

## Part 1

## Your Work or Your Studies

Do you work or are you a student?

## Your Work

- 1. What work do you do?
- 2. Why did you choose to do that kind of work?
- 3. Do many people in your country choose to do that type of work?
- 4. What are your responsibilities at work?
- 5. Do you remember your first day at work?
- 6. What did you do on your first day at work?
- 7. Did you like your first day at work?
- 8. (Similar to above) How did you feel on your first day at work?
- 9. Do you think the first day at work is important?

10. (Similar to above) Do you think a person's first impressions of a new job are important?

## **Your Studies**

- 1. What subject(s) are you studying?
- 2. Why did you choose to study that? / Why did you choose to study those subjects?
- 3. Do many students in your country study that subject?
- 4. (Similar to above) Is that a popular subject to study in your country?
- 5. What school/university do you attend?
- 6. Why did you choose that school/university?
- 7. What do you plan to do after you finish your studies?
- 8. Your First Day at University
- 9. Did you like your first day at university?
- 10. (Similar to above) Did you have a good first day at university?
- 11. (Similar to above) How did you feel on your first day at university/high school?
- 12. Do you think the first day at university is important?

13. How important do you think it is for people to have an enjoyable first day at university (or, school)?

14. (Similar to above) Do you think a person's first impressions of a new school or university are important?

## Your Hometown

- 1. What's (the name of) your hometown (again)?
- 2. Is that a big city or a small place?
- 3. Please describe your hometown a little.
- 4. How long have you lived there?
- 5. Do you like it?
- 6. Do you like living there? \*
- 7. What do you like (most) about your hometown?
- 8. Is there anything you dislike about it?

- 9. Do you think you will continue living there for a long time?
- 10. Do you plan to continue living there?
- 11. Where would you like to live? \*

#### Your Home (Your Accommodation)

- 1. Can you describe the place where you live?
- 2. What do you usually do in your house/flat/room?
- 3. Are the transport facilities to your home very good?
- 4. Please describe the room you live in.
- 5. Is there anything you don't like about the place where you live?
- 6. What kind of decorations does it have?
- 7. How do you think this room could be improved?
- 8. What can you see when you look out the window of your room?
- 9. How well do you know your neighbors?
- 10. What kind of people are your neighbors?
- 11. Do you spend much time socializing with your neighbors in your neighbors' homes?
- 12. Do you like the environment where you live?
- 13. Would you say the place where you live is good for families with children?
- 14. In the future, what type of place would you like to live in?
- 15. What kind of neighborhood/environment/surroundings would you like to live in?

#### Advertisement

- 1. Are there many advertisements in your country?
- 2. Why do you think there are so many advertisements now?
- 3. Where can we see advertisements now?
- 4. How do you feel about advertisements?
- 5. Do you like advertisements?
- 6. What kind of advertisement do you like the most?
- 7. Do advertisements (ever) influence your choice about what to buy?
- 8. Where can we see advertisements?
- 9. Do you prefer advertisements on TV or those in magazines?
- 10. What do you think is the purpose of advertisements?
- 11. What do you think about the developments in advertising in China today?

## **Being happy**

- 1. Is there anything that makes you happy lately?
- 2. What do you do to stay happy?
- 3. Can you stay happy all the time?
- 4. Is it important to be happy?
- 5. What is happiness to you?
- 6. Do you think it is easy to be happy?

## Birthday

1. Do people in China celebrate birthdays?

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- 2. Are people's birthdays very important in China?
- 3. How do they celebrate birthdays?
- 4. Do people in China do anything special to celebrate birthdays?
- 5. How do you like to celebrate your birthday?
- 6. What did you do on your last birthday?
- 7. Nowadays, how do young people in China celebrate their birthday?
- 8. Do people in China have birthday parties?
- 9. Do you think it's important for people to celebrate birthdays?
- 10. Are birthdays more important for children or for adults?

#### Boat

- 1. Have you ever travelled by boat?
- 2. When was your first time traveling by boat?
- 3. Do you like boats?
- 4. Would you like to have your own boat?
- Is traveling by boat popular in your country?

#### Bus

- 1. Do you usually take the bus?
- 2. Is it convenient to take a bus in your cities?
- 3. How often do you take the bus?
- 4. When was the first time you took a bus?
- 5. Do people in your country take the bus?
- 6. What are the advantages of taking the bus?
- 7. Do you prefer to take the bus or take a taxi?

