

Part 1

Education

Study

Do you still study or work?

=> Currently, I am a student of ABC high school/university, at XYZ city.

What is your area of specialization?

=> I'm focusing on Math/English/General Doctor,.....

Why did you choose that major?

=> I love that subject since I was small and I dream that one day I can apply what I studied to my work.

Do you have anything that you don't like about your study?

=> Honestly, It takes me a lot of time to master it, but compare to my dream, I think I can keep doing it.

Do you like your major? (Why?/Why not?)

=> Yes, as I said before, it could help me in my future career.

What kind of school did you go to as a child?

=> I went to a public school in my area. It was so big if my memory serves me right.

What was your favourite subject?

=> I love X, because not only I can use it in my future but also it helps me to chill out.

Work

What do you do?

=> The job is my main source of income. Apart from that, I work as a part-time consultant in a Business organisation and do some professional content writing as a freelancer.

What are your responsibilities?

=> Well, I work as a ABC in a large software company and my responsibilities include understanding and documenting the requirements of the clients, competitor analysis, market research,

Why did you choose to do that type of work/that job?

=> Well, being a ABC was not my initial career plan. I started my career as a programmer. While I worked with another large software company, they promoted me to this position and I found it more challenging and demanding. I started enjoying my work afterward.

Is there some other kind of work you would rather do?

=> I have not thought about this before, but maybe I would love to do something more relaxing.

Do you enjoy your work?

=> Yes definitely, I think my hard work will be paid off soon.

What do you like about your job?

=? Frankly speaking, it's a dream come true, so I am just simply so passionate about my job.

What do you dislike about your job?

=> Even though I am a workaholic, but sometimes, my work takes me a lot of time, so I might feel exhausted.

Communication and Technology

Mobile apps

What apps have you recently used?

=> Well, for the better part of the last 5 months, I have been using several apps on my smartphone. And I guess my most commonly-used app is Netflix which is basically a streaming movie platform. It's a fascinating app with eclectic movie genres which I find absolutely captivating.

On top of that, I also use some social network apps like Facebook or Instagram, but I don't think I use them as often as the first one that I've mentioned.

- for the better part (phrase) hầu hết (dùng để nhấn mạnh một việc mình làm trong hầu hết một khoảng thời gian).

- streaming movie platform: nền tảng xem phim trực tuyến.
- eclectic (adj) đa dạng.
- On top of that (phrase) bên cạnh đó.
- captivating (adj) thu hút

What kinds of apps are you usually interested in?

=> I'm into quite a few applications, especially ones that inform me about my health like how long I have walked a day or how many calories I should consume on a daily basis so as to get fit as a fiddle. I think this is because I'm a health-conscious person, you know.

- fit as a fiddle (phrase) hình thể chuẩn.
- Health conscious: quan tâm về sức khỏe.

What was the first app you used?

=> It was a long time ago so I guess the very first one that I used was the Oxford Dictionary. That was when I was a freshman in high school and I had a lot on my plate, especially with my English study. This app truly did wonders for me, especially in boosting my vocabulary.

- have a lot on my plate: cực kỳ bận rộn
- do wonders for: có ích cho

What kinds of apps would you like to use in the future?

=> Actually, I haven't thought about this that much. But I think I may go abroad for higher education in the future, so apps that can help me explore cultures would be something I opt for.

- Opt for: lựa chọn

Emails

Do you often send emails?

=> Definitely. I send and receive email on a daily basis, especially for my study. Emails are a message exchange medium where I can get my point of view across to my friends and lecturers.

Useful vocabulary:

No.	Vocabulary	Pronunciation	Meaning
1	on a daily basis	/ɒn ə 'deɪli 'beɪsɪs/	hằng ngày
2	Message exchange	/'mesɪdʒ ɪks'tʃeɪndʒ/	trao đổi thông tin
3	Medium	/'mi:diəm/	phương tiện
4	Get sth. across	/get ə 'krɒs/	truyền tải; làm cho người khác hiểu mình

When would you send emails to others?

=> Mostly when I'm at work. I need to send emails about task arrangements and meeting summary to my group members, and I need to send reports to my department supervisor. When I'm off work, I sometimes send emails to my dentist to make an appointment, or to keep connection with my college teachers

Is sending emails popular in Vietnam?

=> It now becomes a very popular way of communication in Vietnam. Students, officer workers, they all send emails very often. I know in many school in my country, students will be taught how to write an email to teachers, to admission officers in their future college, which means we take this very seriously.

Do you think sending emails will be more or less popular in the future?

=> Frankly speaking, I think sending emails will be less popular in the future. Because we rely more on APPs of communication in smartphones, they are more instant, more convenient, and they will be more popular.

Mobile phone

What was your first mobile phone?

=> My first phone was an iPhone 6, my mom bought it for me when I was 15 years old, I still remember how amazed I was when I received it.

Do you often use your mobile phone for texting or calls?

=> Yes, Whenever I have something to discuss with my family or friends, I will use my mobile phone. Or when I want to search for some information, I will get on the Internet by mobile phone.

Will you buy a new one in the future?

=> Yes, I really want to have a **new released phone** of this brand because it looks so amazing,

Vocab: a new released phone: Điện thoại mới ra mắt

How has your mobile phone changed your life?

