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What to Consider When Choosing an **English Teaching Job in China**

1.大家好!欢迎来到Mandarin Corner, 我是Eileen

Hello Everyone! Welcome to Mandarin Corner. I am Eileen.

大家	dàjiā	everyone
好	hǎo	good
欢迎	huānyíng	to welcome
来到	láidào	to come to
		Mandarin Corner
我	wŏ	I

是 shì am

Eileen

2.随着中国的家长对英语教育越来越重视,

As Chinese parents are paying more and more attention to English education,

随着	suízhe	along with
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中国 Zhōngguó China

的 de ~'s (possessive particle)

家长 jiāzhǎng parent or guardian of a child

对 duì towards

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

教育 jiàoyù education

越来越 yuèláiyuè more and more

重视 zhòngshì to value

3.中国的外教市场也日益发展壮大。

China's foreign teachers market is growing bigger and bigger.

中国	Zhōngguó	China
的	de	of
外教	wàijiào	foreign teacher
市场	shìchăng	market (also in abstract)
也	yě	also
日益	rìyì	day by day / more and more

发展 fāzhǎn to grow

壮大 zhuàngdà to expand

4.对英语培训机构来说,

For English training schools,

对 duì for

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

培训 péixùn training

机构 jīgòu organisation

来 lái to come

说 shuō to speak

Note: 对+(somebody)来说 = For somebody's point of view, ...

5.外教是他们吸引消费者的重要卖点。

having foreign teahcers is their key selling point to attract customers.

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

是 shì is

他们 tāmen they

吸引 xīyǐn to attract

消费者 xiāofèizhě consumer

的 de used to form a nominal expression

重要 zhòngyào important

卖点 màidiǎn selling point

6.这也给外国朋友们创造了很多工作的机会。

It also gives foreigners a lot of job opportunities in China.

这 zhè this

也 yě also

给 gěi for

外国 wàiguó foreign (country)

朋友 péngyou friend

men plural marker for pronouns

创造 chuàngzào to create

7 le completed action marker

很 hěn very

多 duō many

工作 gōngzuò job

的 de used to form a nominal expression

机会 jīhuì opportunity

7.会讲英语,来中国就能找份工资丰厚的工作。

You can find a high-salary job as long as you can speak good English.

会 huì to be able to

讲 jiǎng to speak

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

来 lái to come

中国 Zhōngguó China

就 jiù then

能 néng can

找 zhǎo to find

份 fèn classifier for jobs

工资 gōngzī pay

丰厚 fēnghòu ample

的 de used to form a nominal expression

工作 gōngzuò job

8.还能顺便旅游学习,确实是不错!

You can also travel and study along the way. It is fantastic, right?

还 hái also

能 néng can

顺便 shùnbiàn conveniently

旅游 lǚyóu to travel

学习 xuéxí to study

确实 quèshí indeed

是 shì is

不错 bùcuò pretty good

9.但面对挑选学校和工作的城市时,

But when it comes to selecting a school or a city,

但 dàn but

面对 miànduì to face

挑选 tiāoxuǎn to select

学校 xuéxiào school

和 hé and

工作 gōngzuò job

的 de used after an attribute

城市 chéngshì city

时 shí when

10.你是不是感觉不知如何选择?

do you feel that you don't know how to choose?

你 nǐ you

是不是 shìbùshì is or isn't

感觉 gǎnjué to feel

不知 bùzhī not to know

如何 rúhé how

选择 xuǎnzé to select

11.不用担心!

Don't worry! (I can help you.)

不用 bùyòng need not

担心 dānxīn to worry

12.我会根据我在英语培训学校工作的经验

I will, based on my experience working in an English training school,

我 wǒ I

会 huì will

根据 gēnjù based on

我 wǒ I

在 zài (to be) in

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

培训 péixùn training

学校 xuéxiào school

工作 gōngzuò to work

的 de used to form a nominal expression

经验 jīngyàn experience

13.将这个视频分为两个部分

divide this video into two parts

将 jiāng used in the same way as 把[bǎ]

这个 zhège this

视频 shìpín video

分为 fēnwéi to divide sth into (parts)

两 liǎng two

† gè classifier for objects in general

部分 bùfen part

14.来解答你心中可能存在的疑问。

to answer the questions you might have.

来 lái to come

解答 jiědá answer

你 nǐ you

心中 xīnzhōng in one's heart

可能 kěnéng might (happen)

存在 cúnzài to exist

的 de used to form a nominal expression

疑问 yíwèn question

15.第一部分是关于工作本身的。

The first part will be about the job itself.

第一 dìyī first

部分 bùfen part

是 shì is

关于 guānyú about

工作 gōngzuò job

本身 běnshēn itself

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

16.第二部分是关于生活的。

And the second part will be about living conditions.

第二 dì'èr second

部分 bùfen part

是 shì is

关于 guānyú about

生活 shēnghuó livelihood

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

17.好,那我们现在就开始吧!

Alright, let's get started!

好 hǎo well

那 nà then (in that case)

我们 wŏmen we

现在 xiànzài now

就 jiù then

开始 kāishǐ to start

吧 ba modal particle indicating suggestion or surmise

18.第一部分有四个关键点

There are 4 key points in part one

第一 dìyī first

部分 bùfen part

有 yǒu to have

四 sì four

† gè classifier for objects in general

关键 guānjiàn key

点 diǎn point

19.是你在挑选学校时需要考虑的。

that you need to consider when you're selecting a school.

是 shì are

你 nǐ you

在 zài in (a place or time)

挑选 tiāoxuǎn to select

学校 xuéxiào school

时 shí when

需要 xūyào to need

考虑 kǎolǜ to consider

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

1) 学校聘请外教的要求

Xuéxiào pìnqing wàijiào de yāoqiú

The requirements that the schools have when choosing foreign teachers.

2) 选择公立学校还是私人培训学校?

Xuǎnzé gōnglì xuéxiào háishì sīrén péixùn xuéxiào?

Public schools or private training schools?

3) 教哪个年龄段的学生

Jiāo năge niánlíng duàn de xuéshēng

Which age group of students to teach?

4)去一线城市工作还是去二线城市?

Qù yīxiàn chéngshì gōngzuò háishi qù èrxiàn chéngshì?

First-tire cities or second-tire cities?

20.我们首先来看下

Let's first take a look at

我们	wŏmen	we
我们		we

首先 shǒuxiān first (of all)

来 lái to come

看 kàn to look at

T xià measure word to show the frequency of an action

21.第一点: 学校聘请外教的要求

the first point: the requirements that the schools have when choosing foreign teachers.

第一 dìyī first

点 diǎn point

学校 xuéxiào school

聘请 pìnqǐng to hire

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

的 de used to form a nominal expression

要求 yāoqiú to require

22.下面我列出了四个常见的问题。

The following are four common questions foreigners might have.

下面	xiàmian	the following
我	wŏ	I
列出	lièchū	to list
了	le	completed action marker
四	sì	four
个	gè	classifier for objects in general
常见	chángjiàn	commonly seen
的	de	used after an attribute
问题	wèntí	question

23.我们就来一一看一下。

Let's take a look at them one by one!

我们	wŏmen	we
就	jiù	then
来	lái	to come
	yīyī	one by one
看	kàn	to look at
一下	yīxià	(used after a verb) give it a go

24.1)来自非英语为母语国家的外国人

Can non-native English speakers

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

‡ fēi non-

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

为 wéi as (in the capacity of)

母语 mǔyǔ native language

国家 guójiā country

的 de used to form a nominal expression

外国人 wàiguórén foreigner

25.能在中国找到教英语的工作吗?

find a teaching job in China?

能 néng can

在 zài (to be) in

中国 Zhōngguó China

找到 zhǎodào to find

教 jiāo to teach

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

的 de used to form a nominal expression

工作 gōngzuò job

吗 ma question particle for "yes-no" questions

26.通常国际学校或英语培训机构在招外教时,

In general, international schools or English training schools

通常 tōngcháng normally

国际 guójì international

学校 xuéxiào school

或 huò or

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

培训 péixùn training

机构 jīgòu organization

在 zài in (a place or time)

招 zhāo to recruit

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

时 shí when

27.会优先聘请来自英语为母语国家的外教。

will place priority on hiring native English speakers.