#### Cars

- 1. Do you like traveling by car?
- 2. When was the last time you traveled by car?
- 3. Do you think it's important to have a driver's license?
- 4. Do you like cars?
- 5. Do you have a driver's licence?
- 6. Have you ever driven a car?
- 7. Do you (or your family) have a car?
- 8. Do you often drive it?
- 9. (If you don't have a car) Do you plan to buy a car in the future?
- 10. If you wanted to buy a car, what kind of car would you choose?
- 11. What kinds of cars are most popular in your country?
- 12. Do you like traveling by car?
- 13. Who do you prefer to travel with?
- 14. Do you like to take long trips in a (your) car?
- 15. Is there anything you don't like about cars?

#### Celebrity

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- 1. Who is your favourite celebrity in China?
- 2. Do you like any foreign celebrities?
- 3. Would you want to be a celebrity in the future?
- 4. Do you think we should protect famous people's privacy?
- 5. How do celebrities influence their fans in China?
- 6. How do people become famous in your country?
- 7. Do you think famous people need some special ability?
- 8. What are the differences between celebrities today and celebrities in the past?
- 9. Do you think it's hard to be famous?
- 10. What are some qualities of celebrities?
- 11. Do you like to go to concerts?
- 12. Do you prefer live music or recorded music?

## Change

- 1. Do you like changes? Why?
- 2. What do you plan to change next year?
- 3. Are there any changes in your hometown/the city you live in
- 4. Have you changed a lot since your childhood?
- 5. Do people in your country like changes?
- 6. Do people in your country make a lot of changes?

## Clothes

- 1. What's your favourite colour of clothes?
- 2. What kind of clothes do you usually wear?
- 3. What kind of clothes do you never wear?
- 3. Do you wear the same style of clothes on weekdays and weekends?
- 4. Did the style of clothes you wore when you a child change?

## Colours

- 1. Do you have a favourite colour? (Why is that your favourite colour?)
- 2. Was that also your favourite colour when you were a child?
- 3. Were colours important to you when you were a child?
- 4. Did you wear bright coloured clothes when you were young?
- 5. Do you prefer light colours or dark colours?
- 6. Do you prefer light colours or bright colours?
- 7. What colour would you choose to paint the walls of your room?
- 8. What colour car would you choose to buy?

## Computer

- 1. Do you use computers very much?
- 2. When was the first time you used a computer?
- 3. Who taught you how to use a computer?
- 4. What do you use computers for?
- 5. Have computers changed (= influenced) your life in any way? (If yes, how?)

- 6. Do you think computers are useful (or important) in everyday life? (How?)
- 7. What role do computers play in modern life?
- 8. Do you think computers are important in everyday life?
- 9. Computers are now used a lot in education. What do you think of this?
- 10. In China, when do children at school use a computer?
- 11. What do you think are the advantages of using computers in the education?
- 12. Do you think computers are good or bad for the education of children?

## Concentration

- 1. Is it difficult for you to stay focused on something?
- 2. What do you do to help you concentrate?
- 3. What may distract you when you're trying to stay focused?
- 4. What do you usually stay focused on?
- 5. Do you think children should learn how to be concentrated?
- 6. When do you need to be focused?
- 7. Do you prefer to study in a silent environment or in a place that has some noises (or sounds)?
- 8. What do you do if there's too much noise (and you want to study)?
- 9. When (or, at what times) do you find it easiest to concentrate? (Why?)
- 10. What times in your life do you need to concentrate on doing something?
- 11. Does your job require concentration and attention to detail?
- 12. Is it difficult/easy to concentrate? (Why?)
- 13. What affects your ability to concentrate?
- 14. What type of environment do you need to work peacefully?
- 15. Do you (ever) do anything to help you concentrate?
- 16. Do you think people can do two things at the same time?

## Country

- 1. Which part of your country do you want to live in?
- 2. What makes you feel proud of your country?
- 3. Do you know the history of your hometown/country well?
- 4. Do children in your country learn the history of your country?
- 5. Are you going to stay in your country in the future?

# Countryside

- 1. Do you live in the city or the countryside?
- 2. Would you like to live in the countryside in the future?
- 3. What are the benefits of living in rural areas?
- 4. What do people living in the countryside like to do?
- 5. Is good for young people to grow up in the countryside?
- 6. What are the differences between living in the city and living in the countryside?

## **Daily Routine**

1. What part of your day do you like best?

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- 2. What's your daily routine?
- 3. When do you get up early?
- 4. What is the busiest part of the day for you?
- 5. What are the differences of routine between you and your teenager's times?

