use a computer to get the information we need, or even make the wrong number when we calculate something. So it is clear we have to master some knowledge of science and mathematics.

On the other hand, literature and history are useful as well. Without them, we cannot read so many great works such as ?Uncle Tom' s cabin?or ?Gone with the wind? which not only give us an impression of that period of history but also are instructive, romantic as well as entertaining. What is more, the ancient people have left us a tremendous amount of treasure. The study of history can also widen our horizon, from which we learn a lot about the evolution of our human being or the technology of construction like the pyramids in the old days. All of these are full of information useful to today's life. Therefore we students will definitely gain a lot by studying literature and history.

So we can get a conclusion that science and mathematics are as necessary as literature and history in our modern world. What I want to point out is that, for a person who wants to be successful in his life and be useful in society, he should learn both of them.

Essay 630 Topic 124 **Social science vs. natural science**

For students Studying science and mathematics are as important as history and literature. All the subjects are equally important for their all-round development. At high school

level all the students study both art and science subjects, after going to higher studies they choose their interested subjects. I think studying science and mathematics are as important as studying art and literature.

History helps a student to know about the past events of his country and the world. History tells him about the bygone era's culture, way of living and traditions. Literature is the beautiful description of our historical events and stories in the form prose and poetry. Knowing and appreciation of the history is important, but it is not enough to live.

Science and mathematics play an important role in our lives. We cannot imagine our lives with out them. Our day today life stops with out them. Nowadays science and mathematics are very developed. We are cherishing the fruits of them. We were invented electricity, transportation, medicine, new technology and so many advanced instruments. They are all made our lives very simple and sophisticated. We need some simple mathematics to organize our everyday things. We entered into the space technology time. There is no question about the importance of science and mathematics. With out them we will be in the dark.

It is clear that studying science is as important as art. One cannot live only by studying art. History helps to learn from the past but science helps us to live in the present. There is no progress in our lives with out science. Today's life is tomorrow's history. So it is very important to live today's life than studying yesterday's life. So with this I am concluding my essay by saying that studying science and mathematics are as important as history and literature.

Essay 631 Topic 124 **Social science vs. natural science**

I do not agree with that it is more important for students to study history or literature than it is for them to study science and mathematics. Science and mathematics are the most important lessons among the subjects. It is essential that all students learn these subjects. Because almost all fields of the life closely related with mathematics and science. Especially, mathematics is a key for all other subjects.

Firstly, knowledge of mathematics and science plays an important role in the life of a person. The more knowledge of mathematics and science you have, the more successful you will be in your life. To learn and study other subjects one needs to know minimum basics of mathematics. For example, to study geography, economics, accounting and other lessons a mathematical knowledge is needed. Mathematics is the leader of subjects.

On the other hand, we use our mathematical and science knowledge in the daily life. We use them almost everywhere. For instance, while we are shopping, building a home and anywhere else. If you do not know simple operations such as addition, subtraction, dividing and multiplying, you may have serious problems in making your decisions.

To sum up, studying and applying mathematics and science knowledge is more important

than that literature or history. Because a person who having a knowledge of math can come face-to-face with few problems. It is impossible to live only with literature and history knowledge.

Essay 632 Topic 124 **Social science vs. natural science**

This controversy idea is difficult for people to choose approval or disapproval, because they both have their own positive sides and negative sides. To some extent, it is hard to distinguish strictly, but that does not mean they are of the same to me. After weighing two features of this statement, I agree with the above statement that studying history and literature is more important for students, if personal quality can be considered as a criterion of choosing things.

There are many reasons that can account for my opinion. The most important one is that the studying of history and literature will improve a person's quality. It is said that to learn how to become a good person is more important than how to be a skilled person. Each of us will face to the practical world, such as getting along with others, dealing with daily work, solving some working problems, even confronting a difficult situation. A good quality is a very essential element to resolve all of these things. Through studying history and literature, we can get valuable knowledge of creating characteristics. The spirit of a great hero or an impressive role maybe changes a person's views and insights about the world. Especially for the students, they are young and plastically. They are easier to be affected by some good mental education.

The second obvious reason is that through the studying of history and literature, some moral senses are gradually accepted by students. Social consciousnesses are important for our society. Nobody has the social realization automatically from his or her origin. The knowledge of history and literature offer the possibility of this education. In our arts texts, there are a lot of pure contents to describe the moral sensations. When you were walking on the street, you would find the ordering line, the polite passengers and the cleaning road. You can say that all of this public moral consciousness is due to some parts of arts education.

Furthermore, a student will form a creative and imaginative thinking method after studding history and literature. To some circumstances, some roles in literature works are virtual models and some fictions are also not happened in the real world. These images supply a room for imagination for a student. These thinking ways help students in an advanced study and even in their job.

In conclusion, history and literature are basic and necessary courses for the students.

Essay 633 Topic 124 **Social science vs. natural science**

Many people hold that studying scientific subjects is more beneficial than studying literary ones. However, I do believe that each field has its own importance on our lives.

Scientific subjects are definitely crucial to our development. We would not have come that a long way in scientific and cultural advancement if we didn't have subjects like math, physics, chemistry and so on. We, wouldn't have conquered the space if we didn't have astronomy. Also, we would not have found cures for dangerous diseases if we didn't have medicine. Our life relies great deal on those subjects, so they are greatly vital to us. Yet, I believe that some people are born with the skill to handle scientific research while others tend more towards literary subjects.

Therefore, people born with literary talents are also very useful to us. Many aspects of our lives need to be treated by art and literature. As human beings we also have feelings and emotions and those things need to be cared for as well. So writers, painters and actors are functional elements in our everyday life. When you're tired and you want to relax you might watch a comic movie or take a nice romantic book to read. Moreover, arts like sculpture and painting play a huge role in our lives, in the sense that they add a beautiful and artistic touch to everything around us including our houses, offices and even the streets. Consequently, art is indispensable in our lives.

In fine, I believe that art and science are interrelated and binary coexisting in our lifestyles. In my opinion, one cannot replace the other. Each is necessarily needed in to improve our lives. We need the mathematician as much as we need the painter. Each has his own role to perform in the society.

Essay 634 Topic 124 **Response to Topic 124**

The human sense of exploration is not limited only to our physical surroundings. It is also a human trait to explore from an emotional as well as from an metaphysical viewpoint what defines us as human beings. Science as isolated from other fields has several important functions. It has a high practical value and has always played an important role in improving the quality of human life. It is concerned with problems that allow the scientist to find a definite or at least a practical solution. Thus, it may be concluded that natural sciences have found lasting solutions to problems that people were faced with. Science also contributed to the freedom within many societies. Only by means of communication, provided by science, did revolutions and changes in the whole society become possible. On the other hand, the content conveyed by means developed by scientists, was originally generated by literates or philosophers in a more general sense. The study of literature is the study of the human being and its behaviour in society. Literature has an entertaining aspect but this holds true for sciences as well, as most scientists would state. Its main purpose is to investigate life from a general point of view. Literates have always had influence on the development of moral values. One might argue that literature has not provided any lasting improvement because the solutions that can be given to the problems literature is concerned with always depend on various influences and can never be certain. It is much more likely that they will be forgotten within a more or less short period of time. There may be some truth to this argument yet

on the other hand it is the duty of literature but also of other disciplines like history to conserve these achievements. And without them, science would not make much sense. The question, whether science should influence literature or vice versa cannot be answered black or white. Just like a human being does not only consist of physical parts, science of nature cannot make sense without science of the human being.

Essay 635 Topic 124 **social or natural science?**

Some people agree with the statement that it is more important for students to study history and literature than it is for them to study science and mathematics. If I were faced with this issue, I would probably disagree this statement. In the following discussion, I would like to reason and provide evidence to support my viewpoint. The first and foremost reason that I have chosen to put forward is that science and mathematics are relevant to finding employment. To illustrate this point, there is an example more persuasive: at least one, and often both, is required to fill most positions in government or industry. This is certainly not the case with history and literature. Moreover, they are needed to keep up with modern developments. For instance, the workplace is becoming more and more computerized, and an employee who is ignorant of computer science is less likely to be retained or promoted. In the second place, another chief reason for my view is that they are more necessary for ordinary citizens to understand. For example, the dispute over the safety of nuclear power requires ordinary citizens to understand some of science and mathematics that lies behind the argument on either side. If you can see that, you can understand it more deeply. Superior as studying science and mathematics is, however, studying history and literature also has their own advantages. For example, people can know about many past events by reading many different history books, and can easily familiar with different culture by reading different literature. So to study history and literature is also useful for human beings. Nevertheless, the merits of studying science and mathematics carry much more weight than studying history and literature. Therefore, the most striking conclusion is obvious. To sum up, given the reasons discussed above, which sometimes intertwine to form an organic whole and thus become more persuasive, I disagree with the statement that it is more important for students to study history and literature than it is for them to study science and mathematics.

Essay 636 Topic 124 **learning**

Which knowledge is more important for students to study: history and literature or science and mathematics? Different people may have different opinion because of their varied angles of thought. However, in my point of view, they are two main components of study, and each one is indispensable for students to understand the world as it is. History and literature help students to deeply comprehend the human's society, the relationship among individuals and nations, and the main characters of mankind. For example, after learning the history of the second world war, every student will realize the enormous disasters and destroys brought about by the war, and aware that peace is the primarily common goal for people all over the world to struggle for. History and literature are important because they are mirrors to reflect shortcomings as well as virtues

of ourselves and our society. If we say that history and literature give spiritual guides for students to know our society, while, on the other hand, science and mathematics thus play another important role in shaping students' perspectives to the world. As we all know, without architectural science, we would only live in caves or under trees as our predecessors did ten thousand years ago, and without printed techniques, we could never appreciate our favorite poem or novel books. So we can clearly say that only when we grasp the knowledge of science and mathematics, will we be able to increase the living standard of mankind and make our life more convenient and comfortable. To sum up, in order to deeply understand the world and earn a better life, students should study hard on science and mathematics as well as history and literature, since they are equally important for people to build up their perspectives of life and determine their final goals to strive for.

Essay 637 Topic 125 **Should art and music be compulsory subjects in secondary schools?**

In my opinion, Secondary school has the purpose of introducing young people to a broad variety of courses. Therefore, I also believe art and music should be part of the selection of courses. If all students should be required to study these courses is more of a debatable question. Nevertheless, with the statement put forward, I would recommend that every student should get a minimum of insight into both the world of art and music. I will support my position with some further arguments.

First of all, youngsters attending Secondary school are in a stage of life where they are supposed to make up their minds about what to become in life. As we all probably have experienced, this is a tuff choice to make, and school should be a place for advice and guidance in this process. Often when people try out something new, they are positively surprised over how much they enjoyed something they would not have had interest in from before of. By giving students a glance into areas of art and music, the kids are given an opportunity to explore different sides of them selves. Together with all the other courses represented, art and music can contribute to students' choice of career in the future.

Second, art and music have been important parts of human life since the early beginning. I think it is important for students to aware of this and be able to pass on traditions from one generation to the next. Furthermore, courses like art and music help develop the creative side of the human brain, a vital quality in many areas of life, and especially in many situations as an employee in different sectors.

Some people are in the opinion that creative course represents a waste of time and resources. These people are the supporters of science and search for facts rather than discussable alternatives. As mentioned before, I strongly recommend that young people attending Secondary school get an introduction to all courses on an equal level. However, I believe they should be allowed to make their own decisions on which courses they wish to study in depth, and which they want to finish off at an early level. In conclusion I

definitely agree with the statement up for discussion in this essay.

Essay 638 Topic 125 **Should art and music be compulsory subjects in secondary schools?**

There is a great variety of schools now a day - private and public - and each has its own program of study. While some schools include classes of art and music into a school program, others do not find them necessary and skip them. From my point of view all schools should provide mandatory classes of art and music for their students. Studying of art and music not only makes them better educated but also more creative.

As art and music is an area where fantasy live, students can become more creative and broaden their worldview. Besides these classes can teach students to enjoy from classic music or from real art. For instance, an outstanding surrealistic painter Salvador Dali created his masterpieces as a book. All his works look incomprehensible from the first sight but if we know what he meant painting this or that we will read an interesting story from his painting. In order to understand what the author meant we should be able to notice and to guess and student can obtain these skills from special classes of art and music. Students can also learn how it is possible to express one's feeling or thoughts not only by means of word but also through music and painting.

Moreover these classes can bring up a taste to good things in the students. They will be able to distinguish what is good from what is bad, real art from fake. This will help them not only in private life while decorating a house or buying clothes but also at work while preparing a presentation or drawing up documents.

Through studying art and music a student becomes better educated and will be able to keep up a conversation about music or art and to express his point of view.

Besides subjects in major students should be taught art and music. These will contribute not only to their education, but also to their personality and make them more creative and more curious.

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Essay 641 Topic 125 **Free Choice**

These days, some people claim that all students should be required to study art and music in secondary school. On the contrary, I do not think so. In my opinion, secondary courses as art, music, or drawing should be students' free choices, not requirements instead. Firstly, secondary classes should be chosen freely by students in accordance with their interests. You should not choose the secondary classes that do not interest you. For example, if you are interested in music, but not drawing, you should choose music class and leave drawing class alone. Secondly, secondary classes should be chosen freely by students in accordance with their talents. As a matter of fact, learning something that you have no gift in is a kind of tortures. You would spend lots of time and money, but make little progress. Could you imagine how painful a student is, who has no gift in music at all but is forced to learn playing the piano? Therefore, we have no right to require every student to learn art and music in secondary school. Finally, secondary classes should be chosen freely by students based on their schedules. It is not hard to imagine that a student spending most of his time learning major courses would have no time to attend any secondary class, let alone the music and art secondary classes. The requirement about music and art secondary school would undoubtedly enhance some students' burdens. And this is completely unreasonable. In short, secondary schools should be students' free choices, but burdens. Therefore, it is unnecessary to require all students to study art and music in secondary school.

Essay 642 Topic 125 **study art and music**

There is a drastic debate about whether all students should be required to study art and music in secondary school. Everyone has his own view due to the varied angles of thought to this problem. However, when it comes to me, I agree with the statement that art and music should be required courses in secondary school. The most significant reason to support my opinion is that art and music are the indispensable parts of human's civilization, and everyone should know about them as well as mathematics and literature. Let us imagine that what the world would be, if we could not appreciate our favorite popular or classical music when we need relaxation, and also if we could not decorate our rooms with beautiful paintings and pictures when we move to a new house. It would definitely be a dull and boring world lack of beauty and interests. So, we can say clearly that students as well as adults should learn to appreciate art and music, which will give them much pleasure in their life. Besides, it may also be noted that art and music play another important role that help students to relax themselves. Nowadays, science and technology are developing more and more rapidly, and as a result, the competition in our society becomes more and more drastic. This trend not only effects the life of adults but also the life of students in college or even in secondary school. Students spend most of their time to learning those useful knowledge, which is necessary for their further study or work, such as mathematics, physics, language, and so on. They are so tired of these serious studies that they need to relax. While, art and music courses give them a good opportunity to switch their mind to a beautiful and easy world. They are very essential for

students to refresh their thought and energy in their busy study time. To sum up, in my opinion, it is a wise requirement for all students to take art and music courses in secondary school, for it maybe the last opportunity for most of students, who will not regard art and music as their occupations, to learn something interesting and unrelated with their later jobs.

Essay 643 Topic 126 **Is there anything that young people can teach older people?**

There is much disagreement over whether there is something that young people can teach older people or not. Some people claim that the older know everything better than the younger. Other people, however, argue that the younger can master something that the older do not know. As far as I am concerned, the older can still learn something from the younger even if the former know more than the latter.

Why do some people think that the older is more knowledgeable than the younger on anything? The main reason is, people accumulate knowledge from experience day after day, most of which cannot be gained through books. For instance, an old accountant can handle many difficult accounting affairs while a young one cannot because the former has more experience.

Although I agree that the older can teach a lot of things to the younger, I insist that it pays for the older to learn something from the younger. In the first place, there is something that the older never know before. The computer is the best example. As we know, the computer was invented in the beginning of 1900's and was becoming popular after the Microsoft Windows operation system was released in 1990's. The older had rare chances to learn and use the computers. On the contrary, the younger begin to get to know the computer very early. No doubt that the younger know computer better than the older. When a person older than 30 years attends a computer course, he/she will not be surprised if the teacher is younger than he/she.

In the second place, the younger are more creative and imaginative. When the older do something, they normally follow some rules they got before. It is true the older seldom make mistakes but they also hardly make something new. While, the younger do not have much experience and do not have many restrictions as well. They make mistakes very often but also can make something magnificent.

In conclusion, I believe that the older can learn many things from the younger not only because that the younger know more later technologies, but also that the younger have more creative thoughts.

Essay 644 Topic 126 **Is there anything that young people can teach older people?**

Old people, of course, always have something to teach young people because they experienced more than the young. However, in my opinion, young people also have something that they can teach the older in some ways because of their diligence, their

living condition and the fast changing world. People do not know more than others because they are older.

First, young people may know more because of their diligence. For example, the Nobel Prize winners are not always the oldest persons. They get the acceptance of the public because of their hard work. Their study results are learned by many people including those whose ages are older than the Noble Prize winners. In this sense, young people can teach the older ones.

Secondly, the living condition may be another reason that young people may have something to teach older people. For example, some young people have lived in a farm since they were born and did farm work everyday. Some other older people have never been to a farm. Therefore these young people can probably give the older people a class about the farm work.

lastly, in this society, technologies are developing so fast that young people probably learn some new knowledge that the older people have not learned. For example, the computer software is developing so fast that no one can learn all about it. Some young people may be good at those kinds of software that older people are not familiar with. So these young people may teach the software that they mastered to the older people.

General speaking, young people also have something that they can teach the older ones in many cases. The reason may be the diligence, the living circumstance of the young people and the fast changed society.

Essay 645 Topic 126 **Is there anything that young people can teach older people?**

As is well know, older people have experienced this wonderful world a lot, and they are surely to have acquired much more knowledge about this world than the young people do. Gradually there exists a saying, there is nothing young people can teach older people. But actually I do not appreciate this statement. Young people need to learn a lot from the older people, but it is also reasonable for the older people to keep the pace of this world by the means of communicating with the youngsters due to the rapid evolution of this world. It means the older people also need to get something new from the youngsters.

Admittedly, from the standpoint view of philosophy, young people start to learn about everything from both the theoretical books and experiences, then they will grow up in respective way. They will put themselves into this practical world, trying to find and solve new problems. Also many new discoveries and principle will be found by the practice of young people. Only through their practice do this world evolve very rapidly. Thus everybody in this world can share the results of the social development. Otherwise, if no new things were found by the young people, no creative developments would be made, and the society would stop developing. It is not our expectation. It is just these new things that the older people are sure to be lack, so the young people have the responsibility to show the older people what these new things are and how they work. For

example, the advanced usage of computer is just the recent result due to the rapid growth of information technology. Many older people do not know how to use the computer, those older people get accustomed to the traditional methods, and refuse to adjust themselves to the new concepts of this computer times. Then young people have the obligation to show those older people how to use the computers, because everybody in this society has right to enjoy the advanced computer technology.

In conclusion, on the one hand, young people need to learn a lot from the older people in order to meet the practical needs, on the other hand, the older people also need to communicate with the youngsters. Only in this way can the human being benefit from each other, and the society evolve rapidly eventually.

Essay 646 Topic 126 **Is there anything that young people can teach older people?**

People often say that young people are the future of the country. That is certainly true. Young people are always the leaders of the society. They always learn the newest in the world. They go to school every day and have more time to learn than any working person. Young people's education is far better than the old people's. They usually can learn much knowledge in a short period of time. Of course young know more logical things in this modern society. They have more new experience with foreigners.

Nowadays, China develops very quickly and changes a lot every year. We go to school, learn every day about the world and every day is different, everything is the newest, while old people work all through the day. They only have a little time to read or learn. They surely cannot know or learn more knowledge. So, young can teach the elders the things they learn in school.

From about 1980 a Chinese family has one child only. That makes parents love their child very much and they always want to give the best education to him or her. In this way the education now is far better than before. Young people now learn knowledge from every corner of the world, while the elders only know how to make a living and nothing more. For example we learn how to use computers, what is digital techniques. Elders cannot know any of these things. The wonderful education makes people more modern indeed, so young have another reason to teach the elders something.

China has opened for a long time and now more and more foreigners come to China. They start companies, teach their languages to Chinese people and so on. At the same time, foreigners also bring their countries' traditions to China. Sometimes the foreign way to manage something is really better than the Chinese. When a young person learns foreign knowledge through foreign teachers, he can teach old and other people do not know, and later the society becomes a society full of foreign traditions. So, I also think that young people are the leaders of the society.

Therefore, do not always think that the old know everything and the young cannot teach them. The country is the young's. The country needs the young people to build it more

beautiful, better than others. We must believe we are far better the elders.

Essay 647 Topic 126 **Is there anything that young people can teach older people?**

Generally speaking, older people have more knowledge, experience and skills than young people. Compared with them, the young are just unfledged. But is it reasonable to say there is nothing that the young can teach older people? No. You can never say that.

Firstly, being old doesn't always mean having more knowledge. One's knowledge is not proportional to one's age directly. So we cannot decide whether a person is more intellectual merely by judging his or her age. The Chinese famous philosopher Confucius said that you could always find someone to teach you when walking with a group of people. So no one can claim to know all. Even if he was an expert in sciences, he may be a layman in communicating with other people. Therefore anyone including the young and old must have something special, something that other people are not familiar with. In this case, they can, of course, teach each other.

Secondly, knowledge is exploding in this information epoch. People must keep replenishing their knowledge. Young people are more frequently exposed to new knowledge and they are also eager to learn them. In such field as computer technology, young people are showing more enthusiasm and talent. Today the world's prominent computer giants are young people. They are teachers of the old.

Thirdly, young people are usually energetic, ambitious, curious and risky. Compared with the young, old people are often reserved, conservative or even stubborn. They want to keep what they have got and do not like changes. While the young, however, want to change. They are usually not content with what they have at present. So they are willing to accept new things, challenge traditions and customs, put forward ideas and create new inventions. They are not worry about failure. They can restart from the very beginning after a blunder. In this sense, young people represent the progressive. They have much to teach the old in this respect.

But, after all, older people are more experienced. In my opinion, the young and the old should teach and learn from each other. The old will pass away; the young have to become old; and a new generation will emerge. Forever, our world consists of young and old, who work together to make the world increasingly beautiful.

Essay 648 Topic 126 **Is there anything that young people can teach older people?**

It is generally believed that young people can always take a leaf from older people. But from my point of view, the young and the old should learn from each other.

For one thing, young people can teach older people fresh knowledge. Take for instance, most of youngsters understand computer and IT field very easily while older people are reluctant to accept knowledge completely new to them. What if they would get help from

the youth? My experience showed both young people and older people will benefit from it. I used to spend a whole week on teaching my parents how to send e-mail and use Internet to search any information they were interested in. Although painstaking the process is, now I am able to keep close contact with them and they enjoy reading news and entertainment by clicking on the mouse. It is really a fantastic!

For another thing, older people are able to live a happier life if they could learn the zest for life from young people. As for this point, I indeed admire older people in western countries, who never lose energy for enjoying life. In China, most of the aged people are used to various burdens and automatically take all kinds of responsibilities while sacrificing themselves. In my opinion, that is not the healthy attitude toward life. Older people should also explore the essential of life and treasure personal interest in daily routine, just like the young men are striving for.

In conclusion, it is incomplete if only young people share the experience of older people to improve themselves. Life would be more beautiful if the old and the young could learn from each other, help each other, and go ahead hand in hand.

Essay 649 Topic 126 **Is there anything that young people can teach older people?**

Currently, books, teachers, parents, movies and Internet are the basic learning sources for young people. However, our parents and grandparents along with our teachers are the older people who teach us our first lessons. They pass on us their experience and knowledge for the world.

Nevertheless, I do not agree that there is nothing that young people can teach older people. Nowadays, young people are better informed than their parents are. What is more, young people are interested in new technologies and are more adaptive to the modern world. That is why, they often help their parents cope with new gadgets such as mobile phones, DVD systems or modern home appliances. For example, my parents often look for my assistance when they have to work on my computer.

Another example that young people can also teach older people is fashion. Our parents especially grandparents prefer to dress themselves traditionally but often old-fashionably. Consequently, if older people want to look more stylish the best advice they can get is from their children.

Apart from new technologies and fashion, there are many other things that older people can learn from young people. For my lifetime is so different from that of my parents I believe that I may teach them something new or I can simply show them that many things in life have changed since their youth.

Summing up, people can learn something new every day no matter if they are young or older. Although our parents are the best teachers we can have, I truly believe that young people can teach older people a lot about new and useful technologies, fashion or about

the modern world. In my opinion, the most important thing older people can learn from young people is how to keep their spirits young for good.

Essay 650 Topic 126 **Young Teacher**

There is a public debate today that whether there is nothing that young people can teach older people. Actually, Confucius and his students in ancient China had discussed this topic about 2500 years ago. In this discussion, Confucius completely supported the idea that young people can teach older people something and there is no shame to ask young people. Nowadays, 2500 years later, I am still on Confucius's side. Firstly, knowledge is a dynamic connotation. It is always expanding and deepening. Everyday, we get new items related to science and technology. Usually, young students in schools contact these new things in the development of knowledge, while old people would be left behind by such a development for having escaped from education. Therefore, young people are of course qualified to teach old people some new knowledge. Secondly, learning includes interdisciplinary communication. For example, a physicist may want to learn something about chemistry, or a chemist may want to learn something about mathematics. Suppose that an old physicist is asking a young chemist some questions. Can you consider that there is nothing that the young chemist can teach the old physicist? Obviously, most people would choose a negative answer to this question. Finally and the most importantly, knowledge is not determined by age. Learning knowledge is a very complex process. It concerns many major factors such as talent, intelligence, diligence, and so on. Many scientific results have indicated that age is just a subordinate factor. Thus, it is thoroughly unreasonable to judge one's knowledge by his age. Apparently, no one would doubt whether 30 years old Einstein could teach a 80 years old man the Theory of Relativity. This is a good case in point. In summary, knowledge is dependent on many things but age. So, remember, do not be afraid to teach older people and do not be shy to ask younger.

Essay 651 Topic 126 **young people can teach**

Older people always have more useful experiences and knowledge than young people, and the youngsters often regard some famous persons, such as sports stars, scientists, who are usually older than them, as their study models. However, despite all I have mentioned above, I believe, it is by no means that there is nothing that young people can teach older ones. The most significant reason which supports my opinion is that young people always accept new knowledge and technique much more easily and rapidly than the older people. In this information epoch, our society is developing more and more speedily, and new inventions and theories emerge here and there every day. Those youngsters always have much active thought and abundant energy to keep up with the pace of the changeable world or even lead the developments in some special fields such as computer science. While, on the other hand, older people seem to be a little slower to switch their mind to the newest fashionable trends. At this sense, young people can help the older to grasp the newest and most changeable tides in our society. Besides, it may also be noted that the creative and innovated angles of thought brought about by youngsters will render

older people a more considerate and complete understanding of the world. Those who have an opposite view of this problem may argue that young people are lack of some important experience. However, just because they have little previous experience, they are not limited in their mind by those established facts, and see the world in a different angle. This characteristic of youngsters gives them a strong ability to create and innovate something that the olders may not even think of. And as is known, people tend to be conservative and prudent as their age growing. In sum, I believe there is always something that young people can teach older ones, because of their significant ability of accommodation and creation in this constantly developing society. Remember, in order to earn a successful life, everyone should learn to appreciate all brilliant thoughts of others' no matter how old they are.

Essay 652 Topic 127 **Reading fiction vs. watching movies**

During our spare time, people usually tend to read fiction or watch movies for relaxation. Some people are under the impression that reading fiction is more enjoyable than watching movies. However, as far as I am concerned, I hold the opinion that watching movies is relatively more entertaining.

In the first place, movies bring us more enjoyment of the pictures and sounds. Reading fiction and watching movies are both the ways to make ourselves enjoy a plot. However, as we all know, what a fiction brings to a reader are merely the rigid words which probably let people lose interest in the very beginning, while a movie will definitely take the audience to a vivid world, which easily catches our attention and make us exposed in a virtual environment with pictures and sounds.

In the second place, watching movies is more time-saving. Normally it just takes us about one or two hours to watch a movie. Comparatively, people will spend much more time in reading fictions, which probably take people one week or even more time.

Of course reading fiction also have one or two advantages as well, such as the literature itself maybe includes some more meaningful information which the actors might not perform very well.

Despite of some advantages of reading fiction in make people amusing, I believe watching movies is relatively more enjoyable for most of the people.

Essay 653 Topic 127 **Reading fiction vs. watching movies**

Which one is more pleasant, reading fiction or watching movies? Since people's habits and interest differ, they may never agree on above issue. Personally, I enjoy watching movies very much, and the magic and spectacular world movies bring to me adds some vivid colors in my life.

To begin with, watching movies are considerably easier than reading novels. As an

international student who is in Canada and whose native language is not English, I will not choose reading novels as my entertainment (although I have to make every effort to pass the literature course and finish five horrible novels in a term). When I came to Canada one year ago, I bought some popular novels such as Star War and Harry Potter, but I only read several pages till now. There are so many difficult words I have to look up and finally I gave up. In contrast, movie is much easier to understand. Even if the characters' words sometimes confuse me, I can get some clues from the picture.

In addition, movies can provide us with visual images as well as sound. In fiction, we often read some sentences describing a girl's beauty, but do we really have a picture of the girl's appearance in our mind? No. The only thing the author can guarantee is that the girl is terribly good-looking. However, with the help of movies, the beauty of that girl is visualized and we can get a concrete view about this character. Similarly, a movie's words and songs also attract us, but we cannot expect any harmonious sounds from a novel. In all, the invention of movies is a milestone in the entertainment history. From the attacking of aliens to the sinking of Titanic, from a fierce battle in the ancient Rome to a huge space ship traveling in the universe, movies have brought numerous vivid scenes in front of audience all around the world.

Last but not least, it is enjoyable to listen to songs in movies. In order to attract more audience, film companies always make a great effort to produce tuneful music in their movies. The power of songs in movies is amazing. After several decades, people may forget the content of the movie, but they are still familiar with the movie's music, which recall them to the sweet memory of former days. About one month ago, I watched the Sound of Music from a Canadian TV channel. When I heard the classic music I found the feeling of my childhood.

To summarize, from my point of view, watching movies is more enjoyable than reading fiction. If there are a best-selling novel and an Oscar-winning movie DVD in front of me, I will definitely choose the DVD.

Essay 654 Topic 127 **Watch or Read**

Fiction has progressed a lot from the last few decades. And all praise to the technology that provided such kind of fiction which people enjoy either reading or watching movies of it. However, I do agree with the statement that reading fiction such as novels or short stories is more enjoyable than watching movies. When reading fiction stories one can obtain his own imaginary views of such stories, reading novels and stories has been popular hobbies of the people, reading short stories on fiction could also create many developing ideas on the reader's mind. Reading fiction has a different taste as compared to watching movies. When a reader reads such fiction which makes him interested in reading the stories, he tries to gain his own imaginary views on that particular story which could possibly happen in watching movies because the writer of the movie has already presented his own imagination of that story. For example, when a story comes to the climax part, writers of the movies usually tries to cover the story of that movie. But

when reading stories, it often leaves an impression on a reader's mind how he views the climax or what sort of imagination he wants to add in the stories which may be the beginning of the story where it ends. Reading stories and novels on fiction are not only the hobbies of today's people but also have been the leisure for ancient people. Because reading novels has its own taste and style. For example, many people still prefer to read books such as Harry Potter because they feel more pleasure in reading books than to go out to watch movies. Reading novels not only provide information about the stories but it also helps people in writing skills. When reading fiction such as stories or novels could also create more developing ideas on the reader's mind. Because when reading these books often people try to make out their own stories or ideas which may make more interesting in reading such books. Reading stories also inspire many people and they also start to write stories according to their own imagination. In conclusion, reading stories provide many information about a particular topic or what kind of changes has made in the reader's mind after reading books and novels. Therefore, I prefer to read books on fiction rather than watching movies.

Essay 655 Topic 127 **watch movies or read fictions**

Which style of entertainment do you prefer, reading fictions such as novels and short stories or watching movies? Everybody has his own view due to the different tastes of entertainment. However, when it comes to me, I would like watching movies rather than reading fictions. The most significant reason for me to make this choice is that movies not only bring about interesting and appealing plots of stories to us, but also offer us visual and audio enjoyment, which fictions cannot grant us. For example, when we watching a romantic film, we are deeply moved by the drastic love between the leading actor and the leading actress, and, at the same time, we can also appreciate the beautiful and delicate scenes as well as the moving romantic music and songs. While, on the other hand, fictions do not provide so much enjoyment of all aspects as movies do. In addition, it should also be noted that watching movies is an effective method for people to relax themselves in a relatively short time. Nowadays our society is developing more and more speedily, and, as a result, the rhythm of people's life becomes more and more rapid. Everybody have to do much more and better than those who lived decades ago. Efficiency has become one of the most important elements in people's everyday life, even in leisure time. As we all know, reading fictions need much time and few people can complete those thick novel books such as *Gone With The Wind* in only two or three hours, while if we appreciate this famous stories on screen, we can easily do it in a short time. So we can say that watching movies can save much precious times of us, and this kind of entertainment fits modern people's life better. To sum up, in my leisure time, I prefer watching movies with my families and friends, since I can gain all-round enjoyment and relax myself efficiently. After watching my favorite movies, my thoughts are refreshed and I can concentrate on my study and work. However, at the same time, I cannot deny there are also many merits of reading fictions. I do not choose it because I am too busy to spend much time on it.

Essay 656 Topic 128 **Physical exercise vs. academic study**

Though physical recreations and intellectual activities are two basic ways in which people spend their leisure time. In my opinion, the former is more important for my generation, who is in twenties and is studying hard for their academic achievements. This is based on a consideration of age, our main occupation and the characteristics of two forms of recreation.

People of my age are full of energy and physically active, but we have to sit for hours a day racking our brains. We need a complement that can give us more physical exercises and divert our attention from studying. A intellectual activity, like reading a book, playing a chess game can help us escape from the worries and forget our study for a moment. But there is no physical activity, what's more, they are more or less still a form of mental recreation. For instance, we may feel mentally tired after games of chess and our study will be affected. In contrast, a physical recreation can provide us with a lot of physical activities and real mental relaxation. A ballgame, for example, can build up muscles, flex joints, speed up blood circulation and enhance bodily organs. We may feel physically exhausted, but we can be absorbed in study more easily.

In the view of above, however, it doesn't mean that one form is better and the other is worse. Occasionally, when we are physically exhausted and we are in good mood, a chess game or a good TV program can be very helpful.

Essay 657 Topic 129 **Business research vs. agricultural research**

If I were asked an advice I would recommend to develop a center for research in agriculture in Armenia.

Republic of Armenia has limited land resources. The average height above sea level is at 1800 m. The Republic has 9 climatic zones, ranging from subtropics to sub-alpine. Population density in the regions favorable for farming is very high. Under such conditions the problems of food provisions are very acute.

Transition to market economy, followed by breaking up of kolkhozes and sovkhoses, led to the formation of many agricultural farms with small plots. This resulted in considerable deterioration in the use of land such as neglecting of crop rotations. Use of fertilizers and pest or diseases control agents dropped significantly.

The problems of granting credits to farmers have not been solved, and as a result many farms, instead of increasing their production, have become a mere self-sustaining units what is conducive to cutting of links between agricultural production and food-processing industry.

Formerly Armenia exported to other regions of the Soviet Union dozens of thousands of tons of fresh apricots, peaches, grapes, vegetables and early potatoes, as well as processed products, such as canned food, juices, wine and brandy. Currently Armenia

exports only a small quantity of brandy.

For solving all these problems we should have progress in agricultural production and food-processing industry.

Essay 658 Topic 129

If a university plans to develop a new research center in our country, I will strongly recommend them to build one in agriculture rather than a business research. There are numerous reasons why I hold the confidence on it and I will explore a few of major ones here. First of all, developing research in agriculture is exigent for a great number of people who depend on field to live. In our country with 1200 million people, over 40 percent of them are farmers whose standard of living always lie on the lowest level. Most of them even cannot sustain their life by just working in the field. 40 percent of 1200 million people, that means that there are millions persons in our country still make a hard life. Under the circumstance, how to help our farmers get away hunger and improve their standard of life, this is a real and serious object that need our researcher to solve. In addition, since our country is a big country, which have a wide range of areas with various soils and climates, the effort coming from our agriculture research will contribute farmers' possibly better cultivation. They will learn more about the local agriculture condition and do their best to handle a set of scientific practical methods to raise their field yield. Comparing that of developed country, ours is very low. In order to reduce the appearance of such situation that farmers work hard all day and all night, what they obtain is pathetic. It is of absolute significance to develop a research for farmers. Of course, like every thing has double folds, nobody deny that the business research center is also important to our country, since it can help to improve economy development to some extent. Weighing the pros and cons, however, I believe that the importance to build the agriculture research center is more obvious. To put all into a nutshell, for what I presented above, I will safely draw a conclusion that it is advisable for our government to build an agriculture research center, instead of one in business.

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Essay 660 Topic 129 **research center**

If a university plans to develop a new research center in your country, do you want a business research center or an agriculture one? Different people may have different answers due to the varied thought of this problem. However, in my point of view, I prefer the latter recommendation for several reasons. First of all, the most significant reason for me to make this choice is that my country has a largest population in the world, and developing agriculture is very essential for all the people in my country to supply their basic needs. Because of the huge population, we should produce large amount of farming productions on relatively small field. In order to solve this problem, our country should encourage universities to build up agriculture centers instead of business ones. In addition, my country is a developing country in which most of the people are working on farm. In my country, farmers are always lack of professional education and training, and their knowledge of farming mostly bases on their working experiences. This phenomenon causes much waste by incompletely using our farming lands. In order to offer advanced agricultural techniques to farmers and increase the efficiency of farming work, a research center for agriculture should be established. However, business research also has much importance due to the increasing domestic and international commerce. But at this time, developing business has not become the most important policy in our country like the policy of developing agriculture. To sum up, I would rather recommend my country to develop a new research center for agriculture than for business, since advancing the farming technology is a main method to increase people's basic living standard and improve the working efficiency of farmers who are the main component of the population in my country. At the same time, I must admit that establishing a business research center also has many merits to our country's economy. Maybe I will choose it when the living standard in my country is developed to a higher level after decade years.

Essay 661 Topic 130 **Should young children spend much time on sports?**

Practicing sports is definitely good for health, and I guess nobody can deny that; however, how much time we should spend on doing it is what the topic concerns. Everything has a limit, and once you have passed that limit, even the good can turn to the bad. What I am trying to present here is that practicing sports is good to a certain extent, but it does not mean all to a person's life. Therefore, in my point of view, that some young children spend a great amount of their time practicing sports has more disadvantages than advantages. Exceptions are made to those young professional players because sports are their career and in some sense are what they live for. Although I think my avocation applies to most people, it is unfair to take a glance on both sides of the story.

People support the idea that young children should spend a great amount of their time practicing sports point out that because children do not have many responsibilities, they should have their joyful childhoods by playing a lot. This may sound all right, but not quite. As the most important period of a person's life, the childhood of a person can determine how this person's latter life will be; so, it should not be filled only with playing sports, but with learning knowledge as well. Thus, if a child spend too much time on doing sports, he or she will eventually get more relaxed and become sick of study.

There is an advantage for my adverse side, which is, as I said at the beginning, doing sports can improve body strength, and specially good for children. However, this can also be a hidden trouble for children who practice a lot. The reason is that sports often bring harms to people's bodies, and if the person is at his or her early age, it is even worse. For instance, some people have lost their arms or legs because of sports when they were young, and have to live and bear with it for the rest of their lives. I know that some people may contradict this opinion by saying that you can get hurt anyway without practicing sports. I do not disagree with the statement, but if you think it more carefully, you will notice that spending a greater amount of time doing sports will surely increase the percentage of getting injured.

By understanding all the above, we can finally draw the conclusion that some young children spend a great amount of their time practicing sports has more negative effects than positive ones. Again, I did not against the idea of doing sports, but the appropriate amount is what I am concerning here.

Essay 662 Topic 130 **Child's interest in Sports**

Young children always like to do indulge in those activities which they find interesting. Sports is one of the most important and interesting activities for young children. They do spend a lot of time practicing sports. But one's parents or elders must keep in mind that often sport activities make children averted from studies, it becomes habit of a child to always spent time playing sports, great amount of time spent in sports may also make a child lazy in other works. Therefore, disadvantages is greater than advantages if a great

amount of time is spent by a young child in practicing sports. When a child grows older, parents usually sent them to school, but if a child from the beginning is not involved in some studies then he will find a burden to attend a school. This will have a negative effect on child's behavior because he was used to spend more time in practicing sports than to give little time on his education. For example, as a child starts to go to school, he is exposed to a new world of education but since from the childhood he was not prepared for the studies, therefore, he will take less interest in studies and may give more time on practicing sports. This will have a bad influence on his studies and his attention may be diverted in playing rather than studying. So a great deal of sports activities often averts the child's behavior to more playing and less studying. It has always been taken for granted that when ever a child adopts a habit from his childhood, then it becomes a part of his life or it may become it's habit. If more time is being spent on practicing sports then a child everyday practices sports because it has become his habit. For example, when a child comes back from school, instead of doing his homework he will spend his time playing because he has become habitual to it. Another disadvantage of young children spending their time playing may make them lazy in other works. For example, when he intends to study or when his parents make him sit to study, he either becomes lazy because a great amount of energy has been spent on practicing sports or he feels sleepy because he needs complete rest in order to study. In conclusion, when young children spend a great amount of their time practicing sports they may not pay attention to their studies or their interest in playing has increased a lot or it may become their habit. Therefore, there is a risk making young children spend their time on practicing sports because it will definitely affect their education.

Essay 663 Topic 130 **sports to young children**

Many people, including me, have noticed that nowadays some young children spend a great amount of their time practicing sports. Different people may have different opinion to this phenomenon due to the varied angles of thought of it. However, in my point of view, young children should not spend too much time on sports activities, for, as we all know, everything has its limitation. First of all, the most significant reason for me to object to this phenomenon is that for young children, whose main responsibility is learning knowledge, spending too much of their precious time in practicing sports will waste their life. Today our society has developed more and more rapidly, and, as a result, competition among individuals becomes more and more violent. Children should use most of their time and energy to grasp useful knowledge and information, which will be necessary for them to earn a decent job and make a good living, and if they are only enthusiastic in sports, except of those who regard sports as their future career, they will be rejected by this competitive society and cannot have a prosperous future. In addition, it may also be noted that, as young children have little experience to protect themselves, too drastic sports activities may do harm to their health rather than improve their body. As most adults know, if a person always repeat the same movements without rest or use too much strength when practicing sports, his muscles and joints will be destroyed little by little. Some of the injuries may not be detected when the person is young, but after several years all the symptoms will appear and may do greatly harm to his health.

However, many children have not enough consciousness about the harms that excessive sports activities bring about to them, and just because they lack of the awareness of protecting themselves, they are more easily injured than adults during sports time. So, it is clear that practicing sports excessively is very dangerous to those ignorant young children. To sum up, although appropriate sports exercise can help children be more healthy and energetic, I believe, it is by no mean that children as well as adults could overdo it. In order to earn a brilliant future and to become healthy and strong, children should concentrate on their studies, and at the same time practice sports appropriately but never excessively.

Essay 664 Topic 131 **Money and success**

We always know that people who earn a lot of money by themselves are usually successful; the money represent people is capability and worth. But some people who have not plenty of money or even no money are also successful.

Who can be successful without money?? you may ask. In history, many people such as Mahatma Gandhi, Mao Zedong are pretty famous in polity. Gandhi who was father figure of Hindustan had little money in his pocket before he accessed to political circles, but his sound awakened Hindustan up from deep sleeping for hundred years. He has more power than any millionaire. We realize that Gandhi is a successful person, although he is a poor.

Furthermore, there are many other people who are very successful. They are artists, composers and scientists and all that. Albert Einstein who is famous theoretical physicist was the most outstanding scientist in the twentieth century. He established the special and general theories of relativity that is basis of the exploitation of atomic theory, and he won a 1921 Nobel Prize for his explanation of the photoelectric effect. Is not Einstein a successful person? Undoubtedly, he is.

Finally, if we are not famous and have no money, we also may succeed in our own fields. Everybody has an ideal that may be not difficult to others, and if we strive to complete it and do what we should do, we would be successful.

From what has been discussed above, we have a conclusion that not all people who are successful earn a lot of money, Namely, the statement of only people who earn a lot of money are successful. Because many people who hadn't much money are also successful.

Essay 665 Topic 131 **Money and success**

Nowadays we listen through radio or TV about different important people that are well known because they are earning a lot of money and also because they are successful in their professions or careers. Few times you listen about someone that is pretty much successful but without a good pay for his work. In my opinion, I think that when a person

is earning a big amount of money is a sign that this person is successful in his work, because he is doing a good and valuable job and is the best in his subject.

Let me introduce you examples of successful persons that at the same time they are well paid. For instance, Bill Gates is the richest man in the world, because he was the creator of an important tool in the technology development, the personal computer. Another example is Michael Jordan, he can be catalogued the best player in the history of basketball, and at the same time he is wealthy and owner of a NBA team. My point is that these persons are well paid because they deserve it, they are the best in a specific thing that is important for the world, in this case, technology and sports.

Another valuable reason for consider people who earn a lot of money successful is that in most of the cases at the beginning of their careers they had to deal with many problems and obstacles. For instance Bill Gates had many economical problems to start his company, because he was unable to get sponsors. Similarly Michael Jordan was rejected by many important trainers and coaches at the beginning of his career. The similar aspect in the career of these persons is that they never give up, they had to deal and stand with many problems, but due to their stronger attitude and faith in themselves, in the end they become successful persons and therefore they deserve the money that they have.

To summarize, I can show you many examples of successful persons that are earning a lot of money, because in this world the hard and good work is recognized, sometimes with congratulations but sometimes with material things too like money. These guys can show that with hard work, patience and strong attitude you can be a successful person and the world can recognize to you not just with acknowledgments but also with money to live easily too.

Essay 666 Topic 131 **Money and success**

The notion of success holds different meanings for different people and groups. And these meanings have also changed over time. Actually, many people suppose that possessing a lot of money means success. However, this view has been no longer dominated in the minds of many other people who think one individual's success cannot be measured only by money.

Material possessing has been traditionally accepted as the measurement of one person's success or even social status. For a long time, when we have been talking about someone, we might firstly mention how much money he own and think he is quite successful if he is a wealthy man. In addition to traditional concept, some other reasons for this view include owning a lot of money can be related to one's working ability and communicating ability, thus some people may simply consider money as the main measurement of one's success.

However, this view has been changed recently since many people became to recognize that money cannot bring about happiness, health and success in many cases. Nowadays, more and more people think being successful means mental satisfactory, namely doing the things they think is valuable and would be beneficial for others. The winner of the Nobel Prize for peace may think he is successful although he has no much money. A person who love animals and make biggest efforts to save the animals which would extinct may think he gain success although he may contribute all of his money to the careers.

Another kind of people considered success as making masterpieces which can be accepted by public. As a composer, the most successful things could be that his works are praised by fans and spread all over the world. Similarly, holding an exhibition in the most famous art gallery may be the most successful thing for a painter.

Overall, different people have different concepts about success, and money cannot be the only measurement for success. After all, being happing in life and being successful means you can doing the things you enjoy and you think it is valuable.