会 huì will

优先 yōuxiān priority

聘请 pìnqǐng to hire

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

为 wéi as

母语 mǔyǔ native language

国家 guójiā country

的 de used to form a nominal expression

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

28.比如:英国,美国,澳大利亚,加拿大,新西兰等等。

For example: England, America, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and so on.

比如 bǐrú for example

英国 Yīngguó United Kingdom

美国 Měiguó United States

澳大利亚 Àodàlìyà Australia

加拿大 Jiānádà Canada

新西兰 Xīnxīlán New Zealand

等等 děngděng and so on ...

29.但由于现在学校对外教的需求量大,

However, because the current demand for foreign teachers is so great,

但 dàn however

由于 yóuyú because

现在 xiànzài nowadays

学校 xuéxiào school

对 duì towards

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

的 de used after an attribute

需求 xūqiú demand

量 liàng amount

大 dà big

30.而符合要求的外教又不够。

and there are not enough English native speakers seeking teaching jobs in China,

前 ér yet (not)

符合 fúhé to accord with

要求 yāoqiú to demand / to require

的 de used to form a nominal expression

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

又 yòu and yet

不够 bùgòu not enough

31.所以有时候对外教国籍的要求不会那么严格。

therefore, the requirement for the teacher being a native English speaker is sometimes not that strict.

所以 suǒyǐ therefore

有时候 yǒushíhou sometimes

对 duì towards

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

国籍 guójí nationality

的 de used after an attribute

要求 yāoqiú to require

不会 bùhuì will not (act, happen etc)

那么 nàme like that

严格 yángé strict

32.只要英语水平高,没有太重的口音,

As long as your English level is high, you don't have a strong accent,

只要 zhǐyào so long as

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

水平 shuǐpíng level

高 gāo high

没有 méiyǒu to not have

太 tài too (much)

重 zhòng heavy

的 de used after an attribute

口音 kǒuyin accent

33.而且对英语语法知识相当熟悉,有教学经验,

you're fairly familar with English grammar and have teaching experience,

而且 érqiě moreover

对 duì towards

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

语法 yǔfǎ grammar

知识 zhīshi knowledge

相当 xiāngdāng fairly

熟悉 shúxī to be familiar with

有 yǒu to have

教学 jiàoxué education

经验 jīngyàn experience

34.那么来自欧洲,非洲,南美洲等国家的外国人,

then people from Europe, Africa, South America and so on

那么 nàme in that case

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

欧洲 Ōuzhōu Europe

非洲 Fēizhōu Africa

南美洲 Nánměizhōu South America

等 děng and so on

国家 guójiā country

的 de used to form a nominal expression

外国人 wàiguórén foreigner

35.也是可以找到教英语的工作的。

can also find an English teaching job.

也 yě also

是 shì is

可以 kěyǐ possible

找到 zhǎodào to find

教 jiāo to teach

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

的 de used to form a nominal expression

工作 gōngzuò job

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

36.可因为大部分学校的广告声称

However, because most schools claim that

可 kě but

因为 yīnwèi because

大部分 dàbùfen in large part

学校 xuéxiào school

的 de used to form a nominal expression

广告 guǎnggào advertisement

声称 shēngchēng to claim

37.他们所有的外教都是来自英语为母语国家的。

all their teachers are from English speaking countries,

他们 tāmen they

所有 suǒyǒu all

的 de used after an attribute

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

都 dōu all

是 shì is

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

为 wéi as

母语 mǔyǔ native language

国家 guójiā country

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

38.所以有的学校可能会

some schools might

所以 suǒyǐ so

有的 yǒude (there are) some

学校 xuéxiào school

可能 kěnéng might (happen)

会 huì will

39.让你们假装是来自其它国家的,比如美国,

ask you to pretend that you're from one of these countries, for example, United States.

让 ràng to let sb do sth

你们 nǐmen you (plural)

假装 jiǎzhuāng to pretend

是 shì is

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

其它 qítā other

国家 guójiā country

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

比如 bǐrú for example

美国 Měiguó United States

40.或假装混血,父母其中一位是来自美国的。

Moreover, they might ask you to pretend that one of your parents is from English speaking country.

或 huò or

假装 jiǎzhuāng to pretend

混血 hùnxuè hybrid

父母 fùmǔ parents

其中 qízhōng among

 \rightarrow yī one

位 wèi classifier for people (honorific)

是 shì is

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

美国 Měiguó United States

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

41.2)需要有教学资格证书吗?比如: TEFL

Is a teaching certificate, like TEFL, needed?

需要 xūyào to need

有 yǒu to have

教学 jiàoxué education

资格 zīgé qualifications

证书 zhèngshū certificate

四 ma (question particle for "yes-no" questions)

比如 bǐrú such as

TEFL

42.一般一线城市的学校对教学资格证书的要求会严格一点。

Usually, schools in first-tier cities will be stricter about teaching certificates.

一般 yībān generally

一线城市 yīxiànchéngshì first-tier city

的 de used after an attribute

学校 xuéxiào school

对 duì towards

教学 jiàoxué education

资格 zīgé qualifications

证书 zhèngshū certificate

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

要求 yāoqiú to require

会 huì will

严格 yángé strict

一点 yīdiǎn a little

43.二线城市或更小的城市要求相对灵活一些。

Second-tier or smaller cities will be more flexible.

二线城市	èrxiànchéngshì	second-tier city
或	huò	or
更	gèng	more
小	xiǎo	small
的	de	used after an attribute
城市	chéngshì	city
要求	yāoqiú	to require
相对	xiāngduì	relatively
灵活	línghuó	flexible
一些	yīxiē	a little

44.有的学校可能会招没有这些证书的外教。

Some schools might hire foreign teachers without certificates,

有的	yŏude	(there are) some
学校	xuéxiào	school
可能	kěnéng	might (happen)
会	huì	will
招	zhāo	to recruit
没有	méiyŏu	to not have
这些	zhèxiē	these
证书	zhèngshū	certificate

的 de used to form a nominal expression

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

45.但多数是会优先聘请有资格证书的外教。

but most of them will give priority to teachers with certificates.

但 dàn but

多数 duōshù most

是 shì are

会 huì will

优先 yōuxiān priority

聘请 pìnqǐng to hire

有 yǒu to have

资格 zīgé qualifications

证书 zhèngshū certificate

的 de used to form a nominal expression

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

46.而且申请工作签证的时候

When you apply for a working visa (in a first-tier city),

而且 érqiě moreover

申请 shēnqǐng to apply for sth

工作 gōngzuò work

签证 qiānzhèng visa

的 de used to form a nominal expression

时候 shíhou time (when)

47.也是要求有教学资格证书的。

a teaching certificate is also required,

也 yě also

是 shì is

要求 yāoqiú to require

有 yǒu to have

教学 jiàoxué education

资格 zīgé qualifications

证书 zhèngshū certificate

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

48.所以有肯定比没有好!

so it's best to have one!

所以 suǒyǐ so

有 yǒu to have

肯定 kěndìng to be sure

比 bǐ to compare

没有 méiyǒu to not have

好 hǎo good

49.3) 需要工作签证吗?

Is a working visa needed?

需要 xūyào to need

工作 gōngzuò work

签证 qiānzhèng visa

四 ma (question particle for "yes-no" questions)

50.不管去哪个国家工作,

Any country you are going to work in

不管 bùguǎn no matter

去 qù to go to (a place)

哪个 nǎge which

国家 guójiā country

工作 gōngzuò to work

51.工作签都是必需的。

requires a working visa for foreigners working in the country.

工作 gōngzuò work

签 qiān visa

都 dōu all

是 shì is

必需 bìxū to require / essential

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

52.中国也不例外!

China is no exception.

中国 Zhōngguó China

也不例外 yěbùlìwài is no exception

53.一般在找到工作后,

Usually after you get a job,

一般 yībān generally

在 zài in (a place or time)

找到 zhǎodào to find

工作 gōngzuò job

后 hòu after

54.学校会帮你办理工作签,

the school that you will teach in will help you get one.

学校 xuéxiào school

会 huì will

帮 bāng to help

你 nǐ you

办理 bànlǐ to handle

工作 gōngzuò work

签 qiān visa

55.但不一定会承担费用。

But they won't necessarily pay for it.

