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## 前 言

《大学英语四级考试新题型指南》是根据教育部对大学英语四级考试实行改革后编写的,完全按照 2005 年 6 月颁布的新题型而设计的。全书由短文写作、阅读理解、听力理解、完型填空与翻译五个部分构成。

听力理解部分分值比例为 35%;其中听力对话 15%,听力短文 20%。为了提高学生的听力能力,着重编写了“大纲的解读”、“不同题型的分析”并配有大量的练习及答案。阅读理解部分分值比例为 35%;其中仔细阅读部分(Reading in Depth)25%,快速阅读部分(Skimming and Scanning)10%。在编写中,增加了阅读技巧,包括阅读速度、理解方法、打好语言功底、避免不良的阅读习惯等。每项内容都附有大量的练习及答案。完型填空部分分值比例为 10%,采用多项选择题型。此部分亦配有大量的练习,让学生得到充分的训练。写作与翻译部分分值比例为 20%;其中写作部分 15%,翻译部分 5%。写作的体裁包括议论文、说明文、应用文等;翻译部分测试的是句子、短语或常用表达层次上的中译英能力。同样编写了大量的例子,以便学生学习与操练。

在编写过程中,以新的理念为指导:完全采用新题型的模式,与精选新颖的材料相结合。全书充分地体现了选材新颖,具有知识性和可读性的特点。不仅可以扩大学生的知识面,提高学生的运用语言能力而且可以提高学生四级考试的应试水平。

本书由东南大学、中国药科大学、南京财经大学等高校外语系执教多年的老教师编写。梁为祥教授和肖辉教授审阅了全书内容。

广大读者在阅读过程中,如发现不足之处,欢迎批评指正,并表示感谢!

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# 第一章 短文写作

## 叙述

### Topic 1

#### Our Military Training

写作提示:

根据文章所给的标题,可以看出作文的意图是叙述个人对军训的感受。重点应放在军训的意义上。军训是大学生活开始时一件令人难忘的事情。在作文开头可以先这样总结一下,然后再叙述它是如何令人难忘,比如说在太阳底下练立正等。当然,军训之后你的感受和收获是一定要阐述的,并以此结尾。

范文:

#### Our Military Training

My military training was one of my unforgettable experiences at the beginning of my college life.

The training was really hard. The first thing of the training was to learn to stand at attention. We all thought it was such an easy thing, but when we were taught to do it, we began to realize it was not easy at all, because when we were standing, we had to stand up straight motionlessly, look straight ahead, and keep our hands straight down the both sides of the trousers. Sometimes we had to keep this pose for a long time. Under the summer sun, sweat was shining on our faces and we were nearly wet over, but we were not allowed to wipe. The discomfort put us in great pain.

When the military training came to the end, we all got tanned skin like Africans. We felt exhausted, but we have gained a great deal from this experience. We have obtained such virtues as perseverance, bravery and obedience to orders. At the same time, all of us have become healthier and some girls have lost weight. This was a very delightful thing for them. As for us boys, we are looking stronger than before. I think military training is a good start for our college life and is also a very important part of it.

### Topic 2

#### Music

写作提示:

根据文章标题,可以看出作文的主题是:音乐是人们广泛的兴趣与喜好。写作的重点应该放在阐述音乐给人们带来了巨大的精神上的愉悦,是人们生活中必不可少的陪伴。

文章可以以多种形式开头,可以先表达对音乐的赞美,使用几个并列的感叹句,叙述音

乐的重要功用。文章的主体部分可以围绕音乐在人们生活中的作用进行说明,比如音乐可以放松精神、舒缓紧张、美化心灵、使人振奋。在结尾部分,进一步强调音乐给“我”个人带来的快乐,阐明它是“我”的一大爱好,也是“我”课余生活休闲的重要方式。

范文:

### **Music**

Just imagine what fun it is to enjoy Shuman's pieces on a calm night! How joyful and relaxing it is to listen to Mozart's concertos after a day of study at school! And how exciting it is to be absorbed in Beethoven's symphonies! For centuries, music has been an indispensable part of our daily life.