## Decoration

- 1. What's the decoration like in your home?
- 2. What kind of decoration do you prefer 、
- 3. What kind of decoration do people in your country prefer?
- 4. Do people in your country like redecorating their homes?
- 5. What's your favourite colour when decorating your home?
- 6. Do people in your country usually design the decoration by themselves?

## Drawing (or painting)

- 1. Have you every learner to draw?
- 2. Did you (like to) draw when you were a child?
- 3. Do you draw now? (Why?)
- 4. What do you think are some of the benefits of drawing, for both children and adults?

## Family

- 1. How often do you meet with your family?
- 2. How do you spend the time with your family?
- 3. Do you want to live with your family in the future?
- 4. Are you close to all of your family members?
- 5. How has your family influenced you?

## Flower

- 1. Do you like flowers? (Why?)
- 2. What is your favorite flower?
- 3. What are the occasions when people send or receive flowers?
- 4. What flowers have special meaning in China?

# Farming

- 1. Have you ever been to a farm?
- 2. What kind of farm do you like?
- 3. Do parents in your country bring their children to farms?
- 4. Do you think farming is important?
- 5. Did you do farm work when you were young?
- 6. Are there many farms in your country?

## Food

- 1. Do you usually take the bus?
- 2. What's your favourite food?

- 3. When do you usually eat that food?
- 4. What was your favorite food when you were a child?
- 5. Where do you usually eat?
- 6. Do you prefer eating in the restaurant or at home?
- 7. Why do many people like to eat at home?
- 8. Did that change when you became an adult?
- 9. Is food important to you? (Why?)
- 10. What foods do you usually eat?
- 11. What kind(s) of food do you particularly like? (Why?)
- 12. How often do you eat that?
- 13. When was the last time you ate that?
- 14. If you had children, what foods would you recommend they eat?
- 15. Do you usually make that yourself or do you usually buy it?
- 16. Do you always (or, usually) eat the same food every day?
- 17. Is there any food you don't like? (Why?)
- 18. (Similar to above) In the future, if you have children, what food will you recommend they eat?

## Friends

- 1. What do you usually do with your friends?
- 2. How long have you known your best friend?
- 3. When will you see him/her next?
- 4. What do you (and your best friend) usually do together?
- 5. Which do you think is better, to have many friends or just a few close friends?

6. Are most of your friends from school (or university) or from outside school (or university)?

7. (Similar to above) Are most of your friends from your work or are they not connected with your work?

8. Do you prefer to spend time with your relatives (or family), or your friends?

- 9. Do you think friendship is important?
- 10. Do you like to spend time with friends? (Why?)
- 11. Do you prefer to spend time with friends or spend time alone? (Why?)
- 12. Are friends more important than family? (Why?)

13. What kind of people do you like to have as friends?

## Furniture

- 1. Are there a lot of furniture in your home?
- 2. Is there anyone who bought furniture for you?
- 3. Have you ever received furniture as gifts?
- 4. What kind of furniture do you prefer?
- 5. What kind of furniture do people in your country prefer?

## Getting up early

1. Do you often get up early in the morning?

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- 2. What do you usually do when you get up early?
- 3. Do you get up early on weekends?
- 4. Do you prefer studying in the morning or in the evening?
- 5. Do people in your country like getting up early in the morning?

## Gifts

- 1. Do you like to receive gifts? (Why?/ Why not?)
- 2. What kind of gifts do you like to receive? (Why?)
- 3. What gifts did you receive in your childhood?
- 4. Do you like giving gifts to people? (Why?/ Why not?)
- 5. What gifts did you give to others in your childhood?
- 6. Do you often receive gifts?
- 7. Do you like receiving presents?
- 8. What's your favourite (or, the best) gift you have ever received?
- 9. What was the last gift your received?
- 10. Have you ever received a gift that you dislike(d)?
- 11. Is there anyone you'd like to give a present to?
- 12. Do you find it hard to choose gifts for people?
- 13. Do you prefer to give a gift or to receive one?
- 14. In your country, when do people give gifts to others?
- 15. Do you think flowers are good gifts?

## Handwriting

- 1. Do you often write things?
- 2. Do you write every day?
- 3. When do you need to write?
- 4. Do you like writing?
- 5. What do you usually write?
- 6. How many hours a day do you spend on writing?
- 7. Do you usually write by hand or using a computer?
- 8. Do you think computers might one day replace handwriting?
- 9. When do children begin to write in your country?
- 10. How did you learn to write?
- 11. How can children improve their handwriting?
- 12. Do you think writing is important?
- 13. Do you think writing is important?
- 14. Do you like writing to people?
- 15. Do you write letters very often?

