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Trying
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new and
different

In reference to an untraveled path, we always think of the things we have not yet done. Quite often, we may be faced with two paths, one leads to the known and familiar, the other to the unknown and strange. The latter is something we need to explore and challenge, while the former is monotonous. Taking the latter path entails trying something new or going to places we have never been.

There is also another understanding of the untraveled path - the years we have not yet passed. Our future is unknown. It may be a lonely path, but we can become better ourselves. There are so many forks in the road in our lives that we must choose. Many people are passionate about singing, but most of them shy away from performing in front of others. Zangzang, however, is the one who seeks attention for himself and his hip-hop. He has never participated in such a competition, so it is difficult for him to perform. On stage, hip-hop has never been performed before. They are all completely new. When asked how he

By Abby&Anson

felt on stage, Zangzang expressed his nervousness and concern at the lack of audience reaction in the semifinals. He suggested that perhaps his hip-hop was not well received and the audiences were unaware of its nature. However, his persistence in hip-hop earned him an enthusiastic ovation in the finals. In this singing competition, he enjoyed not only the proceedings, but also the applause. However, all attempts are not temporary decisions, but the result of a long preparation. "All the songs I perform on this stage are the ones I have practiced so many times. If I can not perform them well, I will not put them on this stage." Of course, it's a new effort for him, but practice and perseverance were the driving forces behind it.



Zangzang

Everyone has their own untraveled path. It is the untraveled paths that give us the desire to explore, discover, progress and to be a better person.



Opportunities are Given to Those Who are Prepared

By Aji&Graham



In my opinion, life is like an unknown path, you do not know if the path is filled with holes and hills or if it leads to success. In any case, on the way to the future there are a variety of landscapes and opportunities to grow.

Someone may suggest that we look at other experiences or emulate past behaviors based on similar experiences, which is also acceptable. However, as the old saying goes, there are no two identical leaves in the world. No one can achieve the same result by following the path of other people. Because we will constantly change ourselves along the way.

the singing competition, enjoyed exploring new areas, and eventually rose to become a "singing star". She showed her brilliance in her own unique way. When Ashlyn was asked who she would like to thank, without hesitation she told us that it was her coach Jules from ELC: not only did Jules provided useful suggestions, but she never missed a performance by her. With the support and help of Jules, she set her mind to achieve something. For example, to practice singing, she downloaded "We Sing". "It can record the whole song and provide the accompaniment, which allows me to change the inadequate part so to keep up with the accompaniment." she said.

Admittedly, she had a few shortcomings, but that could not hide the applause below the stage. She managed to walk the unravel path. Also, Ashlyn offered inspiring advice for the other contestants: "Never look down on the challenge you face, never lose the courage to face those

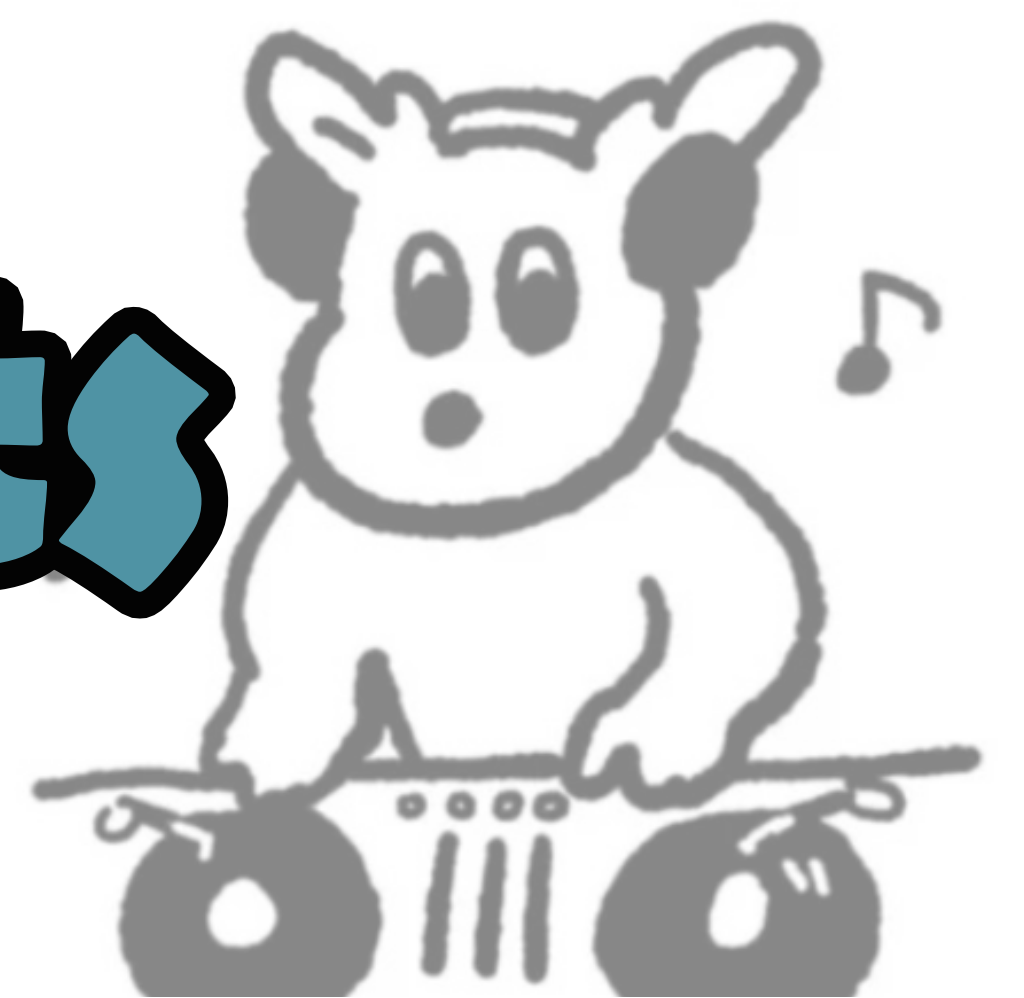
challenges. Never lose passion for what you love." Ashlyn's comment and experience resonate with the theme 'Untraveled Path'.