Most of the people turn to music for pleasure and relaxation. It is always considered as a very important tool to relieve our pressure, to relax ourselves, to encourage our spirits. So we can see music's tremendous power on the people. Of course, the function of music is not restricted to these. It is not merely a perfect way of entertainment. It carries other values.

Music is also thought to be the ideal way to cultivate our minds. We may also obtain inspiration from listening to music. Soft music may help us gain relaxation while excited music makes us cheer up. From music, we can learn a lot of wonderful virtues such as courage, perseverance, confidence and love of nature.

It seems impossible for us to list music's importance and significance. It plays a highly important role in us university students' life. It is my great fascination and an effective means to entertain myself during my leisure time. Life will be meaningless without music.

## **因果关系**

### **Topic 3**

#### **IT Has Changed Our Lives**

写作提示:

根据写作标题可以确定作文主题是:信息技术。写作的重点应放在分析信息技术给我们的生活带来的有利和不利的影响。文体应为议论文或说明文。

信息技术对我们生活的影响是巨大的。如今,它在人们的生活中起着非常重要的作用。但是,它在给生活带来便利与进步的同时,也引起了一些社会问题。我们可以以此为开头,然后再分别分析它的利与弊。它的利在于信息资源的共享,网上购物等都为我们的生活提供了便利。弊则在于一些不健康的内容和游戏对孩子们的不良影响,很多孩子沉迷于电脑游戏等。最后,进行总结。

范文:

#### **IT Has Changed Our Lives**

With the rapid development of information technology, our lives have changed a great deal. Although it makes our lives more convenient and enjoyable, it still brings about some social problems.

Nowadays, information technology has played a very important role in our daily life.

Computer has brought the colorful world right before our eyes. Through the internet, we look for information we want, write letters or send postcards to our friends, listen to music, watch latest movies, chat with strangers, etc. All of these can be done within a second, just a wink of eye. The convenience it brings to our life is tremendous and we may get into contact with anyone around the world at any time. As university students, we are free from the worries about the insufficiency of the reference books, for we can search any information we need online.

However, information technology still has defects. Some people commit crimes with the help of this advanced technology. They spread rumors and pornographic pictures. They invent computer virus to paralyze the computer systems. Many children become too much indulged in playing computer games and neglect their study. Some hackers take advantage of information technology and steal confidential information from government institutions. For this aspect, we may say that the harm information technology does to our life is also serious.

Whether we like it or not, information technology has entered our life and changed it enormously. We need a combined effort to minimize its harmfulness and increase its benefits to our life. Anyhow, life has become more beautiful because of the presence of information technology.

#### **Topic 4**

#### **The Increase of Private Cars in Large Cities**

写作提示:

根据所给的标题,可以确定文章的主题是:私家车的日益增多。作文应该围绕说明和阐述私家车的日益增多这一问题以及它所带来的方便和不利。文章是以议论为主的。

在如今的大城市里,私家车的数量增长非常迅速,这也是社会经济发展的具体体现。根据题目,我们可以这样来进行阐述,首先说明为什么大城市私家车会越来越多。然后分析它所带来的方便和问题。私家车给人们带来了出行上的便利,是人们生活水平提高的表现。然而,它却使城市里的交通压力更大,也造成了严重的环境污染,同时也增加了交通事故多发的隐患。最后可以结合以上分析,提出自己的观点和看法。

范文:

#### **The Increase of Private Cars in Large Cities**

Nowadays, in the large cities, the increase of private cars is rapid. With the development of economy and the improvement of people's living standard, private cars have gradually entered our life and become a very important tool to replace walking and taking public transport. It is also a favorable sign to show the increase of our life quality. However, it inevitably brings about a series of problems.

The greatest benefit of possessing a private car is the convenience it brings to people's life, because it is an effective tool for transport. With a car, people are no longer suffering from the great discomfort of the overcrowded bus and can reach their destination in a short time. At weekends, private cars can take people wherever they want to go and people are no longer limited by the transport tools.



On the other hand, the increase of private cars results in a number of problems. It brings heavy pressure on the transport of the city, causing the serious problem of traffic jams. The speed of road construction cannot match that of car increase. The time that people have to spend on the road is longer and longer. Besides, the large number of private cars makes the pollution more serious. Everyday, people are living in the thunderous noise and suffocating fumes. It is extremely harmful to people's health.