Essay 667 Topic 131 **Money and success**

Many people think that only people who earn a huge amount of money are successful. Although many successful people are actually earning a lot of money, others still very successful are less fortunate and only earn a decent living. And some popular and successful people live below poverty level.

Many famous and successful athletes have enormous amount of money. For example, Mike Tayson got more than 10 million dollars for only one fight with Lenox Lewis and movie stars earn millions of dollars for one movie. From that point of view many think that every successful person should earn a lot of money. But often it is not true. Politicians earn only a decent living for working very hard, for instance, president of the United State of America, the most powerful man in the world, gets only 400,000 dollars, less than average Washington lawyer with ten-year experience.

There is even more striking example of very successful man, who lived as a beggar. Vincent van Gogh, the famous Dutch painter, sometimes did not have anything to eat. Now his paintings cost millions and every educated person knows his name. Is he successful? Yes, of cause. He had almost every sign of being successful, the only thing he did not have was money. If we defined being successful as having a lot of money, that would exclude many famous writers, scientists, researchers and even warriors.

It is true, that most successful people nowadays earn a lot of money. For example, although politicians earn only meager money while they stay in office, after they finish their careers as public figures, most go to lobbying firms in which they have enormous

salaries. The same is true for modern writers, scientist and many other professions. But in previous centuries, it was rarely true.

In conclusion, I want to say, though many successful people have large salaries, the argument that all successful people are wealthy is not true. There are numerous examples of successful people without large sum of money, and we cannot discount them. So I think that it does not matter how much money a person earn to be successful.

Essay 668 Topic 131 **Money and success**

Many people associate success with the money they make. However, I believe success is more than how much money you make. Success is an abstract term, which takes several meanings from different people's perspectives. Some of the measures of success include happiness, fame, respect and knowledge.

Many people believe that large income is the success in their lives, which is a selfish point of view and for sure not true. What is money if you do not have a loving family to support you, make time to enjoy simple things of life? Nothing. Though it appears partially true in case of a businessperson where success is measured in terms of returns, his success in terms of happiness is a quite suspicious with his all the day working hours.

Also, not all people who are famous are rich. For example, even though famous scientists are rich according to today's standards, they are known for their discoveries but not for their money they earned. I feel myself to be successful when I am well known.

I also believe being respected is a great achievement than being wealthy. During my secondary school education, I had a Mathematics teacher who was not well enough to look after his large family. So he had to make extra money from the private tuitions he used to give at home to his students. I know him as most respectful person by his students and fellow teachers.

Lastly, the most important indicator to be successful is being knowledgeable. Any person who makes use of what is known to him to solve complex problems will definitely be a successful person

When we think of history, there are very few people who are known for their wealth. We remember people who did something with their lives - who were influential in politics, art, science or religion. If history is the ultimate judge of the success, then money is not everything.

Essay 669 Topic 131 **Money and success**

These days, people who earning more money are often be regarded as successful. Admittedly, earning lot of money can be somehow considered as a sign of achieving goal. After all, richer persons are the minority in today's society who are in possess of

remarkable abilities. But the argument that whether a person is successful or not by only to see how much money he or she earning is not of my view.

Every person have different goal. Likewise, people have their own interpretation of successful, it is common phenomenon that a great many professions and scientist who get high achievement, some even get the Nobel prize are still live a simple and plain life. Who can say that they are not successful persons. It is well known that businessman is usual earning more money than other career people. For many soldier, teacher and other society service, they contribute a lot for the society and get lots of respect. Of course, they should be regard as successful as what standard, although they receive not high salary and cannot be deem the richer people.

Judging an individual only by the amount of money they earn will lead to a trend of material pursuit. It brings negative effect for the development of society. If all people look only for money and enjoyment, they will lose the idealism and in last will lost the happy of life. Many people with lots of money live an unhappy life, because they become selfish, greed and unreasonable in pursuit for money. They lost friend, lost family, lost health and any nice thing in live. We usually call such people is one who is the poorest only with money left.

So, I think it is a tragedy for a person who only seeks much more money on his or her daily life. Also it is risk to judge people by the money they earn among consciousness in society.

Essay 670 Topic 131 **Money and success**

What is the best way to judge whether a person is successful or not? There are many answers. Some people think that only people who earn a lot of money are successful. Other people, however, argue that people who earn a great deal of money may not be successful. As far as I am concerned, I do not think money is the only way to measure success.

In the first place, how to earn money should be the judgments of success instead of the amount of money. People can get money by a variety of ways, such as being lucky in the lottery, receiving a fortune from relatives, smuggling. Of course, you cannot say these kinds of people are successful. On the contrary, we could only say they are lucky, have good relatives or are criminals. In short, People who earn money with their hands and intelligence by legal methods can be called successful persons?

In the second place, many people who do not earn lots of money are also thought to be successful in their fields. For example, DU PU, a very famous Chinese poetry in Tang Dynasty, was very poor in his lifetime. But he wrote lots of well-known poems, some of which are taught in all elementary schools in China even today. Can you say that he failed because of his poverty?

In conclusion, I believe that money is not the only way to judge the success of a person not only because that the way of earning money is more important than the amount of money, but also because that people who do perfect jobs in their field can also be measured as successful persons even if they do not earn a great deal of money.

Essay 671 Topic 131 **Money and success**

Nowadays, money seems even more important in our life. Someone says that only people who earn money are successful. I do not agree with this opinion. Because a lot of people do not earn money in a right way. I think a person who is needed by the society is successful and a person who has a warm family and happy life is a successful person.

There are lots of rich people in the society now. Some of them earn money in a good and right way, but some of them earn money by committing crimes. They earn a lot of black money. Others may think that they are very rich and successful, but in fact they are bad people. If the policemen notice the things they have done they will get into the prison soon. The more black money they have earned, the more years they have to stay in the prison - that is not successful.

I think if a person is needed by the society, that person is successful. He lets others need him. He makes the society need him - that is successful. If a person cannot earn a lot of money, but he can do things for the society, he is also a successful person.

The basic of a person is the family. Family is the most important thing in a person's lives. So to have a warm family is very important. I think a person who is able to have a good and warm family is a successful person. Happiness is very important in our life too. If a person has a lot of money but he is not happy - that is nothing. So, I think a person who can have a happy life is successful.

A successful person is not a person who only earns money, because some people earn money by committing crimes, and I think a successful man is a person needed by the society and has a warm family and a happy life.

Essay 672 Topic 131 **Is money a Success?**

Money is one of the basic need of mankind. It is the power to purchase anything, how expensive the goods are. From the time when the exchange of goods have taken shape in the form of money and currencies, human race has spent its' whole life achieving more money. But when we consider the statement that only people who earn a lot of money are successful, I do not agree with the statement. When people earn more money, some changes in their behavior appears like arrogance, greedy, jealousy, etc which may create a bundle of problems and obstacles to gain success. Secondly, to earn a lot of money cannot be termed as a success of one's life, since money is only a means to achieve success just like love, compassion, feelings, dignity are the means to achieve success. People who earn a lot of money are successful is a wrong notion to me. It is accepted

everywhere, in all parts of the world that rich peoples if not all, many of them feels pride of themselves. They would like to communicate with only those who are of equal status. They often look down upon other peoples' who are not rich or they do not earn a lot of money. For example, when rich people show lack of compassion toward poor people, they often get cursed from poor people which could possibly create obstacles in the process of success. If a rich person has a factory and he do not care for his employers then the people under his work may also reciprocate in the same way not working devotedly for him. Moreover, when people who earn a lot of money at some level, they also need love from other peoples', from his family members, etc but when he only devotes his life in earning for a living he might loose all these beauty of life. Money cannot be termed a success in a complete manner. One also has to have feelings toward others in order to achieve a required goal. The natural beauty of life is to co-operate with people in doing justice with them. For example, when a rich person owns a business, and he take care of each and every worker under his business, his employers will also love him and will devote their life in working hard and sincerely toward their boss. And this will help in the promotion of his business and he will be more successful in life than he ever imagined. Additional to this, whenever he is in need of help, his employers and workers will help him out of his difficulties. And this achievement cannot be gained by earning a lot of money. In conclusion, to earn a lot of money is a way to success cannot be relied upon. One has to understand that money is only a mean to achieve success along with other qualities that he possesses. Of course, money is the basic need of his life but if he only uses his money to achieve success, he may see a dull future ahead his life and may not recover it in an instance. Therefore, I disagree with the statement that only people who earn a lot of money are successful.

Essay 673 Topic 132 **What new product would you develop?**

With the high development of science and technology, almost in every few days there is a new invention coming out. We can call an invention significant if it can do much good to most people in the world. So, if I could invent something new, I would like to create a kind of thing that is related to the eating problem and try to make each dinner convenient. That invention should be a cooking machine.

The cooking machine is used at home. If you want to cook a sort of meal, you just put the crude materials such as vegetable, meat into one of its input ports and oil or other spice sources into other input ports. Then choose the recipe from its control panel and press a button to start. After certain time, you can get you food at the output. The whole process does not need you to interfere. You can use the recipe stored in the machine or you can make your own special recipe added into it. There is a time-setting function with which you decide when to start the cooking. Furthermore the computer can analyze your meal to tell you whether you have got optimal nourishment.

Why do I want to invent such thing? For one thing, the machine can be used for saving the time which people spend on cooking. Eating is an indispensable event which happens in our daily lives. Usually, we spend lots of time in cooking if we want to eat well. It is

not worth it because we have other significant thing to do like keeping fit, reading.

For another, we need a nutritionist on line to tell us how to eat to be healthy. Nutrition is a science in that nutritionists study how to keep nutrient balance. If you eat too much, too little or eat something too much, too little, you can all make you sick. We need a specialist to give us instructions on our diets.

In conclusion, what I want to invent is a cooking machine not only because it can emancipate us from the time consuming cooking but also because we can get scientific nutrient instructions in our daily lives.

Essay 674 Topic 132 **What new product would you develop?**

Were I able to invent something, I would like to develop a new vehicle, quantum Transmitter? As has been heavily described in a number of science fictions, this revolutionary invention can transport anything to anywhere in no time, and will incredibly change not only people's daily lives, but also the whole industry.

Bicycles, automobiles, trains, airplanes, shuttles, all these advanced vehicles contribute to the development of the human society in various aspects. However, each one of them suffers from some shortcomings: bicycles are too slow; automobiles have limited capacity; trains are inconvenient, etc. Could there be one vehicle which can be expected to replace all above? Surely yes! Quantum Transmitter is the best candidate.

Due to the development in Quantum Mechanics, a promising branch of modern physics, it is well known that any object is made up of tiny quantum such as neutrons and protons. Furthermore, the object can be exactly copied, provided that all information about the huge amount of quantum is accurately described. Therefore, the object can be virtually transported. By virtually? I mean it is the information about the object, but not the object itself is going to be transported. The information is then transported, at a speed of 300 thousands kilometers per second, to anywhere, and is eventually reverted to the original object.

The most advantage of this vehicle is the rapidness. What actually is transported is just information, which can travel in form of electromagnetic waves. A vivid comparison is that, imagine taking a phone call, when the call is connected, the talker himself can be transported to the destination of the call. How fantastic this would be! In other words, one can takes his courses here in U. S. and lives in China. He can benefit from both better education and more comfortable life.

Another advantage is the convenience. Differing from any traditional vehicle, via the transmitter, our destination can be anywhere. Thus it is practical to put exports in houses, schools, offices, and so on. So one need not worry about which flight he/she should take, nor need he/she be hurry to catch the flight. Travel will also be less boring because the long trip disappears. All one need is be at there and enjoy the beautiful sight.

Also worthy noting is the formidable capacity of these new vehicle. The information to be transported need little physical room, thus one can transport as much information as he likes at the same time. Thus our new vehicle will be the best replacement of shuttles, for it can transport great amount of things to outer-space.

Admittedly, one possible shortcoming of our Quantum Transmitter is the high expenses. This would be the case in its first few years. But, as all its ancestors, expense is not a long-term problem.

Essay 675 Topic 132 **What new product would you develop?**

There are many inventions and product that could alleviate and improve life on the Earth. But if I could invent something new, I would definitely invent a flying machine. The flying machine would bring enormous amount of money to an inventor, change economical patterns and improve life of all the people.

The flying machine would be an instant commercial success. As soon as it appeared in show-rooms around the world every person would dream about it. I would initially sell a few machines to billionaires for exorbitant amount of money, then to armies from wealthy nations. In several years time, the flying machine would be affordable even to middle-class families.

Also the flying machine would bring about complex changes in economy. New industries would be born, some industries would gradually die out. For example car industry would not be able to compete with my flying machines and stock prices of major car producers would fall steeply and I would manage to buy those car companies for cheap. Those companies have very talented engineers and researches. By utilizing their skills I would improve my flying machine even more.

Tourism industry would also change dramatically. Every person, even from poor background, would be able to travel to distant resorts. Revenue from tourism would increase drastically in remote places, for example on remote islands in Pacific or in South America. For example now it cost at least USD1200 to get from Moscow to Brasilia but with my flying machine the price would fall to USD 50 or even less.

Last, but not least is that the flying machine would improve life of people around the world. People in distant locations would be able to travel easily to cities to buy equipment and food. It would be possible to inhabit in places without water - you can always bring water and food on a flying machine. Flying machine would drastically decrease number of deaths in remote villages, for example, in Russia sometimes it takes several days to get to the nearest hospital.

In conclusion I want to say, that I chose the flying machine due to commercial perspectives, changes it would bring and just interest in flying. The society with flying

machine would be so different from society we live now. And with the flying machine we could even reach stars!

Essay 676 Topic 132 **What new product would you develop?**

As we know that necessity is the mother of invention. In other words, people will certainly invent anything that they need very much in the real life if they have the ability. Therefore, I would invent a baby-sitter robot. which will take care of my baby and make the baby stay away from danger.

In the first place, as a father of a three-year-old baby, I would make every effort to invent a baby-sitter robot taking care of my baby when I go to work. In fact, not only do I go to work everyday, but my wife goes to work as well. As a result there will be a dilemma in front of parents when they have a child who should stay home and look after the baby, who should continue to work, mother or father? In my opinion, with the baby-sitter robot, they do not need to make a choice. Parents will no longer give up their works because of their children.

In the second place, the baby-sitter robot can make my baby stay away from danger. In my opinion, neither mothers nor fathers can concentrate on one thing 24 hours away. Babies are so unpredictable that you never know what s/he will do in the next minute. For instance, the baby may swallow a coin or fall over the ground from the bed when you just do not look at him/her for a second. However, the robot does not have such a problem because she never gets tired. She can keep an eye on the baby all the time. Any potential dangerous action will be prevented. Also, when the baby is sleeping, the robot can still watch the baby if you want. In addition, a baby-sitter robot can entertain the baby. Songs and stories can be inputted in the robot's memory and replayed whenever the baby needs. It is so easy to change them that the baby will never be bored on one song or story.

For it to be invented, there is still a long way to get it done. But with a high development of science and technology, almost in every few days there is a new invention coming out. In the future, the baby-sitter robot will be invented. and it will bring people more convenience with looking after babies and making them away from danger. In short, it could emancipate parents from the time consuming watching their babies.

Essay 677 Topic 132 **What new product would you develop?**

If I could invent something new, I would develop a human digital ID chip, which can be implanted into one's body. The ID chip should record all the information about a person. It must also have numerous microsensors, which can function as communication medium between inside and outside of a human body. I am sure this invention can bring invaluable benefits to people and the whole society.

First of all, the potential medical application of this chip is enormous. For example, the numerous microsensors by monitoring blood clots and blood pressure, sending data

outside of the body can provide patients or doctors with a rapid, secure and non-invasive method for obtaining medically critical information, which can be used to warn of a potential medical crisis. It also could retrieve full medical archival for emergency medical care.

Secondly, the ID chip can be used as an identification device. It can improve security and reduce criminality. For example, every year the number of missing children reported is terrible high. If we implant an ID chip into the body of a child, we can easily find him or her, wherever he or she goes. With this device, a criminal can be easily caught, no matter how he or she has changed appearance. Thus, the ID chip can be a strong deterrent to prevent crime.

Finally, the ID chip can also help people better control themselves and handle every day's life. Through microsensors it can alert people at any moment if they are doing something when their bodies' conditions are not adequate. For example, it can automatically detect the alcohol content in one's body, and prevent an overdrunken person from driving.

In sum, if I could invent something new, the human digital ID chip will be my first choice. With the burgeoning development of information technology, my invention will have a great perspective.

Essay 678 Topic 132 **What new product would you develop?**

Have you ever thought how hard would it be if you haven't had things such as television, telephone or computer around your self? For sure, it would have been so hard. There are many inventions that have made our lives so much easier for us. Therefore, if I could invent something, I would develop a time machine for three reasons.

First of all, I can go to the past and prevent some tragedies from happening; for instance, I can visit Hitler and prevent the disaster of World War two from happening. Furthermore, I can see the chaotic moments of The Great Depression all around the world and try to realize how people were suffering from problems such as inflation, lack of food, etc. I can also do some researches on these disasters so as to make them seem more understandable to me and other people.

Next, I have been interested to see people in the past and learn their cultures; for instance, I can learn how they ate food without having forks or knives. Besides, I can realize the ways they entertained themselves without having television, electricity or computer. In addition, I can learn how they protected themselves from the hazards in their environments such as dangerous animals, floods, etc.

Finally, as the most interesting part, I can go to the future and see how people will live with having the highest technology. I can see the new inventions and the ways they work; moreover, I can buy some of them, which seems interesting to me, and bring them to the

moment where I live right now and try to show them to people in order to amuse them. Furthermore, I can tell people that this is my new invention, so my name will go in the history of inventors which is interesting for me.

In conclusion, I am an optimist that we humans can invent things that can shock us, so we shouldn't be surprised, I think, when we see that humans have managed to invent something like Time Machine or other things more interesting than that.

Essay 679 Topic 132 **Inventions**

Invention has been made very easy due to the development of technology and science. In today's rapidly changing world, something new is invented now and then. If I were to invent something new I would like to develop a product which could consume all kinds of pollution which is present in our surroundings and in air. I would also give it a name as "Pollution Controller". It could help in saving so many people's life who are affected by the polluted air which causes them breathing problems, tension free of the use of vehicles such as cars, automobiles, trucks, etc, and it could also help create as much factories in the cities such as chemical factories, oil refineries, etc. If I invent a product named as "Pollution Controller", it could give a lot of benefits to the people of the society. Many people have been affected by the pollution contained in the air that has caused them breathing problems, these pollution also causes the life span of an individual to be short. Moreover, old people and young children are the foremost victims to pollution. If I create such a product which will help prevent the environment from being polluted and thus I can make a big change in the life of the people which is a great success for me. Vehicles has also played a major part in polluting the air to such an extent that the gasoline and fuel of the car has created many diseases in the bodies of the people. Once the fuel is filled in the air, then where ever the wind blows it takes the smoke and filthy things to other areas of the country thus making the whole society polluted. If I were to produce such an item which could consume all kind of pollution in it then I could save lot of lives of the people. Secondly, I could also give boost in the production of more vehicles, automobiles, etc which will not be considered a major threat to life. And thus, people's life will also be comfortable using advanced cars and motorbikes which is another achievement for me. Factories, industries, etc is the cornerstone for any developing country. And the large portion of the air pollution is the cause of the smoke which is exhausted from the factories. If I were to invent this product which could completely prevent the air from being polluted then I will help such industrialists to build their industries in cities anywhere, factories will also be increased, oil refinery could also take their place in cities which is often built in far off areas where people not inhabit. Therefore, I could help make strong the economy of the country as well as the technology will also be increasingly developed. In conclusion, if "Pollution Controller" is not invented then it could take many lives of the people, could also reduce their life span, could make them disabled physically, factories and industries will not prevail in the cities thus causing them to create in far off areas which will cost them for the transportation,

and also cars, motorbikes and other vehicles could also create problem for the people in the society. That is the main concept for my production of such a product which could not only help people live comfortably but also the whole society.

Essay 680 Topic 132 **a new intention**

Which kind of things do you want to invent most? Everyone has his own view, it is due to their varied thoughts to this questions. After careful consideration, I decide that if I could invent something new, I would develop a new sort of drugs which could strengthen people's memory. There are two main reasons for me to state my thought as follows. First of all, as we all know, many mistakes and accidents are caused by being short of memory, so if a new drug can help people remember what is necessary and important to one's work and life, I believe, a lot of tragedies and wastes will be avoided. For example, I have heard about a surgical accident caused by a careless doctor who did not find that he had left his surgical knife in a patient's abdomen until the surgery had been finished. It is not difficult to predict the result: this forgetful doctor had to reopen the pitiable patient's belly and take out that lost knife. So we can see that if people could be more careful and have a good memory, such incidents would not happen again. In addition, I have another important reason to mention that all students as well as most other people will benefit from this invention. Since the industrial revolution broke out in 1800's, our society has developed more and more speedily. In order to keep up the pace of our changing world, everyone needs to grasp abundant knowledge not only in his own special field but also in other basic science fields such as computer science. Today more and more people realize that a good memory is very essential for us to learn more and better, and therefore the need of enhancing people's memory arises. To sum up, I really expect a new drug to improve our memorial ability, which will increase the learning efficiency of most of people and at the same time reduce many accidents caused by poor memory. While, I cannot deny there are also some defects of this invention because sometimes people would like to delete some unpleasant memories in their brains, and the drugs may lead to an opposite result. But I believe the advantages of this new drugs will always outweigh the disadvantages, and such a invention will definitely be turned into reality by medical scientists sooner or later.

Essay 681 Topic 133 **Are childhood years most important in one`s life?**

Every person possesses his own childhood, which leaves the deepest impression in his mind, either happy or sad. Therefore, I think a person`s childhood years are the most important years of a person`s life.

Firstly, a person`s character is mainly developed in his childhood. Living in a harmonious family and encouraged to show what he wants, this kind of person is prone to an open-minded adult while those who are strictly restrained often keep silent when they grow up. It is a common saying in China that a person`s character in his adulthood can be seen even when he is three or five years old. Deng Yaping, the famous table tennis player, once showed her thanks to her parents and said, "It is the happy childhood given by my

parents which makes me confident. ?

Secondly, a person's potential IQ comes into being when he is very young. It is reported that those who are enlightened in childhood are much more clever. Maybe that is the reason why so many will-be mothers give music to their babies yet to be born.

What is more, whether a person is healthy or not also has an important relation to his childhood. Therefore, quite a number of diseases should be treated as early as possible. Meanwhile, during the process of growing up, a large amount of nourishes should be given to the children to make them keep fit.

Like the foundation of a building, childhood is the first stage in one's life and thus is of great importance and needs to be appreciated carefully.

Essay 682 Topic 133 **Are childhood years most important in one's life?**

Nothing is absolute, but I would like to stand up for the statement that a person's childhood years (the time from birth to twelve years of age) are the most important years of a person's life. For sure, I cannot just hold up an opinion without giving any reasons. I will state some of them as the following:

First, a person's main personalities are determined during his or her childhood. There is an old Chinese saying that says, "man's life can be predicted by an observation on his first three years of life." What is more, a person's personalities primarily drive the person's life. A person is nothing more than a life, and by life I mean anything related to the person. As I said, life is driven by personalities, and personalities are given during the childhood period. If you consider your life is the most important to you, then, there is no question about why the statement is supportable.

Next, a person's behavior is a reflection of his or her childhood habits. Many thieves state that, during confession, they have been stealing things since they were kids, and have been keeping doing it as a habit. From that, you may see how childhood can be most important to a person.

Last but not the least, the childhood of a person can be very affective to the person's after years. Many people have bad experiences during their childhoods, and they cannot get rid of them even throughout lifetime.

Some people may contradict my avocation. However, as far as I am concerned, the most important period of a person's life is his or her childhood.

Essay 683 Topic 133 **golden age**

Some people believe that a person's childhood years are the most important years of a person's life, but other people disagree. If I were faced with this issue, I would like to agree with the statement. In the following discussion, I would like to reason and provide evidence to support my viewpoint. The first and foremost reason that I have chosen to put forward is that the phase in which the most rapid development in a human life takes place is from birth to seven years of age. To illustrate this point, there is an example more persuasive: before we begin to our formal education, it is at an early age that we learn the most basic linguistic skills of listening and speaking. Furthermore, although every child develops at his own pace, all children progress through the same sequence of development in their later life. In the second place, another chief reason for my view is that there is another thing that happens to us at early stage that affects us at the rest of life, and this is the development of our moral sense. For instance, someone teaches us about right and wrong, but later in our early stage we begin to decide for ourselves. It is also during this time that we begin to develop the self-discipline to live according to our morals. Finally, the period of childhood is a very vital stage for the child to grow up, because of this special stage, the main organs of the body and their functions bring to develop and become mature gradually and also their sound foundation change from teenage stage to the later adult stage. To sum up, given the reasons discussed above, I agree the statement that a person's childhood is the most important, because the most rapid development in a human life takes place in these years. Moreover, it affects us at the rest of life and the development of our moral sense. Finally, the period of childhood years is a vital stage for child to grow up.

Essay 684 Topic 133 **Development of Children**

Children are a blessing from God to parents. It is a universal fact which no will deny. From the beginning, parents give their utmost care to their children at the time of birth and when they starts to grow. In the initial stages of a child, one starts to feel the surroundings around him and tries to imitate what he observes about the environment around him. Thus, I agree that a person's childhood years are the most important one for a person's life. In his childhood, he tries to adopt some habits that he sees about his parents and relatives. Secondly, as a child comes to a certain age where he becomes a teenager, he starts feeling some physical and mental changes in him. Early years of person's life always remain as a "memorable" to anyone. In this stage, a child starts to imitate his parents in actions and other activities. He adopts the same method of life which he gains from his parents or relatives, etc. For example, in this stage of life, when a child sees his parents using profanity, obscene languages, bad temper, often disruptive to others, etc. This character influences on child's behavior and he also does the same with others or even with one's parents though he does not know what kind of actions is he committing. On the other hand, if parents respect others, being affectionate, gentle and kind words used at home, of good morale and character. This will certainly bring good attitudes in a child and he will reciprocate in a same manner. Moreover, a good or a bad trait of a child becomes a part of his life in future because he becomes habitual to it. With the growth of age, many changes takes place in children's attitude. They start to observe and consider the things more carefully and punctually. Additionally, physical changes also takes place

in their bodies. From childhood to a teenage life, they experience many physical changes in their bodies, wet dreams for example. Especially, with the sudden change in today's world, many children experience these feelings at the age of seven. Children try to perceive as to why such changes are they facing. Moreover, they also like to make their own decisions as they become a teenager. This kind of feeling takes place when they pass the childhood years and enter the age of physical and mental changes. For example, at the age of twelve, when he starts facing difficulties, he often asks help from his parents, friends, etc. But, usually, he tries to make his own decision independently but subjected to parent's force on his decisions or other reasons. In conclusion, a person's childhood years are the most important years of his life because he adopts the attitude which he observes, he experiences physical changes in him. And also he adopts such a habit which either remains with him partially or for his whole life. Therefore, I do agree that a person's childhood are the most important years.

Essay 685 Topic 133 **childhood years are important**

Which stage of one's life is most important? Some say it is childhood, some think it is adolescence time, and others view it is one's middle age. It is difficult to determine which view is correct because of the different angles of thought of one's life. While, when it comes to me, I claim that the most important years of a person's life are his childhood years (the time from birth to twelve years of age). The most significant reason for me to support my opinion is that a person's main characteristics and personalities are formed during his childhood years. As one is born, he is cared by his parents and other family members, who firstly influence his characters and behaviors, and from them he masters the basic living techniques and the original morals. When he grow up enough to go to school, he contacts with other children and adults, most of whom are different from his families, then he gradually forms his own inclinations and characters. As we all know, those who grow up in good families and whose friends are decent and honest, tend to process many pleasant characters and vice versa. So, we can see the important effects of childhood years in one's whole life clearly. In addition, it may also be noted that childhood years are the happiest and most worriless times in a person's life. Children are always optimistic to his future, for they have not much experience of failures and difficulties. And they also need not worry about their survival because their parents try their best to make a good living condition to them. After childhood years, a person becomes an adult and all sorts of troubles will come to him, so most of people take the childhood as their golden time. In a word, for all I have mentioned above, I can claim again that a person's childhood years are the most important years of his life. So, let our children enjoy their happy and worriless childhood and not put too much study load to them.

Essay 686 Topic 134 **Should children be required with household tasks?**

There are two different attitudes towards whether children should help their parents with some household tasks. Some people think children should spend most of their time studying and therefore they should not be required to help with housework. I do not agree

with them. I think children should do some household chores as soon as they are able to do so. Through doing these tasks, they will learn their duty, prepare them for the future and lessen their parents' burden.

To begin with, children should learn to be duty-conscious. In a family every member has his or her duty. Children are no exceptions though they are young. By doing some housework, they will learn it's every one's business to maintain a family. And what really matters is that they will understand you must fulfill your responsibility when you own your rights. It's very important for their future. When they grow up, they will become qualified citizens who know their responsibilities in the society. Without duty consciousness, they would become lazy boys and girls in their family and society's parasites in the future.

My second point is that when today's sons and daughters grow up to adults, they will become parents themselves. After all, they have to balance their works and household tasks. However if they have learnt how to wash the dishes, how to clean rooms and how to make the beds when they are young, things will be easier. In this sense, they are preparing for their own future by doing some household chores.

On the other hand, parents will appreciate the work done by their children and be very happy. After a busy day, anyone will feel tired and sometimes depressed. Their beloved son cleaning the rooms will give them a better mood and distract them from their troubled work. If they have to do all the housework after eight hours of heavy work, they would probably regard family as another burden.

In a word, both the children and the parents will benefit a lot. However, whether children do so depends mainly on the parents. Children will be children. They need the guide and instructions. Parents should teach their children to do things independently instead of doing for them as if they were pets.

Essay 687 Topic 134 **Children's Upbringing**

In ancient times, children were usually put to work at a very early age which was an unbearable task for a child but, they understood the responsibility of the work. At that time, the working task was more physical, farming for example. In today's stage of life, children should be required to help with household tasks as soon as they are able to do so because they will value the responsibilities laid on them, will learn how to work with the family members, he may not depend on others for his household tasks. As the children reach a certain age, parents feel that he must now be given some tasks so that he could understand the responsibility how to work effectively. As a child grows he is able to do all the works by himself and that shows the responsibility he can take. For example, to clean his room, keep all his books and stuff in school bag, go out to stationery for his school needs like pencils, pen, books, etc, sending him to a grocery or a store for household needs. When a child is required to do these household works and others he starts to value the responsibilities he has been provided with. And later on, this becomes

the part of his future life. Another advantage of giving children the household tasks is that they learn how to support their family and to help them in their work. Along with studies, they will realize the importance of household works. For example, when children study, usually their books are spread all over the room or pieces or bits of paper which they tore may make the room dirty, they realize that this is also their duty to clean it up after studying. And going to stores for buying vegetables, fruits, etc to help her mother in the kitchen, buying files, handbooks for his father's business. These works make him learn how to help his family members when they are in need of it. When children are required to do household work they soon become the habit of the children. Thus, they do not need any more help from his family members in order to fulfill his task. Therefore, this skill brings another advantage to a child's upbringing where he does not depend on anyone and does all his work by himself. In conclusion, children should be required to help with household tasks as soon as they are ready for it because they learn to value the responsibilities of the household work, they work like a team with their family members, they do not depend on anyone for their own needs. Thus, not only laying responsibilities on them, but also parents help their children to work the same way in their future life which will help them a lot in their future career.

Essay 688 Topic 135 **Should high school students wear uniforms?**

The topic of people's opinion of what high students wear to school has different angles due to its complexity. Some high schools seem to require all students to wear school uniforms while others tend to permit students to decide what to wear to school. I have also come to my own conclusion. Personally, I suggest students should decide what to wear to school for the following three reasons.

The first reason is Independence. When high schools permit students to decide what to wear to school rather than require all of them to wear school uniform, it helps students make a decision about wearing by themselves. They have to spend a little time to take their own opinions into consideration, and this really helps them be more independent.

The second reason is when students decide what they want to wear to school, they can develop their own sense of beauty. If students decide their everyday wearing to school, they can learn how to wear and know their preference about wearing gradually. Take myself to example. I have developed my own of beauty since I was a high school student because my school encouraged students wear what they like to school. From my experiences, I think some colors, such as red and green, are not suitable to match each other because of the discordance. Some kinds of shirts and pants cannot be worn together due to their different styles. These thoughts all contributed to my learning from high school that I could decide what to wear to school every day.

The most important reason in support of my statement is that wearing what that want can help students feel comfortable. Wearing what I like to school can help me feel happy, and it also helps me study efficiently. Sometimes because uniforms are cheaper, they are often made from poor cloth which makes students feel uncomfortable. They are not warm

enough in cold days, so they always render students to catch cold in winter. These experiences have influenced my point of view.

Of course, that is not to say that my opinion is unassailable. Nevertheless, from the reasons I have mentioned above, I feel confident my opinion which students decide what to wear to school is better is built on a valid foundation.

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Although some schools require all students to wear school uniforms but some other schools permit students to decide what to wear in school. Both these have advantage and disadvantage. In my opinion, schools should require all students to wear school uniforms.

First, School Uniforms are the best way to recognize the students of particular school. Thus, students cannot escape from the school in normal school hours. In my country, I have seen several high school students just roaming in the city or heading towards movie house even in school time when they were allowed to wear their own choice. So, this may increase the number of absentees in school.

Second, School uniform brings uniformity among all students. So, no one student may feel inferior with other. Without school uniform, some students whose parent can afford may wear expensive dresses compared to that of poor students. This may develop an inferior complexity to the later ones.

Third, As the students are required to wear particular school uniform the rate of violence in the school will decrease. In my country, it is found that those schools in which students are free to choose their uniform, girls mostly wear mini-skirts that brings schoolboys attention towards them. Then after schoolboys keep on following, bullying and insulting girls that leads to the increased school violence.

In conclusion, school uniforms bring the uniformity among students, decrease the school violence and increase the attendance of students in the school.

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Certainly High school is an important life stage for every student. Different high schools have different policies. Some persons may think the students should wear what they want in school. However, in my opinion, all high school students are better to wear school uniforms in school.

First of all, wearing uniform make the students feel that they belong to the same groups and should behavior like a student. Scientific study proved that dressing would affect one's behavior. Whenever a student wears a uniform, he would obviously pay more attention to his behavior and act in a proper manner.

Secondly, it is easy and convenient for the school management to organize the school events, especially the collective events. The students tend to obey the rules, and they may consider more team efforts. The most important thing for the students in school is studying. If students wear various clothes, they may waste a lot of time to compare with each other and this may affect their critical objectives in school, which is studying. In addition, the poor students may feel uncomfortable and lost their confidence only because they cannot afford the expensive clothes, though their academic performance may be outstanding.

Though a lot of persons may wish the students should be allowed to wear colorful clothes in school, but uniform policy definitely has its own advantages. I prefer the uniform policy to the anything policy.

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Doubtlessly, uniforms can stop students from competing their clothes. It is natural that people pay attention to their appearance, but for students, who should mainly concentrate on their school courses, paying too much attention to what they wear may be harmful. What's more, a student from a poor family may feel uneasy while standing with his wealthy, and dressed-up classmates. Instead, the same uniforms make every student feel equal despite their different family financial background.

Teachers are in favor of wearing uniforms because it makes the school administration much easier. People will know who you are by what you wear, and when you do bad things and go to forbidden places, for example Internet bar, the uniform you wear will reveal your identity and tell every one who see that you are doing what you should not do. Under this kind of pressure, students are more likely to abide by the rules when the teachers are absent.

Wearing uniforms saves time. Students who do not wear uniforms may have a difficult decision to make while they are standing in front of a big pile of clothes. Choosing what to wear may be fun sometimes, but in most conditions, it is an unavoidable big trouble. By wearing uniforms students will not have this kind of problems any more. They will not worry if they are properly dressed, for every one wears the same clothes.

In a word, uniforms make students concentrate on their studying, behave themselves and make friends freely in school. It is absolutely right to require all students to wear uniforms to school.

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Essay 694 Topic 136 **Is winning the most important aspect of playing a game?**

Game playing is an important part of our live no matter if we play games for fun or on some purpose. They teach us to the both sides of life ' how to win and how to lose. Furthermore, playing games is of great importance because it could teach us not only how to save our opponents' dignity when we win but also how to save ours when we lose.

Rules of the games are the same as the rules of life. To be able to win it needs at first to learn how to lose. Winning in a game is as in the real life ' it needs a hard work and a great deal of patience as well. To be a winner is one of the crucial qualities for the people

nowadays because winners take it all. However, no one could always win. When I play a game I could have fun not only when I win, although I find the real pleasure of playing a game only when I win. On one hand I enjoy, of course, talking with my friends who are my opponents at that moment, joking with them or with my partner in the game. Therefore, playing games entertains me in all. But on the other hand it is essentially for me to win in order to have real fun.

I admit that I experience the real pleasure and satisfaction of playing a game only when I win. Some people would say that I am an egocentric person. But who would blame me that I do not accept to lose and that my only aim is to win.

Maybe that is my way of playing the game called 'life?' to do my best and always try to be a winner.

Essay 695 Topic 136 **Is winning the most important aspect of playing a game?**

Everyone has the experience of playing games with others. Why we play games? One obvious reason is that we want to relax, to enjoy our life, to have fun. Anyway, some games, including tennis or badminton, will produce the winner and the loser. In my opinion, I disagree that only the winner has got fun.

The first and far most reason is that the purpose of playing games is to escape from your boring data, or office to smell flowers. Wining or losing has nothing to do with your fun, because it is not your job, it is just a game. For example, we students have to spend ten to fifteen hours in lab or in reading textbook, when we have a chance to play football with our friends, who will really emphasis on the results. Everyone has got fun.

Another reason why I contradict the title statement is that we can learn something useful by playing games. We may take long running as an example. As we know, the last part of long running is hard to stand. Even though you lost the game, you also learn that persistence can lead to victory, which will do well to your career.

Finally, some games such as football help shape your body in spite of loss. So, why not depress?

Taking into account all of these factors, we may safely arrive at the conclusion that both wining and losing in play games give us fun.

Essay 696 Topic 136 **Is winning the most important aspect of playing a game?**

Though it is true that in many cases the goal of playing a game is to win over the others, I disagree with the statement because the process of game has other aspects you can enjoy even when you do not win the game.

First, playing a game with other people is an entertainment in which you can enjoy

communication with other players. During the game, you observe reactions of other players in different situations, which you might not observe in them in ordinary situation of life. While playing a game, people play tricks and jokes, that makes a game more entertaining and compete using techniques which are just for play and do not affect serious aspect of one's life.

Secondary, sometimes you can learn something by playing a game with other people. For example, by comparing your way of playing with those of other people, you may note that some are more analytical and strategic, or quicker in make decisions than how you play, which may lead you to analyze reflectively how you are in your daily life. I personally enjoy this kind of learning because in this way a game is a short simulation of real situations of life.

In conclusion, as I described above, a game has attractions to be appreciated as fun even when one does not win.

Essay 697 Topic 136 **Is winning the most important aspect of playing a game?**

Is the game fun only when you win it? Some people agree with the statement that playing a game is fun only when you win, and others disagree. I disagree with this statement, because you have fun not only because you win but we can also make more friends and relax yourself. Moreover, it is fun to learn that you cannot always win.

First of all, when playing a game, you have more chances to know more people and to make friends. For example, when going to play basketball, you can team up with other people who you did not know before. Therefore, you can make more friends. Moreover, you can learn a person better through playing games, in which people are usually more natural. For instance, a person might be gentle at work but rude while playing games, so via which you can learn a person more.

In addition, you can relax yourself when playing a game. For instance, sometimes having much pressure from work, I play cards with my friends to reduce my pressure. When playing cards, you pay your attention on the game; thus, you forget the pressure and revive yourself. Furthermore, we will laugh loud while having fun in the games, through which we release our stress. For example, in a joyful environment, when playing games, we might do some silly stuffs that make people laugh, and we have a good time, too.

Finally, losing is part of a game, too. Never can you always win when playing games. For example, When losing a game, you try harder to figure out ways to win next time, looking for them is enjoyable too. Besides that, we learn to discipline ourselves because everyone has to obey the rules in the games. For instance, playing basketball is fun only when everyone follows the rules; otherwise, you will get hurt or something even worse, which is definitely not the purpose that you play games.

In summary, the statement that playing a game is fun only when you win is not true. We

can make friends even though we lost the game. Moreover, we can relax ourselves when playing a game, no matter you win or lost it. Finally, it is fun to learn that you cannot always win, so you have fun to win the game while you lost it last time.

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Game is a good friend of human beings. From a child to an adult, all can have fun through playing games. Most of the games maybe inevitably involved in the winning or losing, but the fun, I think, is within the process of playing. After all, not everybody can win. So I do not agree the title statement that playing a game is fun only when you win.

First, the great point of the game is that it can provide you a way to make friends-most of them maybe your best lifetime friends. I find that people make friends mostly when have many interests in common, especially they like to play some games together, such as basketball, baseball, cycling, chess, so on. Spending a lot of time being together makes them feel intimacy for each other. Take me for an example, by now the best friend of mine almost were my high school classmates. I have a vivid memory of that time. We usually played chess or table tennis after class; in some vacation, we might ride bike to visit some interesting spots. We enjoyed the games not only for fun, but also for the time when we can be together.

Second, playing games do relate to win or lose, but its true meaning far more beyond that. Win does not simply mean that you are the winner and you defeat others, since no one can win all the time. What is important is that you should learn how to face the failure bravely. If a person is eager to win and cannot accept the result of failure, he will sooner or later be a person that is not popular among friends and even worse he may lose more in his future life. In some sense, it is true playing games can teach us about life.

Third, playing games enable us healthy not only in intelligence. but also in physical fitness. If a person is enthusiastic about playing various games, even though he is getting older, he may feel energetic.

I appreciate that attempting to win is a reasonable attitude. You can be more confident when you win the game. But I want to emphasize the deep meaning that games provide to us. Do not take too much care about the results, just to enjoy the process, then I guess you can gain a lot.

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We do usually play games with our friends. We usually feel happy while we win the games, and those who lose the games may be depressed. But I think it all depends on yourself to think the game is fun or not. Some people are always enjoying the game no matter he is winning or not. And some people may feel those are not their days.

People who can enjoy the moment do not care the occlusion of the game very much.

They enjoy the time while being with his friends and family and the process of the game. They keep the wonderful time in their memories. They win the game and are the winner. They lose the game and find something new in the game and in their lives.

People who always take the game serious may think himself bad luck. He would be unhappy after the lose it. And what was worse, this kind of people is losing themselves. They will not be happy because they are always finding hard for themselves.

For me, life is a box of chocolate. Life is mysterious. It is hard to face what I have lost, but life will be darker if I get all the pressures to make myself be on the top all the time. Another word, the better way is to enjoy what I have done.

It is more important to win myself, and not only to win the game. The game is only a kind of entertainment. No matter we win it or not, I think the purpose is only to relax ourselves from the busy business.

In my opinion, there are a lot of fun even you lose the game. Whether you think it fun or not all depends on how you think the game.

Essay 700 Topic 136 **Is winning the most important aspect of playing a game?**

Recently, many people argue as if it is a general truth that playing a game is fun only when you win. In various games and matches, the main aim of gamers of both sides seems to win. And wining is not only for the gamer themselves, but also for the honor of their team, and even for that of their nation. But to be frank, I cannot agree with them. In my point of view, the real meaning of game is to gain fun from the procedure of the playing, but not get the result of win or loss. There are numerous reasons why I hold no confidence on them, and I would explore only a few primary ones here.

The main problem with this argument is that it is ignorant of the basic fact that playing a game for win will not only make gamer lose the fun, but also result in many things breaking the rule. In this society, everyone want to be winner, for they will not only win the honor, but also win money, house, and so on. In the same way, the loser will lose everything. It is seemed that playing a game become a way to get creature comfort, but not enjoyment of spirit.

Furthermore, when game does not only the honor and shame of individual, the gamers facing the stress from the team, even for the nation must struggle for win. For gain their end, many people take any kind of means without regard to whether break the rule of normal or law. There are various scandals about athlete almost in all the international game, and this thing become more and more serious.

Another reason why I disagree with the above statement is that I believe that the real meaning of game is to gain fun from the procedure of the playing. When we observe the playing of children, we will find that they are more like the game per se, not cares for the

result. There are so little adult can realize the joy of the procedure of the playing as a child. On the other hand the original game of our ancestor is comparing the physical strength and celebrating with the hunting. And the true intention of their game is for relaxation and amusement.

General speaking, when you only want to win, you will lose the fun of playing a game. Taking into account of all these factors, we may reach the conclusion that, it is wiser to learn to enjoy playing without regard of the result of game.

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Essay 705 Topic 137 **Should a high school allow students to study what they want?**

When somebody would ask me if I agree with the statement that high schools should allow students to study the courses that they want to, I would definitely say yes. There are few reasons why I believe that choosing a subject is very important for high school students.

In my point of view, ability to study the course, which a student likes more than others gives him/her a possibility to fathom a subject better; moreover, it allows to start preparing for a collage or a university. I think, it is a sagacious idea, because students can try many different courses and by the time they will enter a university or a college, they will probably know what subject to choose as his or her major. Plus, the possibility to learn the subject a person likes more will give him or her satisfaction. Nobody would probably disagree that we usually are better in those subjects, in which we are interested. Not all of teenagers are keen on studying, but if schools will allow them to learn the courses they are fond of, they will be encouraged to study.

I would say that, studying a particular subject would benefit students in many ways. Possibility to decide about courses allows developing such an important to all the student ability as concentration. I do not doubt that people would concentrate on topic, subject or course they like more than on those they are forced to study and dislike. Also, it will make students happier and willing to study, which is very essential especially for young people.

I believe, that the ability to decide which courses to study should be given to high school students because it would help them to prepare for a university or a college and their future career better as well as give them satisfaction from learning.

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High school plays a very important role in the whole education system. It offers students an integrate system that connects elementary and academic education. Since the appearance of high school, students have been always appointed which courses to study. But recently, some people suggest that students should have their own rights to decide

what courses they should choose. But I think it is better for students to follow the high school arrangement, rather than study the courses by their free will.

One reason can be obviously seen. The main purpose of high schools' education is to prepare a student for entering into a college. So we should make students suitable for academic study. That is, to give them a strong background in basic knowledge. This is a hinge aspect, which decides whether the student can do well with his academic study and achieve his career goal in the future. Course arrangements given by a high school are based on the experience of long time practice. To ensure the accomplishment of the purpose of high school education, high school arrangement is certainly better than letting students who do not have any experience to choose their students' courses freely.

Another reason is that a majority of high school students do not have a mature goal of their future careers. So they have not the adequate ability to make a scientific choice of what to study. For example: a boy who interests geography now may change to biology in a short time. If we let him choose courses freely, maybe one day he will find that actually he can do nothing because of lacking of basic knowledge. Certainly we do not want to see this happening!

I do not deny that giving high school students freedom to choose their courses has its own merits. Students may have more motivations in study what they interest. But for their better future study and career life, we should let high school to arrange their study courses.

Essay 707 Topic 137 **Should a high school allow students to study what they want?**

There are lots of debates among parents, educators and students on the issue of whether or not to allow students to study the courses that students want to study. It seems to be reasonable to many people that allowing students to choose the course they want can inspire their learning interest and find their talents on certain subjects and pursue further development. But if we take a deeper consideration, it is not difficult to make the judgment that to ensure the students have a comprehensive knowledge domain is the main objective of high school education, therefore I disagree with the idea of allowing students to study any courses that they want to study.