但 dàn but

不一定 bùyīdìng not necessarily

会 huì will

承担 chéngdān to assume (responsibility etc)

费用 fèiyòng cost / expense

56.所以一定要提前问清楚

So you should verify

所以 suǒyǐ so

一定要 yīdìngyào must

提前 tíqián in advance

问 wèn to ask

清楚 qīngchu to be clear about

57.办理工作签证的费用是多少,又是由谁付。

how much is the working visa and who's gonna pay for it.

办理 bànlǐ to handle

工作 gōngzuò work

签证 qiānzhèng visa

的 de used to form a nominal expression

费用 fèiyòng cost

是 shì is

多少	duōshao	how much
又	yòu	also
是	shì	is
由	yóu	by (introduces passive verb)
谁	shéi	who
付	fù	to pay

58.没有正规的工作签证在中国工作是违法的,

It's illegal to work in China without a proper working visa.

没有	méiyŏu	to not have
正规	zhèngguī	according to standards
的	de	used after an attribute
工作	gōngzuò	work
签证	qiānzhèng	visa
在	zài	(to be) in
中国	Zhōngguó	China
工作	gōngzuò	to work
是	shì	is
违法	wéifǎ	illegal
的	de	used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

59.而且也很危险。

It can also be very dangerous!

而且 érqiě (not only ...) but also

也 yě also

很 hěn very

危险 wēixiǎn dangerous

60.被抓到不仅要罚款,

If you get caught, not only will you receive a fine,

被 bèi (indicates passive-voice clauses)

抓 zhuā to catch

到 dào verb complement denoting completion or result of an action

不仅 bùjǐn not only (this one)

要 yào will

罚款 fákuǎn (impose a) fine

61.还有可能会被遣返回国,上黑名单,

but you might also be sent back to your country and be put on a black list,

还 hái also

有可能 yǒukěnéng might

会 huì will

被 bèi indicates passive-voice clauses

遣返 qiǎnfǎn to send back

回国 huíguó to return to one's home country

上 shàng to get onto

黑名单 hēimíngdān blacklist

62.以后都不能来中国工作了。

that will prevent you from working in China again.

以后 yǐhòu in the future

都 dōu all

不能 bùnéng cannot

来 lái to come

中国 Zhōngguó China

工作 gōngzuò to work

7 le modal particle intensifying preceding clause

63.虽然现在确实有很多外国人

Although there are a lot of foreigners

虽然 suīrán although

现在 xiànzài nowadays

确实 quèshí indeed

有 yǒu there are

很 hěn very

多 duō many

外国人 wàiguórén foreigner

64.拿着旅游签,商务签就在中国开始工作赚钱。

working in China with only a travel or business visa,

拿 ná to hold

着 zhe aspect particle indicating action in progress

旅游 lǚyóu travel

签 qiān visa

商务 shāngwù business

签 qiān visa

就 jiù just (emphasis)

在 zài (to be) in

中国 Zhōngguó China

开始 kāishǐ to start

工作 gōngzuò to work

赚钱 zhuànqián to earn money

65.但我是绝对不推荐的。

it's defintely not recommended.

但 dàn but

我 wǒ I

是 shì am

绝对 juéduì absolute

不 bù no

推荐 tuījiàn to recommend

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

66.为了安全还是请大家合法来中国工作!

Please work in China legally for your own safety!

为了	wèile	for the purpose of
安全	ānquán	safety
还是	háishi	had better
请	qǐng	please (do sth)
大家	dàjiā	everyone
合法	héfă	legal
来	lái	to come
中国	Zhōngguó	China
工作	gōngzuò	to work

67.4) 白人会比非白人好找工作吗?

Is it easier for a white person to find a teaching job in China than a non-white person?

白人	báirén	white man or woman
会	huì	will
比	bĭ	to compare
非	fēi	non-
白人	báirén	white man or woman
好	hǎo	easy to
找	zhǎo	to find
工作	gōngzuò	job
吗	ma	question particle for "yes-no" question

68.很不幸!

Unfortunately,

很 hěn very

不幸 bùxìng unfortunately

69.白人在中国找工作确实比非白人有优势。

a white person has more advantages in finding a good teaching job in China compare to a non-white.

白人 báirén white man or woman

在 zài (to be) in

中国 Zhōngguó China

找 zhǎo to look for

工作 gōngzuò job

确实 quèshí indeed

比 bǐ to compare

非 fēi non-

白人 báirén white man or woman

有 yǒu to have

优势 yōushì advantage

70.为什么呢?

Why is that?

为什么 wèishénme why?

71.因为在多数中国人的眼里

Because of Chinese stereotypes of foreigners, most Chinese believe that

因为 yīnwèi because

在 zài (to be) in

多数 duōshù most

中国人 Zhōngguórén Chinese person

的 de ~'s (possessive particle)

眼 yǎn eye

里 lǐ inside

72.来自美国,英国等英语为母语国家的人都是白人,

white people come from English speaking countries

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

美国 Měiguó United States

英国 Yīngguó United Kingdom

等 děng and so on

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

为 wéi as

母语 mǔyǔ native language

国家 guójiā country

的 de used to form a nominal expression

人 rén people

都 dōu all

是 shì is

自人 báirén white man or woman

73.而非白人是来自其它国家的。

and non-whites come from non-English speaking countries.

而 ér and

非 fēi non-

自人 báirén white man or woman

是 shì is

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

其它 qítā other

国家 guójiā country

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

74.比如:黑人都是来自非洲的

For example, all blacks come from Africa,

比如 bǐrú for example

黑人 hēirén black person

都 dōu all

是 shì is

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

非洲 Fēizhōu Africa

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

75.棕色皮肤的人都是来自印度的等等。

all brown people come from India, and so on.

棕色 zōngsè brown

皮肤 pífū skin

的 de used to form a nominal expression

人 rén people

都 dōu all

是 shì is

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

印度 Yìndù India

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

等等 děngděng and so on ...

76.大部分学校或培训机构的卖点是

The main selling point of most English school is that

大部分 dàbùfen the majority

学校 xuéxiào school

或 huò or

培训 péixùn training

机构 jīgòu organization

的 de ~'s (possessive particle)

卖点 màidiǎn selling point

是 shì is

77.他们的外教都是来自英语为母语国家的。

their foreign teachers all come from English speaking countries.

他们 tāmen they

的 de ~'s (possessive particle)

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

都 dōu all

是 shì are

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

为 wéi as

母语 mǔyǔ native language

国家 guójiā country

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

78.所以学校的理想外教是

So their ideal teacher is

所以 suǒyǐ so

学校 xuéxiào school

的 de of

理想 lǐxiǎng ideal

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

是 shì is

79.来自英语为母语国家的金发碧眼的白人。

someone who is from an English speaking country and obviously white.

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

为 wéi as

母语 mǔyǔ native language

国家 guójiā country

的 de used to form a nominal expression

金发碧眼 jīnfàbìyǎn fair-haired and blue-eyed

的 de used to form a nominal expression

白人 báirén white man or woman

80.甚至有些招聘广告上会直接说只招白人。

You will find that even in job ads, employers will sometimes list caucasians as a requirement.

甚至 shènzhì even

有些 yǒuxiē some

招聘 zhāopìn recruitment

广告 guǎnggào advertisement

上 shàng on

会 huì will

直接 zhíjiē directly

说 shuō to say

只 zhǐ only

招 zhāo to recruit

自人 báirén white man or woman

81.只要你是白人,

As long as you're white,

只要 zhǐyào so long as

你 nǐ you

是 shì are

白人 báirén white man or woman

82.不管来自哪个国家,

no matter where you come from,

不管 bùguǎn no matter

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

哪个 nǎge which

国家 guójiā country

83.在中国找工作时都会比非白人有优势。

you will have advantages in finding jobs in China.

在 zài (to be) in

中国 Zhōngguó China

找 zhǎo to look for

工作 gōngzuò job

时 shí when

都 dōu all

会 huì will

比 bǐ to compare

非 fēi non-

自人 báirén white man or woman

有 yǒu to have

优势 yōushì advantage

84.当然, 很多学校在找不到白人外教的时候

Of course, a lot of schools, when they can't find white teachers,

当然 dāngrán of course

很 hěn very

多 duō many

学校 xuéxiào school

在 zài in (a place or time)

找不到 zhǎobudào can't find

自人 báirén white man or woman

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

的 de used to form a nominal expression

时候 shíhou time (when)

85.他们也会接受非白人外教,

will also accept non-whites.