At present, it is not uncommon to see a long line of cars waiting on the road. In fact, the government should regulate this thing and should take effective measures to minimize the harm brought by the private cars.

## Topic 5

### Examinations Have a Bad Influence on Education

写作提示:

文章的标题是:考试对教育产生了不利的影响。显然,写作的重点是围绕探索考试的弊端,阐述不利的影响是什么。

在现今中国的教育体制中,考试一直是占据着主导地位。从初中升高中,高中升大学,再到英语四级、六级考试,还有走上工作岗位的各种资格考试,考试是一个人教育生涯中不可缺少的部分。但是,考试的价值一直受到人们的质疑。文章可以先这样开头,然后再开始揭示考试对教育造成的不利影响。实际上,考试并不能真正考察学生的能力。为了考试成功而进行的学习只会造就“考试型学生”。这种方式在很大一方面,忽略了学生综合发展的能力,使学生缺乏创造力。最后,结合前面的阐述,得出结论。

范文:

### Examinations Have a Bad Influence on Education

In the present educational system, examinations are always occupying a highly important position. Throughout one's entire life, one has to deal with all sorts of examinations, from the entrance examination to the matriculation examination, from CET-4 to CET-6, and even when one has gone into the society to work he still can not get rid of the shadows of examinations. Various licenses have to be obtained by means of examinations. However, examinations, as the standard to evaluate a student's ability, are always doubted by most of the people.

As a matter of fact, examinations do not prove to be an effective way to judge a student's ability. A student, who devotes all his attention to gaining success in examinations, can only become a "quiz-kid" rather than a capable one. Examinations make the students too much engaged in mechanical recitation and memorization. They have no idea how the knowledge gets to be applied in the practical use. They seldom think for themselves. Therefore, the students' creativity has been neglected and even destroyed by examinations. In fact, the aim of education is to train the students to develop the abilities of independence, creativity, activeness and self-reliance. Obviously, examinations cannot help achieve this purpose.

In conclusion, examinations have a harmful influence on education and should be improved or thrown away. A more creative and active way of judging the students' ability should be invented.

## 对比

### Topic 6

#### Living in the City and Living in the Country

写作提示:

根据文章所给的标题,可以确定作文的主题是对在城市生活和在农村生活的对比。重点是比较两者的好处和不便,并阐明自己的观点。

文章可以先从分析城市生活的好处开始,比如说,城市里的物品丰富,生活条件较为优越等。当然,在现阶段,城市污染日益严重,在农村生活的优点便凸现了出来,因为那里空气清新,环境幽静,没有城市里的喧嚣和嘈杂,和大自然比较亲近。最后结合前面的阐述和分析进行总结,阐述自己的看法。

范文:

#### Living in the City and Living in the Country

Many people appreciate the great conveniences of the city. They can enjoy a colorful life there. An easy access to news and messages keeps them constantly informed of the world. Their employments provide them with adequate income to enjoy the luxuries of life and there is a broad selection of goods. They often have a wonderful time because there are various kinds of entertainment for them to find pleasure and enjoyment.

However, there are more and more people who are fond of living in the country. They are tired of the pollution in the city. In the countryside, they can find a cleaner natural environment, clearer air and more fresh food. The country houses are usually spacious with large courtyard around them, which is rarely to be found in the city. Living in the country brings the people closer to the nature. The streams, forests, flowers and hills are great attractions to the people, who are afflicted by the noise, dust, and turmoil of the city.

Both these two kinds of living have their disadvantages. The city is always noisy and crowded and the air is far from fresh and healthy. The pollution is getting worse and worse. The city dwellers would prefer to stay at home rather than go out. They are becoming isolated from each other. But living in the country has a lot of inconveniences, such as shopping. Besides, medical facilities are not as advanced as the city. At weekends, people have few places to go to entertain themselves.

Personally I prefer to live in the city, but the countryside is a perfect place for holidays.