As we all know, the main purpose of school education is to provide a systematic education to all students. In order to let students be educated in all aspects, the curriculums have to be researched and predefined by professional education institute. If we allow students to select course, we cannot guarantee all necessary courses to be covered in the regular class time. Moreover, both parents and educators believe that high school education shall provide each student a fundamental knowledge base which is essential to their future development in the society. It is the school's responsibility to enforce the rule and make sure that all the necessary knowledge is to be taught.

On the other hand, we may consider introducing some optional courses to the high school

curriculums so the students can choose some of the courses within the limitation of a big subject. For example, for an art class, the school can offer music and painting courses and each student can choose either one of them according to his or her personal interest. But this is not to say that the students should have the freedom to choose any course.

In conclusion, high school education is a standardized process in which major courses shall be predefined and we need to make sure students are educated in all necessary fields and build a foundation for the development after high school.

Essay 708 Topic 137 **Should a high school allow students to study what they want?**

Nowadays many high schools in China allow students to study the courses that students want to study. I highly appreciate it since it can help students find out what they are really interested in. In addition, that is the correct attitude to study.

When students go into high schools they often do not know what their careers are in the future. So if you force him to select a single major to study in a field he does not like, that might cause his failure in the long run. But if you give him the freedom to choose what he is pleased to study, he might find his true interest that will lead him to success. A friend of mine, who once worked hard in physics, happened to study a business course in which he found the true inspiration. Just because of the chance he selected the business as his major in college and now he is a billionaire.

We should also know that all kinds of sciences are relevant. Some theories are common in all the fields of sciences. You can find out the beauty of art in math, the honesty of humanities in psychology, the polish of literature in physics, and so on. If you know fractal, a new branch of science, you should hear about its creator who is not only a physicist, but also a mathematician. The reason he could create this new subject is that he studied what he wanted to study.

As we can see, from studying what they like, a good way to enter the door of science, students can finally achieve their ends. So, could you reject students selecting what they enjoy to study?

Essay 709 Topic 137 **Should a high school allow students to study what they want?**

There is much debate over the issue whether high schools should allow students to choose the courses that they want to study. Different people hold different point of view due to their respective angles. Although many people claim that giving students right to take the courses they want to study will bring many benefit to students, I believe that students should first of all take basic and mandatory courses that schools design for them. There are many reasons why I have such a view, but here I want to show several most important reasons. In the first place, students in high school often do not know exactly what courses they really need. Mandatory basic courses will help them know what their interests really are. For example, when I was studying in high school, I was very

interesting in astronomy, and absolutely not interesting in mathematics. I think that learning astronomy will not need any help of mathematics. But later, when I read more literature about astronomy, I find that it will be impossible to study astronomy without the basic knowledge of mathematics.

In the second place, although preparation for college is not the only goal of education in high school, student should have some basic knowledge of science which will be helpful for them to get more professional training easily. It is true that many students will not continue their education at universities, but the basic knowledge and skills they learned from high schools will definitely help them to obtain professional skills and techniques.

Admittedly, give students free choice to take a few elective courses will also have some benefits. For many students, to study what they want to know will help them to study mandatory courses more effectively.

In conclusion, from what has been discussed above, we may safely draw a conclusion that high schools should not allow students to take courses all by the will of students.

Essay 710 Topic 138 **Member vs. leader**

Which kind of role do you like to play in a group? Some people would like to be a ordinary member, while some others prefer being the leader of a group. For me, I want to challenge myself as the leader of a group. There are at least two reasons for my choice.

Firstly, being a leader of group, could have more opportunities to improve all sorts of abilities and skills by dealing with various kinds of issues. Just take my experience as an example, I am responsible for the marketing and business development in my company and there are four subsidiary staff in my department. Since I started to work as a leader of this group, I have developed my ability in leadership, decision-making, communication skills, and teamwork and negotiation skills etc., which have greatly benefited me.

Secondly, being a leader especially being a qualified leader in a group, you can get more chances of personal advancement and gain more satisfaction from your job. In the leader's position, you have to meet and deal with various challenging tasks, by doing it with your staff, you can demonstrate your leadership and succeed in your company. In addition, you will enjoy the happiness and fulfillment that the job has given to you.

All in all, for me, being a leader in a group can make my life more splendid and wonderful. I will get different experiences from it.

Essay 711 Topic 138 **Member vs. leader**

Many people strive to be a leader of a group, while others think that it's better to be an ordinary member of a group. There are advantages and disadvantages in both points of view, but in my opinion it's better to be a leader. Being a leader is a challenging and

responsible task that has many pluses such as better money and usually better work.

First of all, if you are a leader you have challenging and interesting duties. It's always better to manage people than do actual work yourself. For example, if you work in a construction industry, being an ordinal worker is worst job I can think of. But if you manage a team it is much better, because you will have clean clothes and cleaner work duties. But there is one drawback to be a leader - if anything goes wrong, you will be for blame. In many cases, for example in a transportation company in Russia, a manager is legally responsible for all accidents that involve broken cars.

What's more, if you are a leader and manage people you are almost certainly will have much better salary. Recent survey in St. Petersburg Times showed that managing jobs pay 120% to 200% better than non- managing jobs. If you have leadership qualities you will probably have much better career, but often you will have to work long hours to compensate for that.

Also if you are a leader you will have much better standing in society. You parents will be proud of you, you neighbors will want to befriend you. You will have power to do things and you will have freedom. On the contrary, if you stay a blue-collar worker your parents will not be proud of you and you will live in a poor district.

In conclusion I want to say that being a leader is not for everyone. Many people do not like responsibility, while others do not like to order or influence people. For those people well-paid non-managing job is a best way to live. But, all in all, most people should try to be a leader of a group. It will give enormous experience even if you are a leader of two-person group. And a leadership position pays much better return than an ordinal one.

Essay 712 Topic 138 **Member vs. leader**

The issue of whether being a member of a group is better than being the leader of a group arouses much controversy among people with different perspectives and backgrounds. Some people believe the statement is legitimate, because being a member has fewer responsibilities for the flaw. On the other hand, some people claim being a leader can maximize the person's ability. As far as I am concerned, the issue should be considered in different situations.

In the first place, considering individual's characters, I believe someone is not suitable for some leader positions such as a chairman. For example, a technical worker would be promoted as a master of manufacture department according to his good performance. The fact that he is a good worker does not mean he would be also a good leader. If he lacks the skill of communication, negotiation, and coherence which are known as the elemental and optimal characters for leadership, the failure of administration is easy to predict. To some people who are not suitable for leader, the statement that it is better to be a member than a leader is right.

In addition, leaders have more rights to reach the destination while they have more responsibilities for the failure. leader who is elected by the members advocates the group to win, to gain and to reach. Some people is satisfied with the success as a leader of team. Some people cannot suffer the stress as a master of a team. As a result, to different people the issue has different conclusions. In the second place, both negative and positive effects among persons in society call for a balance in which there are both leaders and members. we need outstanding leaders as well as excellent members in our teams. In modern society, can you imagine the community where only leaders exit without the members? In some extents, to be a member is equal important to be a leader.

In sum, considering the aforementioned reasons, I believe that in respective situations there are respective conclusions according to respective people. Simply to answer this question is easy to fall into extremeness and vulnerability.

Essay 713 Topic 138 **Member vs. leader**

People all act in some roles in the group he or she belongs to, the role of each person in his or her group differs a lot from leaders to just plain members. Which role is more important? I think it is a question which is really hard to answer, but in my opinion, I prefer to be the leader of the group I belongs to, obviously, that will make me more responsible for my members, more active in group action and finally, bring me more benefits than group members.

Every group, no matter what kind of this group is going to be, a certain, clear goal is a must for all the members, so the leader of the group must have strong personality in every action for the whole body of the group to obtain its final goal. If you are a leader of the group, you must decide by yourself in complex situations or determinate to raise the morale of the group when you are encountering difficulties. Thought all those decision made and the action of courage the other people in your group, you can build your personality stronger. Determination and self-confidence established through being a leader of a group may make you success even when you are just purchasing your own personal goal or just acting as a plain member of certain group.

Ordinary members may not be so involved in what the whole group is doing as he or she is always in a passive manner of action, he or she may just does what the leader told them to do to complement the group task. However as a leader of the group, you should be active in very thing because it is only you who can urge the whole team to struggle for what your group needs. For instant, even when you are just discussing about some picnic plan, you, the leader, must tell them about your plan first to make the environment warm up for others to actively take part in the discussion.

To be a leader of a group will take more responsibilities and energy in the group actions than other member of the group, but you really get feedbacks in building your personal

characters as long as you lead the group to gain your goal successfully from time to time.

Essay 714 Topic 138 **Member vs. leader**

In my opinion the above statement referring to being better off as just a member of a group rather than a leader of a group might be true only sometimes.

In this essay I will present both sides and both pros and cons for the situational duality of the above statement.

I would like to look closely at all the fringe benefits and disadvantages of being a leader first, then I will continue describing pros and cons of being a member of a group. I will conclude with a proposal applicable to both statuses: that of a leader and that of a member.

As a leader one gets more respect, is challenged to the higher degree, gets more opportunities to find an exciting career and is more likely to be promoted more often. Furthermore, without leaders our communities would not develop and our country would stay behind. Hence, the feelings of accomplishment, would be more intense for a leader than for a follower. Moreover, if we examine the emotional content of a simple comparison of a follower versus leader the choice is obvious: it is a leader that scores higher than a follower. At least in North America. In some other cultures this might not be the case, however; this is not the topic of this dissertation.

Furthermore, being a leader also brings more responsibilities and aside of rewards, comes with a considerable amount of grief. Collective grief, to be exact. What it means, is that as a leader one has to carry responsibility for others and might get bogged down with it. Losing sleep, being a target of hatred, jealousy and acquiring unexplainable health problems due to being over stressed are just a few of many existing examples of darker sides of applied leadership. Being blamed is another one.

Being a follower on the other hand, seems to be a safer choice. One knows what to expect and how to deal with what is expected of him/her. Should there be any problems, one just goes straight to the leader to ask for directions. What could be simpler? Lots of rewards, little responsibility. Moreover, the feelings of belonging to the big group of other followers are positive and bring good, healthy results. One is upset together with others and gets to celebrate together as well. Being lonely is not an option, at least not in the workplace. Getting support is easy as well. Complaining about leaders and any other problem also gets to be a cathartic, collective task. It is healthy to be able to speak one's mind, to complain and not fear any repercussions. It is healthy to be part of a bigger group.

However; intertwined with all these safe feelings are other, not so rosy issues. Lack of recognition, limited opportunities to progress and get promoted are just a few of many cons describing being a member of a group. Well, since there is always hope, one can

always try to be a leader...

The societal rewards are higher for leaders than followers. To be a leader in North American society comes with more positivist and collective expectations, and, ultimately, gets to be more rewarding.

In conclusion I would like to offer a dual-benefit proposal: to change as a chameleon throughout life and be sometimes a leader and sometimes a member of a group. That way our society will get the required push from willing leaders and a solid base from its regular members. Under these circumstances all individuals would be healthier and feel fulfillment more often. This would carry a necessity, though, to reward both described above statuses and produce more balanced students/trainees. Furthermore, everybody will be happy. Will you?

Essay 715 Topic 139 **What is the most important room in a house?**

What is the most important room in a house, the kitchen, the living room, or the bedroom? Different people have different opinions. From my point of view, I think that the living room is the important room in a house. There are numerous reasons why the living room is more important than the other rooms, and I would explain a few ones.

First, in my recollection, the living room reminds me of a lot of rosy memory. In the past, our living room was always a center of congregating. All family members sit together here. Sometimes, we watched TV. Other times, we played chess. Our living room was always full of happiness and pleasure. Now I have my own family, I hope that my living room also becomes the source of our family pleasure.

In addition, the living room also a place for parties and guests. When our family friends came to visit, we always entertained them in our living room. Sometimes, we even buy some ornaments such as flowers to decorate our living room. The purpose of all of these is to show our sincere welcome to our guests. We always made our living room spotless. If we take our friends to a messy living room, perhaps our friends will not visit us again. Therefore, a living room always plays a very important role in our social activities.

In a word, a living room always plays an important role in both our family life and our social activities. Therefore, I think a living room is the most important room in our house.

Essay 716 Topic 139 **What is the most important room in a house?**

My family lives in an apartment. Compared with a US family house, an apartment is much smaller. It doesn't have many rooms. Sometimes there can be no study, or exercise room. But one room can never be missed in every family: living room. and that is the very room I consider the most important.

In my opinion, living room plays the most important role in family life! As for my family, all family members will get together once a week. We usually sit down talking about what happened to ourselves during the last week, or things that we are most concerned. Recalling every New Year's Eve we spent together, making traditional Chinese food dumpling while watching New Year celebrating party on TV, I feel that we family members get closer and become more cohesive, and the living room is full of warmness...

A more personal reason why I think it is the most important is that, it is a good place to relax after intensive study. I prefer sitting on the sofa, watching some TV programs or reading newspapers. What is more comfortable, I can turn on the music, close my eyes and enjoy it! Staying in the living room makes me feel relaxed.

In China, living room is usually the biggest room in one family. Because it is not only a place for family get-together, but also for guests and friends! When guests drop in at my home, we could sit in the living room talking and drinking tea together. On my birthday, I will invite some friends home and have a small party! We would have a wonderful time together, leaving much laughter in the living room.

In a word, the status of the living room in one family is replaceable, so to speak, the most important room. At the meanwhile, we cannot neglect the importance of other rooms. After all it is all the rooms that makes up of an entire warm family!

Essay 717 Topic 139 **What is the most important room in a house?**

Different people have different views about which room is more important than any other room in a house. To my mind, the bedroom is the most important room in a house. My reasons are listed below.

In the first place, I reckon that the bedroom is vital for me because it is the place where I study and have fun. I own a very cozy and comfortable bedroom. In the southeast corner lies a huge book self which stores my favorite books and CDs. Actually I am a bookworm and am crazy for rock music, so I possess plenty of them. Beyond the corner of the bookshelf is there a table for me to study on. Besides, there is a computer at the desktop with which I can connect with the world. It is amazing to enjoy the convention of the Internet in my bedroom.

In the second place, I suspect that the bedroom is substantial as it is the shelter of my heart and soul. As an individual in the modern world, obviously has far more pressures from a variety of channels of communication than those in the past, even a high middle school student like me included. When I do not receive a satisfied score in an examination, or when I feel unhappy after conflicting with others, I will stay in my bedroom to confide my trouble to my pet toy-a gorgeous doll called Tracy, even I might cry to her. Then I must not feel that gloomy and turn better. So can you see it is in fact

my private paradise in some way. As a result, I can adjust myself into full play when I communicate with others.

What's more, the bedroom is so crucial for me since it is the place where I have my dreams. Dreams are really mysterious to people, and we never know if they can foresee the things go well or bad. However, people really enjoy having a dream during their sleep. Of course I am not an exception. Thereby I love the room where I have wonderful dreams.

In a word, I truly believe my bedroom is indispensable for me. For the simple reason that I spend most of my time with it. It accompanies me day by day whenever I am happy or sad, awake or sleepy, studying or amusing.

Essay 718 Topic 140 **Items made by hand vs. by machine**

With the advent of rapid industrialization we cannot imagine a world without machine made articles. The hand-made articles since then have also decreased in number to a marked extent. However even today we still have avail to at least a few hand-made articles.

It is a fact that machine made articles have a much finer finish and they at times also come at a lower cost. Also they come from factories of companies where they give a lot of stress on quality assurance and reliability. There are some articles where at least machine made articles would be my automatic choice say for instance garments. Here I would prefer to go with branded articles than hand made ones.

Moreover in case similar kind and quality of articles are available in the market in both machine-made and hand-made forms, it is easy to observe that the machine-made one usually comes at much lower cost. This is because in majority of such cases the machine is bound to possess more productivity than a human hand and as a result they will come in affordable prices thereby taking care of my financial aspect also.

Also any good purchased from a reputed firm is going to offer some sort of warranty with certitude. This will ensure more safety to the customer. He can safely use it to any degree at least within the period of warranty.

Sometimes we overlook certain flaws with the goods purchased while buying them hastily. This often happens while purchasing clothes. But if we buy reputed branded clothes from reputed outlets they are invariably going to replace it. This has personally happened with me more than once.

However there might be instances where I would prefer to go with hand made articles. For example suppose I need to buy a wall mat. In this case machine made ones are going to be available in large numbers. But since in this case the article of interest will be quite affordable even if it is hand made I would prefer the handmade not before checking that it

is free from manufacturing defects. Moreover the hand made ones will have unique designs compared to their machine made counterparts. This is because for a machine they are simply products whereas for a human being they are artwork.

In my country there are certain articles which are best when hand made. For example there are certain types of decors which are excellent. There is a sort of embroidered piece of cloth called phulkhari which is made in Punjabi villages. It also comes as machine made. But the hand made ones is just too good.

Thus for me the choice between hand made and machine made article is going to vary according to my requirements.

Essay 719 Topic 140 **Items made by hand vs. by machine**

The choice between an item made by hand or by machine often depends on the money you have and how much you want to spend. Despite of that I prefer hand-made items. In the following text I will support my opinion with a few examples.

First, hand-made furniture or clothes are unique. You are the only person who has got this special thing because all hand-made items are different from each other as the producer makes every thing like no other. This separates you from the others buying products made in serial production and even makes you unique.

Another point is that often you can instruct the producer in details of the item so that it will be constructed after your imaginations. So you would be a kind of co-producer and designer of your own product. For example, a lot of furniture producers ask their clients before they begin with the building of the furniture to tell them their detailed wishes. Even in clothes industry, there is this possibility nowadays.

Of course, the non-serial-product is of better quality than those mass products. The producer puts more effort in the production and therefore needs more time in the creation process. As a result the item has a bigger value and probably pleases its owner for a longer time than an ordinary product.

In conclusion, I can say that although I am a student and do not have much money I am always trying to buy hand-made products where it is possible. I just enjoy them a lot more than serial products and so it does not matter that they cost a little bit more than the others.

Essay 720 Topic 140 **Items made by hand vs. by machine**

Nowadays, modern technologies have developed so perfectly that most manufacturers have changed manual production to automatic one. Automatic production has many advantages such as less-expensive equipment and simply fast producing processes, attracting many entrepreneurs around the world. However, some people still prefer items, which are made by hand. It is believed that these items have a part of the souls and impressive dedication contributed by their creators. Also each hand-made item could have unique details that machines are not capable of. In my opinion, items made by hand are more appealing to me in different ramifications that I will discuss below.

Although, items made by hand are usually more expensive than those made by machines, my firm inclination towards hand-made items will remain even if the automatic production erased the manual one. For example, hand-made cigars in Cuba have their own history of how they were made. Raised on the fields of Cuba, cigars tobacco then goes to the hands of its creators, who make the beautiful and terrific Cuban cigars. It is possible to order one's initials on each cigar. After having such experience, people usually do not buy cheap and identical cigars produced by machines.

Finally, I would like to say that, items made by hand, could bring us the sophisticated and extravagant feelings and emotions, because these items have their own creators and histories. By having these items, people could achieve more knowledge and interesting facts about their creation and production.

Essay 721 Topic 140 **Items made by hand vs. by machine**

As science and technology advances over the centuries, many items such as furniture or clothes, which used to be made only by hand, now can also be made by machine. The trend is more and more things are made in highly automatic and mechanized factories, while old hand making industry has largely reduced. I consider this as a encouraging trend and an evidence of social progress, and I would be happy to buy those machine made products rather than those made by hand.

Lower prices and ensured quality are two of my consideration. Since it need less work and allows production of a greater scale, machine-made items are almost always cheaper than its hand-made counterpart. In the same time, the qualities of machine-made products are not lowered by the reduced costs, because machines which neither get tired nor make mistakes, can work as precisely as most well trained hands of man. Some hospitals now use robots instead of surgeon's hands to do some dangerous operation, is powerful

evidence to that.

Considering its social impact, I would also choose items made by machine. Machine work has freed the greatest amount of man labor. If our machines stay in the level of 18th century, to feed the 6 billion people to do more intellectual work such as experiments, research and designing. In another word, the widely using of machine actually allows us to have more colorful lives. On the other hand, hand-making industries caused a large number of accidents every year, especially in developing countries. If hand making is not encouraged, many people will not lose their hands or even lives.

For the interests of myself and of the society, I believe machine-made industries could be given more encouragement and when I choose I would certainly prefer machine made items.

Essay 722 Topic 140 **Items made by hand vs. by machine**

Some people do not care buying stuff that is made by machines. However, I would rather buy stuff that is made by hand. There are many supports to prove my preference. Hand made is good for realizing how precious stuff is, being able to be reliable of the stuff, and enjoying original styles. From these reasons, I prefer to choose hand made.

Firstly, I believe that hand made stuff such as clothes or furniture is better than stuff that are made by machines because I can appreciate people who made the stuff. This feeling makes me try to keep using for a long time. I do not throw away easily. Consequently, hand made stuff teaches me to think that stuff that I use is very valuable, and I can feel thankful for people who made things and for hand made stuff.

Secondly, hand made stuff are more trustworthy because people made one by one, so they make stuff carefully. As a result, I can use the stuff for a long time. In addition, stuff that is made by hand can be detail that machine cannot make like that.

Finally, the reason why I prefer hand made is that there are many original fashions. Stuff that is made by machines is not interesting because the number of stuff is a lot. This means every one wears the same fashions or bringing the same bags. The number of stuff that is made by hand is much less and rare because people take time making stuff.

In conclusion, even though there are many stuff that is made by machines these days, I prefer to buy stuff that is made by hand. I believe that having original stuff can help to develop my own personality because I can see what kind of stuff I like from choosing unique stuff that is not made by machines.

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Essay 725 Topic 141 **What do you want to change about your school?**

There are many important changes that I would like to make in my school. But if I had to make only one change I would permit pupil to go to classes of their choice. In a school which I attended students did not have a choice, all subjects were compulsory. In my country this is a usual situation, all schools are uniform and almost all changes are directed from the Ministry of Education.

Every student has different interests in study. Many like to study literature, while others find studying math much more enticing. For example, from the early age I wanted to be a computer programmer or mathematician, but I have to study advanced chemistry or literature. I hated those subjects, I knew that as soon as I went out of school I would forget everything about chemistry formulas or Tolstoy's last novel. But I had to study those subjects on the same level as people who wanted to go to chemistry departments in university.

Also every student has subjects in which he has very strong knowledge and abilities, while in other subjects his comprehension might be much weaker. Every student is unique, but Russian educational system makes everyone study the same subjects. For instance, I was very good at English language, but others were not. A lot of times I had to repeat the rules, which I knew by heart. Most people in my group were not even able to understand indirect speech!

But if we had optional subjects the situation would change dramatically. Instead of repeating obsolete things, everyone would study subjects that would help him/her in his/her future life. For example, I would have studied advanced calculus or differential equations, subjects that were of great interest to me in high school. Or I would have studied English with a group with much better understanding of English language, than my old group. Of course, some subjects would still be obligatory, for example everyone should be able to read and write, but most of the subjects might be optional.

Everyone in our world is unique and it is not right to make everybody study the same things. Of course it is much easier to administer uniform schools than schools with optional subjects. But schools are created to teach students, not to be easy to control. Optional subjects would make my school better suited to real needs of students in it, would be much more interesting to study in.

Essay 726 Topic 141 **the important change**

First of all, I think that if I will be able to change the atmosphere in the university I attended it will cause the more convenient and pleasant conditions for all students. The stiff rules often influence the person's mind and make him or her shy. It can cause many different problems in the personal and social student's life. For example, I will make the lessons in the university similar to the conversation of the good friends where everybody will feel free to highlight his or her point of view and will be able to prove his or her rights. I really think that the real truth can be born only in the discussion. Second, I think that the next great problem that can be overwhelm with my innovation is a sense of lonely what feel almost all young people, who had to live their own home first time in the life. In the daily rush, between studies and home, students often neglect their emotional needs and mental health. But to feel and be truly good, every man needs a sense of connection and belonging to others. Therefore, if we create cozy and warm atmosphere to everyone who attend the university, we will create the new family to our friends. I think it

will help to overwhelm different problems that often appear in the initial period of the study. It is not a secret that even gifted students perform worse when they exist in stressful and unwelcoming atmosphere. Summarizing all the above-mentioned, I want to conclude that the creating new warm and pleasant atmosphere to everyone who has attended to the school is a very important task, which helps every man to enjoy his university years, and increases a study level and lifts spirits.

Essay 727 Topic 142 **What gift would you give to help a child develop?**

It seems, in so many items, very difficult for us to prefer one gift to another because all of them have their advantages and disadvantages to the extent that it is hard to distinguish. Yet that does not mean these gift are all the same to me. If let me choose a gift for a child, to be frank, I would prefer an animal.

If a child has a animal, such as a cat, a dog, or a rabbit, he or she will develop love for the animal. When the child feed the animal, see it sleeping, clean it and play with it, no doubt, he or she will produce the love for the little animals. This kind of love may be extended to all the animals, the nature, even all the people and the entire world. Love is the best thing that we wish our children could have, is not it?

I still remember the cat as my first birthday gift. My father sent it to me, and soon the cat became my best friend. I once was a bad boy, but after I had this lovely animal, I became tenderer, more patient and more reasonable. Animals are the best friends of people.

In conclusion, the reason above can make me draw the conclusion that a animal maybe the best gift to help a child develop. Anyway, it is confined to me, different persons can make different choices according to their personality and fondness. But when it turns to me, I would not hesitate a minute to prefer a animal as a gift for a child.

Essay 728 Topic 142 **What gift would you give to help a child develop?**

I would like to give the child a cute dog, which would grow up with him in his childhood. More than a pet, a dog can become the child's good friend. They may play with each other. The child runs, and the dog chases after him. The child throws a ball, and the dog jumps to catch it. The dog can stay with the child if he is sad. Some dogs even can protect their owners, when they are in danger. Therefore, people said that dogs were people's best friends.

Moreover, via taking care of the dog, the child can learn how to take the responsibility. He must feed the dog when it is hungry. He must take care of it every moment when it got sick. He must clean the dog when it was dirty. He would transform all the similar experience into taking care of people. In the well-protected environment built by parents, this kind of experience is specially valuable and importance for children's future.

The child even would undergo the cruel moment when the dog is dying. This critical time would give the child a meaningful lesson of life what he would learn to face the painful situation. Then he would become stronger hereafter.

In conclusion, I believe a child can grow up with sound and complete personality if he has a dog accompanying with him. Thus, I would give a dog as a gift to help a child develop.

Essay 729 Topic 143 **A long vacation vs, several short vacations**

Some people think that students should be given one long vacation each year, while others believe students should have several short vacations throughout the year. While there are advantages for both options, in my opinion students should be given several short vacations each year.

If students were given only one long vacation a year, that vacation would definitely be in a summer. Students could not have vacation in different periods of time because lectures and exams are scheduled in the same time for all students. You cannot arrange a private lecture or exam session. While many students like to lie on a beach during recession, others like to spend holidays in a cold climate. Actually I am a ski fan and every winter I spend my two-week recession in Slovakia.

Also if you have only one long vacation per year you are not able to restore your physical condition properly. Of course after a long vacation you will be very active and your performance will skyrocket. You will be eager to learn. But only after half a year you will be in a much worse shape. Night cramming for exams will exhaust you and you will not have time to restore.

Also many people do not like long vacations because they become bored without working or studying. They like to work and if they do not work or study for a long period of time, they become anxious and think too much about their work.

Lastly, after a long vacation you have to learn anew how to study. You get used to waking up late and doing nothing all the day. For many people it's very difficult to change habits. Several years ago I was unemployed for several months and after I managed to find a work, it took me two weeks to get used to waking up early without alarm clock.

In conclusion, I want to say that all people are different and for some students one long vacation would be very beneficial but, by and large, for majority of students several short vacations are a much better choice.

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the year is a controversial issue among people. Some people believe that is beneficial for students to have one long vacation. Other people argue that several short vacations will increase student's efficiency. In my opinion, a long vacation is the best for students because they can work, have fun and develop themselves during a long vacation.

First of all, a long vacation is good for students because it is conspicuous that majority of them need to work to be able to pay university fees. Having some months without the obligation to study or to attend classes one can find a job, and earn wages that are very important for the student. Without this money majority of them cannot continue being students. For example, when I was a student, my parents could not afford to pay all my university fees, so during the summer I had found a job and with the money I had earned I paid my expenses.

Secondly, in a long vacation one can take a long trip. During the high school and university the character and knowledge of the students is being rounded up. In those years they tend to do a lot of things, to learn about everything around them. Therefore, their favorite activity is to take trips. For example, if one wants to visit Europe he or she needs at least 2 weeks to do it. There are a lot of places to be visited and is a nonsense to go to Europe for a weekend. Therefore, for some kind of trips, one will require more than few days of vacation.

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To sum up, a long vacation is a dream for students because it gives the opportunity to students to work in order to earn wages, to take long trips and to take courses that require some months of attendance and study. I am glad that I had a long vacation during my years in school.

Essay 731 Topic 143 **A long vacation vs, several short vacations**

I strongly support the idea that students should be given several short vacations during the year. The main reason, why I prefer several short vacations instead of one long break, is because of the following facts.

First of all, I want to give a short explanation of what is scientifically proven as the best method of learning. To keep the knowledge for a lifetime a student should repeat every day what he has learned during the day. At the end of the week, he should repeat everything from the entire week. Consequently, he should repeat the material of the

month after four weeks. This system works fine because the human brain works best, if after we learned something we let some time pass and refresh the knowledge after some time. If the knowledge is stored in the brain and is not be used for a long time, it will take much more effort to call back what we once learned. Consequently, a few short breaks during the year, support the systematic of letting pass some time after something is learned and restore it a short time later. Therefore, a few breaks or vacation during the year bring the biggest learning effect.

There are also some minor reasons, why I would prefer not having one big vacation for the year. A few breaks give you more opportunities to do short trips to different places. You can experience much more places and you can go at the different times of the year. So you are not bound to go to a place only during summer, especially if you enjoy winter activities.

On the other hand, for somebody who wants to see a foreign country far away, it is more difficult to go for a trip for just a couple of days. Usually a minimum of two weeks are required if you want to go somewhere far away. But I still believe that there is some few exemption possible, if you are planning a bigger vacation, especially because of the fact that as a student you usually can afford a big and expensive vacation only once in a while.

Of course, the preferences of having one long vacation or a several short ones are very different among the students. Personally, I prefer having several short vacations because of the efficient learning and the opportunity to see more places.

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Students could be active and successful with an organized program for their free time therefore, programming for the student's free time is a worthwhile work. There is a common question that should students have one long vacation each year or several short vacations throughout the year? Both of the above opinions have their advantages and disadvantages.

A long vacation gives students this opportunity to find a good part time job during their vacation. They could either save some money to pay for continuing their education or could obtain some useful experience that may be utility in their major. For example, I study mechanical engineering at university and the students of engineering departments should pass a course named training workshop. This course takes three months to finish thus; only with a long vacation it is possible to pass this course. Moreover students can experience society problems and challenge with them and find the different between school and society and prepare themselves for a real life because some school rules differ with society rules. Furthermore long vacation is a suitable time for schools and universities to organize the required facilities for future year. For example it may need a new building for school and it is obvious that this work is not done in a short time. Also a long vacation can provide this occasion that family member can go to travel with each other. A long vacation not only is useful for students extra activities but also is a wide opportunity for them to review the lessons that they did not learn along the year. Nevertheless, this long vacation may be boring if students and their parents do not arrange a useful program for this vacation. Then with a systematic program students can use this vacation very well.

On the other hand, there is this opinion that students have several short vacations instead of a long vacation. This opinion has some advantages and disadvantages for itself. Several short vacations may disturb school discipline and descend the efficiency of educational program. As an illustration, frequent short vacation can destroy the unity of teaching and learning lessons, students may forget the lessons which were taught by teachers before vacation and may be necessary to teach them again, as a result the efficiency of teaching will decrease. On the contrary frequent short vacations would refresh student's brain if the time and duration of vacations arrange in a regular basis. For example, existence of a short vacation after each semester is very good for students to refresh themselves and get a new spirit for next semester.

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Essay 742 Topic 144 **A traditional house vs. a modern apartment**

Finding a comfortable place to live is dreams of many people, thus, whether choosing to live in a modern apartment or a traditional house, becomes a popular topic. To choose one between the two is a matter of balancing its pros and cons. As far as I am concerned, it is more advisable to choose living in a modern apartment than living in a traditional house.

The most persuasive point is that modern apartment is generally in much better shape than house. Being new probably means all the pumping works, the roof is not going to

leak, the windows are properly sealed, and the kitchen appliances are in working order. A traditional house cannot guarantee any of that. I illustrate the example just in an attempt to state one fact that modern apartments have better living conditions than house.

This is only one part of my opinion, another aspect of my reason lies in the fact that modern apartment is safer than traditional house. There are cameras in both hall way and elevators, the security system is well equipped, you do not need to have the concern that if one day somebody may break into your house. In contrast, the traditional houses do not have this advantage. If you read the local newspaper you will find that there is not a single stealing case happening in apartments, but many occur in houses.

Furthermore, if you live in an apartment, you can expect high standard of living by just spending small amount of money. Most apartments have exercise facilities, for example, swimming pool, running machine, tennis field or even basketball field. Image how much money one will spend if he builds all these in his backyard.

Admittedly, traditional house also has its advantages; one extreme manifestation of its advantage is that one can have much larger rooms in a house than in the apartment.

If all the factors are contemplated, I think I would prefer to live in a modern apartment, in that I do not need to repair my room, I do not need to worry about the safety of my possession, and I can exercise more conveniently.

Essay 743 Topic 144 **A traditional house vs. a modern apartment**

When it comes to choose a living place, some prefer a traditional house as they want the natural feeling of living, while others like the modern apartment buildings for the conveniences and better equipments. As I am a student living in cities, depending on my own conditions, I prefer to live in a modern apartment building to a traditional house. The main reasons I made my decision are listed as follows.

First modern apartment building can provide almost everything necessary for living, enough space, better equipments, convenient shopping environment, Geometric clubs for relaxing, and developed transportation and so on. It can satisfy all the demands of living persons immediately. It needs no extra time to repair or improve it.

Moreover, there are also enough technological supports; you can even use optical fiber to connect to the Internet, when you have trouble, you can call the administrator to help. All these advantages save the time of dwellers living a busy life.

Of course, there are many advantages of living a traditional house, such as more space to arrange, fresher air and natural lifestyle. But, if you like, you can also go out on weekends to countryside to have enough contact with the nature, As most of us lead a busy life nowadays, especially the youngsters, the convenient living conditions are more and more important. Since modern apartment building can almost meet our requirements,

so that we can use our time more efficiently, it is a wise choice to make living here.

Essay 744 Topic 144 **THE WAY OF LIVING**

While some people like to live in traditional houses, others prefer to live in modern apartment buildings. To consider the advantages and disadvantages of both, modern and traditional buildings, you have to look at different aspects, like style, costs and the effect on your personal health of your home. Certainly, the style of your home is very important. Your house or apartment is a part of yourself and expresses your way of living. Often, old houses have more charm and style than new ones. When they were built, functionality was not the most important aspect, but other points like high rooms, huge windows or a nice front side. Looking at the costs of living, I believe that modern buildings are cheaper than the old and traditional houses. Although the rent might be a little bit higher, the running costs for heating, warm water and electricity are much lower. Moreover, in traditional houses, the technical equipment is very old and therefore it has to be often repaired. If you look at the effect on your personal health of your home, I think that modern buildings have benefits, too. Today, everyone is anxious to use only healthy materials to build new houses. That used to be different. Many traditional houses consist of dangerous materials which can cause cancer or other health problems. Altogether, I think that the benefits of new and modern buildings outweigh the advantages of traditional houses. Although the style of your home is important, costs and personal health are more essential.

Essay 745 Topic 145 **The role of advertisements**

People have different angles of prospects about advertising. Some people seem to think in negative side that it encourages us to buy things that we really do not need; others tend to say positively that advertisements tell us about new products that may improve our lives. I have developed my own point of view. I prefer the latter statement for three reasons.

To begin with, it is an important way to get the newest information of new products. We cannot go to stores and see all products everyday, so we need to understand what present in the market recently with advertisement. For this reason, people can know which new product they want through different media to advertise. I believe it is helpful for us to have a better life.

In addition, most advertisements are honest and people do not have to worry about cheating. The industry of advertisement has developed for many years, and the government pays much attention to care for them. Therefore, many professionals would investigate advertisements frequently, and people can depend on these advertisements to choose what they want to buy.

Last but not least, advertisements provide motivation to urge people to buy new things. With modern technique, more and more convenient products are created, and they are useful for us. However, people sometimes need to some push to buy these things that can

improve their lives. For example, I didn't want to buy a PDA originally, but I was attracted by a fabulous advertisement to buy it. Nowadays, the tool helps me a lot in my life.

Of course, there are arguments on opposing position. Nevertheless, for the valid reasons I have presented above, I believe my option is better.

Essay 746 Topic 145 **The role of advertisements**

I believe that advertisements tell us about new products that improve our lives. First, advertising plays an important role in our daily lives and it also makes us know more new things that improved our lives. For example, camera helps us to record our memories instead of dairy. Besides, many electrical machines help us to deal with many complicated housework. Second, advertising also makes us know the new product more. We can get information from the everyday advertisement and not to search a good product by wasting a lot of time or money.

Take myself for example, I usually get many new ideas from some advertisements. Advertising is not only fun of life but also a kind of art. Variable advertisements give me more choices. Some new ideas of the good products inspire me to improve my life. For example, some new washing machines have more functions and become more convenient. New cosmetics provide many new protections of our skin that I never knew before. Some inventions showed by the advertisement become more and more useful and smart. With these new products, I can improve my life without wasting a lot of time and money. Sometimes I also can get more information of what's new and what's hot recently from advertising. In my opinion, people can get a lot of information and idea from advertising other than buying something they do not need.

With carefully choosing, everyone can get what he need to improve his life from all the variable advertisements.

Essay 747 Topic 145 **advertising**

Some people say that advertising encourages us to buy things we really do not need. Others say that advertisements tell us about new products that may improve our lives. I agree with the latter viewpoint because I believe that advertisements help us to choose an appropriate and suitable product and make sellers reduce the price on the items. In the following paragraphs I will try to explain my point of view more clearly. First of all, I agree that advertising helps buyers to choose among numerous items and choose the most suitable and affordable for everyone. For example, young families due to advertising can hear about different sales and buy a desirable product for a lower price. Also we can choose from an enormous number of vacuums, candies, body washes and other items, which make our lives more comfortable and easier. While sometimes advertising can be really annoying and disturbing, at the whole we benefit from it. Second, thanks to advertising sellers have to reduce the prices, and we buyers, of course, benefit from this.

It is well known, that stores have to make different sales to make us buy their products. Also, due to advertising people can know about new products, new technologies and new offers. It makes producers improve the quality of their products in order to survive on the modern market. Owners of the product try to make their item more appealing to buyers and offer different advantages of it. For example, due to advertising last month we bought a nice and inexpensive coffee table to our dining room. I think it was a lucky buy! Summarizing all the above-mentioned, I want to conclude that, no doubt, advertisements tell us about new products that may improve our lives. It benefit to all layers of society, offering to buyers new products for affordable prices and quality, and make sellers to reduce their prices and improve the quality and technology of the item. Therefore, I am fully agree with the sentence that the

Essay 748 Topic 146 **Outdoors vs. indoors**

Going shopping with friends or traveling to an exotic place may seem like great ways to spend one's leisure time. However, leisure time spent indoors is much more valuable and meaningful than that spent outdoors. Therefore, I would very much prefer to spend my leisure time indoors.

In my opinion, time at work or in school may be described as hectic?or exhausting? leaving leisure time to be a time for supplement rest, involving a relaxing activity. The indoors provide a more suitable environment to achieve this relaxation. One could read an absorbing novel, listen to some classical music or even do the peaceful yoga, indoors. These activities would succeed in emptying one's mind, preparing him for the busy schedule ahead.

If one spends their entire leisure time outdoors, however, negative consequences might follow. Taking up swimming or golf for one's leisure time may be extremely tiring and may require some rest afterwards. This defies the whole meaning of 'leisure time' as in this case, relaxation was not achieved at all and on the contrary, further required.

There are many things one can do, in the mere vicinity of one's home. One may be surprised to find the numerous things one can do just at home and enjoy one as well. Leisure time does not necessarily mean that one has to go out and explore. This exploration can take place indoors, which would further provide the much-needed relaxation, fortifying the true meaning of leisure time.

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This is supposed to be an efficient society, some people even work around clock. So the leisure time is quite important for all of us. It can help us recover from the fatigue and refresh us. So how to spend our free time is a good argument in our life. Some people prefer outdoors activities, while other prefer to spend their free time indoors. When this argument comes to me, I always support the outdoor activities, so I prefer to spend my free time outdoor. My preference is based on the following seasons.

Firstly, to spend free time outdoors could make me healthier, the fresh air and wide space always stimulate my imagination and make me so peaceful and relaxed. The outdoor activities, such as climbing a mountain, playing sundry games with friends and family members, swimming in the river, could whet my appetite of life. Therefore, we could be refilled with energy and enjoyment. This relaxation could be a good turning point for next challenge of our work or life. While spending leisure time indoors will be more dull, the activities that can be carried out indoor are not as excited as those outdoors. They must be limited in watching TV, chatting or indoor exercise. Too many indoor activities will hamper us to enjoy the nature life. In addition, spending too much time indoors will be harmful for our health. People will be easily forgot or isolated if they spend too much time indoors.

Secondly, Spending free time outdoors can encourage us to make more friends and make us more sociable. Whether you go to outside for hiking alone or play a team game, you will meet all sorts of people. By playing or communicating with them, we could be easily informed and cared by others. The outdoor team work could train people's team working approach, which is a very important skill of one's life. Furthermore, risks and difficulties are available for outdoor activities. By confronting and overcoming such challenge, people can strengthen their will power and their capacities for living will be trained accordingly. But indoor activities will make people more and more depressed, they could not find the bright side of the life and enjoy the nature life that God grants to us.

The nature is full of imagination and mystery, we have no reason to leave it ignored. So, not only do I enjoy the outdoor activities, but also I will persuade my friends and family to go outside to enjoy the nature life and embrace the nature.

Essay 750 Topic 147 **How should your school use a donation?**

In the studying time, students always need new knowledge, high technology. But they often have to face to the problem that where to find this information, how to find it and whether this information is the latest one. So, if my school has a chance to have a gift of money, I think it is the best way to upgrade our old library to become the E-library with computers and Internet.

With E-library, the information is always up-to-date. For example, If the school receives a new E-book, it means that every student can use the computers to read this useful book at the same time in the computers via network. In addition, computers are commonly used today, so it is useful for students working with the computers, so they can get familiar with modern life.

When students think about finding information or books, they just visit the Internet and search. It is surprisingly easy way because Internet means the virtual house of the world. Once new information in the USA, students around the world can access it everywhere in the world with the Internet.

Friendship is very important, without friendship people can do nothing. Working in the E-library, students can have so many friends not only in their school but also all over the world. Because, with the Internet students can discuss or even talk with other students in other countries, so they can have new way of studying, new ideas and get new culture around the world. Moreover, learning in the E-library means learning in the group, so the students will be familiar with co-operating, which will be an advantage in their future.

In conclusion, from the above-mentioned issues, I firmly believe that it is a good idea to build a E-library for students if my school have a gift of money. With E-Library, students can have easy way to find knowledge, new technology, modern ways of studying and new friendship, Which are helpful not only at the time they are studying but also in their future time.

Essay 751 Topic 147 **How should your school use a donation?**

It is very important for schools to make wise decisions on how to spend the money they have received, so that the money can be beneficial for students. If my school has received a gift of money, I will suggest that the school should use the money to build a computer center and buy a lot of computers.

In the first place, computers enable students to get information much faster and acquire almost all the information they need. As a matter of fact, just like many other schools in china, my school does not have a very modern library, and students always complain about the inconveniences of borrowing books from the library. For example, they usually have to spend a lot of time looking for books they need, and sometimes they library does not have the books that they want. If a computer cent is constructed in the school, all they students can use the computers and surf the Internet to gather information they need for studies.

A case in point is that, a biology student may spend fifteen minutes looking for the data he needs for a paper, while he can easily find the data on the Internet in less than a minute. In a word, a computer center greatly helps students with their course work.

In the second place, a computer center help students get in touch with their families. Students have to write letters or make telephone calls to contact with their family members if they do not have computers, and most students are not able to go back to home during school. Letters take long to arrive and phone calls are too expensive for most students. Computers enable students to solve this problem. For example, a student can send e-mails to his family. The emails take much shorter time to arrive than letters, and the student probably does not have to pay the money because the school would use the donated money to take care of all the computers. As a result, students do not have to worry about how to communicate with their families, so that they can probably be happier at school.

In conclusion, even though a computer center may have a few negative effects, for example, some students will spend too much time on it, its advantages far outweigh its drawbacks, because it will bring conveniences to students with their course work and help them get in touch easily with their families and friends.

Essay 752 Topic 147 **How should your school use a donation?**

If my school has received a gift of money, I think the best way for my school to spend is to set up a fund to support the poor students and buy some advanced equipment. Why will I choose that? Here are my reasons.

First, China is a country of large population, many of whom live in the bad conditions. Especially children, if they cannot receive enough education, they may have to face the fate that their parents are struggling. So, giving award to children will help them study at school and receive education that will enhance their competence, and most of them are excellent students that cannot be deprived of the chance to study because of money. As a result, China will continue to develop under the hard work of these elites.

Second, the high quality of education is a key to school. One of the most important factors which measure the school is advanced equipment. They can provide good studying condition and help the student catch up with the technology. A case in point is computer, which is popular in the world. If the school can buy and afford it to student free, the student can be inspired and have more interest and confidence in these subjects.

Concluding all above, I think that giving fund support to poor student and buying equipment are the best way to spend the money, in that they not only receive good students but also improve the quality of education.

Essay 753 Topic 147 **How should your school use a donation?**

As our school is just a language training school, I consider that the gift money should be used to avail more teaching and learning facilities to do favors to both teachers and students.

We often felt puzzled when our English teacher showed his well prepared slides to our class in his own hands! When we asked about what is the problem with the old-fashioned projector in the corner of the classroom, he just told us that it has been broken for such a long time. So, considering this kind of embarrassing situation, why do not we use the money first for some new projectors, that undoubtedly will give those teachers better chances to present their nice materials to all the students and make their efforts come into being eventually.

When each time we are in our listening practice, we just found that we must share the

same stereo with so many students simultaneously. That makes each of us feel so uncomfortable as we all keep different kind of learning habits. To me, for instance, I'd rather listen to one topic or one article a great deal of time before my going into the next, however, as well as so many students must share the stereo with me at the same time, they always be frustrated when I try to do this according to my own learning procedure again and again. I would rather use the money for more new stereos as soon as possible in such circumstance.

And we got only 10 computers for more than 500 hundred students, as a matter of fact, we therefore lost a lot of english learning chances that is so easy to access for other people today, we cannot visit Internet to find out english news or editorials in english that interested us, we cannot email in english to our pen pals, the practice is once upon a time supposed to be a good way of practicing our writing of english. By using the money, we can purchase a lot of computers, dreamingly one for each student.

In a word, I'd like use all the money to equip our old-fashioned school with brand new facilities and make it more suitable for english learning if I have the right to decide, so why do not you think my decision to be really descent as we are now in such a poor environment?

Essay 754 Topic 147 **How should your school use a donation?**

Our educational objective is not only to fill students with the knowledge, but also to improve their capacity and skills of analysis, which will benefit the students all their life time. So to achieve this ambitious objective, it is necessary that the school shall have all sorts of laboratories to facilitate sundry laboratory tests in the school. So naturally, when my school receives a gift of money, I think the best way for us to spend the money is to build basic laboratories for the students and teachers.