他们 tāmen they

也 yě also

会 huì will

接受 jiēshòu to accept

非 fēi non-

自人 báirén white man or woman

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

86.特别是来自英语为母语国家的非白人。

Especially if the non-white come from an English speaking country.

特别 tèbié especially

是 shì are

来自 láizì to come from (a place)

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

为 wéi as

母语 mǔyǔ native language

国家 guójiā country

的 de used to form a nominal expression

‡ fēi non-

自人 báirén white man or woman

87.长着中国脸的外国人,像ABCs,

Foreigners with Asian faces, like ABCs (American born Chinese)

长 zhǎng to grow

着 zhe aspect particle indicating action in progress

中国 Zhōngguó China

脸 liǎn face

的 de used to form a nominal expression

外国人 wàiguórén foreigner

像 xiàng like

ABCs

88.恐怕是最难找到教英语的工作的。

will find it the hardest to get an English teaching job in China.

恐怕 kǒngpà I'm afraid that...

是 shì is

最 zuì the most

难 nán difficult

找到 zhǎodào to find

教 jiāo to teach

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

的 de used to form a nominal expression

工作 gōngzuò job

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

89.因为外教收费比中国老师贵,

Because foreigners get paid much more than chinese teachers,

因为 yīnwèi because

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

收费 shōufèi to charge a fee

比 bǐ to compare

中国 Zhōngguó China

老师 lǎoshī teacher

贵 guì expensive

90.所以很多家长不愿意接受

a lot of parents have to pay a high tuition fee, so they don't want to accept

所以 suǒyǐ so

很 hěn very

多 duō many

家长 jiāzhǎng parent or guardian of a child

不 bù not

愿意 yuànyì willing (to do sth)

接受 jiēshòu to accept

91.一个英语说得好的"中国人"。

a Chinese-looking English speaker as a teacher.

— yī one

↑ gè classifier for people

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

说 shuō to speak

得 de inserted between a verb and its complement to express

possibility or capability

好 hǎo well

的 de used to form a nominal expression

中国人 Zhōngguórén Chinese person

92.学校也不会冒险招一个长着中国脸的外国人,

So many schools will not take a risk in hiring a Chinese-looking foreigner,

学校 xuéxiào school

也 yě also

不会 bùhuì will not (act, happen etc)

冒险 màoxiǎn to take risks

招 zhāo to recruit

 \rightarrow yī one

↑ gè classifier for people

长 zhǎng to grow

着 zhe aspect particle indicating action in progress

中国 Zhōngguó China

脸 liǎn face

的 de used to form a nominal expression

外国人 wàiguórén foreigner

93.除非没有更好的选择。

unless there are no other choices.

除非 chúfēi unless

没有 méiyǒu to not have

更 gèng more

好 hǎo good

的 de used after an attribute

选择 xuǎnzé choice

94.所以在中国找教英语的工作的难易程度

Therefore, in most cases, the degree of difficulty in finding an English teaching job in China

所以 suǒyǐ so

在 zài (to be) in

中国 Zhōngguó China

找 zhǎo to find

教 jiāo to teach

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

的 de used to form a nominal expression

工作 gōngzuò job

的 de used to form a nominal expression

难易 nányì degree of difficulty or ease

程度 chéngdù degree (level or extent)

95.多数情况下取决于你的肤色和长相。

will depend on your skin color and appearance.

多数 duōshù most

情况 qíngkuàng situation

下 xià below

取决 qǔjué to depend upon

于 yú at

你 nǐ you

的 de ~'s (possessive particle)

肤色 fūsè skin color (race)

和 hé and

长相 zhǎngxiàng appearance

96.我个人并不认为

In my opinion, I feel it's very wrong

我 wǒ I

个人 gèrén personal

并不 bìngbù emphatically not

认为 rènwéi to believe

97.肤色和长相是评判一个老师的标准。

to use skin color or appearance as a hiring standard.

肤色 fūsè skin color (race)

和 hé and

长相 zhǎngxiàng appearance

是 shì is

评判 píngpàn to judge

 \rightarrow y₁ one

† gè classifier for people

老师 lǎoshī teacher

的 de used to form a nominal expression

标准 biāozhǔn (an official) standard

98.英语水平, 教学能力和态度才是最重要的。

A foreigner's English level, teaching ability and attitude is the most important thing.

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

水平 shuǐpíng level (of achievement etc)

教学 jiàoxué education

能力 nénglì ability

和 hé and

态度 tàidu attitude

才 cái only

是 shì are

最 zuì the most

重要 zhòngyào important

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

99.第二点:公立学校对比私人培训机构

The second point: public schools vs private training schools

第二 dì'èr second

点 diǎn point

公立学校 gōnglìxuéxiào public school

对比 duìbǐ to contrast

私人 sīrén private

培训 péixùn training

机构 jīgòu organization

100.公立学校和私人培训机构

Regarding public and private training schools,

公立学校 gōnglìxuéxiào public school

和 hé and

私人 sīrén private

培训 péixùn training

机构 jīgòu organization

101.最大的差别在于上班时间和假期。

the biggest difference is the working hours and the amount of holidays you get.

最 zuì the most

大 dà big

的 de used after an attribute

差别 chābié difference

在于 zàiyú to be in

上班时间 shàngbānshíjiān time of going to work

和 hé and

假期 jiàqī vacation

102.公立学校不需要晚上工作,

In public school, you don't need to work at night.

公立学校 gōnglìxuéxiào public school

不 bù no

需要 xūyào to need

晚上 wǎnshang night

工作 gōngzuò to work

103.周末休息两天,而且有寒暑假。

Also you will have weekends, summer and winter vacations.

周末 zhōumò weekend

休息 xiūxi rest

两 liǎng two

天 tiān day

而且 érqiě (not only ...) but also

有 yǒu to have

寒 hán cold

暑假 shǔjià summer vacation

104.私人培训机构工作的时间

Working hours in private training schools, on the other hand,

私人 sīrén private

培训 péixùn training

机构 jīgòu organization

工作 gōngzuò to work

的 de used to form a nominal expression

时间 shíjiān time

105.通常是下午到晚上,周末全天,

is usually from the afternoon till night and all day on weekends.

通常 tōngcháng usually

是 shì is

下午 xiàwǔ afternoon

到 dào until (a time)

晚上 wǎnshang night

周末 zhōumò weekend

全天 quántiān whole day

106.周一,周二休息。

In private training schools, your days off is usually Mondays and Tuesdays.

周一 Zhōuyī Monday

周二 Zhōu'èr Tuesday

休息 xiūxi rest

107.寒暑假是最忙的时候

Summer and winter vacation time is usually the busiest in private training schools,

寒 hán cold

暑假 shǔjià summer vacation

是 shì is

最 zuì the most

忙 máng busy

的 de used after an attribute

时候 shíhou period

108.所以一般没有假期

so you will need to work the most during this period.

所以 suǒyǐ so

一般 yībān generally

没有 méiyǒu to not have

假期 jiàqī vacation

109.而且私人培训机构除了要求上课,还有坐班时间。

Moreover, in private training schools you will have to keep office hours.

而且	érqiě	moreover
私人	sīrén	private
培训	péixùn	training
机构	jīgòu	organization
除了	chúle	besides
要求	yāoqiú	to request
上课	shàngkè	to go to teach a class
还有	háiyŏu	also
坐班	zuòbān	to work office hours / on duty
时间	shíjiān	time

110.公立学校也可能有,但相对会少一些。

There might be office hours in public schools as well, but relatively less.

公立学校	gōnglìxuéxiào	public school
也	yě	also
可能	kěnéng	might (happen)
有	yŏu	to have
但	dàn	but
相对	xiāngduì	relatively

会 huì will

少 shǎo less

一些 yīxiē some

111.通常私人培训机构的工资比公立学校高,

Generally, the salary is higher in private training schools than in public schools,

通常 tōngcháng normally

私人 sīrén private

培训 péixùn training

机构 jīgòu organization

的 de used to form a nominal expression

工资 gōngzī wages / pay

比 bǐ to compare

公立学校 gōnglìxuéxiào public school

高 gāo high

112.但不提供住宿,需要自己租房住。

but they don't provide apartments. You will need to rent and pay for an apartment yourself,

但 dàn but

不 bù no

提供 tígōng to provide

住宿 zhùsù accommodation

需要 xūyào to need

自己 zìjǐ oneself

租房 zūfáng to rent an apartment

住 zhù to live

113.而公立学校一般都会免费提供不错的公寓。

whereas in public schools, free apartments are usually provided.