16. Do you think you (one) can judge someone's personality by looking at their handwriting?

- 17. What is the difference of writing with a pen and typing on a computer?
- 18. Do you think your handwriting is easy to read for other people?

## History

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- 1. Do you like (to learn about) history?
- 2. What historical event do you find most interesting?
- 3. What historical event do you think was most important?
- 4. Do you think history is important?
- 5. Do you like to watch programs on TV about history?
- 6. How do you get information about history?
- 7. Do you think you can (really) learn history from films and/or TV programs?
- 8. Do you think the internet is a good place to learn about history?
- 9. Do you think children should learn history?
- 10. How do children learn history?
- 11. Can you name a person from history who you would like to learn more about?
- 12. Why would you like to learn more about him/her?

## Housework

- 1. Do you like doing housework?
- 2. How do you think housework could be made more interesting?
- 3. Did your parents ask you (or make you) do any housework when you were a child?
- 4. Do you think children should do some housework?
- 5. Which do you think is better for doing housework, a machine (or a robot) or a person?

6. Which do you think can do housework better, a machine (or a robot) or a person?

7. In the future, do you think machines will replace humans for doing housework?

## Internet

- 1. Do you use the internet very much?
- 2. How often do you use the internet?
- 3. When was the first time you used the internet?
- 4. Do people in your country use the internet?
- 5. Do you think the internet is very important to you?
- 6. Do you think the internet is useful to you?
- 7. Do you think you (people) can live without the internet?
- 8. What do you usually when you use the internet?
- 9. Have you ever bought something online?
- 10. What are the advantages and possible disadvantage of online shopping?
- 11. When you use the internet, do you prefer using mobile phone or computer?

## In a hurry

- 1. In what circumstance do you always in a hurry? Why?
- 2. What kind of things would you never do in a hurry?
- 3. Do you usually go out in a hurry?
- 4. Do you like to be in a hurry?

- 5. Why are some people never in a hurry?
- 6. What do you usually do when there is an emergency?
- 7. When was the last you did something in a hurry?
- 8. What kinds of things you never do in a hurry?
- 9. Why do people make mistakes more quickly when they are in a hurry?

## Jewellery

- 1. What's your attitude toward jewellery?
- 2. What's kind of jewellery you like to buy?
- 3. Why so many people choose to buy expensive jewellery to maintain value?
- 4. How often do you wear jewellery?
- 5. Do people in your country wear jewelleries?

## Letters or emails

- 1. Do you write many letters or emails?
- 2. Who do you usually write to?
- 3. Do you prefer to write letters by hand or use a computer?
- 4. How often do you write an email or a letter?
- 5. What are the differences between emails and letters?
- 6. Is it hard to think of what to write?
- 7. What kinds of letter/email do you think is the hardest to write?
- 8. How do you feel when you receive a letter or email?
- 9. What sorts of letter or email are the most difficult to reply to?
- 10. What kinds of emails (or letters) do you receive that make you feel excited?
- 11. Which do you prefer, to make a phone call or write an email?
- 12. Do you think people will still write letters in the future?

13. How do you communicate with others at work by email or is it more convenient to communicate face-to-face?

## List

- 1. Do you make a list when you shop?
- 2. When do you usually make a list?
- 3. Do you make a list for your work/study? Does it work?
- 4. Why do some peoples like making lists?
- 5. Do people in your country like to make lists?
- 6. Do you think it is necessary to make lists?
- 7. Do you prefer to make a list on paper or on your phone?

## Magazines

- 1. Do you read magazines?
- 2. Do you often read magazines?
- 3. How old were you when you first started to read magazines?
- 4. Do younger people or older people prefer reading magazines?
- 5. Have you ever read online magazines?

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- 6. What kinds of magazines are popular in your country?
- 7. What kinds of news do Chinese people read in newspapers?
- 8. Which is more popular where you live, newspapers or magazines?

9. In the future, do you think more people than today will read magazines, or fewer people?

10. Do you think magazines will be very important to you in the future?

## Math

- 1. Do you like math?
- 2. Do you think math is difficult to learn?
- 3. Do you think all students should learn math?
- 4. What do people do with math in their daily life?
- 5 Are you learning math now? Why?
- 6. Do students in our country learn math in secondary school?
- 7. Do you think it is necessary to learn math?

## Mirror

- 1. How often do you look at yourself in the mirror every day?
- 2. Have you ever bought mirrors?
- 2. Would you use mirrors to decorate rooms?
- 4. Where do you put mirrors?