Firstly, our school is not well equipped with such a basic necessities. We have capable teachers and intelligent students in our school, who created a strong academic study atmosphere. But due to lack of necessary laboratory, the teaching is only limited in the class, students learned a lot about the theory but no more practice, which detracts the understanding of students and effects the building up of their capacity to apply the knowledge in their real life. Therefore, the educational quality is questionable. This has impaired the fame of the school. Consequently, brain drainage is a big problem in the school. The excellent teachers and intelligent students are desperately looking for well equipped school for their teaching and studying. So to curtail the loss, it is the high time to invest the fund to build up all these necessities.

Secondly, to spend the money on laboratory establishing will benefit the school for good from long-run point view. The parents assess the school according to the educational facilities that the school possesses, the poor facilities like poor laboratory will keep the students away from the school. So it will make the school very hard to operate. So from the point view of student market, the establishing first-class laboratory is the primary

thing in the school. Furthermore, the local education authority also pay more attention to the educational facilities, especially the laboratories, if the situation maintains like that without any improving, I suspect our school will be closed down by the authorities.

Last but not at least, if our school uses the money on educational facility building up, it will make the donators more comfortable. The wise decision will make the school promising, I believe it can get more attention from more donators.

In sum, to spend the gift fund to build up the laboratory is a wise way, which cannot only satisfy the students and teachers in the school, but also can make the parents and the donators happy.

Essay 755 Topic 147 **How should your school use a donation?**

If our school is lucky enough getting a gift of money, I hope all my schoolmates and I can obtain a special classroom equipped with computers which are connected with the Internet.

If it comes true all the students can browse the Internet and find many kinds of useful information through it. Under that condition we can broaden our horizon more efficiently. Further more we can also have a glance at the knowledge that we are interested in. At that time, we can gain more happiness from learning then.

If it comes true all the student can browse the Internet and make friends with contemporaries in other provinces even other countries. And we can communicate with them about many aspects of our lives. It will help us in our mind building and make more friends as we like.

If it comes true all the student can browse the Internet and spend some of our spare time on computer. Besides its help in learning, computer also supports entertainment function. And those kind of entertainment is special and attractive compared to traditional games. We would feel very happy through using it.

All in all if our school has received that gift of money I want a kind of club that is described above is built. For it is suitable and magic for youngsters.

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Essay 758 Topic 148 **Does playing games teach us about life?**

Playing game plays a significant role in people's daily life. You can always see children playing soccer or basketball in park and adult enjoy themselves with bridge in the club. Game may become more and more complex as we grow up, but our enjoyment has never changed. It give us lots fun, meanwhile teach us about life.

First of all, playing games teaches us about the strategies which we can apply in real life. In fact, most games' original ideas come from real life, for instance, Chess imitate the battles between two countries. During playing the game, we need to analyze what situation we face, evaluate our assets, guess what our rivals would do in next steps and make the better choice from several possibilities. In real life, when we meet a challenge, we usually analysis the situation and estimate ourselves ability and decide what to do next.

Playing games also teaches us how to deal with other people. We learn about teamwork during the game, if the game has teams like soccer, basketball. nobody can win the game by himself even though he is strong, and runs fast. Everybody should communicate will with co-players. Also, in real life, no one can survive without other people's help and cooperation, a man who gets along with co-workers is likely to be success.

Meanwhile, playing game also teach us focus our mind and energy to reach the goal and separate the difficult problem into several relatively smaller and easier tasks and then solve one by one. Last but not the least, playing game teaches us adjust our plan when situation changes. Finding a good job is always not easy, especially during an economic downturn, as we are currently experiencing. At this moment, we may go to school to procure a higher degree instead of job hunting.

In conclusion, playing games cannot only relieve stress and give us lot fun, but also teach us about life.

Essay 759 Topic 148 **Does playing games teach us about life?**

Playing games is a very important part of everyone's life. People almost spent all their time playing games while in their childhood. Not only do we enjoy it and have fun, but we also learn a lot of things from playing games. It's obvious that playing games can also teach us about life. The reason goes as follows.

Among countless reasons, the first and the foremost one is that playing games teaches us about rules. No matter what kind of games we play, there must be a set of rules in it, and we have to obey those rules. No one is allowed to break those rules. That's exactly what happens in real life. There are many sets of rules in our life too, from school regulations to laws. And people have to follow those rules, one who breaks the rules will get

punished. So as we can see, playing games teaches us about rules and tells us to learn and obey them, which get us well prepared for our lives in the future.

Further more, many games are simulations of reality, their purpose is to teach us about various things in our lives. For example, there is a simulation game called virtual stock exchange on Internet, which simulates the stock exchange and helps people to understand what stock exchange is all about. It's no doubt that no one would go to stock market and put their money on risk without any preparation. So people can get a lot of experience about stock market in this game before actually get into the real one. It's no doubt that no one would go to stock market and put their money on risk without any preparation. So if you are one of those people who are new to stock market, I highly recommend you to try it out. And this is another good evidence shows that playing games can teach us a lot about the chances and opportunities in our lives.

In addition, many computer games are also designed for giving people different experience of life. A good example would be RPG game, will gives people experience of adventure, and there are a lot more give people experience in different aspects. Generally speaking, Each computer game can teach us a part of our lives.

Finally, as we discussed above, I agree that playing games can teach us a lot things about life in different ways. And I believe there will be more and more good games produced that can give us a deep understanding of life.

Essay 760 Topic 148 **Does playing games teach us about life?**

I do agree that playing games teaches us about life. In my opinion it cannot be any different than that. Many times a parallel between human beings and animals is being drawn, so I would love to use the same method, in order to illustrate how important and helping games can be.

Wild animals are usually being compared to human beings, in their habits, their reactions and reflexes. The complexity of the behavior of both is so similar, that once people want to analyze or understand better their own behavior, they refer to that of animals, or wild creatures.

From the very moment animals are born, they have to learn much, and acquire as many skills as it is possible in order to survive in a pitiless nature, where is no place for the weak. Learning starts with playing. Little wolfs, foxes, lions and tigers play with each other, or with their parents, and yet gather all the needed information about the world surrounding them, capturing dangers and sources of food. By the time they grow up, innocent games have already made a solid knowledge and skills basis for the animal, which will help it to survive in the wild nature. So is it with human beings. Children play, and by the means of games they learn about the world around them, they form the basis of their character, their interests and maybe even what they will be in the future.

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Games have been, are, and will be one of the wide spread kinds of entertainment. We have started playing them as we were small babies -- just started to do first moves in the huge, not yet discovered world. Then we became teenagers, then adults, and then seniors. Still, all along this way we continued to play them. However, we never actually thought that games teach us how to live too.

At the early stages of our childhood, everybody enjoyed gathering together and sharing joy and emotions in front of Monopoly game board. From my point of view, this game gave us one of the first lessons of business, while as, you know, business is one of the most essential parts of our society. Furthermore, as we grew, we started participating in different sports. Despite of many positive aspects as physical fitness, communication and enjoyment, sports also taught us how to be tactic and develop strategies. Moreover, as older population of the Earth, we began playing such games as chess and cards, which improved our logic thinking. While, you cannot even survive in nowadays society without having any trend of logics.

As you can see, games are pretty important in our lives. As we play them, we absorb new life-essential skills. As well, in games we can make mistakes and we can learn on these mistakes, so we do not repeat them in real life. Therefore, this amazing branch of entertainment not only raises our mood, but it also helps us to be educated as we proceed in life.

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Essay 764 Topic 149 **How would you use a free gift of land?**

What should I do if some day I had some land of myself? I take it as a serious question although if it is just a hypothesis. While, definitely, I will facilitate it to built up a public school! The reason is that education is so important to both this society and individuals. It is my dream to develop a school for the children who have been bereft the opportunity of acceptance education.

Firstly, widely well-educated population can benefit the society they are in from enjoying an orderly circumstance. It is a common sense that intellectuals are more conformable than the others. Bandits or brigands are usually composed of those uncivilized people. With their knowledge, people are much more positively to comply with their national laws. Caution are also be taken by those knowledgeable people to stay away from criminal.

Secondly, our society needs to be constructed by their civilian with their technique or skills much more than just their nature strength. It is the advantaged technology that makes a nation standing in the first line among the world.

Thirdly, individual in this earth should be equal with all rights including being educated. What tragedy it is that so many kids abandoned or are abandoning their study for their poverty. So many films about these poor children always made me in tears! I swear if

only I have the power I will do my best to help them other than just donate those little faint money!

If I have some land, I will open a school, definitely!

Essay 765 Topic 149 **How would you use a free gift of land?**

Since I was a little girl, I have been yearned for a garden, which is full of all sorts of plants and creatures. If I receive some land, then there will not be any buildings on it, but natural landscape. I want it be a garden that has no artificial feelings.

The reason why I want a garden despite of other more useful usage of the land can be traced back to my childhood. The lovely scenery of the park where I used to playing in is so deeply stored in my mind. Squirrels leapt from the firs, and small insects hide in the shade of the tree. After the rain, white fungi appeared on the trunk rapidly, like tiny umbrellas. There I could always find amazing incidents, and always make me in peace.

In my own land, there must have tall trees and rattans, just like the forest. If it is big enough, I will dig a pond in the center of the land. No bricks and cement will hinder plants from growing, and there's no need to clip the trees. I'll make it an ideal home for the animals and plants, not a neat place to please people.

What would be better than a natural garden? We human beings have occupied too much space on earth; in the meanwhile, deprived other creatures of their habitat. If I really have some land, I'll give it back to them. I think it is not squander, because what we could derive from the nature is always out of our imagination.

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Having some free land has always been a deep wish of mine. When I was a child my family and I often went to the country on weekends, because one of Dad's brothers owned a piece of land non too far from the city where we lived.

I enjoyed myself riding horses, playing with cats and dogs, picking up eggs from hens, looking at rabbits, watching birds, "driving" tractors and so on. Since then, I have been dreaming to have some free land of my own property, in order to do what I most like without annoying any neighbors.

First of all I would fill it with trees, flowers and grass, because I love to stay outside and have walks under the trees' shadow.

Secondly, I would buy some German Sheepdogs. Actually I am very fond of this race of dogs and I wish to grow up some exemplars and win premiums at dog competitions. Dogs are the real passion of my life. I love to stay with dogs and speak to them and teach them some basic things.

Finally, in order to stay there always, I would build a small country house, made of stone and wood but with all comforts and a swimming pool to bathe in when it's very hot.

Probably it's a dream, but do not say it's impossible to accomplish. In fact, I would only need to work in some place neither too near, not too far from the country. There I could find some free land and do what I have just said. So I would realize the child's atmosphere that I can only remember now and that is so distinctive when just thinking of it

Essay 767 Topic 149

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imagination.

Essay 769 Topic 151 **What is the most important animal in your country?**

Before I answer this question, I feel that I should introduce myself. I come from China, so I think that the pig should be the most important animal in our country because this animal plays a very significant action in our daily life.

Needless to say, the pig is one of the most important meat foods. Everyday, we eat it from its head to its feet. All parts of a pig are edible. We can use its different parts to cook all kinds of delicious food. In China, there are eight kinds of dish party. Every kind is closely associated with the pork.

The second, the pig is also a kind of important industrial material. We can use the pigskin to make all sorts of shoes, wallets and other leather goods. In addition, its feather can be used to make brushes.

The last reason is that raising pig is one of the important income sources of farmers. If you have a chance to China, you can find that almost every farmer family raises several pigs. Many farmers get their cash by selling pigs. At the same time, some provident and skilled farmers have become very wealthy through raising pig.

After understanding the reasoning above, I think that nobody should doubt my answer about this question. The pig is really the most important animal in our country.

Essay 770 Topic 151 **What is the most important animal in your country?**

According to me an animal could be considered important based on what it contributes to mankind. In India the most important animal is the Cow. It is important as it provides a source of food to people, it is an animal which can be used for labor, also the cow is religiously worshiped by the Indian people.

Majority of the people in India is Hindus. According to hindu beliefs and customs, the cow is religiously worshiped. Temples are built in respect of the animal, and the animal itself is considered holy. These animals are allowed to wander freely anywhere they please, whether it be on the farm lands and fields, or the city streets. In Mumbai and other metropolitan cities of India one would find many cows roaming on the streets. People will very often buy grass and hay, to feed the animals. Although they do cause hindrance to vehicular traffic, but people would never harm them. Car drivers would patiently wait for a cow to move off the center of the road, without honking their horns or doing anything to scare the animal. This is because of the fact that they worship the animal, and they feel that the animal is important. According to the hindu religion the god Shri Krishan happened to also be a cow herder, and hence the cow is also worshiped.

In India the main source of milk, happens to be the cow. Every day several million liters

of milk are supplied by dairies all over India. They happen to be the cheapest supply of milk for the people, without which tens of thousands of babies would go un-nourished. Thousands of varieties of dairy products and sweets are made from fresh cows milk. Without the cow this would not be possible. Hence the animal is of prime importance to the nation. Also apart from milk, the cow also happens to be the main source of meat in the country. Beef is widely consumed throughout the country. The Muslim community, which happens to be the second largest community in India, is forbidden by religion to consume pork or any other form of pig meat. For them and for other communities also, the cow happens to be the only source of meat, as goats and sheep are not reared in as large numbers and are not found as abundantly as the cow is.

Apart from being a source of meat, the cow is also used on farms for ploughing the fields, and for pulling the bullock carts. In India the farmlands are not consolidated, and hence are very often divided among family members. This makes the size of the farm plots very small. Also most farmers are not very wealthy. Due to these reasons automation is not feasible. Hence for ploughing the fields, for carrying the grains etc cows are employed on the farms. Cows are also considered as very docile and tamed, and loving animals which can easily be used as animals of burden.

For the Indian people, the cow is not just as an animal of worship, but also a source of food and milk. It is also a very useful animal of burden and can be tamed easily. Hence it has gained the most importance in India.

Essay 771 Topic 151 **What is the most important animal in your country?**

Asked about the most important animal in my country, China, everyone will think of the lovely panda. Due to the agreeable weather and living environment, pandas are mostly habituated in China, especially in the Southwest. As a symbol for China and a national treasure, panda has attracted the world attention and become a very important animal in the world.

The most attractiveness is the lovely appearance of panda. A panda is black and white, round but not clumsy with a human-like smiling face. We often see pictures of pandas with bamboo branches in their hands because bamboo is their favorite food. They are so lovely that they have been the most popular animals in the zoo.

Another reason for the significance of panda is that it is a rare animal and is facing the risk of extinction. The number of pandas alive in the world is small and still decreasing. This has aroused the attention of not only world animal protection organizations but also those animal lovers. As we all know, the decreasing number of those rare animals is to a large extent caused by the deterioration of the living environment. Therefore, much has been done to raise the awareness of every social member to protect the animals. In Szechuan, southwest China, many such protective areas have been established to provide an ideal habitat for pandas.

Last but not the least, panda has made a lot of contributions to the Sino-US relationship. As a Friendship Ambassador, pandas have been presented by the Chinese government as a gift to the United States. If you have the chance to go to Atlanta, you may take the opportunity to pay a visit to the pandas from China, which are living happily in the States. This has greatly enhanced the friendship between China and the United States.

From the above-mentioned points, we can realize the important role panda plays in our country. Therefore, more work has to be done for the protection and preservation of pandas which is beneficial not only to China but also to the world.

Essay 772 Topic 151 **What is the most important animal in your country?**

Different nations love different animals. For instance, the Americans like dogs and call them man's best friend? the Japanese love cranes regarding it the symbol of its royalty. China, with no exception, has its own national animal, dragon. Although some people might deny its existence in the world, I admit it is really mythical but it is ubiquitous, in royal palaces and temples, on musical instruments, on bridges, in restaurants and the like. With no doubt, the dragon is the most important animal in China.

As a matter of fact, the dragon is a creation of the Chinese people's imagination. It is a combination of an eagle's claw, a snake's body, a deer's horn, a carp's scales, a shrimp's eyes and etc. Each animal has its own capability, with eagles fly, snakes crawl, dears gallop, carp fish swim and shrimps jump. So such an unique mixture reflects vividly the great wisdom of this people and their determination to conquer the nature. And since its formation dating back to five millennium ago, the Chinese has been building on its culture around it.

Moreover, the dragon is not an idol for worship only. Legend has it that the dragon has nine sons, with each having distinguished strengths. The oldest one is powerful at taming the flood; the second protecting houses against fire; the third loves music; the forth strong to uphold bridges and so on. The Chinese, seemingly superstitious though, regard the dragons our dearest protectors and best life company.

In conclusion, the dragon embodies the ancient culture of China and but also blesses a safe and pleasant life. No wonder all Chinese love it best.

Essay 773 Topic 151 **What is the most important animal in your country?**

While each and every animal is important in keeping the ecological balance, in my opinion it is the cow which plays a pivotal role in our Nepalese society. Its importance can be easily gauged by the fact that we Nepalese refer to it as our mother. A cow is universally used all over the world as a producer of milk. Milk is often called as a complete food?as it contains proteins, vitamins etc. However, the people of a developed country can forgo milk and substitute it with nutrition biscuits or other such foodstuffs but for a majority of the people belonging to a developing country such as mine these

alternatives may not be feasible. It is the cow's milk that provides the cheapest source of having nutrition in our diet. When cow's milk is administered to the malnourished babies of the poor in Nepal, it works wonders. No wonder, government organizations and other NGOs rely on cow's milk while battling poverty. The number of cows that a farmer possesses is also an indication of wealth and prosperity in rural areas of Nepal. The 'White Revolution' which swept Nepal in the 1960's helped many families to rise above the poverty line due to the increased yield of cow's milk. Cow's dung is probably the best natural manure for plants and crops. For a largely agrarian country like Nepal, you can easily estimate how important cow's dung will be. Though there is a large array of synthetic fertilizers in our market, their harmful effects on the environment has been widely noted. As a result, in recent years, the focus has once again shifted to the cow's dung. Another use of its dung is that the mud courtyards of our village homes are swept with cow's dung. Since it does not smell and always remains cool, it acts as a natural air-conditioner in rural areas. This is very important for a tropical country like Nepal. A cow is not difficult to maintain as it subsists on hay which is found in rice crops. Since our farmers grow them in abundance, cows involve no extra overhead. Even after its death a cow is useful. Its hide is used to make varied leather articles such as belts, purses, wallets and other such items in Nepal. The male counterpart of the cow, the bullock is widely used for ploughing by the farmers in Nepal. Tractors are not very feasible as the size of a farm is generally small in Nepal. Bullocks are also used for crushing sugarcane to get jaggery. A cow is placid and calm. Nepalese have a high sense of philosophy and cow-like placidness is a virtue. No wonder, that this amazing animal is venerated and respected in Nepal.

Essay 774 Topic 152 **Why should a natural resource be saved?**

Natural resources are very important to a country and unfortunately they are depleting as the years go by. One such resource which is also very important among other natural resources is the animals. Unfortunately, animals are also becoming extinct. A survey was conducted and it was seen that among the animals the population of the tigers, leopards etc. was depleting tremendously, apart from other animals. There are several reasons for the depletion. Among the various reasons the most common factor resulting in the depletion is the hunting by humans. Humans tend to kill animals for various reasons. For instance the hide of the animals is used for making various things like shoes, bags, etc. It is also used for decoration purposes. Though now a ban has been put by a lot of governments of various countries on the display of hide in their homes.

Animals need to be saved because if a species of animal becomes extinct then it would disrupt the entire food chain, which in turn would lead to the extinction of all the animals. A simple example of a food chain is as follows. mice-cat-dog. If in this example if there are no mice then the cat would starve and die which in turn would lead to the starvation and death of the dog in the absence of the cat. Therefore, in my opinion Animals are as important natural resource as water and therefore every effort should be made towards their preservation.

Essay 775 Topic 152 **Why should a natural resource be saved?**

There are many important natural resources in the world, such as forests, animals, or clean water. They are important to our lives. But recently, many parts of the world are losing these natural resources. Losing of the natural resources, especially the losing of forests, will greatly effect on the quality of our lives.

Forests are important and necessary to us. They can improve the quality of the air, obstruct the sands and adjust the climate. Though forests have so many benefits, the area of forests becomes smaller and smaller. What a pity thing it is!

When you step into a forest, you will feel that the air is fresher than many other places. From this experience, we can easily know the function of forests, improve the quality of the air. But these years, in big cities, the quality of the air is poor. The health of people living in these modern cities is greatly affected by the bad air. Therefore it is necessary to save forests.

Secondly, forests can obstruct the sands. It can be given a concrete example. My country, China, often has sandstorm these years, and the sandstorm becomes stronger and stronger. This is the result of the losing of forests. Some people cut trees in order to sell them to gain some money for their own. These people do not know their homeland will become desert if they continue to cut trees. Therefore if we still want to live in the world, we must protect forests.

Of course, forests have many other benefits to our environment and lives. I will not list one by one.

In a word, forests are important natural resources. They have closed relationships with our lives. In order to continue to live comfortably, we must protect them from now on.

Essay 776 Topic 152 **Why should a natural resource be saved?**

Many parts of the world are losing important natural resources, such as forests, animals, or clean water. Without them, we human beings will not survive and this world will become a terrible place. Among them, clean water is disappearing quickly and needs to be saved very much in that there is not much fresh water in the world and a lot of people do not cherish it.

In the first place, there is very little fresh water that can be directly used for our living requirement and other uses. Although three fourths of the earth is covered with water, there is only one percent of them that is fresh water. Unluckily, a large part of the fresh water is in the Antarctic area that we are unable to exploit. Nowadays, many countries in the world are lack of water, which affect their people's quality of life and economic development. China is a good case of this. In China, many cities are short of fresh water, so the government has to construct a big water pipe to transport water from the South to

the North.

In the second place, all lives need fresh water. There will be no life if there is no water. Water is the main element of life. I cannot imagine what will happen if all the clean water is wasted on the earth. There will be died bodies and dying bodies of animals, human beings and plants. People will fight for water subsidies like animal blood or even human's blood with each other. What a horrible scene! I hope it will never take up.

In addition, the most important issue of saving water today is making people know the importance of water and the situation we face now. We must educate the men who waste water and think water can never be worn out. For example, A lot of Chinese schools open courses about saving water and tell students to cherish water is to cherish themselves and their fall spring.

All in all, I believe we should save water not only because the fresh water is very little in the world but also because the clean water is essential for us. Therefore, everyone on the earth should notice that the clean water is disappearing and must be saved from now on.

Essay 777 Topic 152 **SOURCE OF LIFE**

Similar to the sunlight, clean water is one of the most important natural resources. On our planet, the life started in the water millions of years ago. Today, drinking water is still an essential part of the human life. We could neither take a shower, nor cultivate plants, nor drink clean water without this resource. Imagine a world without the possibility to take a shower. In the industrialized world, almost everyone takes a shower every day. Without clean water, we all would smell disgusting. Furthermore, we could not wash our clothes. As a result, we had to invent new opportunities to wash ourselves and our clothes. The fact, that we were not able to cultivate plants anymore is more essential. Plants need the sun, the air and water to grow. If the water is not clean, they will not grow. Due to the fact, that plants are standing at the bottom of the food chain, many animals would be exposed to the threat of extinction. Providing a source of drinking water to humans is the most important function of clean water. Today, we can see what happens if no clean water is available in some parts of Africa. Many people are dying due to the lack of clean water and food. Without drinking clean water, a man can survive only a few days. In my opinion, clean water is the most valuable resource on our planet. Without clean water, the human life would not be possible. So, we all should make efforts to keep our drinking water resources clean.

Essay 778 Topic 153 **Is a zoo useful?**

As the modern society develops and the city expands more and more, there left less and less opportunities for human and animals to know each other. Based on this concern, the new public place, zoo, is created in recent centuries, offering a channel for human-animal communication.

Urban people have rarely get a chance to touch the nature. Before the establishments of the zoo, many people have not seen any wild animals in their life, which are different from their pets. They can only get a concept of the wild animals in books and pictures, which are found much less attractive than the real ones later, as people finally see lions, tigers and giraffes... in the zoo. The zoo recalls parts of the original natures lying in our heart, which are connected with those beautiful wild lives.

In spite of the positive things that the zoo brings us, there is also negative side of it as we standing on the perspective of the creatures captured in the zoo. The animal are forced to leave their home and start to live in a entire different environment, which may be unsuitable for them. Similar to human, animals do have affections. The zoo is like a man-made jail to them, which is a violation to their rights.

Since everything has a hemisphere of advantage, and the other of disadvantage, I believe that the zoo is created on a useful purpose, and it brings the world much more joys than pains.

Essay 779 Topic 153 **Is a zoo useful?**

There are some people who think zoos are not useful, on the contrary, I disagree with these people. A zoo helps us to keep various animals, and also amuses a lot. In the following discussion, I will provide evidence to support my viewpoint.

Many kinds of animals are kept in the zoos, especially the endangered ones. These animals can be taken good care of by the zookeepers. Since they are protected from the danger in the outside world, they can live and breed in the zoo peacefully and safely. If you think more carefully about it, you'll find the zoos really help a lot.

A zoo is a good place to visit for children as well. They can see the animals they like in a zoo, and also they can see many animals that they have never known. They can learn a lot about the life of animals, and they can have a good time in a zoo with their families. A zoo is a place that brings people joy and laugh.

Although a zoo may bother some people, such as it is smelly and dirty. Nevertheless, the zookeepers can try their best to keep the zoo cleaner, so can the people who visit it. Thus, if we can make effort together, a zoo is absolutely beneficial to us.

In conclusion, a zoo does have useful purpose. A zoo provides safety to animals and gives fun to people. There is no question in my mind that a zoo has no useful purpose now.

Essay 780 Topic 153 **Is a zoo useful?**

Children like to go to the zoo on holidays. They find it interesting to watch monkeys or bears doing funny things. But how many adults go to the zoo not for children's sake? I

think few. Because we finally find that a zoo has no really useful purpose and it's not a truly fun place for us.

When a person breaks the law, he will be thrown into prison. But the animals in the zoo have done nothing to deserve being locked in a small cage. No plants, no water, just brick walls and floors. Every animal is in the same environment and can do no other things except for wandering around in the little space. Do you think that's what an animal should look like? And after visiting such a living place of animals as a zoo, no one would ever be left a nice impression of beauty and harmony of the nature that the zoo tries to demonstrate.

In addition, going to the zoo is not a good chance for educating children. Children see animals being tamed and locked, just for people to watch and have fun with. That will give the wrong impression to them that animals are ought to be like that. In such an artificial circumstance, they do not realize that animals and people are friends and they are just as important in the ecological system as we are.

The last but not the least, animals in the zoo are often treated badly by the visitors. People like to feed them with whatever they bring with them: hamburgers, popcorns, or even paper. Animals are not able to distinguish which food is bad for them and thus they eat too much unfit food. It is very harmful to their health.

So I do not see any useful purpose to build up a zoo in a city just for people's entertainment, but to sacrifice the animals' health and freedom. And it does no good to teach our children to have animals as our best friends.

Essay 781 Topic 154 **Is it right to ban smoking?**

Nowadays, people are divided in two separate groups: one is a non-smoker and the other one is a smoker. For many years non-smokers have been struggling with smokers trying to prohibit any smoking in public areas. During the last decade, the number of smokers around the world decreased significantly due to ferocious campaign against smoking. I totally agree that it is one of the most effective rules against smoking. In the following paragraphs I will try to support my opinion with several examples.

Since I am a 100% non-smoker, I am completely support any rules against smoking. The rule about no smoking in public areas and office buildings is very effective in various ways. First of all, it would be very inconvenient for thousands and thousands active smokers. They would think about quitting smoking or continue smoking, but only at their homes or outside public areas and office buildings. As a non-smoker, I adhere any smell of smoke. Smoking is very dangerous for passive smokers and even it it was allowed to smoke in public areas in separate areas for smokers, many non-smokers would be exposed to passive smoking, because the smoke from cigarettes would spread around anyway.

I was very surprised about effectiveness of the recent law against smoking when I had my trip to New York City. It seems that the whole city is against smoking. It is against the law to smoke in any public areas of the city. For example bars, nightclubs, subways and many more public areas have no longer smokers. Even though it is still allowed to smoke outside, you can barely see smokers on the streets. It is amazing how actually can be effective this rule when smoking is prohibited by law.

In my opinion, if many governments around the world took smoking under their control and issued laws to prohibit smoking in the most populous cities, it would be definitely decrease the number of active smokers. Smoking would be no more dangerous treat to the public health. It would decrease the number of lung diseases and the most dangerous one of them, lung cancer. In addition I totally support any rules against smoking not only in public areas and office buildings but also against smoking at all.

Essay 782 Topic 154 **Is it right to ban smoking?**

In modern society, whether or not people should be allowed to smoke in many public places and office buildings is a controversial issue among people. Heavy smokers might argue that smoking cigar or cigarette is just one of their favorites such as coffee or chocolate bars. However, I believe that smoking in public areas and office buildings needs to be absolutely prohibited because smoking in public places and office buildings could not only harmfully affect non-smokers' health but also contaminate our environment.

The most important reason for my position is that second -hand smoke can give harms to non-smokers' health in public places and office buildings. Usually, smokers and non-smokers share place together for working or enjoying. Thus, anybody who is in an office and other public areas with a smoker experiences indirect smoking. It is said that this smoke also is considered one of causes to destroy one's health. For example, I have read that children who grow up in the homes of smokers are much more likely to have frequent colds and other respiratory diseases. Besides, it is reported that more that sixty percent of Korean women who currently suffer from cancer have been affected by second-hand smoking. It is revealed they have at least two heavy smokers in their family. This is the one of the reasons why I agree that controlling smoking is the efficient way to protect non-smokers' health.

In addition, even a little bit of smoke can pollute a large area. In other words, smoking can irritate people in public places or co-workers because of smoke, smell and wastes. To illustrate, the smell from cigarettes gets trapped in materials and smoke stains furniture, curtains and other materials. As a result, not only non-smokers have to put up with the smell and smoke, but also our valuable environment can be damaged. In this aspect, I have no doubt that banning smoking in public places and office buildings would create a cleaner environment.

In conclusion, people have varied viewpoints on controlling smoking in public. However,

I am certainly in favor of the rule that people should be definitely forbidden to smoke in public areas for the above-mentioned reasons: the fatal influence on non-smokers' health matter and pollution of the public places. Therefore, it is no exaggeration to say that banning smoke is one of the most effective ways to live a healthier life.

Essay 783 Topic 154 **Is it right to ban smoking?**

It is no doubt that we human beings are social animals. Living in a society, we certainly cannot do whatever we like. Putting ourselves in other people's shoes is a key principal to live in a social group. Smoking in public will violate this basic rule. Therefore, I believe that people should not allowed to smoke in public places and office buildings.

It is widely believed that smoking is bad for people's health. Since not everyone likes smoking, the rule banning on public smoking should be enforced. It goes without saying that public spaces such as office buildings, department stores or classrooms are places for everyone including adults and children. The second-hand smokes produced by smokers may be more harmful for the health of non-smokers according to the New England Medical Journal published several years ago. We can never neglect the rights of these people.

Moreover, smoking is bad for the health of smokers. The rule might help the smokers who want to quit smoking. The rule can reduce the opportunities for smokers to smoke and gradually help chain smokers get rid of this bad habit. Smoking is a habit that is not easy to quit. The rule might use its legal power to assist the smokers to protect their own health.

Smoking in public spaces might be dangerous because there are a lot of careless smokers who forget to extinguish the sparkles after they smoke. The irresponsible action may lead to big fire and a great numbers of people will be hurt in the accident. Nevertheless, enforcing the rule can prevent the occurrence of accidents.

Some people might believe that it is their rights to smoke wherever they please. However, I would say that people who do not smoke have their rights not to inhale second-hand smokes and risk their life in dangerous places. Smokers still can smoke in their private places such as their bedrooms or living rooms as long as no other people's rights are not damaged. After all, the rule is used to protect the personal liberty of everyone.

Essay 784 Topic 154 **Is it right to ban smoking?**

Smoking is highly injurious to health and its adverse effects on passive smokers is well established. I, therefore, strongly favor the ban imposed in many public places and office buildings in various countries.

The smoking in public places and office buildings irritates and causes discomfort to non-smokers. Moreover, the passive smokers are also highly susceptible to various diseases

like cancer and other ailments based on the findings of various researches. As public places and office buildings are open to all the people and office goers, no individual has any right to knowingly cause harm/injury to others health especially our young children.

The health problems caused due to smoking in public places/offices would result in additional financial burden on the exchequer to divert its resources in medical facilities to combat such problems. These avoidable health problems of the employees due to such few irresponsible smokers would, result in increased absenteeism and economic loss to the companies. It is a common experience that offenders do not bother to follow any civic rule unless heavy penalty or strong rule is imposed by civic authority.

However, it would be prudent, to provide some limited confined places in the public areas and in the office buildings exclusively for the smokers. These rooms are required to be adequately provided with proper devices for removing obnoxious gases like CO₂,SO₂,CO,NO₂ etc from the smoke before being released to atmosphere. A nominal fee might be charged from the smokers to discourage their smoking habits.

Finally, I strongly support such rule to impose ban on smoking in public places in order to avoid detrimental effects on the health of common people knowingly.

Essay 785 Topic 154 **Is it right to ban smoking?**

I always dislike staying in a place with tobacco smoke circling around me. That is because, as everybody knows, smoking is harmful to human's health, and smelling the smoke is much more harmful. Therefore, I agree to the rule that smoking is not allowed in many public places and office buildings in some countries. This rule will not only help the public's health but also help to create a better public condition.

First, this rule can reduce smoking in public and thus can benefit people's health. For those who love and are even addicted to smoking, if they obey this rule, they will not be able to smoke in public places and office building where they usually spend a lot of their daytime. For those who usually feel like smoking when they see others smoking, this rule can prevent them from seeing others. Furthermore, for those who do not smoke, they will not have to smell the tobacco smoke any more. Thus, people will create a healthier place with no smoke by obeying this rule.

Secondly, the condition will be better for work if people obey this rule. By obeying this rule, people will gradually spend much less time on smoking and the complaints on smelling the smoke will be fewer. People can concentrate better to their work and work more efficiently.

I admit that some people will find it hard not to smoke for a long time. They need to be accustomed to it step by step. I suggest that special places for these people be set up where people can smoke. Since people cannot stay in that place too long during their work-time, their smoking time is also reduced.

Generally speaking, forbidding smoking help to create a better place for all the people, making people healthier and more efficient. Why not obeying it?

Essay 786 Topic 155 **What plant is important to the people in your country?**

Plants are vital to the survival of all life on Earth--plants transform the light of the sun into energy that is usable to other life on Earth. Without plants, animals would not be able to survive. However, some plants are more important than others, either for biological or cultural reasons. In my country, Bulgaria, I would say that the wheat that is used to produce bread has come to be the most important plant, not just because bread is a staple food, but also for other cultural reasons.

Virtually every Bulgarian eats bread at least twice a day. I, for example, had bread at breakfast, lunch, and dinner yesterday. For most Bulgarians, bread is an integral part of a meal, and a meal without bread is not a meal. In fact, if I have dinner with my American friends and do not eat bread, I actually feel hungry even if I have filled myself with potatoes or other food while eating with them. Many of my friends have made similar comments to me. So, I believe that bread is as much a part of our daily lives as work or talking on the telephone is.

However, bread is much more than just a staple food to most Bulgarians--it represents the very sustenance of much of our culture. Our history teachers tell us that the development of wheat as an agricultural product was largely responsible for the advancement of Bulgarian culture--since wheat was portable and had a long storage time, people had more freedom to move and were less susceptible to changes in the weather. For me, then, wheat is more than just a plant--it is the very sustenance of most Bulgarians.

In short, wheat is by far the most important plant in Bulgaria. Were it removed from Bulgarian society, Bulgaria would change drastically, perhaps even have a famine much like the Irish Potato Famine of the 1800's. Wheat is the very lifeblood of Bulgaria.

Essay 787 Topic 155 **What plant is important to the people in your country?**

Chiquita, the name brand that most people see here in North America when they go get some bananas at the supermarket, is the mark for all the bananas produced at the Chiriqui Land Co. What not so many people know is that those bananas are from my country, Panama, where the plantation of this fruit means a very important income into our economy.

The production of bananas in Panama is one of the most important in the country. Since the beginning of the last century, native Indians from Panama have worked in the plantation of bananas. Thus, it means this has been a way to bring some income to all these homes and to the national economy, too.

The plantation of bananas means millions and millions of dollars to our economy every year. The bananas are not only for the local consumers, but also to be exported. The exportation of bananas not only to The United States but to many other countries is a source of money to our internal economy. Therefore, it means more school, hospitals and other benefits for the local population.

The quality of the banana plants and their product are excellent. Quality control is very demanding and meets the excellence of ISO 900. The banana plant is protected with a special plastic that covers the whole plant from all kind of insects and other animals. The bananas are washed and packed in boxes, where they keep the fresh and delicious smell and taste to be exported later on.

For the quality, excellence and delicious sweet flavor that only the bananas have, is what makes it the most important plant in my country and which means millions of dollars every year into our economy.

Essay 788 Topic 155 **What plant is important to the people in your country?**

Do you notice various plants around your living environment? Colorful Flowers and green grass are so beautiful and make our environment look natural and lively. But do you know what are main uses of different plants? And did you ever think about which plant is the most important to you or the people in your country? As we know, plants can provide food, shelter, clothing or medicine. Different people may have different opinion about which one is important. As far as I am concerned, I think that the medical plants are important to our people. There are numerous reasons why I think so, and I will here explore a few of the most important ones.

The chief reason, which can be seen by every person, is that we human eat kinds of food and we cannot avoid being sick. So we need medicine to eliminate the sickness. It is well known that plants are the major sources of medicine and we can obtain them at a lower price.

A further reason why I think these plants are important is that they are natural and safe as medicine. Nowadays, many kinds of animals are often infected with various virus which are harm to the human body to some extent. As a result, the medicine which is obtained from animals may have many negative effects.

Finally, to speak frankly, there is a more practical reason why I think so. Our country is a

developing country and there are so many people living on the countryside. Some of them do not have enough money to go to hospital when they are sick. And what they can do is to eat some plants mixed together according to their ancestor's subscription.

From what I has discussed above, I can safely arrive at the conclusion that the plants which can provide medicine are most important to the people in our country.

Essay 789 Topic 155 **What plant is important to the people in your country?**

There are a number of kinds of tree in my country and the most of them have many uses. But in my opinion, among those trees, ginkgo is the most important and special tree in our country. First of all, Ginkgo, also called living fossil? is arare type because its other species have died out, and it only grows in china. So it is the symbol of my country. Of course, ginkgo is, besides beauty, also useful for shelter, food, medicine, furniture and virescence.

Moreover, ginkgo is the beautiful tree that has erect bole and fan-shaped leaves that I liked to collect in my childhood. And they are planted at the both sides of the road in my community. In summers, we can sit under its canopy to replace air-conditions and its fan-shaped leaves also let us feel cool. Commonly, lots of people believe in that ginkgo grows more slowly than other types of trees, but in fact the velocity of the grown of them is very natural. So we use them for virescence.

Another important reason is that all the sections of ginkgo have their special uses. Its fruits, leaves, and bole are useful, and are mainly used to the materials of grocery, medicine, chemistry and slap-up furniture. Above all, ginkgo is classified as gymnosperms, so it hasn't fruits and generally the fruits are actually its seeds. They have eventually officinal values and plenty of nutrition, so they can cure some diseases. Next, its wood is dense and can be used to make the inside decorations of high-grade constructions, stationeries or sculptures.

In summery, as we know, the Olympic Game will be held in our country in 2008, and during recent times it pursued the conception of virescence more and more intensely. So, like ginkgo, this type of tree that is beautiful and useful could be plant all over our country and make it healthier.

Essay 790 Topic 155 **What plant is important to the people in your country?**

Comparing with shelter, clothing, or medicine, food is the most important things for us. We have to eat everyday for providing energy to our body. For my country-China, of course rice is most important plant for Chinese. There are several reasons that I will talk about blow.

China is the country that has the most population in the world. The first and very important thing that the government has to do is that lets people have food to eat. I was

lucky, I was not born in those years that people did not have food to eat. My grandmother told me that many people did not have food to eat, they had to be hungry during those year. I cannot imagine how people live without enough food.

As you know, even though China has the most population, most of Chinese are farmer. To solve the food problem, people need to go for farming. They need grow much more plants that can eat, so rice is the best choice. Through these years, the development of science and technology, people could grow more rice in limited place than before. But grow more rice still is the biggest thing that people have to work on it.

Also, rice is most important food for Chinese. If you go to a Chinese restaurant, most of them provide rice, and you can see plenty of Chinese rice. Rice is food that most Chinese have to everyday eaten as main food. Unlike before, not only can you eat rice, but also you can eat the different kind of rice from different country now.

In the sum, food is important, rice is most important plants for Chinese. Although rice is not that food just for rich people in the present unlike before in China, people still need it. Chinese still need it for main food.

Essay 791 Topic 155 **What plant is important to the people in your country?**

In my four season country, Iran, a variety of plants grew which are very useful for Iranian people. Among these plants rice is the most important one in my country. Rice is used as a food and contributes a great deal to the economy of country and helps promote other industries.

By passing across the north of Iran, you will see miles after miles paddies that like a green carpet spread to the horizon. Rice is a major food for Iranian and it has feed people for several years. People use it alone or with meat and vegetables. Although it is luxurious diet for the poor, all people in Iran need it.

Beyond feeding ourselves, Iran is one of the most important rice exporters in the world. By exporting rice the country will gain money and can expend it for many purposes such as agricultural industry, so whole country will profits from producing rice.

Finally, In order to produce more and more rice we need good breed and machines. This demand calls for biotechnology and mechanical industry so government make emphasis on agriculture universities and biotechnology, hence the number of students and expert people in this field will increase and as a result the amount of perfect rice for export will increase.

In conclusion, my country, Iran has all climate such as warm and rainy in the north and hot and dry in south. various of plants grew in it that provide food, clothing and medicine for my country, But rice is the most important one because of It's role in feeding people, it's effect on economy and industry of my country.

Essay 792 Topic 156 **Which country would you like to visit?**

America is my favorite country, so I would like to spend two weeks there.

At first, America is a wonderful country. New York, Washington, San Francisco, all of these countries frequently appear in my dream. Now, my dream will come true. What's more, I am fond of music and movies. If traveling around the country, I will spend each night in the cinema, enjoying kinds of films. When it comes to music, I will go to HMV, the most famous CD store which I have known, and maybe I will meet some star by chance in the street, like Mariah Carey.

Secondly, America is large enough to spend two weeks visiting. Provided I go to such smaller country as Britain and France, perhaps two weeks are too long, although these countries are wonderful as well. It will take two weeks for me to travel all the United States, which is adequate.

Thirdly, in my opinion, compared with other countries, America is more modern. With its developed industry and agriculture, America has become one the strongest countries. I can learn a lot from its economy, civilization and society during my stay, which I have looked forward to all the time.

Finally, as an English student, staying there for two week is a good method of improving my spoken English. I, of course, must often talk with local people. After this tour, I must be able to communicate with others more fluently in English. Before visiting America, however, I have to remember some current slang and colloquialisms so that I will be free from misunderstanding of local language.

In a week, America, a country full of dreams, happiness and freedom, is my first choice to visit.

Essay 793 Topic 156 **Which country would you like to visit?**

Perhaps most of us will dream to have the opportunity to go abroad, studying or traveling. For the former, it might not be so accessible for everybody, while most may make the latter came into reality. Some will choose to go to the most advanced country, the U. S. A. Others may desire to go to Paris, France, the most romantic one in the world. But I prefer to go to the Great Britain. The reasons are based on as follows.

For one thing, I am an English major, and have been riding a long way by learning English in a non-English-speaking environment. The trip to the GB will provide me the chance to be involved in native English, which will be of benefits beyond words.

Secondly, I would like to spend two to three days to live and study in the Cambridge University or the Oxford University to discover the study in one of the leading

universities in the world, which was highly praised by considerable Chinese learners.

Last but not least, I even may take advantage of the opportunity to stay with my husband, who is now perusing his Ph. D study in the Cambridge University, though we are to meet each other a few months later. Then, my husband and I will have the time to enjoy the beautiful Times and the Buckingham palace in London to make up for our pity not to have a honeymoon due to lack of time.

In one word, I will undoubtedly go to the GB, not only for myself, but also for my dear husband and both of us.

Essay 794 Topic 156 **Which country would you like to visit?**

Well, I would be very happy to have this kind of opportunity especially if it is free. There are so many beautiful countries in this world, which it makes difficult to decide where to go. Since I am from Europe I would like to go some place else, like Africa, Asia or United States. Still, these continents are big and it is really difficult to choose where exactly to go. I would choose Africa. First of all, I have never been there, and I am sure it is a lot different than somewhere in Europe.

I really do not know much about Africa, but I will definitely study about its culture and people before I go there. Now... where in Africa? I do not know. I guess I will go where all tourists go. But, I still do not know the name of the place. I think I might have to study some more about Africa and find out where exactly I would like to be, or would like to find myself otherwise, I am going to loose any kind of opportunity like this. I heard about Congo though and maybe I will go there. For two weeks, I think there will be enough time for me to visit some other places close to Congo. I know I would see a lot of monkeys around, which is not that common in Europe. I think it is fun to see monkeys walking down the street, maybe greet them too. I think I would have a lot of fun there, but, the only personal problem I have is that I am scared from animals, for example, monkeys? sounds funny but I really am. I will probably get used to it when I get there. However; my choice would be Africa, because I when I get back I will have a lot to tell my friends, and I cannot forget the camera, it is important. Hope to have a good time there with lots of monkeys.

Essay 795 Topic 156 **Which country would you like to visit?**

Many people cannot afford to visit a foreign country, because either they have no time or they have no money. Fortunately, I have the opportunity pay a visit a foreign country as I would like. The first choice comes into my mind is Italy.

As we know, there are so many classical architectures in Italy. I am an amateur architect. But I could only study those great works in the book or on the Internet. Now that I have

the opportunity to go there, I could observe them in a direct way. I think that will be totally a different expense.

Also a football fan as I am, I am eager to watch the best football match on the spot. I am looking forward to applause for the stars together with other fans. If possible, I will be lucky enough to get the signature of my favorite stars.

Tired after sightseeing and shouting at the stadium, I would like to lie on the beach of Mediterranean sea. It is the most beautiful sea shore in the world. Playing sand with children, drinking juice on the beach, and surfing on the waves are all my dream.

There are so many countries in the world, but Italy is my favorite. I could visit the great architectures, watch football matches, and enjoy the scene of Mediterranean sea. Maybe two weeks time is too short for me.

Essay 796 Topic 156 **Which country would you like to visit?**

Offered with the opportunity to visit a foreign country for two weeks, and after full pondering, I decided to take the opportunity to visit Australia without any hesitation. I believe it will make my trip worthwhile and valuable. My propensity is based on my understanding to Australian environment and my dreams to touch the unique country personally.

In first place, I am very much impressed by the landscape of Australia, which I observed via television and movies, the particular biology diversity in the country attracts my zest as well. Many animals, such as kangaroo, koala, are sole ones, which only grow in the wonderful place. As a lover of the animals, I have no place to them but in Australia. One of my dreams is that I can be intoxicated in the rangeland with those animals by feeding and communicating with them. I have the strong feeling that Australia is the only destination to realize my dream.