而 ér indicates contrast

公立学校 gōnglìxuéxiào public school

一般 yībān generally

都 dōu all

会 huì will

免费 miǎnfèi free (of charge)

提供 tígōng to provide

不错 bùcuò pretty good

的 de used after an attribute

公寓 gōngyù apartment building

114.公立学校的每个班的学生人数一般是40到50个

In public schools, the number of students in each class is usually 40 to 50.

公立学校 gōnglìxuéxiào public school

的 de ~'s (possessive particle)

每 měi each

† gè classifier for objects

班 bān class

的 de used after an attribute

学生 xuésheng student

人数 rénshù number of people

一般 yībān generally

是40 shì are

到50 dào up to

↑ gè classifier for people

115.而私人培训机构包括幼儿园

In private training schools, including their kindergardens

而 ér indicates contrast

私人 sīrén private

培训 péixùn training

机构 jīgòu organization

包括 bāokuò to include

幼儿园 yòu'éryuán kindergarten

116.每个班的学生人数一般不会超过15个

the number of students in each class won't usually be more than 15.

每 měi each

† gè classifier for objects

班 bān class

的 de used to form a nominal expression

学生 xuésheng student

人数 rénshù number of people

一般 yībān generally

不会 bùhuì will not (act, happen etc)

超过15 chāoguò to surpass / to exceed

† gè classifier for people

117.私人培训机构除了教小孩,也有教成人的。

There are also adult English private traning schools.

私人 sīrén private

培训 péixùn training

机构 jīgòu organization

除了 chúle apart from (... also...)

教 jiāo to teach

小孩 xiǎohái child

也 yě also

有 yǒu to have

教 jiāo to teach

成人 chéngrén adult

的 de used to form a nominal expression

118.如果你希望能与学生沟通,交到朋友,

If you want to communicate with students and make friends,

如果 rúguǒ if

你 nǐ you

希望 xīwàng to wish for

能 néng to be able to

与 yǔ together with

学生 xuésheng student

沟通 gōutōng to communicate

交 jiāo to make friends

到 dào verb complement denoting completion or result of an action

朋友 péngyou friend

119.那可以考虑去成人英语培训机构。

then adult English private training schools are the best places to go to.

那 nà then (in that case)

可以 kěyǐ can

考虑 kǎolǜ to consider

去 qù to go

成人 chéngrén adult

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

培训 péixùn training

机构 jīgòu organization

120.不过他们对外教的标准可能会高一些。

However, their requirements towards hiring foreign teachers might be higher.

不过 bùguò but

他们 tāmen they

对 duì towards

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

的 de used to form a nominal expression

标准 biāozhǔn (an official) standard

可能 kěnéng might (happen)

会 huì will

高 gāo high

一些 yīxiē a little

121.每个类型的学校都各有优劣势。

Every type of school has its pros and cons,

每 měi every

† gè classifier for objects

类型 lèixíng type

的 de used to form a nominal expression

学校 xuéxiào school

都 dōu all

各 gè each

有 yǒu to have

优劣 yōuliè good and bad

势 shì situation

122.所以就看你想要什么了。

so it just depends on what you want.

所以 suǒyǐ so

就 jiù just (emphasis)

看 kàn to depend on

你 nǐ you

想要 xiǎngyào to want to

什么 shénme what?

7 le modal particle intensifying preceding clause

123.第三点: 教哪个年龄段的学生?

The third point: Which age group of students to teach?

第 dì prefix indicating ordinal number

 \equiv sān three

点 diǎn point

教 jiāo to teach

哪个 nǎge which

年龄 niánlíng (a person's) age

段 duàn section

的 de used to form a nominal expression

学生 xuésheng student

124.越小的学生越需要精力和耐心,

The younger the students are, the more energy and patiences is required from the teacher,

越 yuè the more... the more

小 xiǎo young

的 de used after an attribute

学生 xuésheng student

越 yuè the more... the more

需要 xūyào to need

精力 jīnglì energy

和 hé and

耐心 nàixīn patience

125.所以幼儿园的孩子是最耗精力的。

so teaching kids in kindergardens will require the most energy.

所以 suǒyǐ so

幼儿园 yòu'éryuán kindergarten

的 de used after an attribute

孩子 háizi child

是 shì is

最 zuì the most

耗 hào to spend

精力 jīnglì energy

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

126.但幼儿园对外教的英语水平要求不会那么高,

However, the standard of English level for the English teacher won't be that high.

但 dàn however

幼儿园 yòu'éryuán kindergarten

对 duì towards

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

的 de ~'s (possessive particle)

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

水平 shuǐpíng level (of achievement etc)

要求 yāoqiú to require

不会 bùhuì will not (act, happen etc)

那么 nàme so very much

高 gāo high

127.重点是要会玩游戏,有耐心,

You will need to play games with them and be patient,

重点 zhòngdiǎn important point / focus

是 shì is

要 yào must

会 huì to be able to

玩 wán to play

游戏 yóuxì game

有 yǒu to have

耐心 nàixīn patience

128.让他们开口说简单的英语,

and encourage them open their mouths to speak simple English.

让 ràng to let sb do sth

他们 tāmen they

开口 kāikǒu to open one's mouth

说 shuō to speak

简单 jiǎndān simple

的 de used after an attribute

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

129.而且在幼儿园工作有双休日和寒暑假,

You will be able to have weekends, summer and winter vacations teaching in kindergardens as oppose to teaching to other age groups in private training schools.

而且 érqiě in addition

在 zài (to be) in

幼儿园 yòu'éryuán kindergarten

工作 gōngzuò to work

有 yǒu to have

双休日 shuāngxiūrì two-day weekend

和 hé and

寒 hán cold

暑假 shǔjià summer vacation

130.工资一般都还不错。

The salary working in kindergardens is usually very high.

工资 gōngzī wages / pay

一般 yībān generally

都 dōu all

还 hái fairly

不错 bùcuò pretty good

131.小学和初中的学生稍微大一点,

Students in primary and middle schools are a little bit older,

小学 xiǎoxué primary school

和 hé and

初中 chūzhōng junior high school

的 de used to form a nominal expression

学生 xuésheng student

稍微 shāowēi a little bit

大 dà older (than)

一点 yīdiǎn a bit

132.需要学的知识也会复杂一点,

so the knowledge they need to learn will be a bit more advanced.

需要 xūyào to need

学 xué to learn

的 de used to form a nominal expression

知识 zhīshi knowledge

也 yě also

会 huì will

复杂 fùzá complicated

一点 yīdiǎn a little

133.所以学校会要求外教在课前准备好教案。

The school will require foreign teachers to prepare lesson plans before classes,

所以 suǒyǐ so

学校 xuéxiào school

会 huì will

要求 yāoqiú to ask

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

在 zài in (a place or time)

课 kè class

前 qián before

准备 zhǔnbèi to prepare

好 hǎo suffix indicating completion or readiness

教案 jiào'àn lesson plan

134.而且这个年龄的学生都比较调皮,

and this age group of students are usually very naughty,

而且 érqiě (not only ...) but also

这个 zhège this

年龄 niánlíng (a person's) age

的 de used to form a nominal expression

学生 xuésheng student

都 dōu all

比较 bǐjiào quite

调皮 tiáopí naughty

135.可能也不是很好管理。

so they might be hard to manage.

可能 kěnéng might (happen)

也 yě also

不是 bùshì is not

很 hěn very

好 hǎo easy to

管理 guǎnlǐ to manage

136.高中的学生有高考的压力,

High school students have the pressure of the GaoKao,

高中 gāozhōng senior high school

的 de used after an attribute

学生 xuésheng student

有 yǒu to have

高考 gāokǎo college entrance exam

的 de used after an attribute

压力 yālì pressure

137.所以重点会放在考试技巧和语法上。

so they will need to focus more on learning English grammar.

所以 suǒyǐ so

重点 zhòngdiǎn to focus on / focus

会 huì will

放 fàng to put

在 zài (to be) in

考试 kǎoshì to take an exam

技巧 jìqiǎo technique

和 hé and

语法 yǔfǎ grammar

上 shàng upon

138.同样地需要准备教案,

This means you will also need to prepare lesson plans.