## 说明

### Topic 7

#### Job Problems for College Graduates

写作提示:

根据文章的标题,可以断定作文的主题是分析大学生找工作难的原因。重点应放在剖

析为何大学生就业难,并给出一些解决问题的建议。

原因之一是每年大学生毕业人数都在上升,而且许多大学的专业设置不合理,造成某些专业供大于求。许多学生无法找到专业对口的工作。解决的办法是开设适应社会经济发展的专业。政府应该给学生创造更多的就业机会。大学生本身也应转变观念,不应只把目光放在薪水待遇高的名牌企业,而应拓宽视野,寻求适合自己的发展空间。

范文:

### **Job Problems for College Graduates**

At present, it is very difficult for a college graduate to obtain a satisfactory job. Each year, the number of graduates is increasing and millions of graduates flood into the job market, but only a small portion of them can get well-paid jobs in their majors. Why does this happen?

There are a number of reasons leading to this problem. One of them is that many courses in the universities are so outdated and impractical that it is very hard for the students to apply their book knowledge to real jobs. Second, there is an oversupply of graduates in certain specialties. Nowadays, the supply of graduates in fields like law and economics exceeds the demand of the society. So many students cannot find the professions which they major in.

One of the solutions to this problem is that colleges and universities should adjust their courses to the actual needs of the national economy. At the same time, the government should create more job opportunities for the college graduates and for the students themselves, they ought to transform their own attitudes towards occupations. They should not just fix their attention on the large enterprises. They should enlarge their visions and seek for a more suitable space for development.

## **Topic 8**

### **West Festivals in China**

写作提示:

现在西方的节日在中国很受欢迎,人们已逐渐开始接受西方文化。这就是文章的主题所在。重点讨论的是这一社会现象的普遍性。

在中国,人们不再只庆祝自己的传统节日了,许多西方的节日,如圣诞节、情人节、母亲节等已开始进入人们的生活。这是作文的开头部分。然后讨论人们对此现象的不同看法。有些人认为这并不是好事情,保持传统才最重要。中国人应该庆祝自己的节日。也有些人持相反意见。他们觉得这是中国融入世界文化的表现。在最后,可以阐明自己的观点。传统需要保持,但也需吸收外来的好东西。有了更多的节日,人们的生活才更加丰富多彩。

范文:

### **West Festivals in China**

Nowadays, western festivals are becoming very popular in China. The Chinese people have begun to celebrate some western festivals, such as Christmas, Valentine's Day, Mother's Day and so on.

Different people hold different opinions towards this phenomenon. Some people think that Chinese people should stick to our traditions and celebrate our own festivals, for festivals are the

representation of a nation's culture. They maintain that this just shows a blind worship to western culture and neglect of our own. However, there are others who think in a quite different way. They believe it is a good thing, for it proves China's integration into the world.

As far as I am concerned, the celebration of western festivals is a good sign to show China's advancement. The world is getting smaller and smaller. Globalization is the tendency. It is necessary for China to get into more close contact with the outside world. Besides, more festivals have made our life more colorful and people are enjoying more pleasure from their life. Whether we are celebrating Spring Festival or Christmas is not significant. What is significant is that we have more chances to be happy in our life.

## Topic 9

### The Greenhouse Effect

写作提示:

作文的题目是:温室效应。写作的重点是说明什么是温室效应以及它的解决办法。

温室效应现在是全球面临的一个严重问题。在文章的开头部分,可以先指出温室效应是由于大气中二氧化碳的排放量的大量增加使全球气候变暖。人们每天使用的燃料,如煤、石油、天然气等都会产生二氧化碳。在第二部分,主要阐述温室效应带来的问题。由于气候变暖,导致海平面上升。一些海平面较低的地方会被海水淹没。而且,温室效应使更多的地方变得炎热干旱。最后,结合前面的分析,提出应采取什么措施来减少温室效应。人们应该保护森林,减少树木的砍伐。全世界都应该行动起来,阻止恶性循环。

范文:

### The Greenhouse Effect

The "Greenhouse Effect" refers to the warming of the earth due to the increasing amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere. Carbon dioxide is gas produced every time a fuel such as coal, oil or natural gas is burned. This carbon dioxide increases the heat of the atmosphere, and thus warms the planet.

