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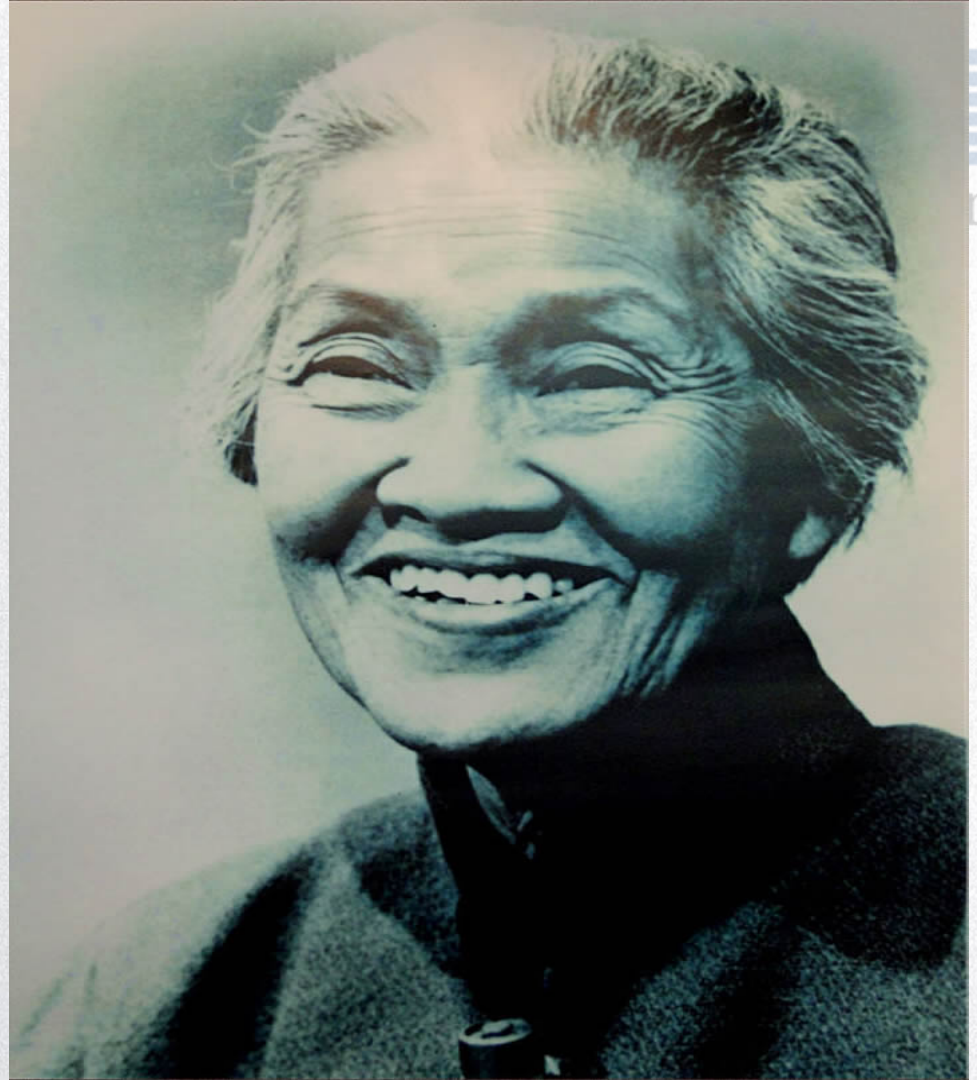


Writing with Reading

**Describing a Person's Qualities
with the Focus on their Achievements**

I. Activating

*Why not carry
on **her** good
work?*



What is a great person?

A great person is one who has followed his / her ideas and sacrificed something so that they could be realized.

How to Describe Someone's Qualities with the Focus on their Achievements



外教视频

II. Connecting

Tip 1: Use their name to start the sentence.

Jane Goodall gave up the comforts of life to study the chimps.