同样 tóngyàng same

地 de structural particle: used before a verb or adjective, linking it to

preceding modifying adverbial adjunct

需要 xūyào to need

准备 zhǔnbèi to prepare

教案 jiào'àn lesson plan

139.但他们相比小孩子会好管理一些。

However, comparing to younger students, they will be much easier to manage.

但 dàn but

他们 tāmen they

相比 xiāngbǐ to compare

小孩子 xiǎoháizi child

会 huì will

好 hǎo easy to

管理 guǎnlǐ to manage

一些 yīxiē a little

140.最后是大学生,这应该是最轻松的,

The last age group is university students, they should be the easiest to teach,

最后 zuìhòu last

是 shì is

大学生 dàxuéshēng university student

这 zhè this

应该 yīnggāi should

是 shì is

最 zuì the most

轻松 qīngsōng relaxed / effortless

的 de used after an attribute

141.因为工作时间是最少的,

because you will not have a lot of working hours.

因为 yīnwèi because

工作时间 gōngzuòshíjiān working hours

是 shì is

最少 zuìshǎo lowest (amount)

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

142.也需要准备教案,但比较灵活,

You will still need to prepare lesson plans, but it's more flexible,

也 yě also

需要 xūyào to need

准备 zhǔnbèi to prepare

教案 jiào'àn lesson plan

但 dàn but

比较 bǐjiào relatively

灵活 línghuó flexible

143.不像教小孩那么严格。

ant not as strict as teaching younger kids.

不 bù not

像 xiàng to be like

教 jiāo to teach

小孩 xiǎohái child

那么 nàme so very much

严格 yángé strict

144.而且教小孩很难跟他们建立友情,

In addition, you can't build any relationships with kids,

而且 érqiě (not only ...) but also

教 jiāo to teach

小孩 xiǎohái child

很 hěn very

难 nán difficult (to...)

跟 gēn with

他们 tāmen they

建立 jiànlì to establish

友情 yǒuqíng friendship

145.大学生可以跟你做朋友,

but you can makes friends with university students,

大学生 dàxuéshēng university student

可以 kěyǐ can

跟 gēn with

你 nǐ you

做 zuò to make

朋友 péngyou friend

146.讨论有意思的话题,

and discuss about interesting topics.

讨论 tǎolùn to discuss

有意思 yǒuyìsi interesting

的 de used after an attribute

话题 huàtí topic

147.他们也不会像小孩子那么调皮,

They won't be as naughty as kids,

他们 tāmen they

也 yě also

不会 bùhuì will not (act, happen etc)

像 xiàng to be like

小孩子 xiǎoháizi child

那么 nàme so very much

调皮 tiáopí naughty

148.所以会轻松很多。

so you will have an easier time managing them.

所以 suǒyǐ so

会 huì will

轻松 qīngsōng relaxed / effortless

很 hěn very

多 duō much

149.唯一的缺点就是工资会少很多,

The only disadvantage about teaching university is that the salary will be much lower,

唯一 wéiyī only

的 de used after an attribute

缺点 quēdiǎn disadvantage

就 jiù just (emphasis)

是 shì is

工资 gōngzī wages / pay

会 huì will

少 shǎo less

很 hěn quite

多 duō a lot of

150.但学校会提供一个不错的公寓。

but the university will provide a nice apartment.

但 dàn but

学校 xuéxiào school

会 huì will

提供 tígōng to provide

 \rightarrow y \bar{i} one

† gè classifier for objects

不错 bùcuò pretty good

的 de used after an attribute

公寓 gōngyù apartment building

151.第四点: 去一线城市还是二线城市?

The four point: first-tier cities or second-tier cities?

第 dì prefix indicating ordinal number

四 sì four

点 diǎn point

去 qù to go to (a place)

一线城市 yīxiànchéngshì first-tier city

还是 háishi or

二线城市 èrxiànchéngshì second-tier city

152.一线城市的工资会比二线城市的高一点,

The salary in first-tier cities will usually be higher than in second-tier cities,

一线城市 yīxiànchéngshì first-tier city

的 de used after an attribute

工资 gōngzī wages / pay

会 huì will

比 bǐ to compare

二线城市 èrxiànchéngshì second-tier city

的 de used after an attribute

高 gāo high

一点 yīdiǎn a little

153.但对外教的要求也会比二线城市严格些!

but the requirements will be stricter.

但 dàn but

对 duì towards

外教 wàijiào foreign teacher

的 de ~'s (possessive particle)

要求 yāoqiú to require

也 yě also

会 huì will

比 bǐ to compare

二线城市 èrxiànchéngshì second-tier city

严格 yángé strict

些 xiē measure word indicating a small amount or small

number (greater than 1)

154.好,关于挑选工作的四个点已经讨论完了

Alright, we finished talking about the four points you need to consider when selecting a job.

好 hǎo well

关于 guānyú about

挑选 tiāoxuǎn to select

工作 gōngzuò job

的 de used to form a nominal expression

四 sì four

† gè classifier for objects

点 diǎn point

已经 yǐjīng already

讨论 tǎolùn to discuss

完了 wánle to be finished

155.那接下来这个部分是关于生活的

The next part will be about living conditions.

那 nà then (in that case)

接下来 jiēxiàlái next

这个 zhège this

部分 bùfen part

是 shì is

关于 guānyú about

生活 shēnghuó livelihood

156.也是非常重要的哦!

This will also be very important!

de

也 yě also

是 shì is

非常 fēicháng very

重要 zhòngyào important

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

或 sentence-final particle that conveys informality, warmth,

friendliness or intimacy

157.这个部分也有四个关键点

This part also has four key points.

这个 zhège this

部分 bùfen part

也 yě also

有 yǒu to have

四 sì four

† gè classifier for objects

关键 guānjiàn key

点 diǎn point

1.一线城市还是二线城市?

1.First-tier or second-tier cities?

- 2.天气
- 2.weather
- 3.空气污染
- 3. Air pollution
- 4.网络
- 4. Internet

158.好,我们现在来看下

Okay, let's take a look at

好 hǎo well

我们 wŏmen we

现在 xiànzài now

来 lái used before a verb, indicating an suggested action

看 kàn to look at

T xià measure word to show the frequency of an action

159.第一点:一线城市还是二线城市?

the first point: first-tier or second tier cities?

第一 dìyī first

点 diǎn point

一线城市 yīxiànchéngshì first-tier city

还是 háishi or

二线城市 èrxiànchéngshì second-tier city

160.一线城市的工资高,

The salary in first-tier cities is higher,

一线城市 yīxiànchéngshì first-tier city

的 de used after an attribute

工资 gōngzī wages / pay

高 gāo high

161.但生活水平也高,房租贵。

but the living cost is also higher, especially the rent.

但 dàn but

生活水平 shēnghuóshuǐpíng living standards

也 yě also

高 gāo high

房租 fángzū rent for a room or house

贵 guì expensive

162.所以如果你不想把一半的工资都花在房租上,

So if you don't want to spend half of your salary on the rent,

所以 suǒyǐ so

如果 rúguǒ if

你 nǐ you

不想 bùxiǎng do not want

把 bǎ particle marking the following noun as a direct object

一半 yībàn half

的 de used after an attribute

工资 gōngzī wages / pay

都 dōu all

花 huā to spend (money, time)

在 zài in

房租 fángzū rent for a room or house

上 shàng upon

163.那可能需要被迫跟别人合租,

you might need to share an apartment with others.

那 nà then (in that case)

可能 kěnéng might (happen)

需要 xūyào to need

被迫 bèipò to be forced to

跟 gēn with

别人 biéren other people

合租 hézū co-renting

164.那就意味着你可能会碰到

This means you might have

那 nà that

就 jiù then

意味着 yìwèizhe to mean

你 nǐ you

可能 kěnéng might (happen)

会 huì will

碰到 pèngdào to run into / to meet

165.不讲卫生,吵闹,没有礼貌的室友。

roommates that are dirty, noisy or not considerate.

