

2015 English Writing Contest

Junior High School Students

一、主題句寫作(writing topic sentences): 50%

請根據每題所給之段落寫出可以涵蓋或引導整段涵意之主題句。共 5 題，每題 10 分。(Read the given paragraph in each question and write a topic sentence that can cover the general idea of the paragraph. There are 5 questions in this part, 10 points for each question.)

例題(Example):

_____ . A woman was sending a text message on her cell phone. Each time she pressed a number, Yu-mei heard a "beep." A man was attentively reading something on the laptop screen. Yu-mei thought he might be attracted to an interesting story posted on the net. Beside the man, a child was also absorbed in his cell phone, watching the cartoon played on his tablet PC. When the bus finally came, everyone stopped concentrating on his or her communication product and prepared to get on.

在答案紙上寫：While waiting for her bus to arrive, Yu-mei found that all other people at the bus stop were busy with their communication products.

1. Many drivers don't pay attention on the transportation law.
For example, some drivers drove too fast. Some drivers drank too much wine or beer before they got into a car. And some drivers never tried to stop when the traffic light went from yellow to red. 9
2. The modern society is changing gradually.
On average, individuals (人們) in the industrialized (工業化的) world devote (付出) three hours a day to the activity—fully half of their leisure (閒暇的) time, and more than on any single activity except work and sleep. At this rate, someone who lives to 75 would spend nine years in front of the television. 3
3. There are two types of painting in the exhibition in London.
The first is "classic" (古典的) art, by which is meant representational (具象派) painting, drawing and sculpture (雕塑); the second is "modern" art, also known as abstract (抽象派) or non-representational. British popular taste runs decidedly (明顯地) in favor of the former. 9
4. My family held a birthday party for me, and they gave me some surprises.
Mother made a delicious cake. My brother, Peter, gave me a poster (海報) of my favorite singer A-Mei. My little sister, Joan, drew a beautiful picture for me. Father gave a book about Cheng Yen, a nun (尼姑) who has worked very hard to help the poor people in Taiwan and in many foreign countries. This is a special birthday. 9
5. If you want to enjoy weight-training, here are some suggestions for you.
First, you have to wear the right size clothes. It's impossible for you to enjoy weight-training (舉重) if your clothes are too big or too small. Second, never show off, even to yourself. Start with a weight that is not too heavy for you. 9

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二、引導式段落寫作(guided paragraph writing): 50%
請根據所給情境與資料完成約 120 字的段落寫作。50 分。(Please complete an about-120-word paragraph based on the given situation and information. 50 points.)

您的名字是約翰 (男生) 或愛麗絲 (女生)。貴校校長有意請一知名人士來校與同學們共聚一日。該知名人士可以是童書作家、體育家、名廚或同學們建議的其他人選。校長想要知道您希望來賓是誰及其原因。您可以選擇一位現實中的人物或想象中的人物。請寫一封信給校長，向校長解釋您希望來賓是誰，並且說服校長為什麼應該邀請該位來賓。信中需要包括下列信息：1) 來賓介紹；2) 來賓來訪學校時可以安排些什麼活動；3) 說服校長為什麼該位來賓是理想人選。請用下面的信件格式。

You are John (for a boy) or Alice (for a girl). Your headmaster wants to invite someone well-known into the school to work with students for a day. The person could be a children's writer, a sportsperson, a chef or someone else suggested by students. Your headmaster wants to know the name of the person you would like to come and why he or she would be a good choice. You could choose a real person or an imaginary (想象中的) character. Your task is to write a letter to your headmaster to explain who you would like to invite and persuade (說服) your headmaster why this is a good idea. In your letter to the headmaster, you need to include the following information: 1) your choice of guest; 2) What the guest could do on his or her visit; 3) words and phrases to persuade your headmaster about your choice. You may follow the format (格式) below.

December __, 2015
Dear Headmaster,
Yours truly, ____

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Dear Headmaster,

Because our basketball team is going to attend the tournament next year, I'd like to invite the NBA star player, Kobe Bryant, to have a speech in school. Kobe Bryant is an outstanding basketball player. Notwithstanding, he is talented, he also gets up early and trains himself everyday. He has played basketball in NBA for 20 years. Kobe began his professional basketball career when he was only 18 years old, just a teenager. Since then, he stayed at the same team, Lakers LA, and never abandoned his teammates. Furthermore, he got 81 points in one game, and it has become the highest scores record in NBA. Because he is enthusiastic about playing basketball, he never complained. Recently, he has announced that he is going to ~~entire~~ after this season, so I think we can invite him to come to our school after he ~~entired~~. Kobe can tell the basketball team the reason why he has a lot of champion rings and why he plays lots of masterpiece. He can also teach them his attitude, and basketball skills, to tell them that nothing can be excellent without hard-working. Therefore, if we have an opportunity, why ~~won't~~ we invite him to come? It'll be the greatest chance to have this activity.

Yours truly,

Alice.

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