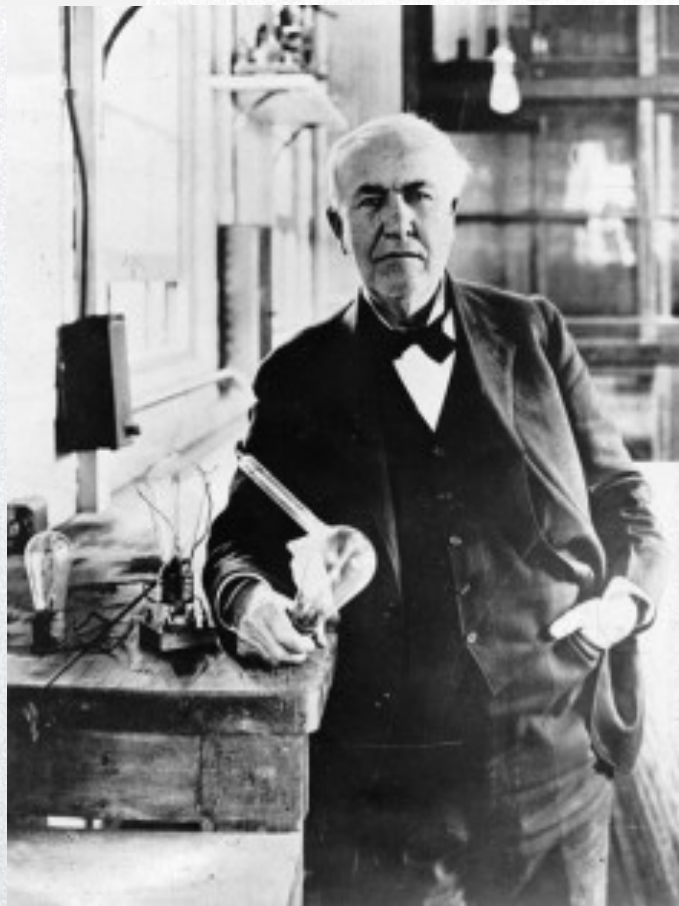
Tip 1: Use their name to start the sentence.

Dr. Lin worked to keep babies and mothers healthy throughout her whole life.



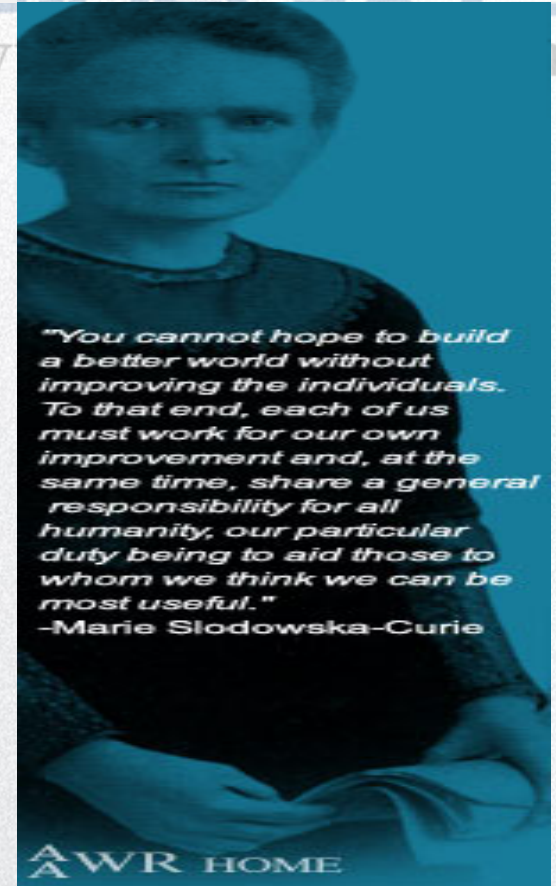
Tip 1: Use their name to start the sentence.

Edison spent 15
years on light bulb
invention.



Tip 1: Use their name to start the sentence.

Madame Curie worked
hard all her life to discover
Polonium and Radium.



Tip 2: Focus on the person's achievements:

1) What was Lin QiaoZhi's achievement ?

1. She got a medical training for her career.

2. She became a specialist in women diseases.

3. She had made sure that about 50,000 babies were safely delivered.

Tip 2: Focus on the person's achievements:

2). What difference did the book make?