## Museum

- 1. Do you like museums?
- 2. Do you think museums are important?
- 3. Are there many museums in your hometown?
- 4. Do you often visit a museum?
- 5. Did you often visit a museum when you were a child?
- 6. What was the last time you visited a museum?
- 7. Do you think school should bring their students to museums?

## Music

- 1. What kinds of music do you like to listen to?
- 2. What kinds of music are (most) popular in China?
- 3. Have you ever learned to play a musical instrument?
- 4. What musical instrument would you like to learn to play?
- 5. Is music an important subject at school in China?
- 6. When do children in China start to study music in school?

7. What benefits do children gain by studying music (learning a musical instrument) (in school)?

8. Which instrument do you think would be better to study - the piano or the violin?

## Name

1. Who gave you your name?

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- 2. Does your name have any particular (or, special) meaning?
- 3. Do you like your name?
- 4. How do you feel when people cannot remember you name?
- 5. In your country, do people feel that their name is very important?
- 6. Is it easy to change your name in your country?
- 7. Who usually names babies in your country?
- 8. Do you have any special traditions about naming children?
- 9. What names are most common in your hometown?
- 10. Are there any Chinese people who have the same name as you?
- 11. Do you think it is difficult to remember others' names?
- 12. How do you remember people's names?
- 13. Do you often forget people's names?
- 14. Do people in your country have a nick name?
- 15. When do people in your country use their nick names?

#### Neighbour

- 1. Do you have many neighbours?
- 2. Do you know your neighbours?
- 3. How well do you know your neighbors?
- 4. Do you like your neighbours?
- 5. How often do you see (or talk to) your neighbours?
- 6. What do you think of your neighbours?
- 7. What kind of people are your neighbors?

8. Do you spend much time socializing with your neighbors in your neighbor's homes?

- 9. Do you prefer to have young people as your neighbors or old people?
- 10. What would you do if your neighbor are noisy all the time?
- 11. Do people in your country know their neighbors well?
- 12. Do you think neighbors are important?

13. Do you think it's important for a person to have a good relationship with their neighbors?

14. What sorts of problems (conflicts) can people have with their neighbors?

15. Do you think people's relationship with their neighbors today is the same as it was in the past?

16. Have you ever asked a neighbour for help?

In what ways can neighbours help each other?

17. Would you say your neighbourhood is a suitable place for families with children to live?

18. Would you prefer to have young people as your neighbours, or old people?

#### New activities

- 1. Do you like to try new things/activities? Why?
- 2. What activities would you like to try?
- 3. What activities did you usually do when you were a child?

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- 4. Do you like to try new activities alone or with your friends?
- 5. Do people in your country like to try new things?
- 6. What activities do children in your country usually do?
- 7. Do you think children/people/teenagers should be encouraged to try new activities?

## New Year

- 1. How do you celebrate New Year?
- 2. Do you still remember a new year that you celebrated?
- 3. What do people in your country do to celebrate New Year?
- 4. Are there any traditions in your country to celebrate New Year?
- 5. Do you have any ceremonies to celebrate New Year in your country?
- 6. Do you think New Year is important?
- 7. Why do people think New Year is a new beginning?

## Noise

- 1. Do you prefer to study in a silent environment or in a place that has some noises?
- 2. What do you do if there's too much noise?
- 3. Are you ever bothered by noise?
- 4. Where can you hear loud noise?
- 5. Do you think there is more noise in people's lives today than in the past?
- 6. Do you think there is more noise in cities today than there was in the past?
- 7. Do you think that cities will become noisier in the future?
- 8. What sounds do you like?
- 9. What sounds do you dislike?
- 10. Are there any particular sounds that you like or dislike?
- 11. What sounds remind you of your childhood?

## **Outdoor activities**

- 1. What do you do in your spare time?
- 2. What outdoor sports do you like? (Why?)
- 3. When do you usually go out, in the daytime or in the evening?
- 4. How much time do you spend outdoors every week?
- 5. How often do you do outdoor activities?
- 6. What are some examples of outdoor sports that are popular in China?
- 7. Do you think people in China spend enough time outdoors? (Why?/Why not?)
- 8. (As above) Do you think it's important to spend some time outdoors? (Why?/Why not?)
- 9. Is taking part in outdoor activities important to you?(Why?)
- 10. Can children play sport at school in China?

## Parks

- 1. Do you often go to a park (or, parks)? (Why?/ Why not?)
- 2. Who do you usually go there with?
- 3. When was the last time you went to a park?