According to scientists, the "Greenhouse Effect" is the most serious problem our planet has ever faced. First of all, the level of the ocean could rise, because ocean water expands, as it grows warmer. Melting polar icecaps could also contribute to an increase in the level of the ocean. People living on coastlines might lose their homes, and cities like New Orleans might be completely submerged.

Parts of the world that are already hot might become unbearably hotter. Some parts might become drier. Other parts of the world might become wetter.

Many scientists suggest that people need to learn to conserve fuel, since burning fuel is one of the main causes of the "Greenhouse Effect". Government should protect forests, since trees can help reduce the effect. Nations should work together to prevent a global disaster, while at the same time ordinary citizens must do their part.

## Topic 10

### Global Shortage of Fresh Water

写作提示:

作文的主题是全球淡水资源的缺乏。写作的重点是说明淡水资源缺乏这一现象及其原因。

文章的开头可以先阐述人们对淡水资源的看法。很多人都认为它是取之不尽的,可事实并非如此。目前,全球就面临淡水缺乏的危机。随着工业的发展,大量的生产需要淡水。但是,河流、湖泊却都被工厂排出的废水所污染,无法处理供人们饮用。另外,全球人口的增长加剧了淡水资源面临的危机。在文章的最后,提出自己的看法。人们应该意识到淡水危机,应该努力去保护淡水资源。

范文:

### Global Shortage of Fresh Water

We always believe that fresh water can never be used up. We have so many sources to get fresh water, from the rivers, lakes, wells, rains and so on. We have sufficient water for our use.

But as a matter of fact, the fresh water is not endless. At present, the world is facing a great shortage of fresh water. With the development of industry, more and more factories use fresh water in the production process. Each day, a large amount of fresh water is used in this way. Many factories discharge a great deal of poisonous waste into the rivers and lakes and cause serious pollution to the fresh water. These rivers and lakes have become so dirty that it is impossible to treat them for fresh water. In addition, the rapid increase of world's population brings about a rising demand of fresh water. In some big cities, fresh water cannot even meet the people's daily needs.

The shortage of fresh water has become a problem for the whole world. All the countries should work together to make the rivers and lakes clean. Fresh water must be protected from being polluted. Everyone should understand this dangerous situation.

## Topic 11

### The "Project Hope"

写作提示:

作文的标题是希望工程。显然,文章的重点是阐述希望工程的重要性。

我们的文章可以这样来组织。首先,简单说明一下中国教育的现状。教育对于我们这样一个发展中国家是至关重要的。中国的发展必须依靠教育。然后,在文章的第二部分,指出希望工程正是为改善教育状况而提出的。在中国的农村地区以及一些贫穷的山区,许多孩子因为家庭贫困而无法上学。希望工程可以使这些孩子重返校园,使贫困家庭的孩子都有接受教育的机会。希望工程号召全社会踊跃捐款,为帮助失学儿童出一份力。现在,许多企业、个人等都纷纷捐款建立希望小学、希望中学。希望工程在很大程度上促进了中国教育的发展。在文章的最后一段,提出自己的看法。希望工程应该推行下去,但是教育制度尚需改革。

范文:

### **The “Project Hope”**

As we know, education is very important. It is even more important for China, a developing country. The development of China has to depend upon education. Education plays a very important role in the modernization of our country. However, the present situation of China's education is not so satisfactory, for there are still a lot of areas where children can hardly receive elementary education.

In order to solve this problem, the government launched the “Project Hope”. In the poverty-stricken areas, many children quit school because they cannot afford the tuition and in some mountainous areas, there is not even a school for the children to receive education. The “Project Hope” calls on the whole society to raise money to set up schools and fund the children who are too poor to go to school. Nowadays, in response to the call of the “Project Hope”, a lot of companies and people are actively involved in raising money to set up elementary schools and middle schools. The “Project Hope” has contributed a great deal to the development of China's education.

Of course, the “Project Hope” is a good way to promote education, but it is carried out mostly depending on people's love and generosity. To solve the educational problem, the present education funding system needs to be reformed and the whole society needs to be called on to work together to find a way out.