3). When and why did it happen?

The book made a difference in cutting the death rate from having and caring for babies. She gave some simple rules to follow for keeping babies clean, healthy and free from sickness.

It was intended for women in the countryside. Perhaps if they had an emergency they could not reach a doctor.

Tip 2: Focus on the person's achievements: --- how to describe the person's achievements

1. Connect with people's good qualities or traits.

*Through Dr. Lin's **dedication and kindness**, she made a tremendous difference in the world.*

2. Focus on positive descriptive words.

*What made her succeed later on was the **kindness and consideration** she showed to all her patients.*

Positive vocabulary

kind
Kind-hearted
helpful

generous
hard-working
determined
energetic

- considerate
- thoughtful
- unselfish
- passionate
- enthusiastic
- socially conscious

- sympathetic
- compassionate

devoted
dedicated
committed

- knowledgeable
- intelligent
- ambitious

III. Tracking

Language Bank

- kind
- Kind-hearted
- helpful
- devoted
- dedicated
- committed
- generous
- hard-working
- determined
- energetic
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Practice

1. Dr. Goodall has made a huge difference in the world because she is _____ and _____.
2. Dr. Lin was _____ and _____ in her treatment of women and babies.
3. Dr. Goodall has made a huge difference in the world because she is _____ and _____.
4. Dr. Lin was _____ and _____ in her treatment of babies.

women of her word/man of his word: *Even when Ben is busy, he is a man of his word.*

守诺言的人

down to earth: *John has accomplished a lot in his life and stayed very down to earth.*

going places: *My friend, Anna, is an incredible piano player. She is going places.*

脚踏实地

大有作为

have the makings of: *The teacher said Sarah has the makings of a journalist.*

有望成为

in a class of one's own: *As a singer, Maria Callas was in a class of her own.*

独具一格

tower of strength: *All during my illness, my sister was a tower of strength.*

salt of the earth: *My father is the salt of the earth. He works hard and always helps*

靠山、支柱、可信赖的人

people who are in need.

高尚的人、正派的人

Quote to Describe People

Character is like a tree and
reputation like its shadow.
The shadow is what we
think of it; the tree is the real thing.

- Abraham Lincoln



Writing Task

You will describe Dr. Jane Goodall's life accomplishments between 100 and 120 words. You must use some of the adjectives we have learned. You must also include one of the idiom phrases we have learned.

Writing tips

◆ Use her name to start the sentence.

◆ Focus on the person's achievements: *what was the achievement, when and why did it happen, what difference did it make...*

1. Connect with her good qualities or traits.

2. Focus on positive descriptive words.

A possible version:

Dr. Jane Goodall is an inspiring woman who has dedicated her life to promoting environmentalism. She has studied families of chimps for years to help people understand how they are similar to people. She is now very knowledgeable about chimp behavior. She is committed to being socially conscious of how people treat animals. She has always been interested in working in the forest; however this was when it was uncommon for women to live with animals.

Dr. Jane Goodall has accomplished a lot in her research of chimps, but perhaps her most important accomplishment is how she has changed how people view women living in the forest. Despite her success, she is down to earth and lives a simple life in nature.



IV. Extending

A Vacation with My Mother

I had an interesting childhood: It was filled with surprises and amusements, all because of my mother --loving, sweet, ye absent-minded and forgetful. One strange family trip we took when I was eleven tells a lot about her.

My two sets of grandparents lived in Colorado and North Dakota, and my parents decided to spend a few weeks driving to those states and seeing all the sights along the way. As the first day of our trip approached, David, my eight-year-old brother, and I unwillingly said good-bye to all of our friends. Who knew if we'd ever see them again? Finally, the moment of our departure arrived, and we loaded suitcases, books, games, camping equipment, and a tent into the car and bravely drove off. We bravely drove off again two hours later after we'd returned home to get the purse and traveler's checks Mom had forgotten.

David and I were always a little nervous when using gas station bathrooms if Mom was driving while Dad slept: "You stand outside the door and play lookout(放哨) while I go, and I'll stand outside the door and play lookout while you go." I had terrible pictures in my mind: "Honey, where are the kids?" "What?! Oh, Gosh...I thought they were being awfully quiet." We were never actually left behind in a strange city, but we weren't about to take any chances.

