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**Speaking Independent Tasks 口语独立题**➤ **Task 1****[Question]**

**Your department has decided to give students a final evaluation, which one of the following do you think is the best?**

**A. A long research project**

**B. An oral presentation**

**C. A written examination**

**[Response]**

If my department were to give students a final evaluation, I'd hope for a long research project. As daunting as that sounds, knowing how to do research is really important in this day and age. Things like choosing a topic, looking at and combining different sources, developing your thesis and argument—they're all very useful skills to have and they show that you truly understand a subject.

Also, there's a lot of room for originality and creativity in a research project. I can basically research anything I want to about a subject, and some of the coolest research projects began with wild or far-fetched ideas. Like, did you know that best friends actually share the same brain waves when they watch random video clips? To sum up, it would just be really interesting to get involved in a long research project.

➤ **Task 2**

**[Question]**

**Your university is going to give out a scholarship of \$5000. Who do you think should receive the scholarship, students with high academic performance or students that need financial aid?**

**[Response]**

I think students that need financial aid should receive the scholarship. First off, my university is an expensive private college and most people who can afford to attend come from pretty wealthy families. So, it's not really fair for students from poor backgrounds who don't have the financial means to attend. I guess to start leveling the playing field; my university should give out the scholarship to students who actually need the money.

On top of that, students with high academic performance usually come from

well-off families anyway. Unlike poor students, their families have the money to sign them up for all sorts of test prep and extracurricular classes or enroll them in top-notch private schools. Poor students don't have those privileges, and I think it's about time to pay attention to their needs.

### **Writing Independent Task 写作独立题**

#### **[Question]**

**Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? The most important goal of education today is to teach people how to educate themselves.**

#### **[Response]**

In our contemporary society, the true objective of education has been hotly contested. While advocates of traditional education emphasize the value of teaching facts and knowledge, others think that the ultimate goal should be to teach the skills needed to educate oneself. I believe that while the former is important in laying a groundwork of knowledge, the chief aim of education should be to teach people how to educate themselves beyond the confines of a classroom.

First, teachers that demonstrate the value of self-directed learning motivate students to become more engaged and invested in their own education. In contrast, teachers that lecture continuously at students may cause them to

lose focus and not understand the purpose of what's being taught. Since students are often overloaded with information to memorize for exams, learning itself becomes a tedious chore. For example, my literature teacher in ninth grade taught us strictly to recite verses from ancient texts and memorize lists of technical terms. This was in stark contrast to my teacher in tenth grade, who asked us to choose our own research topics and encouraged using multiple resources to dig deeper into whatever sparked our interest. My classmates and I generally thought that the second teaching method was much more effective because our learning was fueled by our own curiosity, and the research skills that we acquired are still valuable to us today.

What's more, learning clearly does not stop in the classroom. For one thing, if teachers neglect to teach students the skills they need to continue educating themselves, then students are likely to struggle when they leave school and enter the workforce. Nowadays, many careers require people to quickly adapt to a new and changing environment, increase their professional knowledge base, and implement critical thinking skills to make informed decisions. If someone knows the most effective ways to teach themselves in any setting, then they will have a significant competitive edge. For another, the world is progressing at a rapid pace with profound cultural, social, and technological changes. To keep up with these new developments, people must learn to think in completely new and different ways. If someone has an open and inquisitive

mind as well as the ability to teach themselves new modes of thinking, then they will have a better chance of adjusting to the shifting global landscape.

In conclusion, I certainly agree that the primary goal of education should be to teach people how to educate themselves. After all, self-directed learning instills in students the intrinsic motivation to broaden their minds and become flexible and adaptive thinkers.

### 范文分析

### 高分词组

hotly contested	激烈地竞争
to lay a groundwork	奠定一个基础
beyond the confines (of)	超出的范围；超出
self-directed learning	自学
be engaged and invested in their own education	积极地投入到自己的教育中去
be overloaded with information	信息过载
tedious chore	乏味的苦差事
in stark contrast to	与.....形成鲜明的对比
to spark our interest	激发我们的兴趣

be fueled by our own curiosity	被我们自己的好奇心所驱使
professional knowledge base	专业知识基础
to make informed decisions	制定明智的决策
open and inquisitive mind	开放和好奇的头脑
intrinsic motivation	内在动机

### 实用句型&篇章结构

对比是写作中经常用到的一种手法，我们可以在句子与句子间使用，也可以在句子内部使用。

1. **While** advocates of traditional education emphasize the value of teaching facts and knowledge, others think that the ultimate goal should be to teach the skills needed to educate oneself.

While 用在句首表示对比，即 while 之后的句子和主句内容形成对比。

2. **In contrast**, teachers that lecture continuously at students may cause them to lose focus and not understand the purpose of what's being taught.

In contrast 用于句首表示这句话的内容和上一句句子形成对比。句子主语是 teachers，后面的 that lecture continuously at students 是定语从句。

3. This was **in stark contrast to** my teacher in tenth grade, who asked us to choose our own research topics and encouraged using multiple resources to

dig deeper into whatever sparked our interest.

- 句首的 This 指代前面一整句句子，短语 in stark contrast to 表示对比，提示了前一句句子的内容和这句句子的内容是对立的、不同的。