### **Topic 12**

#### **What Can Be Done for “New Beijing, Great Olympics”?**

写作提示:

标题的内容是为北京 2008 年奥运会所能做的事。作文的主题是阐述每一个人为北京奥运会的成功举行所贡献的力量。

文章的开头显然是介绍这一条重要的新闻。这是中国的一件大事。2008 年,第 27 届奥运会将在北京举办。我们的首都将要迎接来自世界各地的体育健儿们。这对于北京来说,对于中国来说都是一种光荣。第二段当然是开始介绍我们为奥运会能做的事情。一般来说,可以分为三个方面。一是要学好外语,以便与外国客人进行交流。二是要加强环保意识,让北京更美、更干净。三是要提高个人素质,让客人们可以感受到北京的进步、中国的发展。结尾部分,进一步强调奥运会对于北京的重要意义。它是向世界展示中国的绝佳机会。许多外国人对中国缺乏了解,始终认为中国仍然是一个贫穷落后的国家。通过奥运会,可以让全世界都来认识中国、了解中国。我们每一个人都肩负着义不容辞的责任。

范文:

#### **What Can Be Done for “New Beijing, Great Olympics”?**

In 2008, the 27th Olympics Games will be held in Beijing. This is a very important event of China. Our capital will greet the athletes from all over the world. For Beijing and China, it is a great honor to be host of this game.

In order to hold this game successfully, every one of us has the responsibility to make contributions to “New Beijing, Great Olympics”. First, learning foreign languages well is very important, for it is a better way for us to communicate with the foreign guests. Second, we should strengthen public awareness of environmental protection so that Beijing can show a graceful and vigorous image in front of the world. More importantly, we should try our best to improve the qualities of ourselves in order to make the guests see a civilized Beijing and a developed China.

Holding the Olympic Games is a perfect chance for Beijing and China to present them to the world. Many foreigners lack a full understanding of China, thinking that China is still a poor and backward country. Through the Olympics, China can get to be known by the whole world. Every Chinese has this noble responsibility to project a good image of China and promote the Olympics spirit.

## 议论

### Topic 13

#### Getting to Know the World Outside the Campus

写作提示:

根据文章所给的标题,可以确定作文主题是:大学生要了解外面的世界。写作的重点显然是说明和阐述学生了解外面世界的必要性并且阐述该如何对外面的世界进行了解。文体应为议论文或说明文。

根据所给的题目,我们知道这是针对大学里的莘莘学子而言的。第一段可以介绍和阐明大学生了解外面世界的必要性,比如说这是社会发展的需要。第二段可以分析和阐述大学生应该从哪几个渠道来了解外面的世界。最后分析作为一名大学生,准备怎么做才能达到了解外部世界的目的,得出全文的结论。

范文:

#### Getting to Know the World Outside the Campus

As is known to all, society is the best school for a person, so the college students need to know the world outside the campus. This is also demanded by the development of the society. Confined to the campus, the students devote all their time and energy to study. In this way, they are increasingly isolated from the society and know little about the changes in the society. If they want to know more about the society and gain more practical experience, they have to go out to understand it.

The ways to know the outside world are various. TV programs and Internet inform us about what is going on both at home and abroad. More significantly, we need to enrich our social experiences. We can join in a volunteer group to supply services for communities, do a part-time job to gain social experience, or learn how to cooperate with others to improve the teamwork.

As a college student, I consider doing a part-time job as a better way to know the outside world. Being volunteers is also a wonderful idea. I think we should seize every opportunity to approach the society, to learn to interact with the other people, because it contributes a lot to

enhancing our ability to be independent in the society.

## **Topic 14**

### **Noise Pollution**

写作提示:

作文的标题是: 噪音污染。很显然,文章的重点是讨论噪音污染的害处。那么,噪音污染到底有哪些害处呢?这便是作文说明的要点。最后的结论是噪音污染是人们生活中的一大敌人,人们需要安静的学习、工作和休息环境。

社会经济的发展带来了生活上的进步,也带来了噪音污染。文章可以以此开头。在日常的生活中,人们越来越受到噪音的困扰。在第二段,可以分析噪音污染对人们的严重影响和危害,其中最大的危害是精神方面。最后发出呼吁,人们迫切需要一个安宁的生存环境。让每个人都携起手来共同营造一个健康安静的生活环境吧。

范文:

### **Noise Pollution**

The development of social economy has brought the great improvements in our life and meanwhile the noise pollution. In our daily life, people are being more and more frequently disturbed by noise. In large cities, huge numbers of vehicles, all sorts of machines and various electrical appliances make so big noise that it is almost unbearable. So far, it has become a rather serious problem.

