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Speaking Independent Tasks 口语独立题**➤ Task 1****[Question]**

If you were going to choose a roommate, which of the following qualities would be more important to you?

- Cleanliness
- Friendliness
- Quietness

[Response]

If I could choose one quality for a roommate, I would choose friendliness.

The main reason for this is that friendly people have a way of always making you feel better about a situation. For example, one time I did really badly on a math test, but my friend Andrew, who is very friendly, noticed I felt bad and so he came over to comfort me. We talked about the test and in the end I felt better about everything.

On the other hand, people that are not friendly always create conflict. I have one classmate who is not friendly at all. I don't want to say her name, but every time we work together on a group project, we always just end up fighting a lot. That's no fun.

➤ **Task 2**

[Question]

Some people reward children for their good behavior while others punish them for misbehavior. Which one do you think is better?

[Response]

I think it's better to reward children for their good behavior.

First off, rewarding children for their good behavior teaches them to want to be good. As an example, my parents would give me just a little bit of money for good grades when I was a little kid, and that made me feel really good about getting good grades. When I got older, they stopped this reward, but I still wanted to get good grades. They helped me to develop a habit of wanting good grades.

On the other hand, punishing children for their bad behavior doesn't help them stop the bad behavior. It just helps them hide the bad behavior. My parents would punish me for playing video games late at night. But I still did it. I just learned how to hide it better.

Writing Independent Task 写作独立题

[Question]

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

Taking a lot of time to make an important decision is a good quality.

[Response]

Life forces us to make many difficult decisions. What should I major in? What career should I pursue? Who should I marry? Many people think that it's a good idea to take a long time to consider these decisions, but that's actually not right. It's better to make important decisions quickly.

First off, the worst choice is to make no choice at all. Therefore, it's better to just make a choice and move on so that you can start to make progress. To demonstrate this, I once had a project in my history class where I had to give a presentation on any time period in history that I wanted. It should have been easy because I could just choose a period that I knew a lot about. However, I spent a long time trying to decide and then I didn't have enough time to actually plan my project. Because of my hesitation, my presentation turned out to be horrible and it was very embarrassing.

Furthermore, our choices for difficult decisions don't matter. Most decisions are easy to make quickly because one choice is good and one is bad. However, if a decision is difficult, then that probably means both choices are equally good. In that case, it doesn't matter much and it's better to just make a

choice so you can move on. For example, my friend had the opportunity to study abroad in the United States or in Canada. For a long time, she couldn't decide which to choose. In the end, she decided that both choices would make her happy, so she just flipped a coin and decided to go to Canada, where she ended up having an enriching experience.

Finally, we should make decisions quickly because usually it's the choosing itself that makes us unhappy. People find ways to make themselves happy with whatever situation they're in, but the process of making difficult decisions causes us stress. In other words, having to carefully weigh our options puts us under pressure, which leads to anxiety. Everyone has experienced this at some point, even when making small decisions like choosing between pasta and a sandwich at a restaurant. That feeling of stress becomes greater when we're faced with an important decision, which is why it's better to just make the decision and be done with it.

In the end, many people believe they can make their lives better by taking a lot of time to think about important choices. However, the truth is that this strategy actually makes them less happy and more stressed out. It's better to just make a choice and go with it.

范文分析

高分词组

to force us to make many difficult decisions	迫使我们做出许多困难的决定
equally good	同样好
to flip a coin	抛硬币（做决定）
enriching	丰富的
to find ways to make themselves happy	想办法让自己快乐
to weigh our options	权衡我们的选择
to put us under pressure	给我们带来压力
to be faced with an important decision	面临一个重要的决定
to be done with it	完成，了结

实用句型

1. Therefore, **it's better to** just make a choice and move on so that you can start to make progress.

句型 “it's better to do sth.” 可以用来表达 “最好还是做某事”，后面可以加入比较级也可以不加。

2. In that case, **it doesn't matter much** and it's better to just make a choice so you can move on.

句型 “it doesn't matter much” 可以用来表达 “没关系/关系不大”。

3. **Everyone has experienced this at some point, even when** making

small, insignificant decisions like choosing between pasta and a sandwich at a restaurant.

英语中有很多简洁且自然的表达，例如这句“Everyone has experienced this at some point”就可以表达“每个人都有这样的经历”。此外句子中的“even when”是让步状语从句的引导词，虽然不常用，但千万不要看成了以“when”开头的时间状语从句。

篇章结构

➤ **To demonstrate this**, I once had a project in my history class where I had to give a presentation on any time period in history that I wanted.

“To demonstrate this”在段落结构中可以用于举例说明，这种用法可以调剂满篇文章都是 for example 的枯燥感。

➤ People find ways to make themselves happy with whatever situation they're in, but the process of making difficult decisions causes us stress. **In other words**, having to carefully weigh our options puts us under pressure, which leads to anxiety.

在写作中，尤其是临场考试时，我们会遇到写不下去或者字数不够的问题，这个时候需要我们运用 paraphrase 的能力。文中选取的这两句句子由“in other words”连接，从这个连接词就可以看出两句句子必然意思相近。仔细阅读两个句子，我们可以发现它们的意思其实是一样的，但用词、表达和句式都不一样。所以，在平日的写作中我们可以加强这方面的练习，学会语言的多样性。