"Just close your eyes, the sun is going down. You be alright, no one can hurt you now. Come morning light,

you and I'll be safe and sound." The lyric from her song brings hope to every wanderer on the path. Only with full preparation can we continue on any "Untraveled Path".

Choose the Untraveled Path to have no Regrets

By Allen&Harold



The theme of this year's English Festival is: The Untraveled Path. Most people think of this theme as something they have never tried before, such as learning a new skill, going to a place you have never been before, everyone has their own "untraveled path", whatever it is, one thing is for sure, the untraveled path must give us something we will never forget. For those attending this year's English Festival, this could be their "untraveled path". Wawa is one of the singers in the EF singing contest.

It is difficult to sing a song well as you must remember the lyrics and grasp the rhythm and melody of the song. On stage, under the eyes of the audience, it takes a lot of courage for many people, but Wawa did it, from the preliminary round to the final, she spent a lot of energy on practicing: she recorded her voice and listened to it carefully, and then she will refer to these songs to check if her pronunciation is correct. When we start the "Untraveled Path," we will run into many problems that we have never encountered before, it will take us a lot of time and energy, that is normal, but since we have chosen the untraveled path, we should stick with it. In general, there must be a reason for trying the unfamiliar path, sometimes out of curiosity, sometimes out of interest. For Wawa, this singing competition provides an opportunity to connect with young people. While her classmates are busy with their job-seekings, she believes that if she does nothing in her senior year, she will regret it.

We often come across the unfamiliar path, maybe we can try it out, and perhaps it will bring us unexpected surprises.

Accept the challenge to reach the stars

By Christina&Jvcki

Untraveled Paths' stand not only for unknown attempts and challenges, but also for breaking through to our own limits and exploring our possibilities. For us, exploring new paths can not only broaden our horizons and improve our knowledge, but also cultivate our serenity and courage in the face of difficulties. Exploring an untraveled path may be daunting for many people, but full of excitement for others.

With the vision to challenge himself, the young candidate Yide Wang participated in the English speech contest organized by Shantou University. It is his first time in Shantou. Going to a new place to compete alone is undoubtedly a demanding task, but Yide is very delighted and excited, and he is very grateful for the opportunity to speak on stage.

Wang's speech was about contrasting his college life with the life at home, the former being the untraveled path he explored. This topic is close to our life and we can easily resonate with it. As he said in his speech, after the College



Yide Wang&Christina

Entrance Examination, we all lose our next destination of our life so we become more and more lazy. For this reason, he believes that we need to challenge ourselves to take a new path that has not been taken yet, which can cheer us up and help us do something for our future.

Taking a new path is difficult but also worthwhile. With more challenges and uncertainties in lives, we may start to appreciate the beauty of randomness.



Yide Wang&Jvcki&Christina



Yide Wang

Take the path that has never been walked

By Joeson&Breath



Willow

"We're all young now, we have sufficient capital to try and make mistakes, to try untraveled paths, and perhaps there will be unexpected gains."

Question for you. Do you believe in your own choices? Do you believe that your choices have improved or negatively impacted your life? Every road never ends; all we see is the scenery along the way. Therefore, we must dare to attempt the path that we have not travelled, all of which only our own down-to-earthness can tell where the end of the road is.

Tomorrow is a mystery

Today is a gift.