In second place, my hometown is now facing a austere environmental problem, which had been confronted by Australian fifty years ago. But now they have worked out the a sustainable way to control the problem. Especially the natural resource management, such as grassland, forest and water, Australia has accumulated profuse experience, which could be a valuable reference for us to struggle with the grassland degradation, which is threatening our people' livelihood. The opportunity will make it possible that I can visit different agencies and organizations relating to environmental rehabilitation and management. In the case, I cannot only talk to the people face to face and hear their experience, but also I could take many picture and video records. By showing them to the local people here, I believe, this can encourage the determination of the people for rehabilitation their surroundings.

In a word, to visit Australia for two weeks, I cannot only obtain my vision but also obtain something new information for my work, which will benefit my future work as well. So I

will choose Australia as a priority country for my first foreign travel in my life.

Essay 797 Topic 156 **Which country would you like to visit?**

I would certainly visit Russia.

Here are my reasons.

First of all, Russia and China used to be two major communist countries in the world and both countries learned hard lessons from following the stupid (idealistic?) revolution theory. However, the two countries had different ways getting out of the disasters. China took economic reform while Russia seemed to put political changes as their first priority.

Over past years, I kept hearing from Western visitors how shining was China and how dark was Russia. I really want to see the differences, if any, myself.

Having said the above, I believe China may be leading the game in the post-communism recovery because many Russia people are working in China while many Chinese businessmen seem doing well in Russia.

My second reason is that I had studied Russian for 6 years in both high school and college. Although I do not really have much Russian words left in my memory, I am still interested in practicing Russian a little bit.

Lastly, I could even encounter my pen pal girl/lady on Red Square of Moscow! Somehow I still have the name and address of the girl my Russian teacher assigned to me. You never know because this is indeed a small world.

My only wish is that Russian airline would be as generous as United Airline in giving away frequent flyer mileage bonuses.

Essay 798 Topic 156 **Which country would you like to visit?**

The answer of this statement depends on your own experience and life style. In my point of view, visiting China is as necessary as, if not more necessary than, visiting any other foreign country. So it is sagacious to visit China. There are numerous reason why I chose to visit China, and I would explore only a few of the most important ones here.

Certainly no other reason in my decision is more crucial than the one as bellow. China is the mother of more than a billion people, a fifth of the world's population. You can meet people of as many as 56 different nations. In some parts of China, you can even live with a family for one day or more, from which you can get acquaintance with and learn more about Chinese, who are eager to make friends with people from all over the world.

Also, it is arbitrary to judge the best choice is visiting China according to the excuse I

mentioned in the above paragraph. It is generally acknowledged that China is a nation with a pure culture from the east, and she has a history of more than 5000 years old. Over those years, people here have developed brilliant skills, and have build numerous great sites, the most famous ones of which are the Forbidden City and Summer Palace, both of which you can visit when you are in Beijing, the capital of China.

What is more, China has become more and more open to friend of other nations in the recent years. People here would like to get more information about other countries, and they are also eager to share their experiences with foreign friends. As a result, when you visit China, you can acquire some important information which may be crucial for you.

Taking into account all these factors, we may reach the conclusion that when you have the opportunity to visit a foreign country for two weeks, to visit China is the best choice.

Essay 799 Topic 157 **Computers vs. tradictional schools**

As we enter the twenty-first century, the ways in which people learn are remarkably influenced by the development of technology. Education has undergone great changes. Many students prefer to study in a distant-education school which operates through the Internet, or television. Whereas there is a number of people are still enthusiastically interested in traditional school. I prefer the later, the traditional way of learning, and in this essay, I will discuss the beneficial influences of traditional school.

Firstly, traditional school, as a part of society, gives one preparation for his or her future career. In the teacher's lecture, one can learn the way adults think, talk, and react. Even though the influence is in ones subconscious, it greatly affects his or her future life. Scientists found that students, who often have social activities such as going to a traditional school, are averagely more mature than those who stay home most of the time. However if one studies at home from a computer or television, he or she does not communicate directly to the society. The function of school was not just teach people things they can learn on the books; school are responsible for teaching people how to adjust to the society, which needs a complex and comprehensive education from traditional school.

Secondly, people meet friends in traditional school. To appreciate friendship, one of the most pleasurable and unforgettable things in our life, is important to, in the full sense of word, a person. Moreover, the people we meet in a traditional school will probably be those who give us a hand in the future. I remember when I got into trouble, it was my friends who tried every efforts to help me out. Sometimes when we work on something such as a research paper, it will be more effective and efficient if there is a friend, who gives suggestions and ideas.

Basic to any understanding of the differences between traditional school and distant school, which uses computer or television, is the functions of them. Traditional school not only teaches us knowledge, it also augments the communications between students

and between students and teachers. On the contrary, distant school only teaches people how to solve an academic problem, which is a very tiny part of our life.

Essay 800 Topic 157 **Computers vs. traditional schools**

As there are improvement in technology, students may have the choice of studying at by using computers or television or of studying at traditional schools. In my opinion, I would prefer the second choice. There are several reasons to support my argument.

First, studying at traditional schools can help to develop students' communication skills. As students have to communicate when doing projects and group presentations in school, they are actually having chances to communicate with their classmates. Also, communication skills are essential for them when they grow up and go to work.

Second, students may have more fun when they are studying at traditional schools. They can play, talk and discuss with their friends. Learning with fun is always the best way for learning, especially for students. Thus, studying at the traditional schools has its benefit.

Although there are people saying that studying at home by using computer or television is a convenient way of learning and a trend in the future, I still think that learning at the traditional schools is the best way for learning. It is because teachers know the ability of each student well. When students have any problem, the teacher can teach them immediately.

As a conclusion, I prefer to learn at traditional schools as it is the best way for learning.

Essay 801 Topic 157 **Computers vs. traditional schools**

Nowadays computers are an important media of communication. From a simple transaction at the bank to a research at the library, computers help us to simplify our life. Before tellers used to use the teller machine to do transactions and librarian a cards to find a book.

It will not surprise me if in a shortly future our kids will study at home using computers to receive classes from a cd-rom instead of with a teacher. That will be interesting, but kids need discipline and supervision.

Discipline, is a very important rule for anybody who wants to learn and even more for kids who are so easy to be distracted. The teachers play an important role in the education of a our kids. Teacher's dedication and perseverance make our kids succeed in life.

Supervision, plays another important role in the education of our kids. Parents have to go to work and they do not have time to supervise their kids. In addition usually parent do not have the patience to teach or explain for example why $2+2=4$. A professional, in this case a teacher is the right person to do this job. Teachers spend 4 years in college to get

prepare to do this difficult job to educate our kids, so that they are the right people who we can trust for the education of our kids.

Computers can play an additional role in the education of our kids as a complement of what our kids learn in the school for example they can practice grammar, mathematics, anatomy, etc. In fact there are already web pages that provide this kind of source with a low cost or no cost.

In conclusion, teachers still playing an important role in our kids education and we should be grateful that still a lot of people who want to be teachers even though they do not have the best monetary compensation in comparison with other professions.

Essay 802 Topic 157 **Computers vs. traditional schools**

Modern technology has greatly affected on a variety of aspects of human life. Computers or television challenge the traditional ways of education by allowing us to communicate with the people all around the world and study at home. We can easily acquire whatever information we need and receive guidance of experts in all fields through Internet. However, I do not think these new technology will eliminate the traditional way of studying at schools for the following reasons.

Nowadays many young people become so addicted to television or Internet that they have less opportunities to communicate with other people, even their family members. After all, man is a social animal. Everyone needs to talk and exchange ideas with others in one-way or another. It is certified by scientific researches that some young people who spend too much time on computers may become cold to others and form an unhealthy character. Computers or television are emotionless machines which may have a bad effect on the development of a man's personality if he stays too long with them.

On the other hand, a school provides the students with a better environment for study than any other place. We can have systematic training under the guidance of qualified teachers. We can use the various facilities to enrich our knowledge and broaden our minds. We can have a chance to develop our skills to deal with other people by living in the dormitories. For those who lack the ability of self-control and depend heavily on their parents, it is particularly necessary for them to study at schools which will help them become more independent to handle their own affairs.

Computers or television have found wide application in education for the people around world. However, the role they play should not be overestimated. Traditional schools will remain the main places for us to receive education.

Essay 803 Topic 157 **Computers vs. traditional schools**

As time goes by, various things have been continually developed. In the future, students perhaps can choose their own ways of study; studying at home with hi-technology

devices such as computer or television, or studying at traditional school. If I were to choose, I would like to study at school for the following reasons. First of all, students will have friends at schools. It is true that everyone cannot live alone without friends, so it is better to make friends at schools because relationships at this stage usually last for long. Most of my best friends often are ones who I met since primary school, and this relationship is still and stronger.

Secondly, students can consult their teachers at schools. When students do not understand what they learnt such as English grammar, they can have teachers explain it to them again. Apart from solving academic problems, teachers can recommend students about their social problems such as problem with their family, problem of choosing career path, etc. Without teachers at schools, I think it is like the ship that sails without navigator!

Last but not least, students will learn how to spend time efficiently. Students have to get up at the exact time in order to get to schools on time, and they will be familiar with time order that schools provide such as study period, short break, lunch. This time order will be beneficial to them because they can adapt it at home, or at work after they graduate. Whereas students who study at home will have problem to manage their time when they come to the work life.

All in all, studying at conventional school still benefits students; they will have lots of friends, they can consult their teachers about their problems, and they will spend time efficiently. Let us hope these reasons work as a device for students in the future to choose in what way they want to study.

Essay 804 Topic 158 **Are celebrities opinions right?**

Everyone has the right to state his opinion but only the famous people have the privilege to be heard. Of course, it is impossible to listen to the opinions of six billion people, but why should we listen only to those of the celebrities? The fact that you are good at sports, acting or singing does not make you smarter than the others, does it? I do not think we should listen to the opinion of someone simply because he is famous.

First of all, rock stars, actors, and singers usually do not have very good education or any at all, and they cannot understand the important issues they are talking about. Very often they have no ideas about the right solutions of political problems or specific policy in somewhat complicated areas. Albeit, some of them speak about those problems without appropriate background and may bring about very serious adverse effects in the political and economical life of the society.

When celebrities talk about the important issues such as environmental problems, drug abuse, famine, world peace in most cases they simply repeat the same old cliché we have already heard over hundred times. Moreover, they usually promise that they would do anything to resolve these problems, even though they have no such intention. Since they do not believe in their words how can they expect us to believe?

Even when celebrities really help to solve an issue they seldom do it because of purely disinterested motives. How can a star claim that she cares about the poor African children and asks us to be generous and donate them money, when not only she have not donated anything but she is also paid for that campaign?

In conclusion, I think we should pay more attention to those people who really have what to say such as various experts, politicians, professors and etc., and we should restrict celebrities only to their professional areas.

Essay 805 Topic 158 **Are celebrities opinions right?**

As far as I have known, I think we needn't pay attention to the words of the famous people.

Those famous people may have their own opinions, but let us get down to the fundament and agree that they are not people different from us. They made themselves notable people not because they have enough wits to win a game or do well in act. They just have their good health or good feature and this is why they succeed. I once met a famous actress. She has lots of fans in China, but when she talked about Lu Gou Bridge, she didn't know why it is well-known among Chinese people, even questioned why such a bridge should always be talked by Chinese people. Let alone her opinion about life.

Furthermore, if they do have their own feelings about life, the famous people's opinions are not useful to us. We have our own experience in our life, and we can learn them from our own experience. You may ask why cannot we learn from them then we can avoid the problems in our life. That maybe true, but we can learn these from books, and always books are good teachers of us, why should we bother to pay attention to those people's words.

More over, the famous people always give their opinions when asked by fans or reporters. In such a hurry they cannot even think enough about the question, and they split their words without knowing what they are speaking. In such a case, should we pay attention to their words. Almost the most devoted fan will not agree to say 'yes, sir, we should, whatever they may speak.' So, spare your time to do other thing more important than listen to those nonsense.

SO I think we should not pay attention to these opinions.

Essay 806 Topic 158 **Are celebrities opinions right?**

When famous people such actors, athletes and rock stars give their opinions, many people listen. Then one question may rise, should we pay attention to these opinions? I think it depends on what kind of opinions they give, and most importantly, we should judge by ourselves.

One reason why these people's opinions can attract wide attention is because they are famous. They are the idols of most people, actually they live under the public's eyes. So we watch what they do and listen to what they say. When they give opinions on their profession, I think we should pay attention to these ideas. They are famous because they are doing very well in their own career, they are the representatives for certain profession, they have more experience about what they are doing and the ideas they give may be of great value. For examples, the musicians know what is the best way to perform a piece of music, the athletes know better how to have a strong body. Just like teachers know the best way to teach students.

But under most other circumstances, these famous people are asked to give opinions on various hot topics, including those they are not familiar with. For instance, an artist may be asked to say something about the national defense system, it may be totally new for him. Yes, we hear what they say, but we should make our own conclusions. Because they are just as ordinary as we are on these aspects. We should not follow whatever they say just because they are famous. We should listen to them when they are correct.

One word to conclude what I have said all above, listen to somebody using your own brain, because only u yourself know what is the best for u, what is the right way to do something.

Essay 807 Topic 159 **What change that should be remembered about the twentieth century?**

There have been many changes, both technological and cultural, in the twentieth century. I believe that one stands out about the rest advances in medical science. The changes in medical science go together with the changes in technological and cultural areas. One can move ahead only with the help of the others. We can see the results of medical advances in three areas: development of vaccines and antibiotics, expanded access to health care, and improved surgical techniques.

When medical researchers learned how to prevent disease and stop it from spreading, the quality of life for many people around the world improved. Today smallpox is forgotten disease and vaccinations are no longer required. Polio is under control and the vaccine is widely available. The development of penicillin has helped many people recover from serious illnesses.

Although healths care is not universal even in developed countries, it is much better than it used to be. Local clinics, visiting nurses and specialty hospitals have all improved the health care for our communities.

If you should be unfortunate and require surgery, you are still lucky to have the surgery

today rather than even ten years ago. Now with microscopic and laser surgery, operations are more efficient. You spend less time in the hospital and you recover faster.

I cannot think of any other change that has affected the lives of so many people. Our health is important to all of us. We all are thankful for advances in the area of medical science.

Essay 808 Topic 160 **Complain in writing vs. complain in person**

Some people prefer to complain in person while others do it in writing. Personally, I prefer both simply because both methods are very convenient. When I want to get something done fast and I want to express my dissatisfaction with something I will definitely complain in person. If I get too nervous or I do not have enough time I will put everything in writing and ambitiously await a response.

I think some people prefer to do complain in person because they do not want to wait and they want to take an action. They want to experience the rush that fills them when they about to start complaining. These people want to see the eyes of the victim and witness personally what will follow after their complaint has been delivered. Sometimes such people might seem a little bit impatient and rude, but complaining in person is something these people enjoy and take a full advantage of. The downside is that most of the time, for some individuals, it is difficult to summarize what exactly brought them there, and in the heat of the moment, they might completely forget their goal, and possibly offend some people that had nothing to do with it.

Putting complains in writing on the other hand allows people to think before they speak. It is a long process and words can be changed at any given moment. Writing is the best way to summarize a certain complaint, and for some people it is a way to communicate and express certain dissatisfaction. It enables shy individuals to achieve something that they would have never achieved other wise. Writing states the complaint in a clear and calm fashion. The content of such composition strictly depends on an ability to put words together and patience of course, since writing is something people have to deal with in their spare time simply because it cannot be composed in one minute. The most wonderful thing about writing is that it almost does not have disadvantages except that people should think carefully before mailing anything.

My personal opinion is that people need both ways to express themselves. Our societies are very different from each other, so we all need a choice to be able to complain the way we want to. After all, complaining is a fine art and requires a lot of effort.

Essay 809 Topic 160 **Complain in writing vs. complain in person**

From my point of view, there is a whole art of successful complaining. Complaining can be silly and useless, as well it can be ignored and not noticed. Therefore, I believe it should be done in person.

First of all, the actual physical existence of a person leaves impression in one, receiving a complain. You can show yourself as an intelligent man/woman trying to improve the product or poor service. In most cases, it will actually lead to positive results and your problem will be resolved. Furthermore, while you are trying to communicate your problem you can demonstrate your actual interest in the area. Hence, a person listening to you will take it much more seriously, than a piece of paper in the mailbox. Moreover, while complaining in person you can fulfill your argument, while proving the point. However, if you are trying to write the letter you might not encounter things that can be raised during the actual argument. As well, from human nature, people usually take things into consideration more seriously if somebody actually pushes them to do that. While, a small powerless letter can be ignored by person, especially if it is written poorly or the person reading it, does not care about his/her duty.

As a result, I would advise everybody to conduct their complains only in person. This way your problem will be understood clearly and taken to consideration right away. Therefore, if you want to reach your goal in improving any service or product -- do not be lazy, just spent one hour or two to visit the place or manufacturer yourself and introduce your complain in person to them.

Essay 810 Topic 160 **Complain in writing vs. complain in person**

To complain in writing do helps people to reorganize things they want to say and avoid serious face-to-face conflicts. However, I believe that when we need to effectively express our dissatisfaction about the poor service or terrible quality of a product, we have to complain in person. Face-to-face complains help reduce the misunderstanding between the shopkeepers and customers, making the communication run easily.

A terrible experience has convinced me that when we complain in person, the shopkeepers or the salesmen would not put our opinion aside. Last year, I bought a skirt in a little shop far away from my neighborhood. When I got home, I found out there were several gray spots on the skirt. I was quite upset about that. So I wrote to the shopkeeper and told him my situation. Three month went by and I did not receive any reply from him. Finally, I decided to go to the shop again and complained to the manager in person. Thanks to that face-to-face complication, I got my rights back--a brand new skirt.

Besides, I believe that complaining in person makes communication go more smoothly. Too often, conflicts occur when we cannot talk to people in person. Nonverbal cues and eye contacts play essential roles in communications. Therefore, we can clearly and correctly express things that we want to express. On the other hand, the managers or shopkeepers can reply to us so that we will be able to understand the way they are going to deal with the problem.

Undoubtedly, to complain in writing can work out sometimes. Nevertheless, I prefer to complain in person because I believe that this is the best way to solve the problems

immediately and effectively. And only through this way can the both sides negotiate and find out ways that both of them accept.

Essay 811 Topic 160 **Complain in writing vs. complain in person**

Modern life consists of a number of different services, without which we cannot imagine ourselves. After paying for goods and services we expect a certain quality of them. Therefore, in case we do not get it the way we want, we will decide to complain. By and large, it is not a big difference in the ways of complaining, but I would prefer to do it in person.

First of all, it is the fastest way of complaining. You do not need to write a letter, to send it, to receive an answer and so on. On contrast, you can do everything immediately. You can talk to a manager, explain and show what is wrong. Together you can find a fast way of deciding your problem. Secondly, this way of complaining is simpler. You do not need to deal with any official papers or offices. So you have less trouble and save a lot of time.

But the negative thing of it is that some people can be really rude to you and you will not get any result from a talk, then anyway you will need to complain in writing. Besides, it is wiser to complain in writing in case you have a very serious problem. Then all things you do are documented and if you need it, you will be able to complain in a court.

Our world is not perfect, so there always will be things to complain about. Each case is different, therefore it cannot exist any universal decision. To my mind you can try to talk at first and if you do not be satisfied with it, you can always complain in writing.

Essay 812 Topic 160 **Complain in writing vs. complain in person**

When I need to complain about a product or service, I prefer to complain in person. I prefer so because of the following reasons.

Suppose that I took a new cable service. After some days, it started to not working properly. Some of the channels were not clear. Then I prefer to complain in person rather than writing. So I would directly go to the customer service of this cable company and I would explain about my problem. i.e. I would have the opportunity to explain my problem precisely to the company. I would also get immediate response. I could also take immediate actions based upon their responses. And also the serviceman would handle with care because they would not want to lose a customer and to get bad reputation.

On the other hand, I am not interested to complain in writing because, our letter regarding the complaint about of our product may or may not reach the company because of some postal delays or also there would also a chance of missing our letter. I would also have to wait for weeks or months for company's response to my problem. There was also a

chance that our problem might not be clearly understood by the company.

Finally I conclude that complaining in person about a product or poor service gives effective results rather than complaining in writing.

Essay 813 Topic 160 **Complain in writing vs. complain in person**

Whenever a situation comes up that a person is unhappy with a service or a product he/she may choose one of these alternatives. The first one is to write a letter to the related division of that enterprise, and the second one is to complain in person. The question is that which of these two ways works out better?

I personally believe that this matter strongly depends on the level of formality that a corporation is based on. By that I mean in the organizations which are small usually the relationship among the organization is more informal, so in this case it would be better to talk with a person since it would be more effective. However, in some enterprise which are very big and very formal it is much better to complain in the formal way which means writing a letter to the manager or the one who is responsible because in big organizations those who are responsible are very inaccessible and writing a letter is the best way of expressing that one is unsatisfied with a product or service. For example if a person is unhappy with a teacher of a school who teaches his or her child the best way is talking to the manager of the school, however when a person is not satisfied with a product which is made by a big company like Microsoft it would be better to write a letter.

In conclusion I believe that whether to write a letter or talking to a person depends on the organization which is offering a service or selling a product, as for big organizations it is better to write a letter and for small ones the best way is complaining in person.

Essay 814 Topic 161

Normally, a person can live at least 70 years nowadays, which are more than 25 thousands days. Numerous things occur and many gifts or presents are received during this period so that people cannot remember all of them. But people always remember some special gifts or presents that they have received. Is that magic? I think this phenomenon can be explained by the following two reasons.

In the first place, special gifts or presents are always related to special days or events that people cannot forget. For example, when a couple gets married, they are very happy because it is the destiny of their love. The wedding day is one of the most important and unforgotten days in their life. Suppose that each of them receives a wedding gift from the other on that day, how can they forget it? The gift is not only a gift, but also a beautiful memory of their love.

In the second place, people will have a deep impression on special gifts or presents they have received. People's memory cannot be infinite enlarged. When it is full, the new one

will overwrite old memory. As a result, people always forget old things. But if something special is written in the memory, this portion will be marked as inerasable, which means that people will never forget it. When receiving special gifts or presents, people will be very happy or surprised so that they will be burned in the memory forever.

In conclusion, people do not forget special gifts or presents that they have received not only because that those gifts are normally linked to special days or events, but also because those gifts will give people deep impression.

Essay 815 Topic 161

Do you still remember the new bike as a present for greeting your ten years old birthday from you parents? Do you still remember the first rose with the love of your lover? Everyone have been received a variety of presents and gifts, and everyone have many nice memory about them. People might conserve some special presents many years until they become old, for these presents not only represent the love, but also take them back to the past time. There are numerous reasons why I hold no confidence on them, and I would explore only a few primary ones here. The main reason of the argument I support is that there always are a good time or a touching day behind the cherished presents. Every time we open the present conserved for a long time, we seem to come back before, at that time we are so young and have a pleasure time with friends. For example, the favorite joy will recall you the best friend in your childhood. A beautiful skirt maybe represent the time of middle school. And there so many letters and cars which recall you the time of college. All of these memories are happy time, and all of these presents are indelible. Another reason can be seen by every person is that gifts and presents containing the love and friendship of friends and relations. In different cultures and different countries people express their emotions to others by presenting gifts. And every special gift has a special meaning. For example, this skirt as a gift of ten years ago is you sister send to you in the party. A peal necklace represents the love of your husband. We reserve these gifts and Love and friendship will always go with us. In addition, receiving a gift always bring you happiness and pleasure, and give you and your friends a good time. People like to send gifts each other for congratulations or in feast days. For example, perhaps everyone has some pieces of gifts for Christmas day. Some wife will reserve the important presents for wedding. General speaking, gift with the love and congratulations will bring you pleasure and happiness. Taking into account of all these factors, gifts and presents recall people the past good time and people will never forget them.

Essay 816 Topic 162

As far as I am concerned, I believe that those millionaires in sports or entertainment field deserve their high salaries due to several reasons listed below.

First, the industry of sports and entertainment are highly profitable nowadays with the development of a business society. The bosses can earn a great fortune out of the fame of

the famous athletes and entertainers, so in order to maintain such a steady and considerable income, they tend to raise these special employees' salaries, sometimes to an astounding level. British soccer player David Beckham can earn ten thousand dollars a week, but it still obeys the rules of economics with the knowledge that Beckham's club can earn 100 million dollars per year.

Second, they deserve their high salaries because of their great inputs. Most famous athletes and entertainers work much more diligently than average people to reach such prominent positions. With the rule "no pains, no gains" they should get greater rewards. Michael Jordan, also known as "Air Jordan" is probably the greatest basketball player ever. But he maybe also the most industrious player ever, every summer he does those boring basic exercises to prepare the next NBA session. It is his hard practice that ensures him to play at the age of 39.

Third, they deserve their high salaries because of the risk of their work. From Economics we know that a more risky work deserves more rewards. The famous Chinese Kung-Fu movie star Jackie Cheng always insists on himself finishing all the dangerous actions such as leaping between the skyscrapers or jumping from a three-storied building. I believe it is quite fair for him to get high rewards.

Last but not the least, they deserve their high salaries because of their unique abilities. Not everybody can be an actor or a singer, not to mention becoming a super star like Julia Roberts or Bob Dylan. Their work are of great value and make good to the community, they should get high salaries due to their high contribution to the society.

In brief, those famous figures in sports or entertainment field deserve their high salaries because they do more in their work and offer more to the society.

Essay 817 Topic 162

This is always a controversy topic to many people, because both of sides, approval or disapproval, have their own positive parts and negative parts. In some extent, it is hard to distinguish strictly. But it does not mean they are of the same to me. After weighing some features, I figure that these people, such as some famous athletes and entertainers, do not deserve such high salaries if personal quality can be considered as a criterion of choose things.

There are many reasons that can account for my opinion. The most important one is that these famous recreation people earn more than they effort. Though some of them also work hard, struggle for their careers, and try to make progress for their skills, lots of them succeed by good luck. Comparing with their efforts, they could earn more money, but it is not reasonable for earning millions of dollars every year. We know there is one group that exists in our society. They are scientists. They are working for whole human beings, and almost of them suffered a very hard undergoing discovery. How much do they earn? Apparently, comparing with these two groups people's efforts and gains, I do not believe

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The second obvious reason is that some of these athletes and entertainers do not give the society a good model. For example, a singer from china, according to her beautiful face, good voice, hard working and efficient networking, gradually, she became a famous stars. Undoubtedly, she is a millionaire, at the same time, whereas she avoided a huge amount of taxes. As we know, this action is equal to criminal behavior. But because of her power, she was still at large. Not only does she have this bad news, but also other stars have these similar bad actions. Obviously, their earnings do not give them good characteristics.

Furthermore, why did they earn more? Usually, a ticket for their performance is expensive, ranging from \$50 to even \$500 or more. Their fans would like to spend this money for watching the live performance and sports. When they were enjoying the games, nobody would think about those homeless people, children of losing a study chance and so on. On the contrary, if these famous athletes and entertainers donated some parts of their earning to our society, they would not only help release social burden, but also get the people's real respect.

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Essay 820 Topic 163

With the development of human society, people's ability in many aspects improve a lot. No doubt, in nowadays the ability to read and write is more important than in the past. My reasons are list as follows.

First of all, there are many jobs that require reading and writing abilities nowadays. It is very easy for one who can read and write to find a good job. But it is very difficult for a person who cannot read and write, to find a satisfying job. Obviously, in today's society, every company or industry needs knowledgeable employees to work for them and make more profit for their company. Therefore, reading and writing is very important for everyone to survive in the society.

Secondly, information plays an important role in today's society. This is an representation of our advanced communication. And information spreads in many forms: newspaper, magazine, and Internet. Again, this is a piece of cake for people who can read, and hard for those cannot read. Clearly it is not beneficial for those who cannot read, because they will lose a lot of opportunities from information. In another word, those people lack the ability to communicate with others. This is very difficult for them to stand on the stage of twenty first century.

Lastly, it is also very difficult for those who cannot read and write to make friends. As we all know, friends can make things easier. However, no one likes to make friends with non-knowledgeable people since it is impossible for them to have same hobby or same idea on things, and they cannot even write to each other. As we can see now that knowledge of read and write can cut off all communication among people.

In conclusion, the ability to read and write is very important today. Otherwise it is very hard for you to do anything: finding jobs, knowing information, and even making friends.

Essay 821 Topic 163

We live in the highly developed era of technology. Nowadays, education is very essential for each member of the modern society. In my opinion, people who do not know how to read and write should feel very upset or even abandoned. I believe that the ability at least to read and write is more important today than in the past.

In the past centuries it was possible to put a person's fingerprint instead of his/her signature on a document. To tell the truth, I would be very surprised if something like that will happen today in the developed countries.

I am sure that possibility to read and write is the necessity of everyday life. For example, to get a job we need to know how to write all kind of different documents; CVs and official or formal letters are required to get almost any kind of work. Even such a trivial thing as reading bank statements and signing documents can be unbelievably difficult for an uneducated person. I cannot imagine how people who do not posses a basic knowledge about reading and writing can survive nowadays.

Also, human beings with lack of education can be easily used by dishonest people. One who will try to help their illiterate friend to write a letter or read an important document not always will be the kindest person in the world. I guess, that the information provided in the document can be translated wrongly sometimes by oblivious and dishonest people.

To summarize, I would say that I strongly believe that the ability to read and write is more important today than centuries before. Without this knowledge people would be lost and not treated honestly in the world where education is very important and applied.

Essay 822 Topic 163

The ability to read and write brings the knowledge of the world to you. A lot of knowledge is passed on through written sources and it is very important to the development of humankind. The world has changed dramatically during the past few decades and as at present, the ability to read and write plays a major role in everybody's life. Hence, literacy is more important today than in the past.

Unlike in the past, the ability to read and write has become essential even for the day to day activities of the common people. As the societies become more and more complex, the literacy has become a very useful tool to defend one's freedom and to obtain rights.

Moreover, with the advancement of science and technology, the literacy skills oriented occupations have grown in great numbers during the recent years. Thus, nowadays the success of a person hugely depends on his or her ability to read and write. The increased usage of computer technology and the World Wide Web today virtually mandates one to be literate.

Another area that the literacy skill of a person has an influence is the entertainment. The methods of entertainment have vastly changed today from the past especially after the introduction of the personal computer technology and literacy is essential to explore these new areas of entertainment.

From the reasons discussed above it is evident that the literacy has become an inseparable part of our life today. Hence, it can clearly be seen that the ability to read and write is more important today than in the past.

Essay 823 Topic 163 **The ability to read**

Being a civilized individual, one should be able to read and write. Then is the ability to read and write more important today than in the past? In my opinion, the answer is yes. A century ago, a person can lead a pleasant life even if he could not read or write. The society at that time did not require people to read or write, as long as they can do their job well. There was no difficulty for a farmer, a blacksmith or someone else to fulfill his job,

even if he did not know one word. People in old ages learned knowledge by experience or by passing the knowledge orally. Books were not popular at that time. As time goes by, things changed and the ability to read and write became an indispensable part of the formal education of children. It is more popular that people learn knowledge from books. In order to become an ordinary engineer or a technician, one must go to school and learn knowledge from textbooks. An illiterate person in today's society can do nothing because he can rarely learn anything useful. What is more, one will find that it is very hard for him to communicate with others if he cannot read or write. In current society, newspapers and journals are so popular and become the most important way one makes himself informed about all kinds of things happen all over the world. While in the past, one got to know things happen around themselves by talking to each other, having nothing to do with reading or writing. Admittedly, in some cases, one can still live well not reading or writing. For example, there are still some aboriginals in some rare area in mid-Africa or somewhere else. They live in their own village, without any communication with the world outside. But it seems that they just persist on the old style of live, and are not belong to the modern society. Were they brought to the world outside, they can hardly get used to the new environment, because they cannot read or write, and thus lose the possibility to communicate with others. In sum, it is more important for one to possess the ability to read and write today than in the past, thus we should pay more attention on training of these abilities. Only in this way can we make ourselves more adapted to the modern society.

Essay 824 Topic 163 **essential living tools today**

I believe that the ability to read and write is more important today than it was in the past. This is because in the workplace it is greater demand than ever, because it is greater stigma attached to anybody who lacks this ability, and because the modern society in which we live requires that each of members have this ability. The first and foremost reason that I have chosen to put forward is that the ability to read and write is now essential in the typically workplace. To illustrate this point, there is an example more persuasive: although a person who lacks the ability can still hold down a job, his chances of finding a high-income job are slim. Also, his inability to read and write will leave him with only a menial job to do. In the second place, another chief reason for my view is that there is greater stigma attached to anybody who lacks this ability. For instance, a generation ago, there would have less shame attached to a person's inability to read and write. Furthermore, part of the reason for this is that a generation ago fewer people went to school, and most people who did go to school for a shorter time. Thus, it is easier to get away with not being able to read and write in the past than it is today. Finally, the modern society in which we live requires that each of members can read and write reasonably well. For example, the more literate people are, the better it is for the modern workplace, which needs people who have this skills of reading and writing. In other words, the more widespread literacy is, the better it is for the economy. To sum up, given the reasons discussed above, I believe that the ability to read and write is more important today than it was in the past, because this is more important than ever in the workplace. Moreover, it is greater expectations for people of the society to have this ability. Finally,

given how modern society works, it requires more literacy today than it did in the past.

Essay 825 Topic 164 **What do you do for good health?**

Health is very important to human being. Without good health, people cannot do something that seems to be very easy. You cannot imagine someone have problem with their legs jogging everyday morning, or a deaf enjoying music. Undoubtedly, people should try their best to keep healthy, as to myself, I try in three different ways.

First of all, try to eat more healthy food, be away from the junk food. Like my mother said : less oil, less salt, less fat, then you feel great everyday. More vegetable, suitable meat, and some bread compose my diet.

Then, exercise is part of my life now. Everyday morning, I go jogging for 15 minutes, that makes me less tired, and full of energy. In the weekend, I will go hiking, fishing and swimming with friends. Outdoor activities is a good way to entertain yourself at the same time breathing some fresh air.

The last but the most important one is to keep good mental health. Talk to your friends when you feel down, share your happiness with your family, try to solve the problem when you face difficulties, those are ways keeping peace in daily life. It does work on me, and hope same to you.

Keeping yourselves healthy is easy to say, and hard to do. I will try my best to live a healthy and happy life.

Essay 826 Topic 164 **What do you do for good health?**

One of the most important criteria of development in every community is health quality. Although governments are in charge of providing health in their communities, families have very important role in improving their health. Everyone in every family has an effective role in order to keep himself healthy and help his community to stay healthy. I strongly support the idea of doing exercise for improving health quality.

First, people are able to improve their physical health when they get exercise. They can make their body strong. When I go swimming, hiking, or jogging, I can get my body organs such as my lungs, muscles, bones, and heart to act further and become strong, so I will have much healthier organs if I get exercise. Apart from physical health, people are able to improve their psychological health when they get exercise. They are able to make their minds free from all daily problems which involve their minds. When I do yoga every day, I make my mind relaxed and free from all problems, so I feel relaxed and lively and I can socialize with others much better when I meditate by doing yoga everyday.

Even more important than physical and psychological aspects, people are able to improve

their learning style when they get exercise. They can learn more new information and remember old things when they get exercise. When I go swimming, in fact my heart rate increases, so more blood is sent to my brain in which nerves are fed with more blood involving essential substances for developing nerve connections. Since the more nerve connections, the more brain power, I can remember old things and get more information.

I, then, get a lot of exercise to stay healthy. I am able to improve not only my physical, and psychological health but also my learning ability. One important question raised here is how to encourage people in our community to do exercise everyday?

Essay 827 Topic 164 **What do you do for good health?**

'Health is wealth' is very much true. One must try hard to remain healthy. If we are healthy, we can easily fight with other problems of life. But if we are unhealthy our most of life will go in fighting with health problem. It eventually leads us to failure.

People do many different things to remain healthy. Some go for healthy diet, other recommend exercise, and the rest thinks that health awareness is important. But in my view one must not think and act only on one aspect. People must go for healthy diet, exercise and health awareness.

Healthy diet is very important for one to remain healthy. People must take care of their diet. Diet should be balanced. Nowadays Americans are facing a very big problem of obesity. This is due to their unhealthy diet. Most American used to eat in fast-food restaurants. Obesity leads to many health problems like heart attack, blood pressure, cholesterol problem. Fat people can work less and with less efficiency. I am not at side of people who are very strict to their. I sometime eat food for my tongue's taste too. But most of time I stick to my balance diet which contain fruits, green vegetable, and juices. I always take care not to intake more oily food or sugary food. Sticking to healthy diet put me in great shape and healthy life.

Exercise is also important. Nowadays people make lots of excuses for not do exercise. Some have time problem, some have physical problem, some have space problem. But I think these all are excuses. One can find little tome for his or her self for healthy life. Everybody nowadays is busy but taking few minutes out of this busy schedule make lots of difference. I personally prefer Yoga. Yoga not only gives physical exercise but also mental relaxation. Meditation is my favorite. This helps me in concentrating in my work as well as relaxing out of this stress full life. Few minutes of exercise can make lot difference.

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vitamins, minerals etc. I also schedule appointment with my physician once in a six month. And also take care of go to dentist once in three months. In total I would love to remain healthy and for that I'll work what ever it takes. I also urge other people to stick healthy lifestyle by taking healthy food, exercise and regular medical checkup. I believe in 'prevention is better than cure.'

Essay 828 Topic 164

'Health is wealth' is very much true. One must try hard to remain healthy. If we are healthy, we can easily fight with other problems of life. But if we are unhealthy our most of life will go in fighting with health problem. It eventually leads us to failure. People do many different things to remain healthy. Some go for healthy diet, other recommend exercise, and the rest thinks that health awareness is important. But in my view one must not think and act only on one aspect. People must go for healthy diet, exercise and health awareness. Healthy diet is very important for one to remain healthy. People must take care of their diet. Diet should be balanced. Nowadays Americans are facing a very big problem of obesity. This is due to their unhealthy diet. Most American used to eat in fast-food restaurants. Obesity leads to many health problems like heart attack, blood pressure, cholesterol problem. Fat people can work less and with less efficiency. I am not at side of people who are very strict to their. I sometime eat food for my tongue's taste too. But most of time I stick to my balance diet which contain fruits, green vegetable, juices. I always take care not to intake more oily food or sugary food. Sticking to healthy diet put me in great shape and healthy life. Exercise is also important. Nowadays people make lots of excuses for not do exercise. Some have time problem, some have physical problem, some have space problem. But I think these all are excuses. One can find little tome for his or her self for healthy life. Everybody nowadays is busy but taking few minutes out of this busy schedule make lots of difference. I personally prefer Yoga. Yoga not only gives physical exercise but also mental relaxation. Meditation is my favorite. This helps me in concentrating in my work as well as relaxing out of this stress full life. Few minutes of exercise can make lot difference. Health awareness is a factor why people are living more. Nowadays life span of people is increased. People are living longer. This is because of health awareness. Regular medical checkup, clean and tidy life style, nutritious foods are few examples. Previously people eat what they found. But nowadays people read ingredients of food product as well as how many vitamins it contains. I personally select food product according to my needs of vitamins, minerals etc. I also schedule appointment with my physician once in a six month. And also take care of go to dentist once in three months. In total I would love to remain healthy and for that I I work what ever it takes. I also uge other people to stick healthy lifestyle by taking healthy food, exercise and regular medical checkup. I believe in prevention is better than cure.?

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Essay 830 Topic 166 **What events make a person an adult?**

Even though there are so many happenings to make a child an adult, I would like to discuss following two major things.

First, I believe that getting a job is most distinctive things which make a young one a matured man. I am not accustomed to thinking that physical mature or just passing legal age line - e.g. 18 years old, or something like that - make a child an adult because, I believe, a genuine adult can make a living by his/her own ability. I think an adult are perfectly ready to contribute him/herself to the society through occupations. Getting a profession as a way of self-realization in community is necessary condition to be a competent adult.

Second, due to the fact that the most basic component of society is a family not an

individual, I also think that making a family is another necessity of being an adult. A family is an only means to reproduce and sustain our society so marrying and having children are typical experiences and ceremonies to be an adult even if there are different perspectives about them. As a wife, a husband, and parents, we eventually have a right and responsibility as an adult.

Of course, I am not sure that these two things guarantee a real adult because this happenings are only outer aspects. Most important thing is, through these experiences and ceremonies, to internalize our minds in order to suit for improving self-realization and quality of our lives.

Essay 831 Topic 166 **What events make a person an adult?**

People often differentiate between children and adults based on a number of different observations. In the following paragraphs I will attempt to explain a few of these observations.

An adult has more responsibilities than a child. He has responsibilities such as family and work. He has to look after the monetary and emotional needs of his family apart from the health and well-being of the members of the family. Children lead a carefree life, without worries and tensions. Thus marriage goes a long way in distinguishing a child from an adult.

Every adult has to pass through a phase of adolescence, where a person picks up most of his or her emotional experiences. It is the most important phase of most people's lives, as they are the formative years in a person's emotional development. A child is naive and is not equipped to face situations which require emotional maturity. For example, a child is ill equipped to face the harsh reality of death. An adult is hence more emotionally mature than a child.

Also adults have had a number of everyday experiences, which have taught them how to handle new situations with ease and confidence. He finds ways to solve problems, which may be a household chore or a major business decision. After all, experience is the best teacher. A child on the contrary, may be scared to even approach a new situation.

In conclusion I would like to say that a child is a mirror of innocence, while an adult is the model of pragmatism.

Essay 832 Topic 166 **What events make a person an adult?**

People recognize a difference between children and adults by their physical features. Children are small and weak whereas adults are stronger and taller. A child has to go through certain experiences to become an adult. In my opinion the following are the experiences that transform a child into and adult.

Puberty is the time of change in a child's body. The changes in the body also effect a change in the mind. the young person experiences new thought s and feelings which mould his future life. Puberty is therefore an experience that leads a young person into adulthood.

Graduating from college is another milestone in an young persons life. When a person joins a college or a university, he steps on a threshold of a new life. He has to adapt and fend for himself for the first time in life. He learns new things, makes new acquaintances and acquires new tastes. The time spent in college makes him understand the facts of life and helps him further on the road to adulthood.

Working for a living is the final defining event that thrusts a person into adulthood. As a child a person depends on his parents for everything. In college he may still receive their financial help. But when a person is working for a living, he is on his own. A job helps a person to understand responsibility, Punctuality and Integrity. He learns to work with other people and gets to understand them better.

In conclusion, Puberty, graduating from college and working for a living are the three defining events that make a person an adult.

Essay 833 Topic 166 **What events make a person an adult?**

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Children are those who need support from other in the most of activities. When they grow they learn independence in their activities. Different between children and adults show by some physical growth and mental capabilities. When children grow into adult they became physically mature like gain weight, gain height, develop secondary sexually characteristics such as in female develop breast, start menstruation, in male enlarge penis, testis, seen bread and mustache so on.

In Nepal, when children grow into adult different cultural groups adopted different culture to let them know they are grown up now. In my culture for female, when they start first menstruation, keep them into dark room for the twelve days. At that period they would not allow to see sun light and face of any male. At that period only female member of the family and relatives can care her. On completed twelve days they will take out from that room with big celebration. On those days all people will invite to see her. In this way, they know now they are grown up and assume responsibility as other adult member of family.

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Essay 834 Topic 166 **What events make a person an adult?**

There are so many differences between children and adults, such as adults always make decisions independently, while children often deal with things under the supervision of adults. Although it is a course that a child grows up and become an adult, I believe that many events play a significant role in it. Based on the experience and lifestyle of my own, leaving parents and living alone is the event that turn a child into an adult.

The main reason of the argument I support is that living independently could develop the ability of thinking and doing independently. In family, parents always prepare everything and create a comfortable condition for children. Children at home are almost carefree, and need not worry about cooking, washing, making cleaning, and the only thing they have to care of is study. However, when living in the dormitory of school, they have to begin to study how to deal with housework and how to get on alone with others. And it is more important that they have to think independently and make decisions like adults.

Another reason can be seen by everyone is that to live independently a child will have to face many problems which need courage and the capability to cope with. Without the help from parents, children will find there are so many unexpected concrete troubles cannot be resolved only by themselves. For example, when a freshmen move into dormitory, he or she have learn to change the light bulb, clean the house, how to get on well with roommate and so on. At this time, making friends and helping each other are very important for them to resolve the troubles.

In addition, the frustration and even the failure in life is very significant in the course of growth. An experience, example, or observation impart beneficial new knowledge and wisdom. In the same way, a failure bring children lessons and make their thought and behavior mature and sense.

General speaking, living independently will develop the ability of dealing with things of children, test the courage of cope with difficulties of them, and bring them many lessons. Taking into account of all these factors, we may reach the conclusion that living by own make a child mature and wise, and turn a child into an adult.

Essay 835 Topic 166 **What events make a person an adult?**

Although many youth may have experienced things that they should not have tried at their age, there are surely many events to distinguish an adult from a child. Among these events, having sex, smoking and taking a driver license test are what I consider the three main signs for a person to become an adult. However, as I said, because some children may not act like their age, the three experiences I just mentioned may not always be enough to identify an adult.

First of all, apparently, sex experience is most agreeable as a sign of being adult. In many countries, having sex with children is against the law. Because people think in many aspects that having sex is a mature behavior, a person should get old enough to experience it.

Then, as the second sign of being mature, that in order to smoke, a person has to be at least an adult is also written in law in most countries. Smoking is so bad for health that children should not try it at all. It will be more harmful for a child to smoke than an adult to do so, because the child is still growing and the adult has reached his or her maturity.

Finally, in most cases, being an adult is a precondition of taking a driver licence test. Hence most children cannot afford a car, or do not have enough knowledge to drive safely, it is not necessary for them to take the test.

As far as I am concerned, these three are most commonly severed as signs of becoming adult. Some people may contradict some of them by saying, "I know some people have done some of the above, but they are not adults?" Just as I explained earlier, there are surely some children who have crossed the line, but usually these three are used most often to identify an adult.

Essay 836 Topic 166 **What events make a person an adult?**

An individual grows up from a child to an adult in his life. Many things can distinguish children from adults which include the physiological and mental differences. What events make a person an adult? I think it is hard to say that any particular things make sense to the growing up, because there is no standard criterion.

Some people believe the basic difference between a child and an adult is that an adult can live independently when he can make decisions on his own and can earn money by himself to support his living. So as soon as one begins to get a job, it means that he is becoming an adult.

Some others may think that the significant thing about an adult is that he can take responsibility for himself and his families. In this respect, he can learn more about life and society, which make him mature quickly. From this point of view, one who get married or even have his own child should be eligible for an adult.

There are some people who feel that there is no clear division between a child and an adult because it is not easy to separate them apart. They realize that some older people who have families and their own children, but in many aspects, their behavior is a kind of childish. However, some younger one who may no more than 18 years old, but they can control their life properly.

Above arguments can manifest the complexity of the difference between children and adults in terms of the particular events. As far as I am concerned, I think it is impossible to make some certain events rather than 18 years old to be a division. As the lawsuit or some TV or movie separation have used this criteria for many years, I think one should be regard as an adult when he is 18 years old or older.

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Essay 839 Topic 167 **Should the school purchase computers or. books?**

It is so nice and generous that my school finally has had enough money to purchase either computer for students or books for the library. But it has been a question to our teachers that shall we choose the computers or the books? In my point of view, no doubly, that we shall purchase the computers for students.

Students cannot work or study without computers since computers have become part of their daily life now. They need computers to do their homework. They need computers to do the research work on the Internet. They need computers to type and edit their papers, or else, they will have to copy over and over again just because of some little mistakes. It is obvious that school life is hard to go on without computers.

Besides, with computers, teachers and students can communicate with each other more often. Teachers are usually busy. Students are not always able to find the teachers and talk to them. Students may have some question to ask. what if they cannot find the teacher? However, If they have computers, they can either leave a message, or send an E-mail to the teacher. Therefore, teachers are always able to help the students.