- 4. Does your hometown have many parks?
- 5. Do you often visit public parks?
- 6. What do you usually do there?
- 7. Do you like parks?
- 8. What kinds of parks do you like?
- 9. What do you like most about (going to) a park?
- 10. Did you go to parks when you were a child?
- 11. What did you do there?
- 12. Do you think it's good to have parks and public gardens in cities? (Why?)
- 13. Do you think there should be more of them?
- 14. Do you think you will go to parks more often in the future?

#### Photos

- 1. Do you like to take pictures of yourself?
- 2. Do you think it's necessary for school to open photograph classes?
- 3. How do people in your country organize their photos?
- 4. Why do some people think old photos are more valuable?
- 5. What's the difference between traditional and digital cameras?
- 6. Would you take photography classes in the future?

#### Picnic

- 1. Do you like picnics?
- 2. Did you go on a picnic when you were a child?
- 3. How often do you go on a picnic now?
- 4. Do people in your country like picnics?
- 5. Where do you usually go on a picnic?
- 6. What is the differences between a picnic and cooking at home?
- 7. When do you usually have a picnic?

#### Politeness

- 1. Who taught you to be polite?
- 2. Do you think it's important to teach children how to be polite?
- 3. How do adults teach children politeness?
- 4. How do Chinese people show politeness?
- 5. How do you show politeness in formal occasions?
- 6. What rules of politeness change in China?

#### **Public Holidays**

- 1. What public holidays do you have in your country?
- 2. Do people in your country celebrate Christmas?
- 3. Do you like public holidays?
- 4. Which public holidays do you like the most?
- 5. What did you do during the last public holiday?
- 6. What do other people in your country usually do on public holidays?

- 7. What would you like to do during the next public holiday?
- 8. Do you think public holidays are important?
- 9. Do you think there should be more public holidays in your country?

## Punctuality

- 1. How do you remind yourself to be on time?
- 2. Why are some people always late?
- 3. Do you think it's important to be punctual?
- 4. What will you do if you are waiting for someone?
- 5. Do you think people these days are as punctual as whey were in the past?
- 6. What do people usually do when they are waiting?

## **Rainy days**

- 1. Do you like rainy days?
- 2. Do you prefer going outside or staying at home when it's raining outside?
- 3. Do people do the same things on rainy days and sunny days?
- 4. What do people in your country do on rainy days and sunny days?
- 5. Does it rain much in your country?
- 6. Is there any part of China that doesn't rain much?
- 7. When does it rain mots in your hometown/other parts of China?
- 8. Can you remember any time when it rained particularly heavily in your hometown?

## Reading

- 1. Do you like reading?
- 2. What kind of books do you usually read?
- 3. What do you usually read?
- 4. Do you like to read in your home or in other places?
- 5. Do you think reading is important?
- 6. In what place do you think it is difficult to read?
- 7. Did you like reading when you were a child?
- 8. What did you usually read when you were a child?
- 9. What do children in your country read?
- 10. Do you like to read by yourself or with others?
- 11. Do you think e-books are having an effect on people's reading habits?
- 12. In their spare time, do adults in your country prefer to read or do other things?
- 13. What books (or reading matter) do they read?
- 14. Do they only read entertainment materials, or do they also read other things?
- 15. Do you think they should read more educational materials?(= materials from which they increase their knowledge)?

## Recycle

- 1. Do you recycle now? Why?
- 2. Did you recycle when you were a child?
- 3. Have people's attitudes toward recycle changed?

4. What are the difference between peoples' attitudes toward recycle in the past and now?

- 5. Will you recycle in the future?
- 6. What kind of things do you recycle?
- 7. Do people in your country recycle?
- 8. Do you think more people will recycle in the future?

## Relax

- 1. What do you do in your spare time?
- 2. What do you do to relax?
- 3. How do you usually spend your evenings?
- 4. What do you usually do after work/classes?
- 5. Do you prefer to stay at home in the evening or do you prefer to go out?
- 6. Do you think modern lifestyles give people enough time for leisure?
- 7. Do you think people today have more time to relax than in the past?
- 8. Do you think it's important for people to have leisure time (or time to relax)?
- 9. Do old people and spend their leisure time (or relax) in the same way?

10. What do you think are the good points and the possible bad points about having leisure time?

- 11. How do people in your country spend their holidays?
- 12. Do you like to travel in your holidays?
- 13. If you have a child, what leisure places would you go to with your child?

