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| Please introduce yourself to your classmates, highlighting what drives you in your personal and professional life. (500 words) |
| My name is XXX. I am currently a [job position] at [auditing firm], Shanghai. What drives me in my personal and professional life is the opportunity to solve problems in a culturally diverse team. This motivation stems from my extracurricular and work experiences. In my senior year at [university name], I organised the “Beijing Tsinghua Winter Trip.” A group of 40 students from my university visited Beijing on an 8-day trip. During a discussion session with students from [university name], we each presented an introduction of China’s and Taiwan’s financial institutions. I hosted the Q&A session where opinions were heatedly exchanged. A key takeaway was XXX. This trip contributed to forming an exchange programme between [university name] and [university name]. Moreover, the trip inspired 6 members (including me) to pursue a career in China. As an editor of [author’s] book, [book title], I demonstrated my ability to work in a team in ensuring XXX. The author and I worked closely with [publisher]. Collaboration proved to be challenging despite Taiwan and China sharing a similar language and culture. I meticulously edited the wording and sentence structure and made sure we avoided sensitive issues. Further, since I was in charge of meeting deadlines in the publication process, I ensured that [the author, the publisher], and every person involved met their respective deadlines. We managed to publish the book according to schedule, and the book became a best-seller. In [year], I started working in the Taipei Office of [auditing firm]. One of the most memorable experiences was an IPO audit case. While conducting its internal control audit, we discovered that [details of problem]. The motivation behind this was that [reason]. I led my team in presenting a recommendation to our client, including suggestions [details of suggestions]. In [month, year], I transferred to the Shanghai Office where I worked until I started my MBA. All in all, I wish to be an internationally minded and versatile professional who is capable of facilitating collaboration between companies across cultures and countries. With my experience catalysing collaboration between Taiwan and China, I seek to expand my horizon and capabilities as I work with talented, open-minded students from diverse backgrounds to solve problems at [university]. My drive to enable cross-cultural communication has led me to [university]. This drive will continue to propel me as I look forward to realising my goal of becoming an investment banker and beyond, of utilising my skills to [achieve my long-term career goal]. |