

Question 5 (10 marks)

READ Text 6 and then answer Question 5.

Text 6 – Slogans

- 如果把才华比作^{yàn}剑，勤奋就是^{mó}磨刀石¹。 — weaknesses → strength
- 再长的路，一步步也能走完；再短的路，双脚不动也无法到达。
- 梦想不能实现都是因为不够现实。
- 竹子的优点是长得越高，弯得越低。
- 生活不是单行线。走不通的时候，你可以转弯。
_{not single path} _{flexible}

1 磨刀石 mó dāo shí sharpener

5. 在中国旅游学习时，你看到学校教室的墙上贴着这些标语。为增加你的澳大利亚同学对中国文化的了解，写一篇演讲稿，给他们解释标语的意思和文化价值。答案字数大约用 250 个英文字。

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During a study tour in China, you saw the slogans above on the walls of a classroom. To promote awareness of Chinese culture among your Australian school mates, write a speech explaining the meanings and cultural values of these slogans. Write approximately 250 words in ENGLISH.

China is a country that has thousands of years of history. It is a nation with a rich history, culture, language and traditions. Thus even till today, many sayings and idioms from the ~~early~~ earliest days have been passed down through generations. Today I'll be explaining to you some of the meanings behind the most significant ones, which reflect

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Chinese values, ideology and Confucian ethics. Personally, ^{some} ~~and~~ of my favourites are: 'no matter how long the road, one can ~~re~~ always reach the end step by step'; yet however short, if we never move our feet into action, there is no way we can reach our destination'. 'If one can not fulfil their dreams, it is because they lack insight and conviction.' 'Life is not a single path or ~~road~~ lane. If we reach an obstacle, we can always turn and take a different route.'

I think these sayings really exemplify the Chinese ethic of hardwork and self-determination, and that perseverance and courage will always allow ~~us~~ ^{one} to ~~do~~ overcome any obstacles which confront them, & to turn ~~the~~ disadvantages into strengths, and to make the most of every opportunity, no matter the difficulties that lie in one's way. Overall, these reflect the greatest Chinese value ~~of~~ of all, that we must always ~~st~~ aspire to the highest, be our best, whilst also maintaining our integrity and respect!

I hope I've left you all with something new today.
Thank you!

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