## School

- 1. How old were you when you started school?
- 2. Where did you go to school?
- 3. Did you like your old school?
- 4. How did you get to school each day?
- 5. Tell me something about the school. Can you describe it?
- 6. Do you like your high school?
- 7. Which subject did you like most?
- 8. Which subject you disliked?
- 9. Which subject do you think is the most useful in high school?
- 10. Do you still contact with your friends in high school?
- 11. What is your high school like?
- 12. Do you remember your first day at high school? What happened that day?

## Singing

- 1. Do you like singing?
- 2. When do you usually singing?
- 3. Do you think it is important to learning how to sing?
- 4. Are you going to take singing lessons in the future?
- 5. Do children in your country learning how to sing at school?
- 5. Do you think children should learn how to sing?

- 6. Did you enjoy singing when you were a child?
- 7. What type of songs do people in your country like to sing?

## Snacks

- 1. What kinds of snacks do you like to eat?
- 2. Do you think it's healthy to eat snacks?
- 3. Do your parents allow you to have snacks?
- 4. What was the most popular snack when you were young?
- 5. What kinds of snacks do children in your country like to eat nowadays?

## Sports

- 1. Do you like sports?
- 2. Do you usually do sports?
- 3. What sports did you like when you were a child?
- 4. What's your favourite sports? Why?
- 5. What sports do people in your country usually do?
- 6. Do you watch sports matches? Why?
- 7. Are you a fan of any sports teams? Why?
- 8. Do you think there are too many sports games on TV?

## Stages of life

- 1. Do you enjoy the current stage of your life?
- 2. Which stage were the happiest one?
- 3. Which stage of your life do you think is the most important,
- 4. Which stage would you like to change if possible?
- 5. Have you planned for your next stage of life?
- 6. What's your plan for your next stage of life?

## Sunny days

- 1. Do you like sunny days?
- 2. Do you like sunshine?
- 3. What do you like to do when it's sunny days?
- 4. Do you prefer to stay at home or go outside when the weather is great?
- 5. Are there many sunny days in your hometown?
- 6. Do you know any machines which use solar energy?

## Swimming

- 1. Do you like swimming?
- 2. Where do (or can) people go swimming in your hometown (or, near your home)?
- 3. Is swimming very popular in China?
- 4. Why do many people like swimming?
- 5. What do you think are the benefits of swimming (or the benefits of knowing how to swim)?

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#### Taking a rest

- 1. How often do you take a rest?
- 2. What do you usually do when you are resting?
- 3. Do you take a nap when you are taking your rest?
- 4. How do you feel after taking a rest?
- 5. Do you think people in your country have enough rest?
- 6. Do you need more rest?
- 7. What do people in your country do when they have a rest?

#### Teacher

- 1. Do you (or did you) have a favourite teacher?
- 2. Why do you like him/her?
- 3. How does (or did) this teacher help you?
- 4. Do you think you could be a teacher?
- 5. Would you like to be a teacher?

#### Teenager

- 1. Do you like to spend time with teenagers?
- 2. Do you know anything about the kind of fashion that teenagers like?
- 3. What are the best things for being a teenager?
- 4. Do you think it's good to be a teenager?

#### Television

- 1. How much TV do you (usually) watch?
- 2. What's your favourite TV program?
- 3. Did you watch much TV when you were a child? (How much?)
- 4. Would you like your children to watch much TV?
- 5. Would you like your children to watch as much TV as you watched?
- 6. What (types of) programs did you watch when you were a child?
- 7. Do you still like to watch those programs?
- 8. Do you think television has changed since you were a child
- 9. How often do you watch TV?
- 10. What programs do think are the most interesting?
- 11. Do you ever feel that watching TV is a waste of time?

#### Texting

- 1. Do you like texting?
- 2. Do you usually texting messages?
- 3. Who do you usually text to?
- 4. Do you prefer sending or receiving messages?
- 5. Have you ever received a confusing text message?

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- 6. Do you prefer making a phone call or sending a message?
- 7. In what circumstances is better to make a phone call instead of sending messages?

## Time management

- 1. Are you good at organizing time?
- 2. How do you usually organize time?
- 3. Do you think planning is important for time management?
- 4. Why do you think some people pay to learn time management?
- 5. Do you think children should learn to manage time?
- 6. Why do some people find it hard to follow their plans?
- 7. How would you teach your children time management?
- 8. Do old people and young people manage time in a similar way?
- 9. Have you ever late for something?
- 10. What excuses do people have when they are late?
- 11. What do you feel when someone is late?
- 12. In your country, do people forgive others when they are late?