Moreover, computers are more powerful than books. Just imagine the school has bought about 200 books for the school library. The 200 books are only about what they are

about; they cannot tell students anything outside the books. Computers, on the other hand, can tell students whatever they need to know. The students just have to type in the keyword, and huge amount of information will just pop out.

How wonderful computers are! They can help the students with their work; they can help students to communicate with teachers and help the students to study. Considering all these benefits that computers can bring to the students, I am sure that the school will definitely purchase computers for the students.

Essay 840 Topic 168 **Why study abroad?**

Nowadays, studying abroad has become really popular among the youth. Many students from all over the world prefer to go to the universities or schools outside their home countries for variety of reasons. In my opinion, these decisions may be the results of having a desire to get to know different cultures or being under a family pressure.

Firstly, I believe that many students find it very alluring to live in a place which has a completely different culture in comparison to the homeland. People are always attracted to what is different from the one they already have. Sometimes the charm of the unknown becomes so powerful that the person makes an important decision on the way to know it. Studying abroad can be considered in the charm of the unknown. For example, a student with an Eastern origin may have a yearning for choosing a university in the west because he is already too much familiar with his culture and he desperately wishes to know about the West which he only saw in the TV or read in the books. So, he prefers to make his decision in that direction. Conversely, a student with a Western origin may be fascinated by the mystery of East and for that reason she may wish to go to East for studying. Consequently, cultural aspects play an important role in the school and university decisions of the students.

Equally important, there's one another possible reason for why some students leave their countries for studying abroad and that is namely family pressure. As we all know, some families put a lot of pressure on their children in many ways. This pressure affects the psychology of the teenager deeply so that he wants to escape from the environment he lives in and going to a foreign country is a way of release to him. The more he is far away from the pressure and the burden that is brought along with it is the more he feels relief. Think about a family that is really conservative in everything and as a result, the social life of the teenager is limited so much and he suddenly realizes that his social life differs a lot when he compares it with his friends. This teenager will probably wish to study abroad instead of his own country. This way, he plans to be away from the pressure and if he succeeds, he would have the right to reorganize his social life all by himself. All in all, the pressure which some parents put on their children provokes the teenagers in leaving their homelands and studying abroad.

In conclusion, the reasons why some students decide to study in foreign countries can be considered in two different categories: desire to learn about different cultures and the wish to escape from the family pressure. Studying abroad has become so popular in today's world as I mentioned previously and I believe the popularity will remain still in the future.

Essay 841 Topic 168 **Why study abroad?**

Nowadays, a lot of people choose to undergo their university overseas. Is it the better way to achieve their study? From my point of view The answer should be positive. There are various advantages for studying abroad over studying in their native country.

Firstly, Stepping out of your own country and entering another one would train yourself from multifaceted sides, such as independence, intercommunication with foreigners and the like. Independence is tremendously significant for your future life, for you will leave your parents and make a living on your own. You will have a tough time and can hardly bear the challenge of the increasingly competitive society unless you are entirely independent. Studying abroad is the best way to make yourself independent, because you would live without your family around, whom you may always depend on. We can see that all the students studying in other countries are more mature than the students studying in their home country, especially in the aspect of dependence.

Secondly, foreign countries particular the western countries have so many advantages which are worth learning for you. Take hi-tech for example, the reason why western countries are more developed than eastern countries is that they adopt advanced technologies which are several even hundreds years ahead of those of ours. Through studying and grasping those knowledge of hi-tech, we could develop ourselves and build up our own country with what we learned.

Thirdly, all the things we my encounter abroad would broaden our outlook. There are a large number of superiorities for us to learn which we could get ourselves improved.

In conclusion, studying overseas can bring a lot of benefits, not only for your personality, but also for the career in the future. A critical reason why China are developing better and better is that more and more people after fulfilling their study overseas go back to china and devote themselves in the construction of the country.

Essay 842 Topic 169 **Why is music important to many people?**

Music is very important to many people. Mostly, people are fond of music because music acts as a communicating, relaxing, expressing tool to people.

First of all, people communicate through music. As music describes different situations of life, people would understand the meaning of the songs and the events happened on the world. People may choose their favorites kind of music. Also, fans of that kind of music

may organize as a group.

Not only communication, music would refresh people's brain. Because people have chance to select their favorite songs, they would relax their mind from those songs they like. If they are tired, or when they are working, music would help to stimulate their brain.

Finally but not least, people may express their emotions through music. For example, if people have a good mood, they would like to dance with a nice melody. Furthermore, people would write a song. Through that song, he shows his love to his lover. Sometimes people are unhappy. Then they would listen to sad songs based on that they think the same feeling indicating from the song.

In conclusion, people may gain communication, brain relaxation and expression from music. Consequently, music plays an important role in art and entertainment.

Essay 843 Topic 169 **Why is music important to many people?**

Today, in this society, almost everyone has a lot of stresses from work or study. They want to get out of the yoke of the work by taking a nap or doing something. However, in my opinion, one way they often do is listening to music.

What kind of music are they? They may consist of popular songs, classical songs, and other the like. Nowadays, the youth are fond of popular songs, inclusive of me certainly. Why do I like those sorts of music? Perhaps I just want to relax and enjoy the comfortable situation as some people do.

However, as I know, most people, especially students, listen to the songs of superstars just by jumping on the bandwagon. Maybe in their minds, only these pop songs can meet their demands. As for me, I prefer light music because it can really relieve my pressure from school. Listening to light music just like living in the paradise, its rhythm is very soft and gentle. Besides, in my view, if someone is an extrovert, he will prefer hot music, such as jazz, and vice versa. Partly because they would like to express their real feeling in their deep heart. What is appropriate time for listening to music? I think the silent night will be a good choice for me. During the time, I freely read books or magazines while listening to music, but other people may not.

Although everyone has different habits of listening to music, I think we have the same point—listen to music as we feel bored or tired. According to a survey from Health Department in U. S., music not only relaxes us, but also enhances our memory. In a short, music becomes an essential element in our lives.

Essay 844 Topic 169 **Why is music important to many people?**

There are many factors that greatly influence our mood in this world. The most

prominent one is perhaps, music. Music is from time to time so powerful that it affects people's feelings and ideas to a great extent. It might agitate them like in a concert or it might soothe them. All of us listen to music according to our tastes; however, the time they listen to it is by and large the same. Many people listen to music when they are sad, but one can listen to rock while the other listens to classic. It's only a matter of one's choice.

There are mainly 3 situations in which people listen to music. Firstly, when they are sad. In this case, they usually listen to slow and low music to soothe themselves. This music makes them go over the events and comforts them. Secondly, it's when they want to change their disposition. They might listen to fast and cheerful music to cheer themselves up or they might just listen to harsh and violent music to vent their anger and feel lighter. Thirdly, when they want to enjoy their work. Sometimes only doing work might bore them and they need an intriguer to stimulate them. In fact music is a perfect tool to motivate them. It will help them to enjoy their work with music. Therefore, they will work with much more ease and the whole community will be more effective.

Due to those 3 situations I mentioned above music is very influencing and vital in our life. Excluding music, we will not be able to find a better soothing remedy or motivation than music. It has always been loved and it will be loved. Perhaps, it is not going too far when we say that music affects not only people's mood but also their lives by affecting their temper. I believe we have to utilize this magic fittingly to make our lives better and sweeter.

Essay 845 Topic 169 **Why is music important to many people?**

When it comes to you why and when you listen to music, different people have different answers based on their personality, education and culture background.

First of all, people listen to music for different reasons. Some young people listen to pop music or even heavy metal music to express their stress. Elder people listen to old songs to recall their old memories. Some people listen to classic music because they are interested in the art of music. Music is an important part of almost everyone's life. You cannot imagine a life without music.

Secondly, people listen to music at different time and under different circumstances. Some people like to go to concert or nightclub to listen to music. Some just simply open a radio while they are driving. You may find music is irresistible on a long flight even if you seldom listen while you are not traveling. As for me, I listen to music to relax myself after one day's work. Listening to the music helps me to regain the energy for tomorrow's job. If there was some troublesome in the past day, I will forget when I listen to music and become optimistic about the difficulty that I am facing. If I do not listen to music, I will keep worrying about my challenge and lose my sleep.

Listening to popular music also makes lots of common topics among the young people. I

often found it was very easy to talk to a new friend when we started to discuss about a popular singer whom we both like. Every generation has its own kind of music. When one generation becomes older, the music they were listening will not be popular any more and become part of characteristic of that particular generation. When I become older, I may find my children do not like that singer, but they will have their own singing stars. See, different generation listens to different music but there is no question that they must have their music.

It is true that different people listen to music for different reasons and at different time. However, one common thing among people is that music is important and one cannot live a good life without music.

Essay 846 Topic 169 **Why is music important to many people?**

Over last many years, music as a kind of entertainment is gradually entering into our lives and we also cannot leave it any more. Especially by the end of the twentieth century, it full in our circumstance day after day. There are a suite of reasons that make people kike to listen music.

First of all, music is a type of pastimes and can be played in many different situations. In some special dates, our families are together in a place like parents' place and have a dinner, and then we could sing some songs. On contrary, it is unimaginable that there is not any music in my friend's wedding because we need it to accompany with dancing.

Moreover, it is common knowledge that music can have a powerful effect on our emotion. In fact, with some scientist have reported that music therapists have relied on music to soothe patients and help control pain. And now some psychologists are confirming that music also can solve some highly depression. I do not know if it is effective, but I even try to listen some soft music to relax before my exam.

Furthermore, as we know, different times must use different types of music. Even that example, in a wedding, it is impossible that rock music is played, and we have to play some charming and soft music. Of course, some times we also can adjust to other types of music, but the major styles and themes must be not changed.

To conclude, music is important to people and will be more popular in future. Not only it has a suite of advantages and is useful, but it is also gradually turn into diversification that can adept to wider ranges of people.

Essay 847 Topic 170 **Why are groups or organizations important to people?**

Human civilization is based on the development of people's communities and organizations. People are sociable beings who live in communities to communicate

among each other. The importance of people's groups and organizations will be discussed in the next paragraphs supporting my opinion with several examples.

It is commonly known that just one person is fragile and harmless. But by uniting in groups and creating societies, people could defend themselves from perils of a cruel world and even to conquer new lands by creating army forces. For example, the Rome Empire was well developed economically and politically, creating many prospering groups controlled by their emperor that had disciplined and organized members aspired to gain more knowledge of the life's philosophy. Thus, the organized and thriving Rome Empire achieved so much power that its armies started to conquer many foreign territories, but, unfortunately, the greed and desire of its leaders to have the power over other people destroyed a perfect scheme of the Empires' organizational concepts ruining this marvelous realm.

Nowadays, people organize many different unions and groups for different purposes in different fields of their activities such as politics, business, charity and others. Such purposes could be accomplished only if people could have organizations having members with the same interests and goals.

In my opinion, groups and organizations could have even just two individuals, but the importance of a union could expand and influence other interested people bringing their profound ideas and funds together to achieve their goals and aspirations.

Essay 848 Topic 170 **Why are groups or organizations important to people?**

Human is basically a social animal. He cannot live without community let alone prosper. Yet every person requires his own space. Then why is it so that some people amongst us feel a need to incorporate themselves in groups and organizations?

Before going ahead let's broadly classify groups: Political group, terrorists groups, groups of people from same professions also called as unions, spy groups, media channels, scientific organizations etc.

If we look minutely at each of these groups, the underlying principal for them to come together is to take care of their own sociopolitical interest by means of organizing people having same interest. For example unions in factories are formed with sole interest of benefiting the factory workers monetarily by various tactics.

Political leaders cannot sustain in the political race without their own group or organization. They require support groups to fund them, to organize political rallies for getting votes in short to improve their chances of winning in election.

Terrorists and spy groups need the help of organizations to find information from various sources in order to forward their interest. Terrorists too require funds, arms and ammunitions etc from outside sources, which can be handled effectively through their

organization. Spies need to have strong rapport with their as well other groups to give their clients reliable information.

Scientists requires their own group to keep forth their research results and get them approved from the gurus in their field. So that their research may be contributed to the betterment of human society.

Thus each person has his/her own interest in staying in groups/organizations. Which eventually becomes most important part of their lives.

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Essay 851 Topic 171 **What one thing would you take for a trip?**

If I plan to be away from home for a year, in my preparation list, in addition to clothing and personal items, I will take Notebook PC as long as I am allowed.

The first reason I choose Notebook PC is its convenience and popularity in the modern society. The personal computer is prevalent around us. People use it as a tool of communication, entertainment, management, organization, and so on. As for me, it can be used to communicate with my family throughout Internet when I am away. That is an effective way to prevent my homesick. I will be happy that I can keep in touch with my family all the time. Notebook PC is convenient for a traveler. I can take it with me all the time and use it anywhere I want.

The second reason I choose Notebook PC is it can be easily recorded the things I need. I can bring the information I need from home and add the information I get when I am traveling. It is not like the time when has no computers any more. The photos I take can be sent through the Internet to my family and friends. I will get some favorite music in my Notebook PC then I can entertain myself when I am bored. The advantage of this is I do not need to spend money or bring a CD player and heaps of CD with me. Many things that I need can be done through the Notebook PC.

Yes, indeed, no matter the mental problems such as homesick, the self-entertainment, the actual things like important information, or communication with my family, can be entirely solved in the Notebook PC. Hence I will take the Notebook PC with me.

Essay 852 Topic 171 **What one thing would you take for a trip?**

A friend once asked me what belonging I would take with me if I were to go away on a long journey. Apart from the necessary clothing and personal care items, the one thing I would not hesitate to bring along is my Bible.

My first Bible was given to me by my mother when I was 12 years old. Since then, I have acquired an additional two Bibles in different versions and sizes. I cannot overemphasize how much the Bible means to me. One reason why I have to bring it with me is because

when I encounter problems, verses from the Bible help me to put everything in perspective. In the past, when I was going through difficult times I would read my Bible and often the words would speak to me and give me counsel where I needed it most. For instance, if I got into an argument with my father I would read my Bible later and the passage that teaches about patience and loving our enemies would come to mind. This would help me look at the situation more clearly.

Having my Bible with me would also help me to share the message of Christ with the people I meet along my journey. I often find that just other people are curious about my beliefs if they happen to see me with my Bible, whether I am reading it or not. I find that this opens up ways for me to talk about my beliefs with people who are eager to listen. Just having my Bible there can make for some gratifying conversations about faith, culture and God. Conversations like this also help me to better understand why people believe what they believe.

However, the most significant reason why I would take my Bible with me is because reading it strengthens my relationship with God. I know that a year is a long time to be away from home and friends and there might be many times when I would be alone. However, in situations like these, if I had my Bible with me I would read it and be reminded that even if I were alone, God is still there with me and He will never leave me. I believe that events like these would help my faith to grow and would draw me closer to God. It would also give me the opportunity to share with my youth group about how I have grown as a Christian during the course of my trip. The times when I have felt alone may then be used to encourage others who might eventually undergo the same situation.

Encountering God, overcoming trials and sharing His word with others are cornerstones of the Christian faith. For that reason, I believe that having my Bible with me on a long trip would help me hold onto my beliefs and eventually return home with a deeper insight as to who I am as a child of God.

Essay 853 Topic 172 **How can schools help newly transferred students?**

Students always face problems when they move to a new school. It might take a long time for them to get familiar with the new neighborhood and the new environment. And it is undoubtedly the responsibility of the schools to help them out.

The most urgent task is to settle the new-comers down and make them acquainted with the neighborhood. In some public schools, the school-owned apartment is far from adequate, therefore the schools may do something to help the students find apartments, as well as provide them with temporary accommodations. There is also little time for students to learn where the laundry, the post office, the supermarket, etc., are. Thus, it is helpful and convenient of the school to provide information as above for the new students.

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academic stuffs of the new school. I believe it is the academic departments' responsibility to provider the students with such information. Introductory seminars help students be aware of how do the faculties to in their research work such that they can choose their research field and advisor rationally.

What is more, it is also necessary for the new-comers to be fully involved with the traditions of the new school. It is well known than different schools have different traditions, and these traditions should be a precious experience of the students. Then it is always reasonable that the schools provider some opportunities, for instance, holding lectures.

To sum up, the schools may take various measures to help the new students become acquainted with their new neighborhood, and to give the new students adequate information about the school, for example, academic information and traditions. These make the students familiar with the new schools as soon as possible.

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Essay 856 Topic 173 **Does borrowing money from friends harm friendship?**

There is a popular proverb which says: friend in need is a friend indeed. Although some people believe that borrowing money from a friend can harm or damage friendship, I personally think that if friendship is true, nothing can damage or harm it. Borrowing money from a friend is useful for friendship and makes it stronger than before. It has many advantages such as knowing each other, gaining many important experiences about people and friends around us and making friendship that can remain forever.

Friendship is one of the most valuable things in one's life. All people need communication, some one who can talk with in our sorrow ness and share our happiness. I think when a friend has financial problem, all people should do their best to solve his problem. If I could help my friend by borrowing him money, I would do that without any hesitation.

Furthermore, misfortune is not just for our neighbor. Maybe someday we fall in trouble and need for our friends help. If we helped them, we would count on them for help. In our materialistic world which a true friend cannot be find easily, we should respect our friendship and do not let something invaluable harm or damage it.

At last but not least, borrowing money from a friend has positive attributes such as social experience. For example we can learn how to talk with our friends and get along with them. We can learn how to select our real friends from the others. On the other hand if we borrow some money from a friend, we should back it on promised time. For example, one of my old friend needed money to register for university, she borrowed some money from me and promised to back it in a month. She didn't show up for 3 months and I found that

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Essay 859 Topic 174 **How is your generation different from your parents` generation?**

There is no doubt that every new generation is different in some ways from previous generations. Personally, I believe that there are few major differences, which I would try to explain below.

In my opinion, a first big difference is, that people of my generation (those who are from 20 to 30 years old) use new technologies more often than older people. For example, we use Internet for every possible purpose. We prefer to look for information, write letters and even read the news on Internet; moreover, the World Wide Web has become the necessity of life for young people. However, a person of my parents' age would rather choose traditional ways for those purposes. I believe, that elderly people will definitely buy a newspaper instead of searching for the news on Internet.

Another difference, which I can see, is that people of my generation are usually more relaxed and open-minded than people of my parents age. We are open to everything new and unknown. Of course, unknown not always means good, but we still want to try and experiment with many new things. The older generation often criticizes the younger one for being more relaxed and less reliable. I found, that my age people, generally, do not judge others for their differences, such as sexual preferences, as older people tend to do.

To summarize, I would say that people keep the tendency to be different and so it goes for ages. I think, that we are different from our parent's generation, but it does not mean that we do not respect and love them.

Essay 860 Topic 174 **How is your generation different from your parents` generation?**

Every time I got home after taking part in my friend's party, my mother would

complain: "Why do you come back so late again?" And I will say it is normal and think that my parents do not understand me. This kind of phenomenon is becoming more and more frequent in today's families. Despite various improvements in all aspects of social life, the generation gap between the grown-up and the young remains unbridgeable. Admittedly, there lie various differences between the two generations.

First of all, the two generations have got the different education. Owing to widespread education the influence of western civilization, to certain extent, gives the young people a new code of philosophy, which is completely different from that of their parents. Nowadays, the youths do not blindly follow that their elders say, for they have their own ideas.

Furthermore, modern youths are trying to be more revolutionary. Their reluctance to learn old teachings and sayings becomes the constant friction between the two generations. They always introduce new technologies and new changes. However, the old people, wedded to everything of the past, are hostile to changes. We listen to rock while they listen to the folk songs. We spend a lot of time on computer while they dedicate their time to newspaper or at most TV programs. We spend most of our salary in thought of enjoying our life while our parents will save most of their salary in case of emergency. All of these have caused the generation gap wider and wider.

However our parents have many merits for us to learn. They own more experiences than we do, they are more modest and economical, which are useful traits for us. So what I want to point out is that, our young people and the elders should learn from each other, which is sure to produce a desirable result and a better society.

Essay 861 Topic 174 **How is your generation different from your parents' generation?**

It is true that every generation of people is different in important ways. Where I live in Japan, as more and more women are going into a work place, the relationship between men and women is changing radically. I think that our generation is different from our parents' generation because women are getting more independent and a family is getting smaller. Moreover, young people tend to learn new things easily while old people tend to avoid them.

The first reason why I believe our generation is different from our parents' generation is that more and more women are becoming independent as they begin to go into a work place. For the people in our parents' generation, it is not usual for women to work outside their house. Most of old people think that men should work to support a family and women should stay at home to keep their house. At that time, women did not have a strong say because many people thought that men were superior to women. Nor women did have much opportunity to have a job outside their house due to the discrimination of a society. Therefore, it was very difficult for women to be independent.

Another reason is that a family is getting smaller and smaller as more and more women begin to work outside their house. Though a family used to have more than 5 or 6 members, it has only 3 or 4 now. Nowadays, we do not live with grandparents. Nor we do have many sisters or brothers. Currently, it is quite unusual to have more than 3 sisters or brothers. It is certain that our society in Japan is changing to the society where women can live easier compared to old age. However, people still tend to think that housekeeping is what women have to do and it leads to a hard situation for women who have to do their work both at office and at home. That results in a smaller family that is taken care of easier by women.

Apart from the above-mentioned reasons, I find one more difference between our generation and our parents' generation. Old people are reluctant to accept new things. as they think it very arduous to learn something new. For example, computers are getting popular recently and using them is becoming indispensable in our life. However, most senior people seem to have more difficulty to learn the skill to use computers than young people, who are very quick at learning it. It is crucial for us to keep up with the changing society, especially in the business world.

Considering all of the above factors, I think our generation is different from our parents' generation. Nowadays an increasing woman is willing to work outside to earn money and our family is changing to a small family. In the coming future, things will change more and more quickly. I am sure that we will find more drastic changes. What we have to do is to adapt to new things without difficulty and young people have the ability.

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The views of people vary from time to time. Those ideologies and beliefs which seem to be ideal today may lose all its significance tomorrow. And thereby people from different generation vary in many important ways.

For instance about twenty-five years ago the society was not so liberal as we see it today. Girls and boys could not mix freely with each other. Women did not enjoy so much liberty as they get these days. And so there is a marked difference between our parent's view and our view about friendship between opposite sex. It is sometimes almost impossible for many to explain that it is always possible to maintain a clear friendship between a boy and a girl. This is especially true in many of the orthodox families at least in my country. There is sometimes really awesome to explain many of our desires to our parents. This is because our needs and aspirations differ from them. For example suppose today we want to go to a cyber cafe to chat with someone. It is virtually impossible to explain what is the significance of chatting because they have never done that when they were at our age. For them it is a sheer wastage of money and time. It is also hard to let them know what pleasure we get from modern day music and movies as they are still more inclined to movies and music of their generation only.

The biggest problem is that every person thinks his generation to be the best from all dimensions-talent, culture, taste, and ideologies. And that is responsible for all the clashes that we have with our parents. We try to explain them that what we feel is the best or rather best suited and they invariably try to establish the fact that we belong to the toughest time on earth when their golden days have gone and so what we feel or need is completely unnecessary and irrelevant.

These are some of the ways in which our parent's generation varies from ours. However we can bridge this gap. It is upon both us and our parents to understand each other in a much more friendly way. The initiative has to be taken from both sides.

Essay 863 Topic 174 **How is your generation different from your parents' generation?**

As the development of the society, the difference between our generation and parents' generation is more and more distinctive. In the following discussion, I would like to reason and provide the evidence to support my viewpoint.

The most important reason in support my view is that we are brave to try lots of innovative things but not parents' generation. The young has the glorious future before him and the old has the splendid future behind him. there are a considerable number of things that we even never meet, undergo and try. However, it is the curiosity that allows us to research, fumble and try them. Generally speaking, a lot of attempts lead us to accumulating experience and they are the key to open their future's doors. On the other hand, the parent's generation is hardly brave to try innovative things for the old one would like to work according to experience rules. E-mail, for instance, is so popular that every youth feels like using it. Nonetheless, the old will refuse to utilize it in that it is believed that the traditional post is even safer than e-mail. Obviously, there is no better example than this to demonstrate the strength of this point.

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can live easier compared to old age. However, people still tend to think that housekeeping is what women have to do and it leads to a hard situation for women who have to do their work both at office and at home. That results in a smaller family that is taken care of easier by women. Apart from the above mentioned reasons, I find one more difference between our generation and our parents' generation. Old people are reluctant to accept new things, as they think it very arduous to learn something new. For example, computers are getting popular recently and using them is becoming indispensable in our life. However, most senior people seem to have more difficulty to learn the skill to use computers than young people, who are very quick at learning it. It is crucial for us to keep up with the changing society, especially in the business world. Considering all of the above factors, I think our generation is different from our parents' generation. Nowadays an increasing woman is willing to work outside to earn money and our family is changing to a small family. In the coming future, things will change more and more quickly. I am sure that we will find more drastic changes. What we have to do is to adapt to new things without difficulty and young people have the ability.

Essay 866 Topic 174

As the development of the society, the difference between our generation and parents' generation is more and more distinctive. In the following discussion, I would like to reason and provide the evidence to support my viewpoint. The most important reason in support my view is that we are brave to try lots of innovative things but not parents' generation. The young has the glorious future before him and the old has the splendid future behind him. There are a considerable number of things that we even never meet, undergo and try. However, it is the curiosity that allows us to research, fumble and try them. Generally speaking, a lot of attempts lead us to accumulating experience and they are the key to open their future's doors. On the other hand, the parent's generation is hardly brave to try innovative things for the old one would like to work according to experience rules. E-mail, for instance, is so popular that every youth feels like using it. Nonetheless, the old will refuse to utilize it in that it is believed that the traditional post is even safer than e-mail. Obviously, there is no better example than this to demonstrate the strength of this point. Another chief reason for my view is that we accept much more education than parents' generation. In the modern time, education does play an enormous role in the society. As a result, our parents give us great many opportunities to receive education. In contrast, not only did parents' generation gain less education, when they were young, but also they should work in the society. Thus, our thoughts are far more different from parents' generation. If you can see, you will understand it more deeply. To sum up, given the reasons discussed above, which sometimes intertwine to form an organic whole and thus become more persuasive, we may safely arrive at the conclusion that parents and their children are different. Further more, following the suggestion that we should respect to our own parents may not guarantee the success, but the pay-off is worth the effort.

Essay 867 Topic 174

It is true that every generation of people is different in important ways. Where I live in Japan, as more and more women are going into a work place, the relationship between men and women is changing radically. I think that our generation is different from our parents' generation because women is getting more independent and a family is getting smaller. Moreover, young people tend to learn new things easily while old people tend to avoid them. The first reason why I believe our generation is different from our parents' generation is that more and more women are becoming independent as they begin to go into a work place. For the people in our parents' generation, it is not usual for women to work outside their house. Most of old people think that men should work to support a family and women should stay at home to keep their house. At that time, women did not have a strong say because many people thought that men were superior to women. Nor women did have much opportunity to have a job outside their house due to the discrimination of a society. Therefore, it was very difficult for women to be independent. Another reason is that a family is getting smaller and smaller as more and more women begin to work outside their house. Though a family used to have more than 5 or 6 members, it has only 3 or 4 now. Nowadays, we do not live with grandparents. Nor we do have many sisters or brothers. Currently, it is quite unusual to have more than 3 sisters or brothers. It is certain that our society in Japan is changing to the society where women can live easier compared to old age. However, people still tend to think that housekeeping is what women have to do and it leads to a hard situation for women who have to do their work both at office and at home. That results in a smaller family that is taken care of easier by women. Apart from the above mentioned reasons, I find one more difference between our generation and our parents' generation. Old people are reluctant to accept new things. as they think it very arduous to learn something new. For example, computers are getting popular recently and using them is becoming indispensable in our life. However, most senior people seem to have more difficulty to learn the skill to use computers than young people, who are very quick at learning it. It is crucial for us to keep up with the changing society, especially in the business world. Considering all of the above factors, I think our generation is different from our parents' generation. Nowadays an increasing woman is willing to work outside to earn money and our family is changing to a small family. In the coming future, things will change more and more quickly. I am sure that we will find more drastic changes. What we have to do is to adapt to new things without difficulty and young people have the ability.

Essay 868 Topic 175 **Should students do some of the talking in class?**

Some students hold the opinion that a class should be taught entirely by teachers, who talk all the time in class. However, other students champion a converse view that students should do some of the talking during a class. Both of the two means have their own advantages. On a personal level, though, I prefer the latter one, since there are far more superiorities than the former one.

From the position of students, as an essential part of the class, students are eager to have their good thoughts and comments to be appreciated by the teacher. On the other hand, students are easy to get distracted and feel soporific if they only listened to their teacher,

as if they are stuffed by the teacher instead of absorbing knowledge voluntarily. In that way, students will lose their interests in class, which would inevitably induce students' descending in study.

Likewise, from the position of teachers, all of the teachers would prefer an active class rather than a stiff one. The reason is so obvious that it is less arduous but more effective to teach a class in which students talk at intervals. As a matter of fact, it is a good feedback to the teacher by which she or he can be well acknowledged whether the students have grasped what she or he has lectured. In that case, the teacher will take some actions correspondingly.

In conclusion, neither students nor teachers like teaching in the way of sole talking by teachers other than that of getting students involved in the talking. Stimulating the students to participate in the discussion of the class, virtually, is the communication between teachers and students which would benefit not only teachers but also students.

Essay 869 Topic 175 **Should students do some of the talking in class?**

I prefer classes where students are able to participate along with the teacher. In my opinion, it is very important to let the students do some of the talking because those way teachers will be able to determine who listens to the class and who does not.

I strongly believe that allowing students to talk about a certain subject during the class will let the students to understand better, and will improve interaction in the class. It will also build a healthy relationship between teachers and students because by discussing a certain theme in the class students can always ask questions and make sure that they understand a topic correctly and fully. Teachers should also organize conferences and open dialogues in order to encourage students to speak up, and possibly to come up with some information, related to certain subject, on their own. Such practice will enable each student with a feeling of confidence and ability to push harder and go deeper. It will teach students to ask for help, treat each other with respect, and it will break barriers between students because they will have to work as a team in order to be ready for the next class.

When the teacher does all the talking it makes it easier for the students not to pay any attention in the class. They can talk to each other and never go deeper in to a certain theme. The students will stay socially closed to each other. It may also lead to certain competitiveness between the students simply because someone understands particular subject better than the rest of the class.

I will always value more a teacher who allows his/her students to discuss themes in the class. A teacher who shows more interest in getting to know the students beyond lectures. A teacher who wants to know what his/her students think about the class's subjects, and whether the theme is available to everyone. A real teacher should not care only about how to end a lecture faster.

Essay 870 Topic 175 **Should students do some of the talking in class?**

Some students like classes where teachers lecture(do all of the talking) in class. Other students prefer classes where the students do some of the talking. In my opinion, I will prefer the latter instead of the former. My arguments are as follows:

The main reason is the teacher's function for students in class. I think the teacher's function in class is teaching and answering student's question so that the students can really master the knowledge. Actually, it is a truth that Every student want to learn more new knowledge from teachers in class when they go to school, it is very important for students that the teachers have told them in class. But, the students maybe have their opinions about the same topic or they want to ask the teachers some questions in class. So those classes where the teachers can lecture and the students can do some of the talking in class are necessary for every student. In those classes, the teachers can teach something what they think they must do to the students, on the other hand, the students can talk about something about what the teachers have taught or ask the questions they haven't understood in class. Through those classes, I think the students can learn more and grasp them.

The other reason is the nature rule. As you know, every class is equal or over 45 minutes in school. Now, you can image the follows: first, you are a teacher, what will happen when you keep on lecturing all the class? then, you are a student, what will happen again when you always keep up silence through all the class? The results will be the teachers feel thirsty and tired, the students are upset and bored. How about the classes where the teacher lecture(do all of the class)? My answer is that I do not like it.

In a word, I prefer the classes where the students do some talking rather than the classes where the teachers lecture, because I think the classes where the students do some talking can provide students more knowledge and more interesting.

Essay 871 Topic 175 **Should students do some of the talking in class?**

Maybe since there has been a school or classes there is a discussion about the preferable style of teaching. The participants in this discussion argue about the perfect or adequate style of teaching, whether the front style is preferable or the interaction between teacher and students. Both the front style and the interactive style have their advantages and disadvantages.

The most common style is the one when students listen as the teacher lectures. Some

people call it the old-fashioned style because even the Romans or Greeks used this style of teaching. The one that knows the details about a topic lectures them to the audience that in many cases does not have a clue about it. This style is often used in classes with a huge number of students. This is the case, for example in a lecture hall in a university. In many cases it is appropriate because if anybody who has question poses it, there will not be enough time to lecture the foreseen topic. However, it is also and still quite common in secondary schools. Here mostly the older part of the teachers uses this style. They learned and got used to it while they became a teacher. Even if there might be a change in the teaching style they still stick to their old-fashioned one. A common reason is that they simply do not like to change their style of teaching during their last few years as a teacher.

This leads us to the other style of teaching, the one when students interact considerably with the teacher and with their fellow students. The type of teaching is also called the modern way of holding classes. While interacting during class the students get involved with the theme more likely than with the old-fashioned style. Therefore the way of understanding and remembering learned topics is easier. Of course, it is very difficult to practice the interactive style in classes with a high number of students like at big universities. But in secondary schools and especially in primary school it is a very appropriate way of teaching. Because the students have the possibility to interact with their teacher or with other students, they elaborate on the one hand their self-confidence and on the other hand they will get the chance to pose a question if they have not understood anything in class. As a result their grades improve.

In conclusion we can say that the modern way of teaching, the interactive style, is the preferable one. However, there are and will be classes in which the frontal teaching is the more appropriate one. Thus we can summarize that there is no non plus ultra classroom style.

Essay 872 Topic 175 **type of lecture in class**

Some students like classes where teachers lecture in class, but other students prefer classes where the students do some of the talking. If I were faced with this issue, I would probably agree with the latter one. In the following discussion, I would like to reason and provide evidence to support my viewpoint. The first and foremost reason that I have chosen to put forward is that a class in which the students do some of the talking gives the teachers a way to measure the quality of his or her lecture. To illustrate this point, there is an example more persuasive: many teachers believe that if the students are not responding in class to the lecture, then very probably the lecture has failed to be effective. If you can see that, you can understand it more deeply. In the second place, another chief reason for my view is that when the students are encouraged to speak in class, they are also more attentive to the lecture. For example, realizing that the teacher can ask anybody in the class at any point during the lecture, the students will be more alert. Furthermore, when the students are encouraged to speak up in class, they are also encouraged to display their intelligence. The only way to respond intelligently to a lecture-to ask the

right questions and say the right thing-is to listen very carefully to what the teacher is saying. Finally, When students speak in class, they also learn the skill of articulating ideas in their own words. For example, to learn something requires more than just memorizing something that somebody else said. So the students learn to figure out how to put somebody else's ideas into their own words. In summary, I prefer the type of class in which students are given the opportunity to do some of the talking. It gives the teacher a way to measure the effectiveness of his or her lecture. Moreover, it encourages the students to be more attentive in class. Finally, it allows the students put into their ideas or words in a lecture.

Essay 873 Topic 175 **The best teaching method**

Concerning the way teachers delivering lectures, people from different cultural background have diversified opinions. Those in western countries generally prefer the discussion way of teaching, in which students can take part in the process of the lecture. Those from eastern countries, in contrast, are more accustomed to the methods in which students' main responsibility is to absorb what is said by the teacher. There are pros and cons in both sides of the approaches. Yet, so far as I am concerned, I believe the former method is superior. First and foremost, students' participation in class provides teachers valuable feedbacks and can make the lecture more effective. The teacher delivers the lecture according to his estimation of the capacity of students, which is not necessarily correct. Questions from students can aware of the teacher some points that formerly do not occur to the teacher to be difficult. The teacher can thus adjust the process and clarify the misunderstanding on the spot, rather than discover the problem from the homework handed in. Another important aspect of students' participation in class is that in the approach, students cannot only learn from their teachers, but also from their classmates. The question raised by one student can remind the rest some points they do not think of and the teacher's additional explanation can enable the whole class to get a deeper understanding of the issue at concern. Last but not least, by making speeches in class, the students develop invaluable powers of communication which come in handy in their future career. In modern enterprises, people no longer work as individuals, but in teams and groups. It is therefore essential for them to acquire the skill of delivering their ideas and opinions to their colleagues and supervisors explicitly and effectively. All in all, though the class in which the teacher does all the talking is more organized and can possibly cover more materials, as all the factors listed above are contemplated, it is safe to reach the conclusion that allowing students to participate in the lecture can benefit them more and thus better serve the goal of education.

Essay 874 Topic 176 **What holiday would you create?**

Holidays are the time when we can able to spend some time with our family and friends. Holidays are the relief from the busy schedule of work and enjoy some personal time. I am from India and we already have 15 holidays in a year so we get enough time to spend with our own time. If I could create a new holiday I would prefer to create Parents Day? In the following paragraphs I shall explain why I want to create a holiday for such event.

It will be a great event to recognize their effort to grow us what we are now. When I was a small kid they did every thing for me. They stay awake in night to change my diaper or feed me. My mother used to prepare all my favorite dishes and my father used to play with me. I used to get cold very often and could not get much sleep and I used cry all the time, but they give me medicine and all nourishment meticulously.

They did a lot of sacrifice for us and they deserve at least one day in a year for that. I know when I started to go to school my parents used to spend a lot of time to prepare me in all subjects. My father used to spend all his time for my education, he was with me for all help, homework, for examination, and for quiz you name it. I did a brilliant result because of that. They do not watch any program on TV while I was in study room. They teach us the entire manner which guided me in future life.

When I went to college away from hometown they paid all of my expenditure. They used to visit our college once in a month and took care about every thing. I never feel alone there.

In conclusion I shall say that they did every thing for us so with this holiday I want to return a very small part of what I got. They do not expect any thing from me, they want my success and their blessing is always with us. I want to spend all day with my parents on this day and I want tell my thanks to them.

Essay 875 Topic 176 **What holiday would you create?**

If I had a chance to create a new holiday, I will choose August 15th as a feast because Japanese surrender to China on August 15th, 1945. I have numerous reasons to support my choice, and the following are three most convincible ones:

The first reason of celebrating this day is that on that day Chinese not only won anti-Japanese war finally, but declared the end of times when invaders could conquer China with only a few artilleries. It is a glorious victory, on which China spent thousands of brave fighters and citizens' lives, to every Chinese. Through celebrating this feast, Chinese will take proud of the victory of anti-Japanese war and take the responsibility of guarding the national security. This day represents that China had become a more and more stronger country.

The second aim to remember this day is to make people not forget the pain of war and the preciousness of the peace. China lost 35 million lives and suffered great pain in the World War II. Thousands of children lost their parents in that war, and the blood of soldiers and the tear of mothers and wives were the cost of the victory. Moreover, all Chinese's living standard was declined. Although all people know war is the cancer of the society, some of them always want to reach their goals by it. If August 15th would become a feast, people will not only enjoy this vacation but remember the importance of peace.

The third goal of this feast is to monumentalize the people who engage in protecting national security and devote their lives to defending our motherland. Many heroes emerged in the anti-Japanese war, and if were not them, we would never have a peaceful environment to work and study. Therefore, we must show our respect and love to them.

In a word, choosing August 15th as a feast is a wise choice, and I believe all Chinese will agree my choice.

Essay 876 Topic 176 **What holiday would you create?**

If I could create a new holiday, I would introduce the Day of the Individuality serving to remind people that stereotyped images of success imposed on us by media, may not work for everyone and are far from being all-inclusive. This day would try to encourage people think about individual dreams and to share them with others.

I feel that the society we are living in is too aggressive in making its members want the same things. From the very early age we are trained to like the same sports, type of body, and even food. It goes on in adulthood with a limited list of occupations, cars, real estates we have to have in order to be called successful. I think it is fundamentally wrong, and makes a lot of people feel unhappy.

That's why, we need a special day to make us think more about personal aspirations and values. Schools on this day could step away from the regular academic curriculum. Instead they would invite psychologists to talk to children and to perform individual tests. It is very important that we share the stories of alternative success to encourage people, especially children and teenagers, to try to find fulfillment and satisfaction in the areas they have previously rejected as unpopular.

To sum up, I believe that our society needs to be reminded that the most popular ways are not the only ones, that there are a lot of alternative paths, and that every person is entitled to find his own one without being called a failure.

Essay 877 Topic 176 **What holiday would you create?**

As they walked down the sands of time, They left the marks of their footprints behind.

Holidays usually honor people or events that have made a mark in the history. The objective is to remember these people or events. But there are many people who have performed great deeds, or many events that have helped change history yet have been forgotten. These are the unsung heroes and the 'not celebrated' events.

If I were to create a 177th holiday, I would dedicate it to a handicap person who would have contributed to the country in some way or the other. There are many such people in the world, who inspite of either not being able to see, walk, or speak have excelled and in

different fields.

For instance, I used to know this friend who was blind. He was interested in technology, and used to experiment writing new codes. Over years of practice he created a new code in Java. He sent the code to the company. The response of the company was instant and tremendous. The Java code was not only recognized, but also globally introduced as a new code. The code helped in developing various software products for the army and the air force.

As a mark of recognition, the name of my friend appeared on the Java web site and he received a certificate. After the recognition, he was forgotten, and perhaps all those people who use the software products in the forces, do not even know this man and his great technical creation. If I were to create a holiday, I would perhaps dedicate the holiday in remembrance of friend's revolutionary technical contribution. I would also make sure that the holiday is created while the person is alive. Usually, holidays are dedicated to those people who are no longer alive. I would not want to wait for the person to die, before I realized the great deed performed by the person. On the holiday, I would like this person to receive greetings, mails, and congratulation messages from all over the country. This would be the way this holiday would be celebrated.

Also, as part of the celebrations, I would encourage people to recognize more such handicapped and talented persons. So that, when people celebrate holidays, they not only remember the most popular people and events, but also the not so popular people who have made a difference.

Essay 878 Topic 176 **What holiday would you create?**

Humanity pantheon recognizes many people from different countries and backgrounds. If I could create a new holiday from a celebrity, I would choose January 31, the birthday of Frank Delano Roosevelt. or years, nobody seems necessary?the America he built was a memorial all around us,?noted the former president Bill Clinton. However, he himself dedicated a memorial. I would consecrate also a memorial day in his honor. F. D. Roosevelt was the 32nd president of the US; like nobody else, he knew how to appreciate ordinary people, how to get in their boots, and to find out how to represent them. In the following paragraphs, I would mention the three big accomplishments F. D. Roosevelt did.

First, he knew how to stop the Great Depression. This global crisis started in 1928. During this period, most of banks and business had collapsed. The unemployment level had risen rampant to over 25 percents. More than that, the work conditions had deteriorated very severe. J. D. Roosevelt was the man who introduced a successful package of programs to put together business, people, and banks back to work. In 1933, during the first 100 days of the first Roosevelt Administration, the ew Deal?programs

were enacted and succeeded outstanding.

Second, he was the foremost personality of the Second World War. He had prepared in time the country for war, making many efforts to modernize the army. More than that, he anticipated the great danger that Hitler and Mussolini regimes represented in the '30s. After France collapsed, he unconditionally helped Great Britain in his military efforts to survive to Axis Coalition attacks. For the Allies side, the contribution of the US was crucial in the balance of the war and democracy.

Third, he envisaged creation of the United Nations. He had anticipated the dangers of the Third World War and had in the same time a global organism, able to cope with crises around the globe. This organism would help all countries to deal each other in the purpose of peace. Eventually, this organism was created after his death. Nowadays, the US has played the most important roles in the UN.

To sum up, I would say that biography of Roosevelt is overwhelming for each of us and preeminent. Despite his fragile health, in day-to-day life Roosevelt had an unstoppable optimism and tenacity that give all around him might to overcome all problems. He proved that American Dream was not only a distant glimmer, but also something every American could grasp. And then that faith of his infused all his countrymen? said the same Bill Clinton.

Essay 879 Topic 176

If I could create a new holiday, I would introduce the Day of the Individuality serving to remind people that stereotyped images of success imposed on us by media, may not work for everyone and are far from being all-inclusive. This day would try to encourage people think about individual dreams and to share them with others. I feel that the society we are living in is too aggressive in making its members want the same things. From the very early age we are trained to like the same sports, type of body, and even food. It goes on in adulthood with a limited list of occupations, cars, real estates we have to have in order to be called successful. I think it is fundamentally wrong, and makes a lot of people feel unhappy. That's why, we need a special day to make us think more about personal aspirations and values. Schools on this day could step away from the regular academic curriculum. Instead they would invite psychologists to talk to children and to perform individual tests. It is very important that we share the stories of alternative success to encourage people, especially children and teenagers, to try to find fulfillment and satisfaction in the areas they have previously rejected as unpopular. To sum up, I believe that our society needs to be reminded that the most popular ways are not the only ones, that there are a lot of alternative paths, and that every person is entitled to find his own one without being called a failure.

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Essay 881 Topic 177 **Go on a vacation vs. buy a car**

Nowadays people have more money than before. What will we do with the money, buying a car or going to vacation? When one of my friends asked me such a question, I told him I would rather go to a vacation than buying a car. The reasons for my view go as follows.

First of all, going to a vacation can improve our physical health greatly. During the vacation, we can climb the mountain, swim in the sea, play volleyball on the beach, and ride a bicycle around the city. These activities can strengthen our heart and muscles.

Second, going to a vacation can widen our sights. Suppose that when we get to another country, we will learn more about local customs which cannot be known if we keep ourselves in our city or country. At the same time, we also can enjoy the country's natural views.

Finally, we can make friends during a vacation. For instance, once I went to the Great Wall alone. When I wanted to take a picture with the beautiful view, I had a trouble. A girl came toward me, and asked me if I need help. As a result, she is one of my best friends now.

In a word, going to a vacation can improve our health, widen our views, enlighten our heart, and make more friends. If I have enough money, I will go to a vacation again to enjoy my life!

Essay 882 Topic 177 **Go on a vacation vs. buy a car**

One of my friends confronts a dilemma of choosing either to buy a car or go on vacation. Different people have total different ideas due to distinct personal experience, life style and emotional concern. I prefer to purchase a car. Although there is a grain of truth in favor of my point of view, It is necessary to take a glance at the argument on both sides.

Voyaging can broaden one's mind and free one's spirit. You can release your pressure of study or work, enjoy beautiful scenery and indulge themselves in vacation. But it cannot last long time. No matter how wonderful the vacation is, you have to return to your real life.

On the contrary, a car, as a principal transportation tool, can improve the efficiency of your work. . You can avoid the trouble of taking public transportation everyday. Do you remember how anxious you are when you will be late to work in the morning? If you have to wait buses, you must be scolded by your boss because of your late arrival. If you take taxi, it is too expensive and sometimes you cannot meet taxi when you really need it. At this moment, a car will help you to solve all the problem.

Furthermore, a car can lead your life more colorful. At weekend, you can go out with your friends by your car. You will not worry about how far the place where you want to go. I have deep impression in this point. After my family bought a car, we always eat in different restaurants and then go to beach to take a walk. But if you spend your money going on vacation instead of buying car, you can just enjoy yourself one time.

If you buy a car, you can benefit from it more than 10 years. While a vacation maybe lasts just several weeks. You have to go to work in crowded buses everyday if you have not a car. How bad picture it is. In life, practical substance is more valuable, such as a car. If I receive some money, I will buy a car without reservation.

