

110 學年度第 1 學期高中部英文作文比賽

1. Charles Dickens 的雙城記(A Tale of Two Cities)說「那是最美好的時代,那是最糟糕的時代」(It was the best of times. It was the worst of times)。疫情,帶給我們生活上的巨大改變,疫苗是否施打引起許多的討論,線上線下的學習也有許多需要適應的地方;這些改變終究是美好還是糟糕,已經深深刻印在這個時代每個人心中。請寫一篇字數至少 500 字的文章,敘述這些日子以來疫情帶給你的影響、你如何因應,以及你的盼望是什麼。

2. 比賽時間: 13:10~14:50, 共 100 分鐘。

3. 不得使用任何形式的字典與電子載具,其餘依本校考試規定辦理。

Along with the call of 2020's New Year, a new-found virus, the COVID-19, has started a massive pandemic that the world isn't prepared of. Spreading from country to country, it strives every where it passes, leaving people to panic and suffer from the illness. Not only does it harm people's health, but also affecting people's everyday lives, unable to meet friends and family, unable to go to markets, even unable to go to school or work. Serious lockdowns of cities and states have crushed the country's economy, causing troubles everywhere. Medias have called 2020 "the worst year ever." Now, 2021, going to 2022, we have survived under this pandemic, however, almost everyone's lifestyle have been changed or affected by it, more or less, but is it a good change or a bad change, will it still be lasting after the pandemic? Most importantly, what did it teach us, or what have we learned from it?

Flexibility. That is the word I think matters the most. COVID-19 has affected the whole world's eco-system severely, and the ones who can adjust themselves to the new rules of the game gets off with a better start, and is most likely to win the game. For myself, I have to admit, that I lack the quality of being able to adapt to new things quickly, not even mentioning a whole new lifestyle. At first, it really bothers me, and even caused me to panic. Suddenly, we can't go to school anymore, I can't see my classmates and friends everyday, and everything turns virtual or online. As a person who seldom use social media apps, unable to see others face-to-face almost means that I am remote and isolated of the outer world, and I was just simply dropped out of my social life. I had to learn how to keep the certain amount of contact with others while trying hard not to spend too much time on social media apps; I had to learn how to control my emotions and try not to be stressed out by the pandemic and be content to what I have, because I know everyone is all having a hard time; I had to learn how to take online courses, and keep up with my learning, which is

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absolutely hard because without pressure from my fellows peers, I need to work on alone, also trying not to be distracted by the urge to surf on the Internet. Little by little, I learned all of these, and I learned to be flexible, to be able to adapt to new things more quickly, and even knew myself better.

During the pandemic, life has been more inconvenient to many of us, and although not every inconvenience can be overcome, I have learned to accept those imperfectness and tried my best to do what I can do, and to improve those that are in my control. After a long time staying at home, I am very happy to be back to school again, and I have learned to cherish what I have now.

I see myself very lucky to be able to have this experience in this age, it has certainly changed the world a lot, and all will become history. It cannot be said that whether these changes are good or not after decades, even centuries, but at this point, I am only a student now, and this pandemic has taught me an unforgettable life lesson, and I shall always keep it in my heart for whatever I will face in the future, to always try my best in any kind of circumstances.