**On the Ferryboat**

I always enjoy myself watching passengers on a ferryboat. It is a miniature of the world in which all walks of life are going on.

"The ferryboat was now in the crowded with people. The cabin was filled with a crowd of people. Many of them were going home from their offices; some were walking down the street; others were looking out of the window. Some were looking out of the window and some were reading the newspaper."

A pretty girl on the left was reading aloud. She seemed to be meditating. Two persons sat before me, but a third was looking out of the window. They were discussing some business matter. Several schoolgirls sat behind me, they were chatting and laughing all the way.

Before the ferryboat had hardly reached the pier, the people rushed to the gangway. When it was finally lowered they dashed out like a mass of bees. They came and went so hurriedly. This, above all, interested me most.

- Christine Song (Sacred Heart School)

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**My Dislike**

In truth I really dislike and even hate my desk. I do not know why everybody should have a desk, a very tidy and good one but not 1. It is because the face of the desk is quite pretentious and I have tried my best to keep it clean. So you may feel strange that I dislike it so deeply. But you will understand why while I am opening my desk...

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- Christopher (Pui Sin College)

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**A Chinese Historical Story Retold**

**How To Weigh The Elephant?**

At the time of the Han Dynasty, when Chi-chou was the prime minister, an elephant was offered to China from a foreign country.

When Chi-chou and other officials were weighing the elephant, Chi-chou suddenly said, "It is really a huge elephant; but who knows what its weight is? Nobody could answer. Little boy came before Chi-chou and said, "It is quite easy. Bring the elephant to a ship in the river and make a mark at the place where the water reaches the top of the ship. Drag the elephant aboard and then put stones into the ship until the water reaches the same mark. Then weigh the stones one by one. The total weight is the true weight of the animal."

Chi-chou was very satisfied with this answer. And do you know who this boy was? He was Chi-chou, the son of Chi-chou, the prime minister.

- B.D. (Wah Yan, H.K.)

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**Translation Model**

**A Night Promenade At Ch'eng-tien**

On the 12th night of the 10th month of the 4th year of Yuenlong, I was undressed and was going to bed, when the full moon lit up my door, and I got up, happy of heart. I thought there was something to share this happiness with me. As I walked over to the Ching-tung Temple to look for Hsing-hai, he had not yet gone to bed. So we paced about in the yard. The yard looked like a transparent pool with the shadow of the moon on it. But there were not many trees and the moonlight shone on the moon all the night. And then there were bamboo and pine trees everywhere. Only there are few careless people like the two of us. From "The country and My People" by Lin Yu-yung

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**Tea in the Argentine**

Before many years have passed, Argentina may become a formidable rival to Ceylon as the world's leading supplier of tea.

In the last few years, the number of Argentine tea planters has increased from 800 to over 11,000. The last year, had 146 million bushels under cultivation compared with about six million in 1950. Exports from India have said that the climate in the region of Misiones is better for growing tea than in either India or Ceylon. The Argentine annual production of tea is 3,000 tons - once all imported. By 1965, it is expected to produce as much as this, plus a surplus of 10,000 tons for export.**