

General instructions:

1. Please answer the following questions in order. Leave space for unanswered questions.
2. Pay attention to any **specific instructions** for each question.
3. All answers must be written in English.
4. There are 100 points in total in this section.

Section 1. Short Writing (50 points)

Instructions: Freelance journalists frequently pitch story ideas to media outlet editors. For this task, **write a short pitch about an international issue** that would be of interest to a **Taiwanese audience**. **Avoid** focusing on **cross-strait relations** as a specific topic. Your pitch should explain the issue's global significance and its relevance to Taiwan.

Begin your pitch with a **one-sentence anonymous introduction** that outlines your background (do not use your real name). Then, in **four well-crafted sentences**, describe the international issue, your unique perspective on it, and explain why it would be of interest to the readers of a **specific local media outlet**, which should be named in your pitch. Format your pitch as an **"email"** and limit it to a **total of five sentences**.

Section 2. Short Answers (50 points)

Instructions: Every news story begins with a "lead." A good lead provides all the important information about the news story. Choose **five persons** from the following list below and write a **comprehensive one-sentence lead** for a newspaper article in English. This lead should include **information about the person** (who they are) and relate them to a **current event**:

1. *Yoon Suk Yeol*
2. *Justin Trudeau*
3. *JD Vance*
4. *Wang Yi (王毅)*
5. *Javier Milei*
6. *Elon Musk*
7. *Ursula von der Leyen*
8. *Jensen Huang*

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