

## 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。

In the year of 2020, human was first introduced to the Covid-19 virus. At first, it didn't seem like a big deal — people were mostly expecting it to quickly fade away as most flu do. But little do we know, the Covid-19 virus is here to stay.....

There's no doubt to say that the Covid-19 pandemic has caused serious impacts on human's life. Governments of all countries around the world have adopted a sequence of measures to prevent the disease. In Taiwan, people were made to wear a face mask whenever they are outside their houses; some activities were forbidden — such as eating out at a restaurant or going to the cinema; a bunch of people gathering together was definitely not allowed. And students were even asked to study online at home instead of going to school. With all these changes being made, people's lives in Taiwan are no longer the same.

For me, the biggest changes during the pandemic are certainly not being able to go anywhere freely and having to take online classes. I never really thought <sup>about</sup> how precious it was to go places whenever at your will and to meet friends face to face at school.

However, having to experienced the "lockdown" for about four month, I began to realize how inconvenient and dull it is to stay at home. I miss walking around in the sunlight, enjoying the fresh air of nature and being surrounded by my lovely peers. Additionally, I started to think that after staying home for so long, I became a lot lazier than I've ever before and I was constantly feeling down. I often found myself a little gloomy for no particular reasons and I couldn't keep up with the online courses. Another significant change is that I

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am one hundred percent sure that my eyesight has gone worse during the quarantine.

Despite all the difficulties being said, I still tried my best to cope with the changes during the pandemic. Because I really think that it is everyone's responsibility to help fighting with the virus. I designed a schedule to follow during quarantine times and tried my best to stick to it in order to get my life back on track. I facetedimed or called my friends to remain our relationships although not being able to meet them in person. What's more, I followed the regulations established by the governments to actually make little but affectable efforts to prevent the pandemic to go even down worse.

Needless to say, the Covid-19 pandemic has seriously affected our lives. Before we began to complain about how the virus completely ruined our lives, I hope we can all stop to think for a while, and to realize how lucky we actually were for being all healthy at the moment. There's thousands of people out there, risking their lives to save people from the fatal disease, comparing to them, who give us the rights to whine about such small things? Perhaps what we need is a little more sympathy and to remember that we can only defeat the virus hands in hands. With that being done, I'm certain that the Covid-19 pandemic will soon comes to an end.