Finding your Path

By Brende&Scarlett

What is the "Untraveled Path"? Perhaps it's an unread novel, perhaps it's a pastime we have never tried. Maybe it's enjoying a meal at a new restaurant or packing our bags for a trip to a foreign land. The Untraveled Path is the road of our life in a time of unknown journey, and in the face of the unknown road in life, we just need to put aside our inner fears and explore the Untraveled Path in life with confidence and courage.

In this great speech contest, all the contestants give their best to themselves and the audience by vividly explaining what they have seen and heard in their lives and what "Untraveled Path" they have walked.



Yule&Brende&Scarlett

Particularly, Yule's speech and performance caught my attention. After the semi-final, my partner and I sought out Yule and had an interview with him.

It was interesting to know what Yule thinks about the theme of the English Festival. When we asked Yule this question, he looked down at the ground, thought for a moment, and then immediately gave his answer. "I think it's a great theme. When I saw the theme, it reminded me of a book by German philosopher Martin Hedig, The Forest Half. So I immediately linked that, too." Yule's speech and performance in the two competitions were outstanding, and so he also introduced us to his unique presentation skills. "I think the only suggestion I can give is to speak from the heart and to prepare what you really, really want to say, and I think that's enough. It doesn't matter what you say, or what details to convey; what does matter is that you express the things that you really want to share with your audience, and that's the most important part." I was very inspired by his answer. Yes, there are many untraveled paths in life, and when confronted with them, we often hesitate and are afraid to move forward. But there's nothing wrong with that. Take your "true self" in hand as a light and go forward. On this unknown path, with the courage to express yourself and to say what you think in your heart, we'll eventually build our own extraordinary and magnificent world on this countless unknown road.

Life is a long journey with numerous "untraveled paths". As long as we're brave enough to express ourselves and speak out about everything unknown, we'll meet a better self and a better future.

Your true self

Bravely dare new things

Karen&Louis

As we all know, the theme of the English Festival this year is "The Untraveled Path." What is the untraveled path? It can be unforgettable, painful and happy. But they all have one thing in common. They are all novel. They all help us to understand and discover something new. Perhaps some people are afraid of the unknown. Fear of the unknown is often a motivator, but fear is often not the solution. So just fearlessly walk the path not yet travelled. What does not defeat you only makes you more resilient.

Singing not only helps relieve tension and emotions, but also motivates others. A talented artist can infuse his personality into his songs on stage and influence the audience. A singer is a good singer when he resonates with the audience. If you listen to this singing competition, you will surely understand what makes a good singer.

Miki, a judge of the singing contest, expressed her admiration for the singing contest. She believes that it matters to someone whether they perform well on stage or not. If a singer sings excellently, the audience will enjoy it very much. She also thinks that the unexplored path is very important for young people. For young people, everything is new and the path is unfamiliar, especially while studying. We young people still have a long way to go before we grow up, and now we are just taking the first step. Take the untraveled path and go all the way down to get something out of it.

"The untraveled path" means that anything is possible. Do not be afraid of it. Just be brave and believe in yourself. If you go down the untraveled path, you will see a landscape you have never seen before.

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Karen & Louis & Miki



Journey into The Unknown

Tomato&Claudia

Debate Competition



The theme of the English Festival this year is "The Untraveled Path". Everyone has a different understanding of it. The untraveled path may be strange or unbelievable and it is always difficult for us to reach. At the same time, the path we desperately want to walk may be unacceptable or deviate from norms.

However, why not give it a shot if we are ready to look for a new way? After all, each person has his own opinion, and we all have the opportunity to determine our own path and future life. From my perspective, the untraveled path is an opportunity that we must face courageously. Once we've solved the problems, not only is our inner strength strengthened, but we also experience enthusiasm and gain self-confidence. One way to challenge ourselves and become better is through debate, which entails skills of thinking, recognizing, and sharing.

As a debater of the English Festival debate, Lynn believes that debating about the motions is actually a window for us to really get into that motion and allow us to delve more deeply into the societal issues at hand. Reflective thinking is very important in the debate. "I just enjoyed thinking during this process," she said.

Still, the debate process is so long and can be full of challenges. Lynn said, "The most important thing is to insist on doing the debate and not easily give up because it's hard; it's a process where you cannot excel unless you insist on practicing." She also taught us some debate techniques that were helpful, such as building instances and watching speeches on YouTube or Bilibili are the two most important tasks. And when we experience failures, we believe we have to keep trying and learn a lot.

The "Untraveled Path" means more opportunities and challenges. This is also true for the debate and everything else. On our life's journey, there are always various difficulties and mistakes. However, we should fight against them and move toward the path we have not taken yet so that we can constantly explore it and find more answers about our future.



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