不 bù not

讲卫生 jiǎngwèishēng pay attention to hygiene

吵闹 chǎonào noisy

没有 méiyǒu to not have

礼貌 lǐmào courtesy / manners

的 de used to form a nominal expression

室友 shìyǒu roommate

166.而二线城市虽然工资低一点,

Whereas in second-tier cities, the salary is lower,

前 ér indicates contrast

二线城市 èrxiànchéngshì second-tier city

虽然 suīrán even though

工资 gōngzī wages / pay

低 dī low

一点 yīdiǎn a little

167.但你能享受一个人自由快乐地

but you will be able to enjoy a happier time

但 dàn but

你 nǐ you

能 néng to be able to

享受 xiǎngshòu to enjoy

一个人 yīgèrén by oneself (without assistance)

自由 zìyóu free

快乐 kuàilè happy

地 de structural particle: used before a verb or adjective, linking it to preceding modifying adverbial adjunct

168.住在自己的公寓里。

living in your own apartment.

住 zhù to live

在 zài (to be) in

自己 zìjǐ one's own

的 de ~'s (possessive particle)

公寓 gōngyù apartment

里 lǐ inside

169.吃的也会便宜些

Food will also be cheaper.

吃的	chīde	food
也	yě	also
会	huì	will
便宜	piányi	cheap
些	xiē	measure word indicating a small amount or small number
(greater than 1))	

170.一线城市里,外国人会多一些,

In addition, there are more foreigners in first-tier cities,

一线城市	yīxiànchéngshì	first-tier city
里	lĭ	inside
外国人	wàiguórén	foreigner
会	huì	will
多	duō	more
一些	yīxiē	a little

171.容易交到会说英语的朋友。

and it's easier to make Chinese and other foreign friends that can speak English.

容易	róngyì	easy
交	jiāo	to make friends
到	dào	verb complement denoting completion or result of an action
会	huì	can
说	shuō	to speak

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

的 de used to form a nominal expression

朋友 péngyou friend

172.很多咖啡厅、餐厅的服务员

Waiters and waitresses in a lot of foreign coffee shops and foreign restaurants.

很 hěn quite

多 duō a lot of

咖啡厅 kāfēitīng coffee shop

餐厅 cāntīng restaurant

的 de used to form a nominal expression

服务员 fúwùyuán waiter / waitress

173.都能说一些基本的英文,

can speak some basic English.

都 dōu all

能 néng can

说 shuō to speak

一些 yīxiē a little

基本 jīběn basic

的 de used after an attribute

英文 Yīngwén English (language)

174.所以不想花时间学汉语的人

So for people who don't wanna spend a lot of time studying Mandarin,

所以 suǒyǐ so

不想 bùxiǎng do not want

花时间 huāshíjiān to spend time

学 xué to learn

汉语 Hànyǔ Chinese language

的 de used to form a nominal expression

人 rén people

175.可以选择留在一线城市。

it would be best for them to choose a first-tier city.

可以 kěyǐ can

选择 xuǎnzé to select / to pick

留 liú to stay

在 zài (to be) in

一线城市 yīxiànchéngshì first-tier city

176.如果你的目的是

However, if one of your purposes for living in China is

如果 rúguǒ if

你 nǐ you

的 de ~'s (possessive particle)

目的 mùdì purpose

是 shì is

177.要找一个需要被迫学习汉语的地方,

to look for a place that you will be forced to learn Mandarin,

要 yào to want

找 zhǎo to find

→ yī one

↑ gè classifier for objects

需要 xūyào to need

被迫 bèipò to be forced

学习 xuéxí to learn

汉语 Hànyǔ Chinese language

的 de used to form a nominal expression

地方 dìfang place

178.那二线城市会更好一点。

then going to a second-tier city will be better,

那 nà then (in that case)

二线城市 èrxiànchéngshì second-tier city

会 huì will

更 gèng more

好 hǎo good

一点 yīdiǎn a little

179.因为在二线城市,相对来说,

because in second-tier cities,

因为 yīnwèi because

在 zài (to be) in

二线城市 èrxiànchéngshì second-tier city

相对 xiāngduì relatively

来说 láishuō to interpret a topic (from a certain point of view)

180.外国人和会说英语的中国人会少一些,

there are relatively less foreigners and Chinese who can speak English.

外国人 wàiguórén foreigner

和 hé and

会 huì can

说 shuō to speak

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

的 de used to form a nominal expression

中国人 Zhōngguórén Chinese person

会 huì will

少 shǎo less

一些 yīxiē a little

181.你能避免交太多会说英语的朋友

In second-tier cities, you will be able to avoid situations where you don't have opportunities

你 nǐ you

能 néng to be able to

避免 bìmiǎn to avoid

交 jiāo to make friends

太 tài too (much)

多 duō many

会 huì can

说 shuō to speak

英语 Yīngyǔ English (language)

的 de used to form a nominal expression

朋友 péngyou friend

182.而没有练习汉语的机会。

to practice Mandarin because you have too many English speaking friends.

而 ér and so

没有 méiyǒu to not have

练习 liànxí practice

汉语 Hànyǔ Chinese language

的 de used to form a nominal expression

机会 jīhuì opportunity

183.而且每次去超市购物,餐厅,理发,等

Also every time you go to supermarkets, restaurants, or barber shops,

而且 érqiě (not only ...) but also

每次 měicì every time

去 qù to go to (a place)

超市 chāoshì supermarket

购物 gòuwù shopping

餐厅 cāntīng restaurant

理发 lǐfà a barber

等 děng and so on

184.都需要会说一些基本的汉语。

you will need to speak some basic Mandarin.

都 dōu all

需要 xūyào to need

会 huì to be able to

说 shuō to speak

一些 yīxiē some

基本 jīběn basic

的 de used after an attribute

汉语 Hànyǔ Chinese language

185.三线或更小的城市是不推荐的,

Third-tier cities or smaller cities are not recommended,

三线	sānxiàn	third-tier
或	huò	or
更	gèng	more
小	xiǎo	small
的	de	used after an attribute
城市	chéngshì	city
是	shì	is
不	bù	not
推荐	tuījiàn	to recommend

186.因为小城市的外来人口少,

because there are too few immigrants in these small cities.

因为	yīnwèi	because
小	xiǎo	small
城市	chéngshì	city
的	de	used to form a nominal expression
外来	wàilái	foreign / outside
人口	rénkŏu	people
少	shǎo	few

187.他们都听得懂方言,

In these small cities, people are used to speaking their local dialect,

他们 tāmen they

都 dōu all

听得懂 tīngdedŏng to understand (by hearing)

方言 fāngyán dialect

188.所以他们没有必要讲普通话。

hence they don't need to speak Mandarin.

所以 suǒyǐ so

他们 tāmen they

没有 méiyǒu to not have

必要 bìyào necessary

讲 jiǎng to speak

普通话 pǔtōnghuà Mandarin (common language)

189.那么对于想学汉语的人,

For people who want to learn Mandarin,

那么 nàme so

对于 duìyú as far as sth is concerned

想 xiǎng to want

学 xué to learn

汉语 Hànyǔ Chinese language

的 de used to form a nominal expression

人 rén people

190.不是很有帮助,

this situation is not helpful.

不是 bùshì is not

很 hěn very

有帮助 yǒubāngzhù helpful

191.也会让你们觉得很受打击,

Furthermore, this situation might discourage you,

也 yě also

会 huì will

让 ràng to let sb do sth

你们 nǐmen you

觉得 juéde to feel

很 hěn very

受 shòu to suffer

打击 dǎjī to hit / to discourage

192.因为很多人可能听不懂你说的普通话,

because many people might not be able to understand your Mandarin,

因为	yīnwèi	because
很	hěn	quite
多	duō	a lot of
人	rén	people

可能 kěnéng might (happen)

听不懂 tīngbudŏng unable to make sense of what one is hearing

你 nǐ you

说 shuō to say

的 de used to form a nominal expression

普通话 pǔtōnghuà Mandarin (common language)

193.你也听不懂他们的方言。

and you won't be able to understand their dialect.

你 nǐ you

也 yě also

听不懂 tīngbudŏng unable to make sense of what one is hearing

他们 tāmen they

的 de ~'s (possessive particle)

方言 fāngyán dialect

194.还有购买西方食物,

Now let's talk about finding western food.

还有 háiyǒu also

购买 gòumǎi to buy

西方 Xīfāng the West

食物 shíwù food

195.大家都知道在中国存在一些食品安全的问题,

It's well known that there is a food safety problem in China,

大家 dàjiā everyone

都 dōu all

知道 zhīdào to know

在 zài (to be) in

中国 Zhōngguó China

存在 cúnzài to exist

一些 yīxiē some

食品 shípǐn food

安全 ānquán safety

的 de used to form a nominal expression

问题 wèntí issue

196.比如地沟油,

for example, sewer oil,

比如 bǐrú for example

地沟油 dìgōuyóu gutter oil

197.所以自己做饭会安全健康一点。

so it will be safer and healthier to cook for yourself.