Essay 883 Topic 177 **Go on a vacation vs. buy a car**

Jack, one of my friends, has received a certain amount of money. He wants to use the money to buy a car or to go to traveling, but he will not decide which is better. I think it is better for him to buy a car. Because I think there are several reasons as followed:

Firstly, as I know, his major is mechanics. I think it is greatly benefit for him to buy a car. Because he is studying what is only theoretic from textbooks, he understands not so deeply in practice. I think he will comprehend much more if he buys a car, because he will enable him to touch a car by himself, during driving a car, he will know gradually function of all parts of the car and help him understand what is from textbooks effectively.

Secondly, as far as convenience is concerned, to buy a car is better than to go traveling. Both of us are studying in the same college, so I know it is necessary for everyone to buy a car, because most students live distantly from school. Especially, for Jack, he almost

has to go to school to do experiment every night, and he will come back very late. In our school, it is difficult to wait a school bus at night, and it is not very punctual, sometimes it will spend one at less thirty minutes to wait a school bus. Especially snowy in winter, it will be very bitter. Thirdly, he can often go to traveling if he buys a car. Now traffic is very convenient for traveling, but it is not much more convenient than driving a car by oneself. If he has a car, he can go to wherever he wants to go, and will be restricted by time and place, because he will control by himself completely. If he has no car, he wants to go traveling, he must go by train, by plane or by taxi. They will not wait for him until his travel makes him enough satisfaction. However, I know he also likes traveling. yet he can continue to save his money for traveling, at that time, I think it is very happy and convenient for him to drive his new car to travel! I believe he will also choose to buy a car.

Essay 884 Topic 177 **Go on a vacation vs. buy a car**

Have you been to SiChuan, China, to have a look at the endangered but cute animal, panda? Have you been to Toronto, Canada, to watch down from the CN tower? Have you been to Paris, France, to taste the delicious red wine in a luxurious restaurant? If you haven't been those places before, you must have missed a lot of fun. If one of my friends has saved a certain amount of money, I will suggest him/her to go traveling instead of buying a car. In the following discussion, I will reason and provide evidence to support my point of view.

The most important reason to support my viewpoint is that going traveling is a wonderful relaxation from hard work. Heavy work can cause a person all kinds of diseases and emotional stress. Appropriate traveling can earn back a suitable life for the worker. To illustrate this point, there is an example which is very persuasive. Marie Curie who is a famous scientist. She discovered two new chemical elements radium and uranium and studied the property of radioactivity. Although she was a hard working person, she also had a lot of free time and traveling periods. After a period working in a lab, she would like to go to the beach, bathe in the sunlight and play sea-beach sports. Her traveling and relaxation did not waste any her research time, but from the rest, she got more energy and ideas for her work. There is no better example to illustrate than this to demonstrate the point.

Admittedly, there is no denying that buying a car has some advantages in some certain circumstance. It will make a person's life more convenient. Not only can residents drive cars to visit nearest famous places in weekends, but also they can drive to the biggest shopping center and carry as many as on sale products home. However, driving cars can bring environmental pollution by releasing the carbon dioxide and other hazardous gases into the atmosphere. Using the public transportation or riding a bicycle can also satisfy a person's needs, and thus the reason on buying a car is too weak to strengthen the point. Going traveling has more benefits. Another chief reason to support my point of view is that going traveling can gain more experience which cannot be learned from regular work. For instance, a person can learn different cultures and histories in different places.

More over, a person can make more friends in the trip. Finally, a person can improve the ability on organization which would make the trip more comfortable and pleasant. Therefore, when the advantage and disadvantage of using the saved money to buy a car or to go traveling are being carefully compared, the most striking conclusion is obvious.

To sum up, given the reasons above which sometimes intertwine to form an organic whole and thus become more persuasive, we can safely arrive to the conclusion that going traveling is a great suggestion when amount of money has been saved. In addition to that, I can guarantee that going traveling will bring human beings better and comfortable lives.

Essay 885 Topic 177 **Go on a vacation vs. buy a car**

Before making a final decision of whether to spend all money to go on vacation or to buy a car, my friend would probably ask me for an advice. This quite interesting situation, since I like traveling and driving so much, but I will try to compare advantages of these two enticing opportunities. After all discussing points, I will choose the most appealing to me, which would be very supportive advice for my friend's final decision.

Lets begin with the choice of going on vacation. Usually, according to my friend's tastes and views, she might choose to go to exotic and sunny places such as Hawaii, Miami and other world-known vacation spots. It would not be a problem to buy a ticket and a room at a hotel for only a certain amount of time. But once she gets there, she could encounter different hassles that might erase all excitements of the best vacation. For example, the most common problem at airports is long lines at the checkpoints and dealing with customs. Another problem could be foreign language speaking problems, especially if my friend could communicate only in her native language. Also, she could encounter many unexpected expenses for transportation, food and visiting attracting places. However, if she gets lucky, she would probably spend her time having a lot of fun. But, as we all know, her short vacation would glimpse in the blink of an eye.

On the other hand, buying a car would be an important investment of my friend's life. First of all, a car is the best way of transportation. My friend is a student, having problems with transporting issues, because her home is far away from her school. She should notice that by buying a car, she would cut this problem forever. Another advantage of buying a car is that once my friend has a vacation week, she could go to near countries, using her new car. I think, this could the crucial aspects in making her final decision.

Finally, I would like to say that, spending money is always a hard task. My inclination towards buying a car would probably help her to make a final choice. I hope she would appreciate my choice and choose to buy a car. I have an intriguing idea where we could go together if she hopefully buys a car.

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I would definitely be flattered if my friend asks my advice on how to spend his money, be it vacation or purchase of the car. I would strongly advise him to go and chill out somewhere on the beach in a tropical island instead of buying a car.

Obviously owning a car has advantages. First of all my friend would not have to travel by public transportation. All of us, I am sure, can recall the frustration of traveling in public transportation especially while traveling by metro in the morning to your office where you enjoy the bad breath of some passengers in the train who forgot by some unknown reason to brush their teeth when they woke up. Or even worse, when you have to wait for the bus to go home after the work. Waiting in such occasions might be literary a torture especially if the outside temperature is below - 10 C. But the most important advantage of owning a car, in my opinion, is the sense of freedom. Drive where you want when you want! (My friend can also do it by metro of course but he must make sure that it is not early in the morning!)

From other hand, disadvantages of buying and thus owning it outweigh all the advantages. Let me elaborate on this. First of all, if my friend would decide to spend the certain amount of money on buying the car, he would have to spend more in the future on the maintenance of the car. Second of all, the risks associated with driving a car. By driving a car you may not only hurt yourself but also hurt others. My younger brother used to own a car before he hit the small kid while driving. Fortunately, nothing serious happened with the kid but since then by brother prefers to use public transportation rather than driving a car himself. And the last but not the least, cars pollute the air. In some big cities such as Bangkok for example, people cannot even open the windows in the office buildings anymore because of pollution. The worst thing is, the number of cars keeps increasing thus causing more pollution. Well, one more point I would mention that even though owning a car means freedom of movement, one still can get stuck in a traffic jam.

If my friend would spend that money on vacation he would gain more as vacations have only advantages, well almost only advantages. In our world of globalization it is almost imperative to be well-traveled and open minded. If my friend choose to go on vacation, he would broaden his horizons, explore new cultures, meet new people and such experiences are always a good eye opener?

There are plenty of options when choosing vacations. From active vacations where one can explore ancient ruins of some incredible archeological sites to active holidays where one could climb up the Tibet and get to know the monks of the Buddhist temples. My friend could also choose to get away with his girlfriend and spend some quality and memorable time say in Maldives in a romantic atmosphere with white sand beaches in an exotic location.

I would recommend my friend to go on vacation. Good memories are priceless. Great vacations can provide such memories and experiences which my friend could even share with his grandchildren and cherish such memories for his entire life

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Essay 889 Topic 178 **What changes will the 21st century bring?**

Humans will become immortal in 21st century. Now this sounds funny. But then 100 years ago who would believe that we would be capable of cloning humans? In my opinion, in 21st century, globalization will reach its peak, we will progress further with IT, medical science and cosmology, and we will use only solar and other similar type of energies instead of energy resources obtained from oil. There will be more positive than negative gains of our fast development in this century.

Globalization will continue. Continents will become closer than ever. It will take few hours to get from one continent to another one. For example, even now we can reach London from New York within 4 hours by supersonic jets.

We will advance further in IT field. The communication will be so advanced that people will not have to leave their houses and will be able to work from home. Even now we already can communicate with each other via video chat in our PCs.

Developments in medical science especially in cloning field will enable us to replace our organs by new ones and we will be even able to obtain new body whenever we want. We will become immortal. According to recent issue (April 2003) of American Scientific there is already possibilities to develop artificial tissues which can be used in human body.

Our entire understanding of cosmology will change. According to October 2003 issue of Newsweek magazine, scientists only now started to realize that universe is expanding much faster than they originally thought and that it is not the gravitational power but some unknown energy which causes the galaxies to swirl violently and move away from each other rapidly. In 21st century, we will at last have an answer to how our universe was created.

In 21st century our cars will no longer use petrol and they will use electricity or solar

energy instead. So will airplanes, busses and other means of transportation. Already now we are using electrical cars.

However there will be also negative gains in 21st century. According to scientists by 2050 the population of the planet will reach 20 billion people. With limited food resources, we will have difficulties to sustain our ever growing population. And of course, the world will become more competitive. Because of globalization, we will be also more vulnerable to different kind of new diseases. The recent example is SARS, which was originated somewhere in the village in China but then quickly spread to other countries and continents.

But besides of all the developments in medical science, cosmology, IT and other fields, in 21st century people will become more educated and evolved and things such as religion, believe in God, racism etc. will vanish thus setting us free from our differences and uniting all of us in the planet.

Essay 890 Topic 178 **What changes will the 21st century bring?**

The 21st century has definitely begun with a lot of uncertainty for many people. Some anticipated the end of the world, some forecasted incredible changes and improvements in quality of life.

In my opinion, the 21st century is going to be a century of very quick technological progress and development. Manual labor in many industries will be soon replaced with computer controlled robots and machines. Humans will be forced to use their mental ability rather than physical one. For example, I think that people will concentrate on generating new ideas and doing scientific research to find new ways to treat variety of human diseases that could not be treated properly before. I also suppose that humans will deepen their research in improving the current conditions in which the Earth's environment finds itself right now. Hopefully, new synthetic materials will be discovered and scientists will figure out a way to use world resources more efficiently.

Along with technological improvements the 21st century will bring us new problems and changes in our social lives. For example, many people will face problems of unemployment, since computers and machines will do most of the work. Maybe to some extent people will face communication crisis, since new means of communication such as cell phones, Internet and other media will gradually replace more old-fashioned private talks and discussions, visits and face-to-face meetings, which might make some people feel lonely or not appreciated.

In my opinion, the major change, that the 21st century will bring us, will occur in international relationships. I think that competition for the spheres of influence among different countries will increase, because right now more and more countries are becoming more powerful and ambitious. World leaders will have to find new solutions on diplomatic level to maintain world peace and equilibrium.

No matter what the future may bring us, I hope it will be all good!

Essay 891 Topic 178 **What changes will the 21st century bring?**

The 21st century has begun. As many other people, I expect that it would bring some changes to the world of technology, science, healthcare and culture. We live in a fast developing society and almost every day brings something new and different to our life.

First of all, with the beginning of the new century, I would expect changes in the computer technology. In my opinion, computer industry will develop so fast that even in the near future we can expect radical changes in it. For example, computers that we use now will be changed to new, much faster and advanced. All computer networks will be wireless; the speed of Internet connection will increase and dial-up connections will consider obsolete. People will use Internet all over the world; moreover, we will be able to work and study from any point of the planet using high-speed wireless Internet connection.

The next big change that I would expect should be in the healthcare and medical science. I hope that with the development of advanced technology, scientists will invent medicine for such threatening diseases as Cancer and AIDS. People will not suffer from these and many other illnesses and will not feel enormous pain any more. I believe that the quality and length of human's life will increase in 21st.

In addition to mentioned above, I guess that there will be big changes in the culture. We will, probably face new tendencies in architecture, applied arts, music and fashion. I think, that art in general will be more colorful. People will probably invent new techniques in painting, drawing and sculpture as well as in architecture. We will still like and appreciate classic music; however, many new musical instruments will, probably, begin their existence in the near future.

From the worlds history we learn that every century had some new inventions and developments, which influenced on human society. I strongly believe that in 21st we will meet many changes in technology, medical science and culture. I hope that those changes will bring a great amount of positive aspects and will provide better quality of life to many people.

Essay 892 Topic 179 **What are some of the qualities of a good parent?**

When one is born, till when one gets married, his/her parents are with him/her. Parents teach their children to talk, to walk, and to dress. These are the three characteristics that define any human being as a member of any society. A good parent teaches his/her child respect, he/she teaches the child how to interact with society, finally a good parent make

his/her child feel like they are wanted and loved. Good parents are a blessing of God, they are simply ideal members of society. Whenever one sees another member of society talk in a polite and respectful manner with others, the parents of this particular individual are the first persons that come to mind. A good parent teaches his/her child how to talk to elders, how to dress in a respectful manner, and how to walk and a decent way. Any person in his/her straight mind will judge a person simply by these three characteristics. A child learns by example. Just as any person learns best by experience, a child learns best by seeing others. The way the parents interact with society, the way they talk, and dress are what affect the way a child does so. No-matter how well-educated anyone becomes, self-confidence is something attained by either extreme hard work and dedication towards the matter, or by the parents of an individual. A good parent teaches his/her child how to talk to other members of society, without feeling shy or unwanted. Talking in front of a large crowd with command over ones speech is not a fool's play. It is only attained by practice, which is received by ones own parents. Finally, A good parent makes his/her child feel like they are wanted, loved, and cared for. As mother Teresa once said, the biggest disease is feeling that one is unwanted, unloved, and uncared for, love begins in the home. This is absolutely true. A child who feels left out and lives in solitude cannot blend into society in a normal manner. This feeling of being left out is not only experienced to a person during the early stages of his/her life, but it is carried through into ones twenties, thirties, and so on. The parents are the ones responsible for making a child feel like they are wanted and they are an important part of their lives. From reviewing the above mentioned points, it is clear that a good parent is one who takes full responsibility of teaching the child how to respect others, how to interact with society, and make them feel they are wanted. In a way the parents in a particular country are responsible for the countries future, if they train their children in a good manner the country will definitely progress, whereas if the parents interact with their children in a menial manner, and make them stubborn the country is surely destined to be destroyed.

Essay 893 Topic 179 **What are some of the qualities of a good parent?**

Parents play an important role in the child's upbringing. However, it is not easy to be a good parent, much to the surprise of those who think dealing with young children is a piece of cake. In my view, to be a good parent you have to meet certain requirements that I am going to discuss further in the following paragraphs.

You should spend time with your child. Please do not mistake me. By that I am not saying you must resign from your job and stay at home with your baby all day; instead, I am referring to quality time. To be a good parent you need to know your child well; if you do not even have the minimum amount of time to start with, how on earth are you going to know your child? No matter how busy you are, be you a businessman or a police officer, you must get some time off work to be with your child. Knowing how impressionable a child at his tender age is, you cannot expect him to feel close to someone he barely see everyday, much less play the role of a good parent. However, I am not talking about large amount of time that busy as you are, you may not be able to

afford. Remember, it is quality time, not quantity time. You can be a CEO and still be a good parent if you make good use of the limited amount of time you spend with your child. A small talk after dinner or a little story before bed may well perform the magic.

In order to be a good parent, you also have to be strict; it is for the child's own good. He may not like it of course, who will? However, it is from strict parent that a child learns discipline. Under certain circumstances I even agree with the use of force. A good beating or a severe scolding is far easier to remember for a little child than a patient persuasion. He is too young for you to reason with; but you can make him learn his lesson the hard way if the little sweet talk fails. Though I think the use of force is the last resort a parent should turn to, it is nonetheless rather effective.

A good parent should be caring and loving. A strong bond is formed between the parent and the child if there is love. This is something magical and inexplicable but both the parent and the child feel it. What makes a parent so special and important is the unconditional love he/she gives to his/her child. A loving and caring environment is very crucial in a child's growth. Statistics have shown that those from happy families have a more optimistic view of the world and generally live happy lives, while those from broken families or families where both parents quarrel often are more irritable and peevish. A child's character is easily shaped by the surroundings so it is a parent's responsibility to provide a loving environment to his/her child.

A good parent should also be a good role model for the child to look up to. A child learns many of his habits from his parents and it is all up to a parent to choose what kind of habits he/she wants his/her child to inherit. For example, a parent should immediately quit smoking if he/she notices his/her child has the tendency to pick up this bad habit. All in all, a good parent should behave himself in order to set good examples to his child. To be a good parent is hard but not impossible; in fact I believe all those who really put in a great deal of effort should find themselves doing well in this job. After all what is more important is the attitude; if one wants to be a good parent, he can do it.

Essay 894 Topic 179 **What are some of the qualities of a good parent?**

Different parents have different methods to teach their own children. When faced with the decision of what some of the qualities of a good parent are, each person has his own opinion. From my point of view, I consider that consideration, encouragement, communication, and care are the qualities of a good parent. There are numerous reasons why I hold the above opinion, and I would explore only a few of the important ones here.

The primary reason why I persist in the above opinion is that these qualities help parents and children to understand each other. For example, consideration is a key to good relationships between parents and their children. When parents stand at children's point of view, it is easier for them to understand why children is behaving like that, and what they are thinking. This is will give parents a full understanding, and they will be able to find a suitable method to teach his children what to do correctly and how to do on such a

thing. By such consideration and communication, children, of course, can accept their parent's advice. Meanwhile they can eliminate the so-called generation gap? and the relationship between parents and their children is getting along very well.

Another factor which should deserve some words is that these qualities can promote children to make progress. For instance, encouragement is an effective way for a parent to teach his children. When a child fails to do something, because of his limited knowledge and experience, if his parent can encourage the child to do it again and help the child analyze the reason why what he has done is wrong. Then the child can learn more knowledge and will try it again, and he will succeed in doing such a thing finally.

What is more, these qualities help children grow up healthily. When parents take care of their children, children can feel family's care and can stay at home very happy. This is very useful for children to grow up healthily. With these, children can form excellent character and be confident in doing things.

In a word, to be a good parent is not an easy thing, but with parents' effort, each parent can do it very well. From what I have stated above, you may agree with my statement that consideration, encouragement, communication and care are the qualities of a good parent.

Essay 895 Topic 179 **a good parent**

Concerning criteria for good parents, different people at different periods of their life may provide totally different answers. So far as I am concerned, I believe at least three qualities are inseparable for a parent to be deemed as excellent. First and foremost, the parent should do what he/she instructs. Many parents demand decent behavior from their children but do not restrain their own behavior. For instance, someone requires their children to be polite while they themselves always go into conflict with neighbors about trivial issues. Such self-defeating instructions often turn the children into opposition and make them irrespective of orders and disciplines from others in the future. A good parent is aware of the fact that actions are more persuasive than speeches and always follows the discipline they require his children to follow. Another important aspect of a good parent is that he should treat his child as an equal. Instead of regarding the child as a belonging, he parent admits that the child is an individual who has his or her own character and life destination. He do not suppose that the children are responsible for them and should follow their life course and direction. He does not impose his idea upon the children and sincerely welcome different voice from them. And when he find them wrong, he argue with them as an equal, rather than turn to some mere cliché about respect for elders. Last but not least, a good parent helps the children when needed. The parent should first know when the children most need the support from their parents. In some occasions, the children are better to be left to make decisions themselves to be better prepared for their adult life. Yet in some crucial cases, parents should hold the helm for their children to avoid deleterious results of teenage passion. A supporting but not officious parent is an invaluable asset for a growing personality. All in all, though there are no definite

standards of a good parents, some preliminary requirement can be listed, those listed above among the rest. The principle is that he should be a respectable citizen first, then he must do his best to promote the best interest of his children.

Essay 896 Topic 180 **Why movies are so popular?**

In this busy world where every one is after their work, there are only a few things that can give them little relaxation and movie is one such thing. Movies have become popular all over the world. There are many reasons for movies acquiring high priority in our society. I would like to illustrate my reasons as follows.

Movies become popular mainly because of the story it carries. Some people would watch movies that are full of fun to get their tensions released, while some would love movies that have got something to do with their lives. It's a media through which a person can convey an important message to the society in a very interesting way. Every human being would like to understand the intricacies of life and would love to understand the problems and solve it, in his own way to get out that difficulty. Movies bring in front of a person the different circumstances / situations that one might encounter in a society and the after effects of that if we do not handle them in a sensible manner. It also teaches him how to remain careful of the situations and the way in which he has to cope up if such things arise in his life.

Movies also depict a countries social culture and tradition and while watching such films we would also feel worthy of the country in which we live. It's a way by which we can represent our country in other countries and make them feel how nice our country is. Movies that find their way into the international festivals boost our country's fame and give outsiders a feeling that we are also make movies of their standard.

This is an era where every one wants to make money and earn fame in their areas of work. Every person has got certain limitations in the duration of work, which he can perform in a day. After that he would like to enjoy the fun and joy that life has in store for him and without any effort he can go to a cinema hall and enjoy a movie of his interest. This would help to release his stress and he gains energy for the next days work. If the movie has offered him what he wanted, then would not mind watching and enjoying it once more. He will be discussing about the films with his colleagues and they would also go and watch the movie. This is how a movie becomes popular. This is from the customers or watchers viewpoint.

If we look it from the makers point of view, we would be able to understand that a movie becoming popular has lots to do with his career. If he could make a true story which everyone appreciates then, he would become more confident and would try to do films that has substance in it. Again it is from the peoples feed back that he will be knowing about the success of his film. This in turn helps him to excel in his field and he attracts the attention of all the critics and his movies would receive wide publicity and popularity.

I would rather say that movies take a person to a world where he can learn many things and at the same time provide him an atmosphere in which he can enjoy and have fun. In other words movies are able to offer a person what he needs, in a time when he needs the most. Moreover its not so costly and is within a affordable range. Apart from that it presents a person a good mind set up within a limited period of time. All the above mentioned factors in one way or the other contribute towards the popularity of the movies all over the world.

Essay 897 Topic 180 **Why movies are so popular?**

Movies act as thresholds to entertainment. They provide the people with latest trends occurring during a specific point of time. They help to overcome the tension and stress by watching them. Movies help people in myriad ways such as knowing the economic condition of the country, knowing the technological developments of a country etc. Apart from these above reasons, they are various other reasons which make them popular.

Movies act as doorstep in viewing different countries with in a limited about of time by sitting and relaxing at a specific place. Through movies we can enjoy the scenic beauty of various countries. We come to know the way of living of the people of a particular country. Apart from these, movies give us an idea about the bonding that exists between various members of a family in different cultures. For example a movies by name ishta?in south Asia depicts the chemisty that exists between a wife and husband, brother and sister, mother and sister etc. We can learn many good things from movies.

Movies also act as database for knowledge. They help to know the latest inventions that took place in a country. For example in movie hiru?it showed how cooker was invented. These movies help the latest generation to know about history and culture with out much research.

By watching movies, one tries to depict oneself in the character and tries to change himself if he is wrong. It portrays the life of the rich as well as the poor. It can also be treated as time pass. It helps to know the roles of various important people in the work such as the role of president, the role vice president, the role of governoe etc.

So based on the aforementioned reasons, and I feel that movies are popular. They play pivotal role in shaping the people of the country. Movie plays an important role in communicating good and bad to the society.

Essay 898 Topic 180 **Response to Topic 18**

Movies provide a variety of entertainment for people, so it is a reason why movies are so

popular. Through different kinds of movies, such as comedy, fiction, action, and documentary, people can enjoy laughing, create images, satisfy visions, and learn truths in the life or realize historic events. Movies also involve the audience in interesting adventures which people want to do but cannot. This industry not only satisfies people's curiosity but also carries out their dreams which do not happen in real life. Certainly, the remarkable point is the actors or actresses, most of whom are handsome or beautiful, having crazy fans to follow them, leading audiences into the movie theater because of their amazing performances. At least it is one of the reasons why I choose a film, in which my favorite performer plays. In addition, a soul character in a movie is the director, who decides how it should be made and performed. The executive control both quality and quantity in the movies. Because of their excellent performances, people are compelled to go to the theater. From fantastic science fiction to bio-pic, the masses can see all of them in the movies. A superior movie, an art, is worth appreciating; therefore, people are willing to spend two or more hours staying in front of it. The entertainment industry brings people both psychological and intellectual enjoyment; no wonder movies are so popular.

Essay 899 Topic 181 **Should lands be developed or left in their natural conditions?**

Nowadays more and more lands are replaced by industrial factories or houses. The number of sky scrapes is increasing rapidly and wild environment is ruined by human activities. Although no one can deny need for house and shelter, most of today's building and forest destroying is because of selfishness of human being. In my country, Iran there is more need for land to be left its natural condition, because we need fresh air, natural environment and more than modern building or building new factories.

I live in the most polluted city of the world, Tehran. Unfortunately, the number of population who migrate from country to Tehran is increasing daily, consequently demanding for house and food and job is increasing. The Empty lands are built for this huge number of population and also many factories are founded to create jobs. In fact we face a crowded city with many sky scrape and huge building which like monsters can be seen in the city.

Furthermore, much forest has destroyed and many trees and plants have cut down just because of stupid behavior of human. No one pay attention to healthiness of people. Besides of house, people need fresh air and diseases are gifts of pollution. In my opinion, trees and forests are valuable nature for human and no one should destroy them easily and because of greed not need.

At last but not least, I strongly believe that we are responsible for next generation. Many of the natural conditions back to thousands of years and we should care of them. Maybe because of human activities and house building they vanish forever. Next generation deserves fresh air, green and beautiful environment and pure water instead of smoke, gas and high buildings. These are the first rights of human being to be alive.

In conclusion, I agree with this point of view that land should be left in its natural condition. We need clean air and water and beautiful environment more than modern and high buildings. We should not proudly say to our child that our heritage to you is forest of cement. We should care of our environment.

Essay 900 Topic 181 **Should lands be developed or left in their natural conditions?**

Natural condition and its resources is the best asset that a country should have.

In my country Philippines, it is a known fact that our land is abundantly rich in natural resources. If someone happened to be there, no one could ever imagine it still exists in this period of time. But suffice it to say, our country has a greater need for land to be left in its natural condition. Due to the emergence of the worldwide industrialization and housing development, our land has been depleted and destructed big time.

First of all, industrialization plays a pivotal role for our country's economy, which leads to building factories in the city and some part of the province. The gradual depletion and destruction of our natural condition are due to these deadly chemical product residues of these factories that were being thrown out into our sea water which led to the destruction of our marine, biological life forms and even death to own people living around the area.

Another thing is the cutting of trees in our forest for housing development. Having a progressive housing development is one thing, but balding our virgin forest is another thing. This is the reason why when calamities occurred; the problem arises which led the water to overflow because of insufficient trees in the forest. Since our country is not rich, our government has no choice, but to invite foreign investors to invest even if it will jeopardize our need to preserve and maintain our natural condition.

Lastly, I wish our government should start to narrow down the problems. They should be able to adapt the changing times without hurting our country and its people.

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Vietnam is one of the developing countries in the world. It still does not have enough facilities to support the needs of its people. Hence I feel there is more need for land to be developed for housing and industry.

There are several reasons that support my choice. The population in Vietnam is very high. Lack of buildings and houses to live in is one of the major issues for the government. Firstly the house prices are higher than the controlled price. Secondly, most people live in big cities making the housing distribution unbalanced. In fact in Vietnam there are many lands which are still uncultivated and being neglected. To solve the above problem, the government should use the uncultivated land to build more houses or blocks, which would improve living conditions.

Although having rich resources like people and land, Vietnam has been importing many products like cars, motorbikes, TV, etc. from other countries. Lack of factories and manufacturers is the main cause for this. Therefore, building more factories is an urgent requirement for the Vietnamese Industry. It creates more work opportunities thus reducing the unemployment rate. Vietnamese can use their own products as well as export the produces.

Therefore I strongly believe that Vietnam could be stronger and richer if the people know how to use the land effectively to support their own lives. Vietnam needs land to be developed for housing and industry more than ever.

Essay 902 Topic 181 **Should lands be developed or left in their natural conditions?**

It may sound nice to hear that there is more need for land to be left in its natural condition in my country, Japan. However, to tell the truth, it is because we Japanese have already developed immeasurable land for housing and industry. Little untouched land left have become so precious because of wild animals and distinctive floras. Thus, it can be said that there is some untouched land but there is no developable untouched land left.

However this is also true that there is still need of land for housing and industry. In order to come off keeping land in its natural condition and creating more space for housing and industry, more need for the sea to be developed for industry have emerged. For instance, reclaiming land from the sea for building an airport, a rubbish tip, a warehouse, etc. Although the propriety of the solution is questionable, this helps keeping untouched land away from development.

On the other hand, there are increasing multistory buildings. As available land is limited in spite of great needs for housing and industry, developing underground floors and constructing higher buildings have become the other solutions. However, as this causes a side effect such as heat island and space occupied by each person has been becoming smaller and smaller, this solution cannot be perfect either.

After all, this is impossible to protect all aspects of nature unless we give up industrial lifestyle. The next issue should be on how to deal with secondary problems caused by solutions for keeping land in its natural condition.

Essay 903 Topic 181 **Should lands be developed or left in their natural conditions?**

When discussing the issue of land-use in Germany we should bear several points in mind. Some people fight for saving the natural areas. Others want to use more land for housing and industry. There are advantages and disadvantages on both sides.

People who support the statement to develop more land for industry and housing often present following reasons: Firstly, they mention the high number of people without a home. Regarding to them it is necessary to built new houses. Secondly, there is a trend to

move out of the city center. That means more people want to live outside the town. And this include the building of new houses near a town. Thirdly, they argue that the expansion of the industry is necessary to develop the economy. Related to this fact new facilities and less unemployment should be the result. And the last point they often mention is that there is a need to explore new natural resources, especially in the energy sector.

All these facts are true to a certain extend but some important points are missing. In my point of view there is enough space in the cities or in the industry areas. That means it is not necessary to built new houses or halls because they just have to rebuilt the old ones, even it is more expensive. Furthermore, the natural area is as important as the industrial area because we need space to relax. That means woods for example are very important and wood is needed to offer fresh air. Moreover we should bear in mind that the destruction of natural land is related to the destruction of the habitat of animals. Natural area is also needed for climate regulation and the environmental cycle.

So, to sum up and to make the point, I support the statement that there is more need for land to be left in its natural condition. It is important to save our environment because we depend on it.

Essay 904 Topic 181 **Should lands be developed or left in their natural conditions?**

As we all know that land in its natural condition mainly comprises of trees, rocks and water. Natural vegetation plays a pivotal role in improving the economic conditions of the people living in a country. It primarily helps in occurring the rainfall at regular intervals of time during the year. So I feel that there should be more need for land to be left in its natural condition rather than using the land for housing and industry.

My country is basically agricultural based country. So the farmers mainly depend on the rainfall. In order for the rain to occur, there should be enormous number of trees growing in the country and this can be only attained by not cutting the trees and by not using the land for the construction of houses and industry. If the crops grow to hundred percent of farmers expectation, the standard of living of the people will be enhanced. People would be able to eat food twice a day. They would educate their children. They would provide themselves with durable clothes. Apart from all these things they feel confident and satisfied for the hard word they have invested in raising the crops.

My country acts as a central place where there is a good collection of myriad animals and birds. These species need a lot of land, rich in natural vegetation. By not using the land for building houses and industries we are indirectly helping the future generation know the species present in our country. These birds and animals tend to enhance the scenic beauty of our country. Foreigners would be interested in viewing the beauty which in turn increases the revenue of the country. As the revenue increases, there would be a lot developmental activities which would takes place which would improve the social conditions of the people living in the country.

So I strongly feel that there should be more need for land to be left in its natural conditions which would improve the country position in international markets. Apart from these a lot trade would be developed with the neighboring countries.

Essay 905 Topic 181

Nowadays more and more lands are replaced by industrial factories or houses. The number of sky scrapes is increasing rapidly and wild environment is ruined by human activities. Although no one can deny need for house and shelter, most of today's building and forest destroying is because of selfishness of human being. In my country, Iran there is more need for land to be left its natural condition, because we need fresh air, natural environment and more than modern building or building new factories. I live in the most polluted city of the world, Tehran. Unfortunately, the number of population who migrate from country to Tehran is increasing daily, consequently demanding for house and food and job is increasing. The Empty lands are built for this huge number of population and also many factories are founded to create jobs. In fact we face a crowded city with many sky scrape and huge building which like monsters can be seen in the city. Furthermore, much forest has destroyed and many trees and plants have cut down just because of stupid behavior of human. No one pay attention to healthiness of people. Besides of house, people need fresh air and diseases are gifts of pollution. In my opinion, trees and forests are valuable nature for human and no one should destroy them easily and because of greed not need. At last but not least, I strongly believe that we are responsible for next generation. Many of the natural conditions back to thousands of years and we should care of them. Maybe because of human activities and house building they vanish forever. Next generation deserves fresh air, green and beautiful environment and pure water instead of smoke, gas and high buildings. These are the first rights of human being to be alive. In conclusion, I agree with this point of view that land should be left in its natural condition. We need clean air and water and beautiful environment more than modern and high buildings. We should not proudly say to our child that our heritage to you is forest of cement. We should care of our environment.

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Essay 911 Topic 182 **Is human relationship with pets useful?**

In modern society, more and more people like to keep pets in their family. And some of them treat their pets as a member in their family. They eat with their pets, stroll with their pets, and even sleep with their pets. Although someone think there is no problem with such relationship, I am not totally agreed with it.

Undoubtedly, keeping a pet at home can provide us a lot of fun. We can play with to our pets when we feel lonely, we can tell our secret to our pets since they always be a good listener and will never expose our secret. Moreover, some pets can protect their host when they are in danger. But there are still many disadvantages.

We should notice that pets never can be real human, so it is impossible to establish a relationship with your pet which is same as you establish with human. A pet cannot think in the same way as us, and a pet cannot really understand human beings' emotion, so it is stupid to assume that your pet can understand what you think or your pet is your best friend in the world.

Furthermore, there are now more and more stores devoted entirely to pets. They sell pet food, pet toys, pet clothes and pet homes. All of these stuff for pets are expensive, however, some pets owner do not care about the price and spend hundreds of dollars on supplies for their pets. Do they have ever thought about that there are still many children in the world who do not have food, toys, and clothes? We feed our pets with the expensive food but never care about some of the human beings is suffering hunger at the same time! Why do not now use this money to help them first?

In addition, if you have the habit to read newspaper, you can find a lot of report like Someone was attacked by neighbor's dog yesterday. Pets bring so many problems to our society administration and make us in danger.

In brief, compared to live with a pet and spend our money and time on it, it is wiser to pay more attention to our parents, friends and other people in our society and spend superfluous money on charity.

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Pets in the past are often cats, dogs, birds, however, nowadays, even snakes and worms are called pets too. It is undeniable that they are lovely friends of people, especially the old, children and single ones, but I do not think that it is good to treat pets as members of family as the following reasons.

First, pets are only animals, and cannot be treated as human beings. Although some animals such as dogs and cats have been domesticated for a long time and are intelligent in some aspects, they do not have human feelings. Their instincts only enable them to distinguish between good and bad, love and hate, while people ourselves have many kinds and levels of feelings. In addition, pets regard people as their master rather than friends. Their actions towards people are fidelity, not friendliness. Treating them as people can make them confused as they have not developed enough to understand these treatments.

Second, while some pets are treated as man, other individuals are considered animals. These people are the poor who have no homes, no food. Nobody cares about his or her life, they get away from them as if these poor people suffer from an epidemic. They are people but do not have the rights of man. Meanwhile, cats and dogs have either wonderful houses or enough food or the care of people. These facts are unfair.

Some people may argue over the second reasons that the poor are none of their business. They do not have any relation with them. Nevertheless, should people not raise pets, they will have time caring about their relatives, their friends and their relationships. For instant, single people raised cats, dogs or other animals because they feel lonely, but had they not raised pet, they would have found their lovers.

In conclusion, I personally think that not treating pets as human beings would be better for the animals themselves, the masters and other people. We should consider them as they are, not as what we want them to be.

Essay 913 Topic 182 **Is human relationship with pets useful?**

There is much disagreement over whether people should keep a close relationship with their pets or not. Some people think that too close to pets could do harm to people. Other people, however, argue that a good relationship with their pets can help them a lot. As far as I am concerned, I like to have a close relationship with pets.

Why some people want to keep away from pets? For one thing, sometimes pets may be out of control and hurt their owners. No matter how smart a pet is, it is still an animal with wild animal features. For another, sometimes pets maybe spread diseases to people. Although I agree that there may be one or two disadvantages of pets, I insist that a good relationship with them far overweigh these disadvantages. In the first place, pets can give

people companionship under some circumstances, especially old people. In many west countries, it is very popular that old people live only with their pets, because their children are very busy and do not have time to spend with them or some other reasons. At this time, their pets can company their owners 24 hours 7 days. To these old people, pets are their members of family.

In the second place, some pets can help disable people. As we already know, trained dogs can guild blind people walking. Although pets are just animals, sometimes they can do something unexpectedly. For example, several years ago, there was a well-known news that a dog dialed ?11?to save its very sick owner.

In conclusion, I believe that keeping a close relationship with pets is good to people not only because the pets can make people feel not lonely, but also because pets can help people in a special way.

Essay 914 Topic 182 **Is human relationship with pets useful?**

There are some people that like their pets a lot and they think people should treat the pets as family members. Others think that it is not good to keep a close relationship with pets. If I would be asked this question, my opinion would follow the latter. In the following discussion I would like to provide reasons and evidence to support my viewpoint.

No issue is more important today than the one that keeping a close relationship with your pet may harm the relationship between you and other people. I will try to explain this with some examples. Since you have to take care of you pet, you have no time to go out with your friends and you may have no time to talk to your family. Also, if you feel that it is easier to get along with animals, you may lose interest in getting along with people. As a result, you will be isolated from the community. Moreover, some people treat their pets even better than their sons or daughters, which is illogical. Do not you think the examples given above are very persuasive?

Keeping a close relationship with a pet costs money. This is another main reason that I have chosen to put here to support my argument. I could not think a better example to illustrate my viewpoint as the following. If you treat your pets as your family members, you will want to give the best thing to your pets. It will cost you a lot of money to buy the pets' food. In addition, if the pet got ill, you would have to it to the animal hospital. You will pay a good amount of money for its treatment and medicine fee. If you ever had a pet, you should understand this point better.

However, having pets also has its advantages. Some animals are human's friends and sometimes they help us a lot. But the disadvantages of keeping a close relationship to pets carry far more weight than those of its advantages. So the reason I think people should not keep a close relationship with their pets is very obvious.

To sum up, given the reasons discussed above, which sometimes intertwine to form an

organic whole, and thus become more persuasive, we could safely arrive at the conclusion that people should not keep such a close relationship with their pets. It affects the relationship between you and other people and it also wastes your money.

Essay 915 Topic 182 **Is human relationship with pets useful?**

I do not think any thing wrong with being close to one's pets, having a dog myself; however, pets are just pets, treating them like family members is a bit too extreme in my points of view. Not that too close a relationship is not good though, since study has shown those neglected by others often turn to animals for conversation and by doing that they actually feel accepted and less lonely. Pets are indeed good friends for loners.

However, spending too much time with one's pet can influence one's character, in a bad way. A friend of mine had a cat some years ago, a lovely purely-bred. She started talking to the cat after a while, treating it like a human-being capable of rational thinking. She became less sociable and very irritable at work and we all thought her sudden change of temperament was due to the pressure and stress in the company. One day I went to her house and I was shocked to see that she treated the cat like an equal. She helped the cat to food first before we started dinner, she let the cat choose channel by putting its paws on the remote control and she talked of the cat with such fondness that one would suspect she was talking of her own child. I was horrified. Why one can go to such extremes to spoil her pet is beyond my understanding and it is certainly not a healthy relationship. I have once seen a dog wearing brand shoes on all four paws and a bright jumper; it strikes me as total madness.

However, one should treat his pet well. A pet is after all a life and all lives on earth deserve good treatment, love and care. Giving a dog or some other animal to a young child whose parents are spoiling him is a good way to teach him what is to love and care for others, apart from being loved and cared for. And a pet is a good playmate to a little child especially if his parents are busy out working. Safety precautions should be taken if the pet we are talking about here is some big animals like a dog but in most cases, it is not an issue of concern. Child learns a lot from playing with the family pet and it is indeed a good thing to get close to a pet in this case. The dog is a loyal friend and the child learns to be loyal to his friends once he sees how the dog, his pet, would sacrifice its life to save that of its master's, as has happened countless times before; the touching stories are often reported in newspaper and some magazines.

On the whole, it is definitely good to get close to one's pet but the thing is not to go extreme. Pets are human's friends and indeed we should cherish and take care of these loyal friends.

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Nowadays there are many people around the world who has close relationship with their pets. you can see many people with their cats or dogs are roaming In the park, in street

and in malls. There are many special foods, hospitals and facilities for pets. Having pet has advantages and disadvantages but according to me its positive effect on human life is more than negative effects. pet has specific characteristic, for example it is loyal, companion and also it brings enjoyments for its owner.

First of all, when owners talk about their pets, they most focus on companionship. They believe that pets are companions in human life. As long as you feed them they are with you and never let you down. There is a secret relationship between pets and owners that hardly can be found in human relationship. In our busy and stressful world, many people are always alone so having pet is the best solution of their loneliness.

In addition, pet change the environment of house. Beyond companions it offers enjoyment and satisfaction to its owner. You can play with your pet for hours and have enjoyment time together. It never asks you money or never blames you for your mistakes and it is friend forever.

Finally, the most important characteristic of pet especially dog is that it is loyal and faithful. It never cheats on you, never let you alone and always keeps among you. It protects you in hard situation. Having a pet is therapeutic. Each individual member of a family has his own pet. in today's world that the number of stepmother and divorced people is increasing, each people need something or some body who love them and be with them so many people choose pet as solution.

In conclusion, having pet has positive effect on human life. It offers many pleasant things to today human modern, wild life such as love, companion and enjoyment which costs a lot.

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Moreover, some pets can protect their host when they are in danger. But there are still many disadvantages. We should notice that pets never can be real human, so it is impossible to establish a relationship with your pet which is same as you establish with human. A pet cannot think in the same way as us, and a pet cannot really understand human beings' emotion, so it is stupid to assume that your pet can understand what you think or your pet is your best friend in the world. Furthermore, there are now more and more stores devoted entirely to pets. They sell pet food, pet toys, pet clothes and pet homes. All of these stuff for pets are expensive, however, some pets owner do not care about the price and spend hundreds of dollars on supplies for their pets. Do they have ever thought about that there are still many children in the world who do not have food, toys, clothes? We feed our pets with the expensive food but never care about some of the human beings are suffering hunger at the same time! Why do not now use this money to help them first? In addition, if you have the habit to read newspaper, you can find a lot of report like someone was attacked by neighbor's dog yesterday. Pets bring so many problems to our society administration and make us in danger. In brief, compared to live with a pet and spend our money and time on it, it is wiser to pay more attention to our parents, friends and other people in our society and spend superfluous money on charity.

Essay 920 Topic 182

There are some people that like their pets a lot and they think people should treat the pets as family members. Others think that it is not good to keep a close relationship with pets. If I would be asked this question, my opinion would follow the latter. In the following discussion I would like to provide reasons and evidence to support my viewpoint. No issue is more important today than the one that keeping a close relationship with your pet may harm the relationship between you and other people. I will try to explain this with some examples. Since you have to take care of you pet, you have no time to go out with your friends and you may have no time to talk to your family. Also, if you feel that it is easier to get along with animals, you may lose interest in getting along with people. As a result, you will be isolated from the community. Moreover, some people treat their pets even better than their sons or daughters, which is illogical. Don't you think the examples given above are very persuasive? Keeping a close relationship with a pet costs money. This is another main reason that I have chosen to put here to support my argument. I could not think a better example to illustrate my viewpoint as the following. If you treat your pets as your family members, you will want to give the best thing to your pets. It will cost you a lot of money to buy the pets' food. In addition, if the pet got ill, you would have to it to the animal hospital. You will pay a good amount of money for its treatment and medicine fee. If you ever had a pet, you should understand this point better. However, having pets also has its advantages. Some animals are human's friends and sometimes they help us a lot. But the disadvantages of keeping a close relationship to pets carry far more weight than those of its advantages. So the reason I think people should not keep a close relationship with their pets is very obvious. To sum up, given the reasons discussed above, which sometimes intertwine to form an organic whole, and thus become more persuasive, we could safely arrive at the conclusion that people should not keep such a close relationship with their pets. It affects the relationship between you and other

people and it also wastes your money.

Essay 921 Topic 182

Pets in the past are often cats, dogs, birds, however, nowadays, even snakes and worms are called pets too. It is undeniable that they are lovely friends of people, especially the old, children and single ones, but I do not think that it is good to treat pets as members of family as the following reasons. First, pets are only animals, and cannot be treated as human beings. Although some animals such as dogs and cats have been domesticated for a long time and are intelligent in some aspects, they do not have human feelings. Their instincts only enable them to distinguish between good and bad, love and hate, while people ourselves have many kinds and levels of feelings. In addition, pets regard people as their master rather than friends. Their actions towards people are fidelity, not friendliness. Treating them as people can make them confused as they have not developed enough to understand these treatments. Second, while some pets are treated as man, other individuals are considered animals. These people are the poor who have no homes, no food. Nobody cares about their lives, they get away from them as if these poor people suffer from an epidemic. They are people but do not have the rights of man. Meanwhile, cats and dogs have either wonderful houses or enough food or the care of people. These facts are unfair. Some people may argue over the second reasons that the poor are none of their business. They do not have any relation with them. Nevertheless, should people not raise pets, they will have time caring about their relatives, their friends and their relationships. For instant, single people raised cats, dogs or other animals because they feel lonely, but had they not raised pet, they would have found their lovers. In conclusion, I personally think that not treating pets as human beings would be better for the animals themselves, the masters and other people. We should consider them as they are, not as what we want them to be.

Essay 922 Topic 182

In modern society, more and more people like to keep pets in their family. And some of them treat their pets as a member in their family. They eat with their pets, stroll with their pets, and even sleep with their pets. Although someone think there is no problem with such relationship, I am not totally agree with it. Undoubtedly, keeping a pet at home can provide us a lot of fun. We can play with to our pets when we feel lonely, we can tell our secret to our pets since they always be a good listener and will never expose our secret. Moreover, some pets can protect their host when they are in danger. But there are still many disadvantages. We should notice that pets never can be real human, so it is impossible to establish a relationship with your pet which is same as you establish with human. A pet cannot think in the same way as us, and a pet cannot really understand human beings' emotion, so it is stupid to assume that your pet can understand what you think or your pet is your best friend in the world. Furthermore, there are now more and more stores devoted entirely to pets. They sell pet food, pet toys, pet clothes and pet homes. All of these stuff for pets are expensive, however, some pets owner do not care about the price and spend hundreds of dollars on supplies for their pets. Do they have

ever thought about that there are still many children in the world who do not have food, toys, clothes? We feed our pets with the expensive food but never care about some of the human beings are suffering hunger at the same time! Why do not now use this money to help them first? In addition, if you have the habit to read newspaper, you can find a lot of report like someone was attacked by neighbor's dog yesterday. Pets bring so many problems to our society administration and make us in danger. In brief, compared to live with a pet and spend our money and time on it, it is wiser to pay more attention to our parents, friends and other people in our society and spend superfluous money on charity.

