Short Essay: English is an Exceptional Language
短文:英语是一种特殊的语言

Overview 概述

English is a truly exceptional Language. But what does that actually mean? The word 'exceptional' means unusual or not typical, so what is unique or unusual about English? Think about all of the difficult word types in English that you have been learning about so far. Some words are spelt completely differently but are pronunciation the same way while other words are spelt the same but are pronounced very differently from one another. These are just a few examples of things that make English a truly unique language.

英语是一种真正特殊的语言。但这到底意味着什么呢?"特殊"这个词意为不寻常的或不典型的，那么英语的独特之处又在哪里呢？回顾一下到目前为止我们学到的英语中各种不同类型的词，比如同形异音异义词、异形同音异义词等等。这些不同类型的词使得英语独一无二。

Instructions 简介

For this project you will be required to write a 300 word essay that illustrates why 'English is an Exceptional Language'. Your essay should also talk about the importance of the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) as well. Think about how IPA is related to, and how it is important for students when learning about these exceptional word types in English. Your written response should be based on what you have learnt this semester and must include evidence from the course lectures and readings. Keep in mind that it is important to support you arguments but make sure that you do not copy information directly from your course notes.

在这个项目任务中你需要写一个300字的短文,来说明为什么"英语是一种特殊的语言"，同时也要谈论国际音标(IPA)的重要性。国际音标(IPA)对于学习这些不同类型的英语词类有什么关联性和重要性。基于本学期你所学的知识，并结合课堂上的讲义和阅读等来写，但切记不可完全抄录讲义。

Requirements 要求

You will write two separate drafts for this project. Your rough draft will be written by hand and your final essay will be typed on the computer. You final project submission must include your: rough draft, final draft, and a "Project Declaration Form".

你需要写一篇草稿和一篇终稿。先写草稿，进行编辑和修改，再完成终稿。草稿和终稿都需要上交。 同时确保文章使用MLA标准（详见下页）。

Word Limits 字数要求
200 words minimum - 400 words maximum
最少200字 ≈- 最多400字

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Basic MLA Instructions MLA简介

Your final essay will be typed on the computer using the MLA format. This will include: writing your full name at the top of the paper, your teachers name second, the class that this project is for third, and the date forth. Then think of a meaningful title for your essay. Your title should also be centred on the page. After the title you will write the main body of your essay. Your essay should include an introduction, a body paragraph, and a closing paragraph or statement. Make sure that your document uses a 12pt. font size and either "Times New Roman" or "Arial". Your essay should also be double spaced. Look at the MLA project example below:

确保你在写文章时使用MLA格式。在右上端按照顺序依次写下：你的姓名，老师姓名，班级和日期。然后写你的文章的标题。标题要居中。你的文章应该包括三个部分：介绍、正文和结尾。接着就写你的文章了。文章主体部分行与行之间需空一行。请看下例：

MLA Project Example MLA例子

Name

Teacher

Class

Date

Project Title

The main body of your essay goes here. It should be double spaced. That means you should write on every other line. This is so your teacher can make corrections to your essay.