=> My basic mobile phone was it enough to change my life. It kept me connected with my family all the time, but my iPhone is a smartphone and is much more than a phone for mere connectivity. I can check my emails on my phone. I can surf the net on my phone. I can play games on my phone. I can do the calculations on my phone. I can do so many other things on my phone.

Part 2

1. Describe a famous person you are interested in You should say:

- Who he/she is
- How you knew about him/her

- What he/she was like before he/she became famous And explain why you are interested in him/her

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ĐỀ MỤC	CHI TIẾT	CHÚ THÍCH NGÔN NGỮ
<p>GENERAL INFORMATION</p> <p>(Thông tin chung – bối cảnh)</p>	<p>– His real name is Nguyễn Thanh Tùng. He is known professionally as ‘Son Tung MPT’</p> <p>– He is a Vietnamese singer, song-writer and producer.</p> <p>– It was around 5 years ago when I was still a lower secondary student.</p> <p>– I stumbled upon him in an MV on Youtube</p>	<p>– known professionally as: có nghệ danh là, được biết đến như là...</p> <p>– stumble upon: vô tình biết đến</p>
<p>APPEARANCE</p> <p>(Ngoại hình)</p>	<p>– He’s a handsome/good-looking/chubby/slender/well-built/medium-built man with long black hair and a charming smile.</p>	<p>– chubby: mũm mĩm</p> <p>– slender: mảnh khảnh</p> <p>– well-built: vạm vỡ</p>

		– medium-built: thể hình trung bình
PERSONALITY (Tính cách)	– He's a kind-hearted man who's always willing to help others. – He's an optimistic man who always look on the bright side. – He's a diligent man who love work more than anything else. – He's a good role model for young people to follow. – She's a amiable girl who is loved by all of her friends.	– He/She is a ... person who...: anh/cô ấy là người mà... – kind-hearted: tốt bụng – optimistic: lạc – quandidigent: chăm chỉ – amiable: dễ mến – look on the bright side: luôn nhìn về mặt tốt của vấn đề – role model: hình mẫu
FIRST IMPRESSION (Ấn tượng ban đầu)	– At first, I thought he was a reserved/shy man. He didn't talk much to anyone. – However, he turned out to be very talkative and extroverted	– At first, I thought... – However, it turned out to be...: hồi đầu tôi tưởng...hóa ra thì...

<p>PAST</p> <p>(Quá khứ)</p>	<p>– There was a time when I needed a lot of help with my upcoming exams. He spent, like, 5 hours a week teaching me English!</p> <p>– There was a time when I and he went on a trip together to Da Lat. We had a lot of fun and enjoyed a lot of delicacies there.</p>	<p>– There was a time: có lần...</p>
<p>BEST THING</p> <p>(Điều tốt nhất)</p>	<p>– What I like most about him/her is the fact that he's very smart. He can speak 3-4 languages fluently!</p> <p>– What I am most impressed is his confidence – He can talk in front of 100 people with ease.</p>	<p>– What I like most about him/her is...: cái tôi thích nhất ở anh/cô ấy là...</p> <p>– What I am most impressed: cái tôi ấn tượng nhất</p>
<p>FUTURE</p> <p>(Tương lai)</p>	<p>– I'll try my best to become such a great person like him.</p>	

2. Describe someone you really like to spend time with You should say:

- Who this person is
- How you knew him/her
- What you usually do together
- And explain why you like to spend time with him/her

=> Today I would like to tell you about a person I would like to spend my time with.

Introduction: Today I am gonna talk about a person I want to spend time with. It is my.....(bestfriend/boyfriend/girlfriend), who is tall and cute in his spectacles.

How you knew him/her

About the time we first saw each other, it was through a social networking platform where I came across his personal page. I actually was impressed by his cute smile and his passion for sports, especially rope skipping. After breaking the ice by texting, we decided to meet up in person. I invited him to come over for a late-night drink in my house and he agreed. Needless to say, I was so excited about that. We had a great night chatting and laughing **because** we in fact have plenty of common interests. The next morning, we found out that we were so well matched that we ended up updating each other.

What you usually do together?

Whenever we meet, we will hang out around the city center or chit-chat in a small restaurant with beer and side dishes. Besides, we also sometimes go shopping for clothes and watch some films in the cinema. To me, it is a great time to be with him as he always makes me happy.

Why you like to spend time with him/her?

There are several reasons why I like being with him. First, he works in a pharmacy, so thanks to him I have learned quite a lot of knowledge about medicines and supplements. Second, besides medicine, he is pretty clever in communication and marketing skills which are pretty interesting to know as secondary skills too. Third, we both share the same hobby of reading books. Therefore we never get bored with each other.

Conclusion: That is all I would like to say. **Thank you** for your listening.

Từ vựng

3. spectacles: kính cận
4. social networking platform: nền tảng mạng xã hội
5. passion: đam mê
6. rope skipping: nhảy dây
7. common interests: sở thích chung
8. side dishes: món ăn kèm
9. pharmacy: ngành y dược
10. medicines and supplements: thuốc và thực phẩm chức năng
11. secondary skills: kỹ năng phụ
12. hobbies: sở thích