Essay 923 Topic 182 **Response to Topic 182**

Nearly everyone has ever kept one or more pets. There are dogs, cats, birds, and even monkeys and pigs. Many people treat them as members of their family. But other people dislike keeping pets. In my opinion, I approve of such relationship because I think that having a close relationship with pets is very good thing for people. In the following discussion, I would like to reason and provide evidence to support my viewpoint. First of all, pets are so reliable and loyal. For instance, when the old feel lonely or sad, their pets stay at their side. People can tell the pets their feelings, dreams and secrets. Not only will the pet listen to he or she, but it will also feel the same feelings as the narrator. They can help people get released and forget the sadness quickly. Furthermore, the pets even volunteers to guard your house. So pets are our good friends. In addition, having a pet exposes children to the cycle of life and death. For example, with a pet, a child is able to watch the life of his dog, from being a puppy, to being mother, and to dying. Moreover, the relationship, because it will eventually end in the span of maybe ten years, will expose to the child to know the reality of death and the hardship of losing a loved one. Although, as a matter of fact, some people have pointed that sometimes pets can cause a lot of troubles. They may carry many terrible diseases and even bite you. Other people think the more time playing with pets, the more likely away from the society. However, I think that may be not so serious. Pets are our good friends. They give us joy, reduce our loneliness, and also teach us how to build up the friendship. In summary, I believe that treating a pet as a member of the family is a good thing, because it is so reliable and loyal. Moreover, it teaches children the cycle of life and death. So have a pet if you can and enjoy the life with it.

Essay 924 Topic 183 **What have you learned about a country from watching its movies?**

Watching movies is an excellent way to learn about other cultures and countries. You can learn about language, customs and other subtle details about a culture. Historical events and political situation are also often mentioned.

The first and most useful thing you can learn about a country or culture from a film is a language. Of course, it is very difficult to learn to speak the language fluently, but some simple phrases or accent is very easy to learn. For example, I can recognize many languages by listening to only several phrases.

Also you can learn how people in different countries behave or react in complex situations. For example, from Japanese movie *Lost in Translation* I learnt that being late only 10 minutes is considered rude. On the other hand being late in Argentina is perfectly normal, I learnt it from numerous Argentinean soap operas I watched on TV.

Watching historical movies is a very good way to learn about cultural heritage. For example, by watching American western movies I began to understand roots of American way of life. I learnt about formation of communism political system in China from an excellent Chinese movie *Red Dawn*. It had a tremendous impact on my understanding of communism and Maoism.

Also I like to watch detectives, especially soap operas about police. I found out a lot of useful information from those serials, for example I understood what Miranda Law meant from *Law & Order: SVU*. After watching Russian movie *Bratki* I decided not to go there on vacation due to extreme brutality of Russian police or, as they called it, militsii.

All in all, I am positive, that movies from various countries are a great source of knowledge about customs, history, politics and just usual behavior of people. Sometimes you need to make an effort to understand and memorize all that information, but it's there.

Essay 925 Topic 183 **What have you learned about a country from watching its movies?**

A film is a complex production, and it can be a reflection of many things. Of course, a movie can be a reflection of the country where it was made. The reason is that movies always include the people of the country, the custom of the country, and the culture of the country in their contexts.

First of all, most movies do have people in them, and from those characters, you can get an idea of what are some of the stereotypes of people in this country. For instance, in *The Natural* an American movie, the main characters are a young couple. They were so depressed by the society that they have to take an revenge on it by killing people frequently. Therefore, from watching the movie, we can see what are some of the young Americans look like or think about at that time.

Then, we can also know the custom of the country by watching a movie. Some documentary movies are so focused on custom that after watching the movie you can be an expert of custom of that country.

Finally, the culture of the country can be learned almost from any movie. The culture of a country is every single piece related to the country. From a normal person to the civil war, even an animal, like the panda of China, they are all part of the culture. A film's subject must have something to do with one of these things. Thus, when you are watching

a movie, you are actually watching a portion of the culture, and you can certainly learn something from it.

A country is a vast, complicated thing consisted of many small pieces. A movie or a film is surely a good way of expressing it. By watching a movie, we can get countless information about a country, and people, customs and culture are just three major ones among them.

Essay 926 Topic 183 **What have you learned about a country from watching its movies?**

Most people in the world enjoy watching movies at their spare time, and I am one of them. I like watching movies from other countries, because I can learn different cultures of different countries when entertaining myself, and at the same time learn different language.

Movies reflect the real life of different countries. Emotion, career, social life, violence and moral can be the subject of movies, so from movies, I can know more about each part of a country, the way people live, act, talk, and think. That would be helpful when I communicate with foreigners. For instance, in my country, it is commonplace to ask a lady's age, but from movies, I learn that it is rude to ask people their personal business. Since I got the information from movies, I will not make the mistake to ask this kind of question to embarrass both of us.

Then, I can improve my language skill from watching movies. Trying to catch what people say in a movie, I find my listening skill is improving. On the other hand, since there are many actors in one movie, I can learn how to adapt to different accent. Subtitle is practical to me, because when I cannot catch the dialogue in the movie, I can read the subtitle, and on the other hand improve my reading.

Therefore, for the above reasons, I am sure, watching foreign movies is definitely a good way to learn more about other countries.

Essay 927 Topic 183 **What have you learned about a country from watching its movies?**

Most people like watching movies made from different countries, not only because they can know about these countries' history, what is like in their daily life, but also their various attitude and ideas towards life.

Firstly, movies can reflect a country's history. Based on different historical backgrounds, movies can give us a lot of information about a country's past. For those who have the background historical knowledge, they can have a better understanding about the movie; while for those who have little knowledge about the history can start to know it from the movie they are watching. For example, many historical movies focus on a certain period

of the history. Obviously, each country has a totally different history. Thus, by watching these movies, we will know more about other countries' history which will help us increase our knowledge and understanding about other countries.

Furthermore, movies can show different social and cultural environment and various customs, which attract many moviegoers. Although people have more and more chances to travel abroad to see the world, this is not always the case for everyone. Movies give us a convenient way to know more about the outside world. From movies, we get to know that "toast" can mean different things to different countries, such as "good luck" to Americans, "bad luck" to Hungarians. From movies, we get to know how Americans live and what food they eat, which bring us closer to the world even when we stay at home.

Finally, by watching movies, we may know other people's attitudes and ideas towards life. Sometimes we may feel depressed or frustrated just because of some small problems in our lives. We always feel pessimistic toward life, but from movies, we know Americans are optimistic towards their lives even in bad situations. Their attitudes will definitely change our ideas and make us cherish the life. What's more, we may know Americans like to take risks; while French like a relaxed life and Italians like romance.

In short, movies are like encyclopedias which can give us much knowledge about other nations we may have no chances to go. Thus we should encourage people to watch more good movies to know the world better.

Essay 928 Topic 183 **What have you learned about a country from watching its movies?**

Although films are mainly the directors' personal products and describe various terms of life, they also lead the audience to the values of the director's country and show the character of people living there. I have watched a lot of American movies, and they made me realize about the life in America.

First, the values impressed me a lot. Many American movies express that America is built on equality and freedom. When I got these messages from the movies, I can feel that in the depth of my heart there is a voice saying, "I agree with the faith!" They also describe how a democratic government works. This gave me a chance to think about what a real democracy is. Sometimes these films also reveal the dark side of the American society, such as the race problems. However, because of their reality, I could understand how the virtue formed in United States of America.

Second, people's images in these movies are so vivid that some typical American characters can be seen, for example: the common characters of Americans are bravery, willing to take challenges, and active to others. I think people with these characters because most of them are Christian. This also can be found in films. A good American movie usually discusses about the virtues in different ways. And it also tries to make audience be influenced by the scenario of the movie.

Above all, I realized that the films are the reflection of the country where they are made. If we want to understand about another country, the best and fastest way is to watch their movies. The values, the characters of people, the customs are all shown in the stories prepared by directors. Therefore, though we couldn't visit all the countries in the world, we still could acquaint ourselves with them by film, and this action would really open our views to the world.

Essay 929 Topic 183 **What have you learned about a country from watching its movies?**

In today's busy world films play a very important role. Watching film for a change from daily routine and for fun is the most common activity in the world. According to my opinion, most of the time people just come from their work and watch a film to get relaxed from the office stress.

I personally also like watching film; it gives me a change and takes me far away. I agree that films can tell us a lot about the country where they were made. For example films which have been made in India can tell about Indian culture and traditions, about people and their life style, about the different marriage tradition and how they arrange it. How big the role of parents and other family members is in the marriage decision. How it is looks like? I have lots of Indian movies and got an idea about these. Now I can discuss thing with my Indian friend.

Besides that, I have seen couple of German films. Through those I have learnt a lot about German history, German culture, punctuality and discipline. I have an imagination about, how it is looks like.

I think films are very necessary in life regarding learning. I have seen it, if you do not remain update with films, you feel yourself out of place in a gathering. On the hand, I agree that not every film is educative some times it also can give a wrong picture of a country because films are not always based on the realty. So, it is depends up on what kind of a film a person watching.

Essay 930 Topic 183 **What have you learned about a country from watching its movies?**

In our days TV and the cinema are important mediums to get informed and relaxed. Every evening we can see films which were made in different countries. In a certain extent it is true that we can learn a lot about the country where the film was made.

The first point I would like to mention is the location. American films for example are made in America itself. So we can see the landscape there, e. g. the beaches in California or the big city centers like New York or Washington. Secondly, a film present a specific topic. This topic is often related to the social and cultural background of the country. That

means the film tells us a story in a special environment. So we can watch people living in slums or visiting colleges and high schools, e. g. in the film *American Pie*? And thirdly, a very important fact which supports the statement that a film tells a lot about a country, is that a film often has an historical background. This gives information about history and the behavior of the people. For instance the film *12 Years a Slave*? presents the situation in the slum *Howe*? during the time when Nelson Mandela was in prison. Furthermore, a film shows the behavior of the people and the lifestyle. So we can regard specific customs, like the tea time in England and we can get a look into the houses or flats of the people there.

So, to sum up and to make the point, I think a film, especially the historic ones, can tell a lot about the country where the film was made.

Essay 931 Topic 183 **What have you learned about a country from watching its movies?**

As a means of art, movies are derived from life and express a lot of things of life. To a country, a movie that it makes tell people many things about itself, such as culture, history, civilization etc.

In my mind, first of all, movies always reflect the most popular topics of the country which make it. To American, *esire? uzzle? deal? omptition?* may be the permanent themes of the movies. From the September 11th, last year. More and More movies which claim anti-terrorism emerged, such as *collateral damage?* etc. From these movies, it is not difficult to see, how deeply the terrorism affected the whole country and how anxious the people's demand of anti-terrorism is.

Moreover, through watching a movie we can learn a period of specific history of the country. Many people may be familiar with the movie *aterloo Bridge?* the background of the movie is just around the World second war when Japan attacked Hawaii of America. It was very vivid to describe the story which happened in that age. I was moved by this movie and learned a lot of knowledge about that period of history. It is more effective and efficient than any history book.

Since movies are derived from life, they reflect many aspects of people's life. *merican pie?* describes a group of high school students' life before they went to universities. It is very helpful for us to learn about how American high school 's students think about love, happy and relationship between them and their parents. On the other hand, *he Bridges of Madison county?* depicts a moving story about a middle-aged lady. From her sacrifice behavior, we realized an American women's attitude to family and her notion towards love.

Really, movies give us different experiences and efficient ways to learn about a country. Even we have never been to the country or traveled there, we still can learn a lot of things of it from a movie.

Essay 932 Topic 183 **What have you learned about a country from watching its movies?**

When we watch a movie made in another country, we also learn many things about the country where the movie was made. What I have particularly learned about other countries by watching movies is the way of living that people have there. In fact, movies have shown me how people relate to each other, how they spend their spare time, or how they build their houses.

Watching movies I have seen how is the relationship between members of a family, or between bosses and employees. For example, in the film *Executive Secretary*? I have learned how an ordinary girl who starts working as a simple secretary can reach higher positions by using her intelligence. The film is set in the United States, and shows how if somebody can make money from an idea, it does not matter from whom the idea come from.

Movies also teach the way in which people spend their extra time. Movies show you the differences between your own country and the country where movies are made. For example, films have allowed me to know what sports enjoy more in other countries. If it were not for movies, I would not know that in the United States, football, baseball, and basket are the main sports, or that in Europe soccer is passion of crowds.

From movies I have also seen the style that houses have in each country. For example, in Europe construction is more classic. Most houses have several years. They do not build very high skyscrapers like in the United States. Moreover, in the United States, people like to live in big houses with a lot of green spaces.

In conclusion, the most remarkable thing that I have learned from movies is the people's way of living. Films have shown me how is the relationship between inhabitants of different countries. They have also shown me what sports they enjoy more. I have also learned the way in which they build their houses.

Essay 933 Topic 184 **Study alone vs. study with a group**

As we know, studying is a process to acquire knowledge. In order to be proficient in handling something, we have to concentrate on what we are pursuing. Some students hold the opinion that studying with others is superior to studying alone. Others, however, contradict this opinion. According to my personality and fondness, I prefer to study alone.

It is obvious that studying with a group of students has one or two advantages to some extent. It can give you opportunity to discuss with others, to learn good studying habits of other students. Also, you will have a feeling that everyone is working hard and that feeling can stimulate you to proceed.

Nonetheless, considering the efficiency and character shaping, I reckon that studying alone has more advantageous. The first and far most reason is that studying alone can teach me how to solve a problem alone. Without the help of others, I have to pick up dictionary, consult on some related references, which is a good training for my future jobs.

Another reason why I advocate the idea of studying alone is that it can shape our character. To be alone is a kind of occasion which we have to fall across in our life. How to cope with it is a good personality. By lonely studying, we will understand that we must figure out puzzles around us by ourselves. When, I was a child, my father always made me studying alone in a separated room, no one helping me. After I entered the University to continue my study, I realize that this kind of studying habit help me be familiar with the life of college in no time.

Taking into account of all these factors, we may safely arrive at the conclusion that studying alone carry more weight than that of studying with your friends.

Essay 934 Topic 184 **Study alone vs. study with a group**

There is much disagreement over whether it is better to study with a group of students or alone. Some people claim that it is more beneficial to study alone, while others may insist that studying with companions is preferable. In my opinion of view, the latter is obviously a better choice.

In the first place, studying with a group of students is more efficient than studying alone. When I study in a group, I could easily get people to help me with my questions and discuss with them about any confusions I have in my studies, which would effectively increase my efficiency in study. Beside, studying with peers brings me a sense of competition and thus I am always under pressure to keep up with others and do things faster and better.

In the second place, studying with a group of students benefits to cultivate people's personality and build up the sense of team work. During the time of studying and solving problems together, they could learn to appreciate other people's merits and try to earn appreciation from others with their own desirable characters. As a result, they will gradually understand the spirit of team work and sure take advantage of it, which especially counts since being an eligible team player is essential to people's success in the modern society.

The last but not the least, studying with company is much more interesting than studying alone. when students study together and share their learning experience to each other, they could establish sincere friendship which is one of the most desirable treasures of our life. And being with friends, one seems to be more positive to overcome difficulties. I just cannot imagine how lonely and bored one would be when struggling alone with tough

study.

In conclusion, I believe that studying with a group of students is far more valuable for its contribution to increase our learning efficiency, shape our personality and bring us friendship which makes our life meaningful. Therefore, I prefer to study with company.

Essay 935 Topic 184 **Study alone vs. study with a group**

Since studying most of the times means to prepare for an individual test. In my opinion, prepare by yourself for it is the best strategy to success. Study alone allows you to identify your weaknesses, and work hard to improve it. In a way, study groups needs schedule coordination, as well as lots of patience to understand weaknesses for other people.

Study alone forces yourself to check what are your main weakness of knowledge, what are stressing you, and this is the base which all need to improve knowledge about any subject. When we study Chemistry, a huge field of study in science, we have to get the best of our always-limited study time. We can find for instance that we do not know about oxygen compounds, and precisely that is the chapter of the book we need to study.

On the other hand, group studying had an excessive overhead of other activities, such as schedule synchronization, several interruptions, probably lack of interest of a team member. When we have limited time to study, specially if we have a though test two days ago, the last thing we need is waste our time with problems of others.

Is frustrating get a bad note in an assessment because a lack of commitment with your needs. I remember when I got a low grade in Mathematics when there would not be any chance of that. The reason was anyway, because I did not use my preparation time wisely. Instead, I help friends with their algebra problems.

When we prepare a test, no matter what subject it covers, we need to give our best effort to accomplish your goal. In my experience, Study by my own is always the best choice.

Essay 936 Topic 184 **Study alone vs. study with a group**

It is commonly believed that study within a group makes our study more efficiency. Nevertheless, it has also been said that study alone helps better concentration on problems. However, I believe that, if one were to ask a group of randomly selected individuals to answer whether they would like study alone or with others, many would reply that they would rather to study within a group than study alone. My view can be greatly substantiated by the following discussions.

No doubt, study with others, we can get benefit from theirs knowledge, we will also be able to exchange information, as well as share ideas. These advantages, will not only help our study of a certain case, but also develop our skills of studying. In colleges, it is

common that, students do their projects or assignments together. Team work, for example, when we have a presentation tomorrow, we always work with a group of student, A may in charge to make a plan, B will take care of the PowerPoint, others are responsible for finding resources. Individual work, on the other hand, you have to take all the responsibilities yourself, make a schedule yourself, come up ideas by your own. Obviously, some problems might not be handled by on person. However, you have no choice, you must do it by your own. You will probably mess it up. Study with others can lead a person to does his or her works conveniently and efficiently.

Therefore, it is the main reason that why, nowadays, through out the world, most companies are encouraging team work, students are being taught to learn how to work in a team. A good example might be found in the case of Bill gates, the founder and the ** of Microsoft, known as a wealthiest man in the world. His success resulted in part of his strategy of company operating and in part of his ability of organizing people. Obviously, no individual could make up an operation system, which as sophisticated as Microsoft Windows. Thousands of people work together, they work together, share ideas. It is not hard to imagine that, if without a team work spirit.

Admittedly, under some circumstances, individual study is necessary. Study some difficult subjects, such as mathematics, physics, we need to concentrate on them, since they are not easy to understand, and we know we will work it out without any ideas from others.

However, whereas individual study has a certain predictability, team work study quite often produces surprises. A chance cooperation with another student, may lead you to solve a problem which you have been studied for a long time. Therefore, study with other, not just benefit our study in our school. Through it, we will know how to get along with others, how to cooperate. All these abilities you may got from group study,

Nevertheless, if all factors are considered, it is apparent that the advantages of studying with others outweigh the advantages. Therefore, my preference would to be study within a group.

Essay 937 Topic 184 **Study alone vs. study with a group**

Some people prefer to study alone. Others prefer to study with a group of students. There are advantages to both studying alone and studying with a group of students. However, I

prefer to study with a group of students. It is more beneficial and meaningful for me because I can save more time and acquire more knowledge.

The prime reason why I prefer to study with others is that I can understand something more easily when I am taught by others who are familiar with the fields that I do not know. Eventually, I can save time because I do not have to waste time to read a difficult book and understand a complicated explanation. Moreover, talking with others and solving a problem is an effective way to understand something well. It is crucial for me, a business person, to study effectively because time is limited and I would like to do everything that I am interested in.

Another reason is that I can acquire a valuable knowledge from others. Various people have different knowledge. People always have varied views. To know what others think is very interesting and stimulating for me. It motivates me to improve myself by trying to do my best to acquire as much knowledge and skill that others have as I can.

Others might prefer to study alone. I also understand studying alone has its advantages. For example, it is easier to concentrate on studying while studying alone. However, I find more advantages to study with others. I can always find something new when studying with others. Moreover, the more people there are, the more information there is. Information is very important for studying efficiently.

Considering all of the above factors, I prefer to study with a group of students. It results in helping me to save time and giving a variety of knowledge necessary for me.

Essay 938 Topic 184 **Study alone vs. study with a group**

Everybody has his own way to study. Whereas some students like study alone, others want to study with a group of students. Of course, both of them have certain advantages and disadvantages, but personally, I prefer the latter. Study in-group gives us not only chance to study from our own friends but a learning atmosphere as well.

The most apparent benefit from studying with friends is that we can study many things from them. As the old says "Study with a friend is better than with a teacher" friends will give you some hints to a mathematics problem, explain which point of lesson you do not understand at school and so. Noticeably, because you see lessons from different views of your friends you will quickly remember and understand them. In fact, you are still able to do these if you study alone but they will take you much time and effort. Furthermore, you can consult you friends' ways of studying, then apply the most suitable one to yourself.

Another reason why I like study in-group is it gives us a learning atmosphere. If you are alone, many attractive things, such as Internet, TV programs, etc... will diver you from studying. Are you sure you can avoid them all the time to concentrate on studying? In contrast, a study group forces you to study seriously according to a fixed schedule. You also have to do your utmost to keep up with them. In other words, this way of studying

stimulates all your potential; therefore you will get the best result at school.

Admittedly, study with a group of students has disadvantages; including making you more dependent on your friends. But with the benefits as mentioned above I do think it is one of the most useful ways of studying.

Essay 939 Topic 184 **Study alone vs. study with a group**

Whether to study in a group or alone depends on many factors. Some students like to do study alone in a quiet corner while others prefer group study. As far as I am concerned, sometimes I would prefer studying alone and sometimes in a group. For me both ways are good depending on the type of subject, the difficulty level of the subject and of course my interest in the subject.

For instance if I have to study a subject that sounds interesting to me, then first I would find a quiet corner to read and grasp it by myself. Then later on, I will discuss it with my friends to find out more about the topic that pleases me. After studying an interesting subject first on my own, I will be better equipped to exchange ideas with my friends in the group. That will increase my knowledge of the subject.

On the other hand, even if I find a subject boring to me, then also I will study it alone for sometime before discussing it with the group so that I know the outline of the topic later on, group discussion might help in generating my interest in the subject. If one of my friends is interested in the subject that I do not like, then he or she can help me in solving my problems.

So in my opinion, at times self-study is the best when one wants to enjoy a topic in a quiet corner. Also studying alone is best when I am trying to solve a particular problem so that I get the satisfaction that I have put my maximum efforts in solving the problem. Moreover, if I am going to study in a group I will make sure that I have studied the subject by myself at least once before discussing it with my friends so that the discussion is more fruitful.

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Whether should students study alone or in a group? This issue is a contentious and complex problem that educators frequently face. Different people have different answers due to their respective visual angles. Some people claim that students should study independently, while others assert that students should study in a group. In my opinion, I believe that studying in a group will benefit students most. I would like to present evidences to support my points of view in the following discussion.

In the first place, the most important reason for me to choose my statement is that to study in a group may cultivate people's abilities of cooperation. Along with the progress of human society, science and technology have got great developments. The disciplines

are divided into more and more detailed sub-disciplines. No one can grasp all the knowledge needed for his study because of the limitation of human ability. In research and study, people need to cooperate and use the respective strengths to solve the problems. To study in a group is the best way to cultivate the cooperation ability.

In the second place, another reason to support my view is that to study in a group can help people find out their shortages. Every person has different strengths and shortages. Some people are good at deductive reasoning. Some others might be good at calculation. By studying in a group, people can help each other and learn from each other, thus they can make progress together.

Of course, to emphasize that to group study benefits people more does not mean denying that individual study sometimes also help people in some respects. Actually, it is really true that individual study sometime help students form the ability to solve some problems independently. However, in the area of research and study, it is obviously that cooperation is more important than independence in the modern society. After we weigh the advantages and disadvantages, it is not difficult for us to conclude that to study in a group is more conducive to people than to study alone.

Given the reasons discussed above, which sometimes intertwine to form an organic whole and thus become more persuasive than any single one of them, we may safely arrive at the conclusion that for the sake of future career, students should study in a group to build up the habits of cooperation and improve their knowledge more efficiently and rapidly.

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I completely agree with those who prefer studying alone. Hardly in my life have I ever succeeded finishing my homework or project successfully when studying with a group of people. In the following paragraphs I will try to explain the reasons that justify my preference.

First of all, it is the composition of the group that determines the results of a team - study. In my experience, rarely are all members of a group in the same level of knowledge. Some students are faster or better in understanding the concepts of what they are studying, while others have to try harder. Therefore, it is extremely difficult to find the studying pace that satisfies everyone. Assuming that finally the pace is found and covers in the best possible way the whole team, it has to be a middle solution. In that case, the best students are forced to waste time explaining to others, or slow down and perhaps take breaks, which might finally lead them in losing their concentration. On the other hand, weaker students might press themselves too hard in order to keep up with the team. They can benefit from the help offered to them, but they may get exhausted with the quicker pace. If the pace is far too fast for them, they may omit learning details so that the team goes on.

In addition to that, not everyone can work well on groups. Even highly-skilled students may find it difficult to concentrate when studying with others. Some may concentrate well when listening to music, when others in the total silence. Moreover, not everyone needs taking breaks at the same time or for the same duration. It is extremely difficult to find a solution that satisfies everyone, and even if that happens, it is not granted that each and every student benefits the most from this team-study. And last, but not least, in my experience, in each group there are always people who march their own drum, and therefore make it impossible for the team to work efficiently.

In conclusion, I would advice anyone who asks my opinion, to avoid studying with a group, or at least to be very careful when deciding to do it.

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as share ideas. These advantages, will not only help our study of a certain case, but also develop our skills of studying. In colleges, it is common that, students do their projects or assignments together. Team work, for example, when we have a presentation tomorrow, we always work with a group of student, A may in charge to make a plan, B will take care of the PowerPoint, others are responsible for finding resources. Individual work, on the other hand, you have to take all the responsibilities yourself, make a schedule yourself, come up ideas by your own. Obviously, some problems might not be handled by on person. However, you have no choice, you must do it by your own. You will probably mess it up. Study with others can lead a person to does his or her works conveniently and efficiently. Therefore, it is the main reason that why, nowadays, through out the world, most companies are encouraging team work, students are being taught to learn how to work in a team. A good example might be found in the case of Bill gates, the founder and the ** of Microsoft, known as a wealthiest man in the world. His success resulted in part of his strategy of company operating and in part of his ability of organizing people. Obviously, no individual could make up an operation system, which as sophisticated as Microsoft Windows. Thousands of people work together, they work together, share ideas. It is not hard to imagine that, if without a team work spirit. Admittedly, under some circumstances, individual study is necessary. Study some difficult subjects, such as mathematics, physics, we need to concentrate on them, since they are not easy to understand, and we know we will work it out without any ideas from others. However, whereas individual study has a certain predictability, team work study quite often produces surprises. A chance cooperation with another student, may lead you to solve a problem which you have been studied for a long time. Therefore, study with other, not just benefit our study in our school. Through it, we will know how to get along with others, how to cooperate. All these abilities you may got from group study, evertheless, if all factors are considered, it is apparent that the advantages of studying with others outweigh the advantages. Therefore, my preference would be study within a group.

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Essay 946 Topic 185 **Purchase a house vs. purchase a business**

If I had enough money to buy either a house or a business, I would prefer to spend the money for a new home. Although both investments seem to be reasonable ones, I prefer the investment in a new house because of the following reasons.

First of all, having a house which is paid off reduces the burden. I do not longer have to worry about paying a monthly rent or mortgage. However, I would have to consider that a house is also costly to maintain. Not everything is covered once the house is paid off. There will always remain some spending for hydro, maintenance and other improvements a house brings with it. Nevertheless, comparing to pay monthly rent I would have some money left for leisure spending. For example, I could effort to buy the new car I always wanted or to book the ticket for my dream vacation.

The second reason why I prefer to buy a house instead of buying a business is the fact, that the investment in a house is considered more secure. Surely is the investment in a business also a security but to me it seems less stable. A business sees good and bad times, depending on the nature of industry and how the business is developing. Therefore the value of the business is not constant.

To buy a business can turn in both directions. First, the business is developing fast an the value increases significantly. In this case, comparing the investment in a business with buying a house, the business brings a bigger added value. But on the other side, the growth of a business cannot be guaranteed. Even choosing the right form of a business to limit an eventual loss, cannot prevent from losing the value of the investment. The risk is significant higher, and the loss can be enormous compared to the depreciation of a house.

For all these reasons, I prefer using the money to spend it for a house. It is more secured than the risky investment in a business, although a business can eventually bring a higher increase in value.

Essay 947 Topic 185 **Purchase a house vs. purchase a business**

If I had to make a choice between purchasing a house or a business, it would be an easy one to make and I would definitely purchase a house.

Money, whether hard earned or otherwise, should be invested wisely. If I had enough money, an immediate reaction would be to consider choosing a business since with it, comes the possibility of making profits and doubling your capital.

However, being a cautious person, such a reaction would not last very long since one has to look at the drawbacks of a business. Unlike the purchase of a house, which takes place under relatively risk free conditions, a business always operates in an environment, subject to competitive, social, political and technological risks. One bad move can lead to

devastating effects on the society that the business works in and may even force the business to close down. Though the potential profits and gains from such an endeavor are tempting enough, it is imperative that the downside of such a decision be given equal importance.

Purchasing a house, on the other hand, is a more stable investment. Moreover, a house is more than a roof and four walls. It is the place where memories are made, where joy and sadness is shared, where you find solace and protection from the unforgiving, demanding world outside. A house becomes a home. It can also be a get away house reserved for summer holidays which eliminates hotel bills completely. If we look at the financial aspect of such an investment, the chances of a person losing his capital is minimal and the rate at which property prices are rising, a huge profit is sure to be made whenever a person is ready to sell.

It is thus mainly for these purposes that I would choose buying a house rather than a business.

Essay 948 Topic 185 **Purchase a house vs. purchase a business**

With respect to the use of money, I think, some people may hold the opinion that putting the money into purchasing a house is better than a business, but others have a negative attitude. It all depends on personal experiences, personality traits and emotional concern. From my point of view, it is more advisable to get a business rather than a house if I have enough money. There are a few conspicuous aspects as follows.

One of the primary causes to choose business is that the significance of one's lifetime means more than enjoying. That is to say, with a business, you will diligently deal with it, develop it and endeavor to make it a great business eventually. That is a course of struggling and working, and so your life will be filled with interest. In the history of human being, most successful people thought a business more important than a house. For example, the founder of Wal-Mart Stores Inc., Sam Walton, living frugally in his whole life, without a beautiful house, insisted on his business at all times. After long way from the first little store in 1962, he created the world's largest retail corporation. What he has done was considered contribution to the society and nation; meanwhile, because of fighting for his business, his life became more significant.

Also, there is a further more substantive point we must consider. Devoting money to a business may bring you back a house; on the contrary, a house may give you nothing. Having a business, you have a chance to make a profit on that through hard work. For instance, Bill Gates, Chairman and former CEO (Chief Executive Officer) of Microsoft Corporation, put his first profit into research and development and achieved great success finally. Later, he owned his ecology house on the shore of Lake Washington, which cost \$97 million.

Of course, some people prefer a house to a business for some reason such as enjoying the life. Although it would bring direct advantages to your present life, in terms of my mind, it is negligible and meaningless in one's whole life.

In short, while given enough money, I would choose to buy a business, not a house, in order to increase some experiences in my life and get a chance to own a better future through my endeavor.

Essay 949 Topic 185 **Purchase a house vs. purchase a business**

Throughout the years, people, who have sufficient money, are always trying to figure out the answer for whether to use this money for purchasing a house or business. In my opinion, it's very likely that I would choose to purchase a house, because it can provide a place for me to stay, as well as a place for my next generation.

House can provide a place for stay. It is very obvious that everyone needs to have a place to stay, whether they currently have or not. It is also the habit of human beings throughout the centuries, because we can only survive if there is a shelter. Whereas, business doesn't satisfied with this desire that we have. Therefore, in order for us to have a place to stay, we ought to purchase a house.

House is place that is for the next generation. Everyone knows that the productive process of every kind of animal is made under a shelter, so are the humans. After every birth of the new babies, they are also usually raised under the care of the adult member where they provide the food to the babies, as well as the other basic cares. Whereas the business is place where the productive process cannot take place at all. Therefore, for the sake of the next generation, we need to have a house.

To sum up, I think that it is very important for us to purchase a house, not only because that is where we can stay, but more importantly, that is the source for providing care for our next generation. As far as the business is concerned, I think we need to put that in the second place.

Essay 950 Topic 185 **Purchase a house vs. purchase a business**

It is broadly believed that &?the more the risk, the higher the return. &?However, given the same amount of money, different people will have different investment decisions. Some will buy a house, while others might invest in a business. As for me, I would choose a house without hesitation.

For one thing, people have demand of life at different levels. The basic level is not to worry about food and lodge. A house could bring me comfort and security, while a business only means uncertainty to my life. Of course a new business means new chance and successful running might bring you more wealth and sense of self-accomplishment,

but I always regard that as senior level of life goals. At my current stage, a house could bring me more satisfaction than a business, and it is always rosy to dream of my pretty house.

On the other side, different decisions reflect different attitude toward risk. Although the price fluctuation of house might cause income or loss, the investment in a business is with much higher risk. People who are fond of risky games might think business an exciting challenge, while others, just like me, will give up higher return in the future to retain the existing wonderful house.

In one word, personally a house is more attractive to me than a business as I prefer to kind of stable situation. But still, I admire those who choose a business and successfully benefit from it. Just like the strength of maintenance and improvement, both choices will contribute to the healthy development of our life.

Essay 951 Topic 185 **Purchase a house vs. purchase a business**

If having a lot money, some people will prefer to keep the value of it, like to purchase a house and some people will prefer to deposit it and make money out of it, like to purchase a business. My mind will fall into the latter category.

First of all, managing a business is one of my dreams, which can be turned into reality once I have enough money to buy one. I enjoy most of the aspects of the management, like setting the direction of my business, building the team architecture of my business, dealing with marketing and sales issues and planning to earn profits out of the business. I am given the chance to make it success and promote myself in my career. While spend the money on purchasing a house can far from give me such opportunities.

Secondly, by depositing the money into a business, the money becomes a dynamic financing flow and I have the chance to earn more money out of it. Of course, to develop a business, I have to spend some money on equipments, hiring, advertising etc., but for a long term, once the business starts to earn profits, all those expenses will be covered. With the even growth of the business and maturity of my management, more profits will be generated, thus I have more money to be saved. With that money, it is possible to buy quite a few things, including buying a house.

To sum it up, the way I like to use the money is to make the money work for me to help me earn money. purchasing a business does exactly the work, while spending the money on a house contributes to the opposite, since I have to spend money maintaining it, no mention to earn profits out of it. Therefore, when facing such a choice, I am not hesitate at all in choosing to purchase a business.

Essay 952 Topic 185 **Purchase a house vs. purchase a business**

Some people prefers to purchase a house if he has enough money, and other people

would like to purchase a business instead. Personally, I would prefer buying a house because I think it has more advantages.

There are more numerous reasons why I would like to purchase a house, and I would like to explain a few of the most important ones. The main reason is that it will make many benefits to our lives. If you purchase a house, you will have a quiet, fixed place to do your own business, for example, you can work at home, you can have a party with your friends or relatives in your house and so on.

Another reason why I advocate the attitude of purchasing a house is that it's convenient for us to relax ourselves. Nowadays, we all have to work hard almost every day and it will be beneficial for us to relax ourselves in our spare time. We can do many exercises or go out for entertainment. But if it happens to rain or snow, what should we do? We could enjoy ourselves also, if we have a house.

Last but not least, it's a requisite for a family. If you are a married man, you have to be responsible to your family, your wife and your children. Basically, it's most important to provide enough space to your children to grow up. And do you agree that it's helpful for your wife to cook in a larger kitchen?

Of course, choosing purchasing a business also has advantages to some extent, for example, you can make yourself more wealthy and experienced. But if all these factors are contemplated, the advantages of purchasing a house carry more weight than those of purchasing a business. From what has been discussed above, we may finally draw the conclusion that if you purchase a house, your life will be rich and colorful.

Essay 953 Topic 185 **Purchase a house vs. purchase a business**

If I have enough money whatever that were obtained from lottery, inheritance or some other ways, I prefer to put the money to a business to make more money rather than just buy a house for residence.

Because using money as the capital to put in a business, whatever you earned money or not, that your action not only can bring to yourself more and more experience, but also can benefit to many aspects of the society like creating new job opportunity, giving the useful products to consumers and paying the taxes to government etc. If you run your business successfully, you will increase your investment, hire more employees and pay more taxes.

Though the business is usually with some risk, but we can do it carefully and make it steady well. We can do it in varied forms that mean is the money can be put into a venture investment and invest to a permanent asset, such as putting a small part of the money as the down payment to buy a house, and then rent it out for the remaining installment. In other hand, I use the most of the money to invest to the stocks market, open a factory or the other kind of business to pursue more benefit. So I can get both that

my house and my business for my older life.

So I think that when we are youth, we need to work harder to show our ability making more money and creating more treasure for our future, for our society.

Essay 954 Topic 185 **Purchase a house vs. purchase a business**

If I had the chance of purchasing either a house or a business, I would prefer the latter. There are a lot of reasons for the choice, and I would like to put them in the following way.

First, we live to improve ourselves, not just to satisfy our demands for material comforts. Indeed, it is everybody's dream to live in a luxurious house with spacious rooms, private swimming pools and servants. What a nice picture of life! But wait, a business can offer more. Buying a business and run it will not only give us a chance to challenge our ability and skills, but also can help accumulate our wealth. There is nothing more satisfying than watching your knowledge, ability and investment turning into wealth.

Second, the choice of being an entrepreneur means that you are a spiritually strong person, you are confident about your self and you have the nerve to face the possible loses in a business. These are very important qualities to success in today's world. On the other hand, choosing to buy a house means relatively more conservative, shorter sighted to me. I cannot see much vision and gut in these people.

Third, choosing to purchase and run a business can us get more knowledge and experiences. A business is a complex system. In order to run a business well, we must learn very hard for the most current knowledge of management, accounting and marketing. We also have to know the area of specification very well, dealing with various people from government agencies, suppliers and dealers, as well as our own employees. Of course, a business is not always making money, sometimes there are risks of lose. But what to regret after you already acquired so much knowledge and experiences. Yes, comparing to buying a house, there is much more to worry about, but with buying a business we can really get into something and gain a lot.

All above are just some reasons for my choice. And I am sure that this choice will be a good choice, whatever the outcome may be.

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Both a house and a business sound very attractive to me. But if I had only enough money to purchase either of them, I would always prefer the latter. Following are the reasons.

The most important reason is my love for business. Since I was a child I have dreamt of owning an international enterprise. The dream has grown with time. I have never missed even the smallest chance to prepare for my future career, a businesswoman. For instance,

I joined a student company, attended economic courses, etc... Therefore, how can I ignore the opportunity to establish my own company if I had much money? This would be the first step leading to my dream.

Furthermore, normally, most people hardly satisfy with what they have. Me too. If I spend my money buying a house, all I have would be just a house. But if I invest the equal sum of money into a company, I would get interest every month and be able to afford some houses as well as many things else. Obviously, the latter choice benefits me much.

Finally, maybe because I am still young I crave for testing my ability. Running a company is one of the best ways to do it. As you know, the manager plays the vital role in his business, so how his company works shows exactly his ability.

Put in a nutshell, purchasing a business not only makes my dream come true but also give me a chance to achieve further success in the future. I believe I will never regret about this decision.

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In my opinion, I will surely go for business?

In life, you have to be very specific in your approach and only then can you expect good things to happen and miracles to take place. Life is a journey where you have to strive hard until the last and achieve your goal by breaking all the obfuscating barriers of time.

When it comes to choosing between a house or a business, I as a person would by all means opt for buying a business. Business is what pragmatism is all about. God has given every man the power to think and it is up to him to decide his destiny no matter how many hindrances does he have to face in his conquest for Excellence in every field he enters into.

When I buy a Business, it will make me work harder and harder and survive in the contemporary competitive World, where every single Business strategy will count. It will stir up my inner capabilities and generate the power within me for the desired effect to be achieved. If My business is going through nicely and smoothly, which I am very much confident of, will bring monetary status and power with it. With this I can buy for myself a nice little house where I can Enjoy life partying with my friends and dearest ones. Having fun and frolic is as essential in life as being practical in business. Little Humors can help productivity but must only be taken in right sense.

So at last I can say authoritatively that Business is what I will opt for, which will effectively bring monetary value and thus many buy more such Grandeur houses!

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Suppose that I happened to have enough money one day. What shall I take advantage of it, to purchase a house or a business? I would certainly run a business, like a boutique with the money so that I could realize my ambition.

Above all, I love fashion show so much that through running a fashion shop, I could display the update attire to people, share my aesthetic perspective with others, and even discuss with people about the latest trend on clothing. In this case, I would not only take a career as an interest, but also make numerous friends, some of who are probably fashion designers or models, who would give me invaluable comments on what improve my business.

On the other hand, I could earn some considerable money which would help me either for furthering business or for purchasing other products, such as a house. I could buy many things I want but cannot be afforded before. And I would also take some journeys with that money so that I might get some inspirations from the distinctive clothes people in different places wear.

In conclusion, It is obvious that purchasing a business with money is more pragmatic and sagacious. In that way, I can both enjoy life thoroughly and make a better living.

Essay 958 Topic 185 **Purchase a house vs. purchase a business**

If I have enough money, I would like to possess a great many of things I long to have. However, considering my option is limited to a house and a business, of course I will choose the former without hesitation. My explanations go as follows.

First of all, I need a more spacious house to entertain at weekends, which is also all my families' wish. Now we are living in a small department, so many nice wishes of amusements at weekends were deterred by the limited space. Suppose that we have a larger one, we can often invite our relatives or friends to our house, singing and dancing in the living room, or just chatting and sitting around to watch TV together. Besides, I can hang my beloved pictures on the wall of the living room and my bedroom. Would not that be terrific?

The second reason for my propensity for a house is my long-lasting love for animals, and certainly a house enables me to adopt a pet. I love pet so much that I go to the zoo almost every week. Now that I have a new and spacious house, I can make room for those adorable animals, where they can live and play comfortably, so that I do not have to take

great troubles to go to the zoo so frequently.

Last but not the least, my personal characteristics determine that I am not fit for business. Actually I belong to those kind of people who are introverted and lack of consciousness of adventure, which, however, are the deadly drawbacks for a successful business person. Can you imagine an unsociable person sitting in front of the negotiation table calmly and discussing the business matters with their clients confidently? Therefore, choosing a business would be a totally unwise choice for persons like me.

From all the above which has been discussed, I am sure I prefer purchasing a house to purchasing a business.

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Home sweet home, there is no place like home. With pleasures and palaces we may roam,
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Money symbolizes different priorities or dreams for different people. To me, money symbolizes a means of fulfilling my dreams. My dreams include leaving a tension free life, pursuing all my hobbies, and living in a home with beautiful interiors. So, if I were given the option of buying a house or a business, I would definitely purchase a house.

Buying a business would be a lucrative option, but I believe in leading a tension-free life. I cannot take the pressures of expanding and handling a business. I like to have my life organized around a nine to five job. I prefer to have time for myself, and leave all work-related tensions in office. This unfortunately does not happen if one is handling a business. So, I would choose to buy a house instead of a business. Owning a business would also mean taking a risk with all the money I would have invested. If I were unsuccessful in handling a business I would stop getting returns. So, I would rather invest the money I have in a safer investment such as a house. After a few years, if I sell the house, I would definitely get a price higher or nearly equal to they amount I had invested. But, if I sell a business that is not doing well, there would naturally be no buyers.

Handling a business usually requires a business background. Neither do I have a family business, nor do I have an MBA or a business degree. Besides, I also do not have a natural ability for business dealings. If I were to buy a business, I would have no clue about how to handle it. So, I would rather buy a house, and use my artistic skills to design the interiors instead.

Life is all about mental and personal satisfaction. Buying a business will not give that satisfaction and happiness that buying a house would give me. So, I would rather opt for purchasing a house instead of a business.

Essay 960 Topic 185 **Purchase a house vs. purchase a business**

There is no denying that a comfortable house and a satisfy business are both essential to every person's life. However, when facing the question that how we distribute money, either to a house or a business, for my part, I would undoubtedly share the latter one. Diverse reasons can be identified as contributing to my opinion, and two important ones are represented as follow:

The most immediate reason is that a good business can help realize people's ultimate aims of life and obtain the true happiness for us. In the period of studying in schools, we are imbued that happiness lies in the struggle to achieve the ideals. As far as I am concerned, the final success in career through hard work or even the process of exceeding oneself serve to be the most happiness in people's lives.

An equally important reason is that investing in business will contribute to people to adopt the society well. In the ever-changing society, people should study unceasingly to keep up with the pace of society and attempt to communicate with different kinds of persons. On this point, decent businesses will provide people the very channels and stages to represent the intelligence and capabilities.

Admittedly, it is no doubt that houses can offer to person's shelters, the sense of leisure and security. However, these are not enough for modern people who ask for both material requirements and mental pursuits. Furthermore, a good business will bright about more profit which can be use to purchase a house, thus the two choice are not mutually exclusive choice any more.

To sum up, investing in business is the best choice to me. Only in this way, could I realize my ultimate purpose of life and gain the true happiness, leading to more comfortable and happy life in the future.

Essay 961 Topic 185

If I had enough money to buy either a house or a business, I would prefer to spend the money for a new home. Although both investments seem to be reasonable ones, I prefer the investment in an new house because of the following reasons. First of all, having a house which is paid off reduces the burden. I do not longer have to worry about paying a monthly rent or mortgage. However, I would have to consider that a house is also costly to maintain. Not everything is covered once the house is paid off. There will always remain some spending for hydro, maintenance and other improvements a house brings with it. Nevertheless, comparing to pay monthly rent I would have some money left for leisure spending. For example, I could effort to buy the new car I always wanted or to book the ticket for my dream vacation. The second reason why I prefer to buy a house instead of buying a business is the fact, that the investment in a house is considered more secure. Surely is the investment in a business also a security but to me it seems less stable. A business sees good and bad times, depending on the nature of industry and how the business is developing. Therefore the value of the business is not constant. To buy a business can turn in both directions. First, the business is developing fast an the value

increases significantly. In this case, comparing the investment in a business with buying a house, the business brings a bigger added value. But on the other side, the growth of a business cannot be guaranteed. Even choosing the right form of a business to limit an eventual loss, cannot prevent from losing the value of the investment. The risk is significant higher, and the loss can be enormous compared to the depreciation of a house. For all these reasons, I prefer using the money to spend it for a house. It is more secured than the risky investment in a business, although a business can eventually bring a higher increase in value.

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Essay 963 Topic 185 **buy a house or run a business?**

Some people prefer to purchase a house if they have enough money, and other people would like to purchase a business instead. Personally, I would like to the first one. In the following discussion, I would like to reason and provide evidence to support my viewpoint. The first and foremost reason that I have chosen to put forward is that purchasing a house is convenient for us to relax ourselves. To illustrate this point, there is an example more persuasive: nowadays, we all have to work hard almost every day and a house will be beneficial for us to relax ourselves in our spare time. Also, we can do many exercises or go out for entertainment. But if it happens to rain or snow, what should we

do? We could enjoy ourselves, if we have a house. In the second place, another chief reason for my view is that while starting my own business can wait, raising my family cannot. For instance, if I am a married man, I have to be responsible to my family, my wife and my children. Basically, it is most important to provide enough space for my children to grow up. And do you agree that it is helpful for your wife to cook in a larger kitchen? Finally, I would prefer to buy a house for the simple reason that it is a safer investment by far. For example, about the only way I can lose a house is if I fail to make monthly payments. Furthermore, to run a business is much harder than just having to make monthly payments. And it is also much riskier. A person is more likely to lose money by starting a business than by buying a house. To sum up, given the reasons discussed above, which sometimes intertwine to form an organic whole and thus become more persuasive, I can safely reach the conclusion that buying a house is better than running a business, because it is convenient for us to relax. Moreover, while starting my own business can wait, raising a family of my own cannot. Finally, purchasing a house is a safer investment.