On the fourth or fifth night, we had trouble finding a hotel with a vacancy. After driving in vain for some time, Mom suddenly got a great idea: Why didn't we find a house with a likely-looking backyard and ask if we could set up tent there? David and I became nervous. To our great relief, Dad turned down the idea. Mom never could understand our objection(反对). If a strange family showed up on her front doorstep, Mom would have been delighted. She thinks everyone in the world is as nice as she is. We finally found a vacancy in the next town

-Gaokao, 201711

Paragraph 1	It was filled with surprises and amusements, all because of my mother--- loving ,sweet, yet absented and forgetful.
Paragraph 2	We bravely drove off again two hours later after we'd returned home to get the purse and traveler's checks Mom had forgotten.
Paragraph 3	David and I were always a little nervous when using gas station bathrooms if Mom was driving while Dad slept.
Paragraph 4	If a strange family showed up on her front doorstep, Mom would have been delighted. She thinks everyone in the world is as nice as she is.

I had an **interesting** childhood: It was filled with surprises and amusements, all because of my **mother** ---**loving, sweet, yet absent-minded and forgetful.**
One strange family trip we took when I was eleven tells a lot about her.

- 第一段开门见山，通过介绍一次出游经历来表达妈妈对自己迷糊而善良的爱。
- 母亲的性格特征：健忘、迷糊、但善良、爱孩子。
- 通过分析母亲的性格特征，续写的结局可以设计一个迷糊而有趣的事件来展现亲情或有成长意义的童年经历。

所给段落开头语：

Paragraph 1: The next day we remembered the brand-new tent we had brought with us.

用轻松温暖的基调，围绕新帐篷设计 体现亲情的有趣故事，故事里体现妈妈的性格特征的故事要跟所给文本的第一段里的词: **loving ,sweet, yet absented and forgetful** 相呼应。

Paragraph 2: We drove through several states and saw lots of great sights along the way.

用一些描述景色环境的表达来烘托我们愉悦的心情，最终把故事的落脚点放在“亲情”、“生活的乐趣”、“母亲的趣事”等方面。

Key point: 妈妈这一典型特征的人物串联全文的中心思想。

Para1:

围绕帐篷展开段落，可以体现母亲的“健忘”，也可突出母亲所期待的“善良”来讲述一些比较有趣的事。而且这段的结尾部分“**Though we didn't have the tools for cooking since mom is so forgetful, we still have a good meal as there truly was someone who was as nice as mom was.**”用来解释前半句，更重要的是和所给短文的最后一段“**If a strange family showed up on her front doorstep, Mom would have been delighted. She thinks everyone in the world is as nice as she is.**”形成了强烈的呼应。

Para 2:

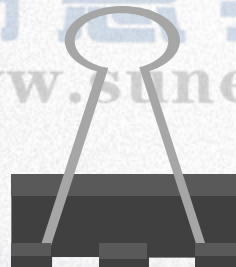
“Seemingly absent-minded and forgetful as she was, she never failed to demonstrate the beauty of life to her children,...” 和故事所提供的首段中的 “...all because of my mother – loving, sweet, yet absented-minded and forgetful” 形成照应，验证了语篇主题，定位作者的情感倾向，最终服务于原文所提供的叙事性主题系统。

【习作片段】

Paragraph 1: 详见*Homework*

Paragraph 2: *We drove through several states and saw lots of great sights along the way. With our nose pressed hard against the window and eyes glued to the winding road ahead, David and I anticipated every day for a thrilling adventure, which was only rivaled by our joy of reuniting with our grandparents. As they told more tales of Mom, we were gradually dawned by a deepened comprehension of her. Seemingly absent-minded and forgetful as she was, she never failed to demonstrate the beauty of life to her children, and endowed us with a fun-filled childhood and a never-drained passion to embrace life.*

Homework



① List positive adjectives and idioms you know to describe someone's qualities with the focus on their achievements.

② Finish off the first paragraph considering Mom's qualities.



Real dream is the other shore of reality.

Thank you !

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