Noise is very harmful to people. It strongly disturbs people's mind. Some sort of work even continues into deep night, leaving people restless in their beds and a sleepless state. Noise can affect people's mentality badly. At present, noise pollution has begun to threaten the quietness of campus. Many universities are also troubled by noise, for there are a lot of commercial activities going on close to the campus. The tranquility, which used to be enjoyed by the campus, is no longer to be felt now. Everyday the classrooms are shaking with the heavy trucks or lorries which rumble by outside. Noise has intruded into every corner of people's life.

Since a long time ago, people have already realized the seriousness of this problem, but there is little to do about it. Most people choose to escape from it and set out to move to the quiet countryside. It is fairly popular in the developed countries, but in China people still stick to the center of the city because of limitations of living conditions. Nowadays, people are in urgent need of a quiet environment to live. Let's join our hands to create a more quiet world.

## **Topic 15**

### **My View on Euthanasia**

写作提示:

文章的标题是: 我对安乐死的看法。显然,主题应该是阐述是否应该实施安乐死。重点是说明对安乐死的不同观点,并提出自己的看法。

安乐死首先是在一些西方国家实行的,对此,人们褒贬不一。可以先说明安乐死产生的原因,然后再阐述社会上的看法。随后,提出自己的观点: 其实,实行安乐死有好处也有



坏处。好处是使病人可以摆脱病痛的折磨,使病人不再遭受痛苦。坏处是这种做法似乎太无情,不够人道,是轻视生命的表现。在文章的最后,进一步强调自己的观点。

范文:

### **My View on Euthanasia**

Euthanasia, also called mercy killing, has been a controversial issue for a long time. Different people hold different attitudes toward it. Many people think that it can help the patients who are fatally ill to die in peace for it will end their unbearable suffering from pain. But in my opinion, euthanasia is not humane.

People can find many good reasons to reject the legalization of euthanasia. It seems that euthanasia can free the patients from the sufferings, but if euthanasia is legalized, it may be used by some unscrupulous people to kill others. An important fact is that the instinct for self-preservation has helped the human beings to survive and it is also a serious violation of the medical principle to save people's life. It is another form of murder and should be dropped.

Some people say that it is up to the patient to decide whether euthanasia should be performed. Actually, this is not reasonable, for in most cases, the patient who is extremely ill has not a clear mentality to make such decisions. If other people make this decision, it is clearly a one-sided action.

Everyone has the right to live and the terminally sick patients are no exception. We need to respect life, for we only have one chance. It is so precious that we should try our best to preserve it no matter what happens.

## **Topic 16**

### **On the Decrease of Arable Land**

写作提示:

根据标题,可以看出作文的主题是:耕地的减少。文章的重点在于分析耕地减少的原因并提出一些建议。

中国虽然是一个幅员辽阔的国家,但由于城市化的进程以及环保意识的薄弱,导致近些年耕地的减少非常迅速。在文章的开头部分,可以先指出耕地在日益减少的事实。而且,人口的不断增长与不断减少的耕地之间的矛盾在日趋激烈。然后分析耕地减少的主要原因,比如环境污染、森林砍伐、土壤沙化等都在导致耕地的减少。最后提出一些建议,我们应该树立保护耕地的意识,进行合理的规划。

范文:

### **On the Decrease of Arable Land**

China is a large country with vast land and the majority of Chinese people are farmers. But during these years the arable land of China is decreasing rapidly. There is a fierce contradiction between the increasing population and the diminishing arable land.

These years, with the development of economy, the cities are getting larger and larger. More and more farmers sell their land and move into the cities searching for work. The city's expansion directly leads to the reduction of the arable land. In the countryside, due to the poor