

東吳大學 107 學年度暑假轉學生招生考試試題

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系級	英文學系（進修學士班）三年級	考試時間	100 分鐘
科目	英文寫作	本科總分	100 分

1. Marcus Aurelius, a Roman emperor, wrote the following words to encourage himself to get up in the early morning. Nowadays, many students find it difficult to get up for 8 o'clock classes in the morning. Write an essay explaining to them, in your opinion, why they should get up and go to 8-o'clock classes. (50%)

When, in the early morning, you are reluctant to get up, have this thought in mind: "I rise to do a man's work. Am I still resentful as I go to do the task for which I was born and for the sake of which I was brought into this world? Was I made to warm myself under the blankets?" "But this is more pleasant?" Were you born for pleasure, to feel things, and not to do them? Do you not see plants, sparrows, ants, spiders and bees perform their proper task.... Yet you refuse to perform man's task and you do not hasten to do what your nature demands. "But one must also rest." Certainly, I agree. Nature, however, has set a limit to rest.... You do not love yourself. If you did, you would certainly love your own nature and its purpose.

2. Consider the change captured in the annual survey by the University of California, Los Angeles, of more than 400,000 incoming freshmen. In 1971, 37 percent responded that it was essential or very important to be "very well-off financially," while 73 percent said the same about "developing a meaningful philosophy of life." In 2009, the values were nearly reversed: 78 percent identified wealth as a goal, while 48 percent were after a meaningful philosophy.

Write an essay to discuss whether it is more important to be very well-off financially or to develop a meaningful philosophy of life. (50%)

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