所以 suǒyǐ so

自己 zìjǐ oneself

做饭 zuòfàn to cook

会 huì will

安全 ānquán safe

健康 jiànkāng health

一点 yīdiǎn a little

198.我也是喜欢自己做饭,吃得放心点!

I like to cook myself, I feel safer doing this.

我 I wŏ

也 yě also

是 is shì

喜欢 xĭhuan to like

自己 zìjĭ oneself

做饭 zuòfàn to cook

吃 chī to eat

得 de structural particle: used after a verb (or adjective as main verb), phrase indicating effect, degree,

linking it to following

possibility etc

to feel relieved 放心 fàngxīn

点 diǎn a little

199.一线城市相比二线城市,

If you live in a first-tier city,

yīxiànchéngshì first-tier city 一线城市

相比 xiāngbǐ to compare

二线城市 èrxiànchéngshì second-tier city

200.购买西方食材的地方会多一些。

you will be able to find more places where you can buy western food.

购买 gòumǎi to buy

西方 Xīfāng the West

食 shí food

材 cái material

的 de used to form a nominal expression

地方 dìfang place

会 huì will

多 duō more

一些 yīxiē a little

201.而且偶尔懒,不想自己下厨,

Moreover, when you don't feel like cooking,

而且 érqiě moreover

偶尔 ǒu'ěr occasionally

懒 lǎn lazy

不想 bùxiǎng do not want

自己 zìjǐ oneself

下厨 xiàchú to cook

202.一线城市的外国餐厅也会多一些。

there will be more foreign restaturants available in first-tier cities.

一线城市	yīxiànchéngshì	first-tier city
的	de	used after an attribute
外国	wàiguó	foreign (country)
餐厅	cāntīng	restaurant
也	yě	also
会	huì	will
多	duō	more
一些	yīxiē	a little

203.第二点: 天气

The second point: weather

第二	dì'èr	second
点	diǎn	point
天气	tiānqì	weather

204.中国各个城市的夏天都差不多,很热,

In summertime, the temperature is almost the same in every city in China - very hot!

中国	Zhōngguó	China
各个	gègè	every
城市	chéngshì	city
的	de	of

夏天 xiàtiān summer

都 dōu all

差不多 chàbuduō about the same

很 hěn very

热 rè hot (of weather)

205.但冬天却是非常不同。

However, the temperature is not the same in every city in the wintertime.

但 dàn but

冬天 dōngtiān winter

却是 quèshì nevertheless

非常 fēicháng very

不同 bùtóng different

206.比如南方城市深圳,

For example, in Shenzhen, a southern city,

比如 bǐrú for example

南方 nánfāng the southern part of the country

城市 chéngshì city / town

深圳 Shēnzhèn Shenzhen

207.冬天是湿冷,而且没有暖气,

they have a wet cold with no central heating systems,

冬天 dōngtiān winter

是 shì is

湿 shī moist / wet

冷 lěng cold

而且 érqiě (not only ...) but also

没有 méiyǒu to not have

暖气 nuǎnqì central heating

208.所以冬天会很不好受。

so it's a little hard in the winter time.

所以 suǒyǐ so

冬天 dōngtiān winter

会 huì will

很 hěn very

不好受 bùhǎoshòu unpleasant / hard to take

209.北方家家户户都有暖气,

In the north, every family has central heating provided by the government,

北方 běifāng the northern part a country

家家户户 jiājiāhùhù each and every family (idiom)

都 dōu all

有 yǒu to have

暖气 nuǎnqì central heating

210.所以在北方的冬天可能会好过一些,

so winters (in apartments) are a little bit easier in the north,

所以 suǒyǐ so

在 zài (to be) in

北方 běifāng north

的 de used after an attribute

冬天 dōngtiān winter

可能 kěnéng might (happen)

会 huì will

好过 hǎoguò to have an easy time

一些 yīxiē a little

211.但空气很干燥!

and the north has dry winters.

但 dàn but

空气 kōngqì air

很 hěn very

干燥 gānzào dry (of weather, paint, cement etc)

212.第三点: 空气污染

The third point: air pollution

第 dì prefix indicating ordinal number

 \equiv sān three

点 diǎn point

空气污染 kōngqìwūrǎn air pollution

213.在中国,一般北方城市的空气质量

In China, the air quality in northern cities

在 zài (to be) in

中国 Zhōngguó China

一般 yībān generally

北方 běifāng the northern part a country

城市 chéngshì city

的 de of

空气 kōngqì air

质量 zhìliàng quality

214.会比南方城市的差一些,

is usually be worse than in southern cities,

숲 huì will

比 bǐ to compare / to contrast

南方 nánfāng the southern part of the country

城市 chéngshì city

的 de of

差 chà poor

一些 yīxiē a little

215.因为北方有暖气系统,

because of the northern heating system.

因为 yīnwèi because

北方 běifāng north

有 yǒu to have

暖气 nuǎnqì central heating

系统 xìtǒng system

216.所以如果你担心这个问题,

So if you worry about pollution,

所以 suǒyǐ so

如果 rúguǒ if

你 nǐ you

担心 dānxīn to worry

这个 zhège this

问题 wèntí problem

217.可以在做决定之前,

before you make any decisions,

可以 kěyǐ can

在 zài in (a place or time)

做 zuò to make

决定 juédìng decision

之前

zhīqián

before

218.先查一下各个城市的空气质量。

you should check the air quality in the cities you're considering working in.

in advance

先 xiān

查 chá to check

一下 yīxià used after a verb) give it a go

各个 gègè every

城市 chéngshì city

的 de of

空气 kōngqì air

质量 zhìliàng quality

219.据我所知,广东省的空气还不错!

As far as I know, the air in Guangdong province is not bad!

据 jù according to

我 wǒ I

所知 suǒzhī what one knows

广东省 Guǎngdōng Shěng Guangdong province

的 de of

空气 kōngqì air

还 hái fairly

不错 bùcuò pretty good

220.第四点: 网络

The final point: internet

第 dì prefix indicating ordinal number

四 sì four

点 diǎn point

网络 Wǎngluò Internet

221.中国的网络情况跟其它国家不一样,

The internet situation in China is different from other countries.

中国 Zhōngguó China

的 de ~'s (possessive particle)

网络 Wǎngluò Internet

情况 qíngkuàng situation

跟 gēn as (compared to)

其它 qítā other

国家 guójiā country

不一样 bùyīyàng different

222.很多国外网站在中国是被禁了的,

A lot of foreign websites are censored in China,

很 hěn quite

多 duō a lot of

国外 guówài foreign

网站 wǎngzhàn website

在 zài (to be) in

中国 Zhōngguó China

是 shì is

被禁 bèijìn forbidden

了 le completed action marker

的 de used at the end of a declarative sentence for emphasis

223.比如: Youtube, facebook, twitter等。

for example, Youtube, facebook, twitter and so on.

比如 bǐrú such as

Youtube, facebook, twitter

等等 děngděng and so on

224.你可以购买VPN翻墙软件,

You can buy VPN, a software that will allow you to access these websites.

你 nǐ you

可以 kěyǐ can

购买 gòumǎi to buy

VPN

翻墙 fānqiáng to breach the Great Firewall of China

软件 ruǎnjiàn (computer) software

225.但有的软件不稳定,经常断线

But some are not stable,

但 dàn but

有的 yǒude (there are) some (who are...)

软件 ruǎnjiàn (computer) software

不稳定 bùwěndìng unstable

经常 jīngcháng constantly

断线 duànxiàn (telephone or Internet connection) disconnected

226.有的呢相对稳定一些,

some are reletively more stable.

有的 yǒude (there are) some (who are...)

呢 ne used to mark a pause

相对 xiāngduì relatively

稳定 wěndìng stable

一些 yīxiē a little

227.所以要慎重选择VPN公司!

So you need to be careful with the company you buy from.

所以 suǒyǐ so

要 yào must

慎重 shènzhòng careful

选择 xuǎnzé to select

VPN

公司 gōngsī (business) company