## Toys

- 1. What was your favorite toy when you were a child? (Why?)
- 2. Do you like toys?
- 3. Are toys very important to you?
- 4. What sorts of people like toys?
- 5. Did your parents give it to you?
- 6. Do you still have any of your old toys?
- 7. Can you suggest why some people like to keep a childhood toy?
- 8. Why do some people like to keep a toy from their childhood?
- 9. What kind of toys do children like today?
- 10. If you had a child, what toy would you buy him or her?

11. Do you think toys should be passed on to other kids when these toys are no longer wanted?

## Transport

- 1. How did you come here (get here) today?
- 2. Why did you choose that form of transport?

3. What form of transport do you usually use?

What's your favourite form of transport? (Why?)

4. What vehicles (or, what means of transport) do people in China most often choose to use?

- 5. How often do you take buses?
- 6. Is driving popular in your country?
- 7. Do you think people will drive more in the future?
- 8. Do you prefer public transportation or private transportation?
- 9. What do you think of the transport situation in your hometown?
- 10. Would you say transport costs are high in your hometown?

11. How has the transport system in your hometown changed in the past few decades?

12. Do you think the public transportation system needs to be further developed (or improved) in your hometown?

13. How do you think transport (in your hometown) will change in the future (or in the next 20 or 30 years)?

14. Can you suggest any ways to improve the transport system in your hometown?

15. What do you usually do during your daily travel?

# Trees

- 1. Do you like trees?
- 2. Have you ever planted trees?
- 3. Do you like planning trees? Why?
- 4. What kind of trees do people usually plant in your country/hometown?
- 5. Are there many trees in your hometown?
- 6. Do you think trees are important?

# TV program

- 1. What kind of TV programs do you like?
- 2. Do you often watch TV?
- 3. How often do you usually watch TV?
- 4. Do you often watch programs on TV or on your mobile phone?
- 5. Has the TV programs that you liked to watch when you a child changed?
- 6. Do people in your country like to watch TV programs?
- 7. Do you discuss with your friends about the programs that you watched?

# Vegetables and fruits

- 1. What are your favourite vegetable and fruit?
- 2. How often do you eat vegetables/fruits?
- 3. Are there any special vegetables/fruits in your hometown?
- 4. Should we eat vegetables/fruits every day?
- 5. Is it important to eat fruits?
- 6. Did your parents ask you to eat fruits/vegetables when you were a child?
- 7. Which do you prefer, apple, banana or orange?
- 8. Have you ever used fruits to cook?

# Weather and Climate

- 1. What's the climate (or weather) like in your hometown?
- 2. Would you say the weather in your hometown is generally good, or bad weather?

3. Would you say there have been any changes in the climate (in your hometown) in the recent past?

- 4. What's the weather like today?
- 5. What kind of weather do you like (best)? (Why?)
- 6. What sort of weather do you least like?
- 7. What do you usually do during your favourite weather (or season)?

- 8. What's the weather (usually) like in your hometown?
- 9. Do you like that weather (or, that kind of climate)? (Why?/Why not?)
- 10. How often is the weather good in your hometown?
- 11. What did you do the last time the weather was good?

## Weekend

- 1. Do you like weekends?
- 2. What do you usually do on weekends?
- 3. What did you do last weekend?
- 4. Did you do anything special last weekend?
- 5. What will you do next weekend?
- 6. What do people in your country usually do on weekends 、

7. Do you think people get enough leisure on weekends?

## Window view

- 1. What scenery can you see from the window of your room?
- 2. Do you like to watch the scenery from your window?
- 3. When do you usually watch the scenery from your window?
- 4. Do you like to live in a house with beautiful window views?
- 5. Do people in your country usually watch the scenery from their windows?
- 6. How do you feel when you cannot see any beautiful view from your window?
- 7. Have you ever been to a room with beautiful window view?

# Writing

- 1. Do you often write things?
- 2. Do you write every day?
- 3. When do you need to write?
- 4. Do you like writing?
- 5. What do you usually write?
- 6. How many hours a day do you spend on writing?
- 7. Do you think writing is important?
- 8. Do you like writing to people?
- 9. Do you write letters very often?

10. Do you think you (one) can judge someone's personality by looking at their handwriting?

# Zoo

- 1. Did you ever visit a zoo when you were a child?
- 2. Have you ever been to a zoo?
- 3. Do you think it's important for children to visit a zoo?
- 4. What's your favourite zoo animal?
- 5. Do a have a pet?
- 6. Why do some people have a pet?

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