

## Section 1:

### #1 "What Can You Offer At Our School" response Strengths:

- Strong personal connection through the Guzheng example
- Clear emphasis on community contribution

Weaknesses: Generic Response → Your answer could be more specific to the school you're applying to. Phrases like "creating a rich diversity of enhanced communication" and "serve everyone in need" are too broad and could apply to any school.

Exemplar: "I can contribute to your school's renowned music program by introducing the Guzheng, bringing a unique perspective to your world music ensemble, while also mentoring younger students in both music and sports, aligning with your school's emphasis on student leadership."

### #2 "Weakness/Strength" response Strengths:

- Honest self-reflection about anxiety
- Effective use of personal experience

Weaknesses: Narrative Focus → Your response focuses too heavily on telling stories rather than demonstrating growth. The lengthy description of primary school experiences could be condensed to emphasise how you've overcome anxiety.

Exemplar: "While I initially struggled with transition anxiety, particularly when changing schools, I've developed strategies to embrace change. For instance, I now view new situations as opportunities for growth, which has helped me build meaningful connections across different environments."

### #3 "Things you like most at school" response Strengths:

- Shows appreciation for cultural learning
- Links experiences to personal development

Weaknesses: Limited Scope → Your answer concentrates solely on excursions and camps without addressing academic interests or other aspects of school life that could demonstrate scholarly potential.

Exemplar: "While I particularly value the cultural immersion through excursions and camps, I'm equally passionate about your school's advanced mathematics programme and the opportunities it provides for collaborative problem-solving."

Actionable Task: Rewrite your "What Can You Offer" response by researching three specific programmes or initiatives at your target school and explaining how your unique skills would contribute to each one.

**Score: 41/50**

Section 2:

### #1 What Can You Offer At Our School

I believe what I can offer at your school is ~~creating a rich diversity of enhanced communication and collaboration with different students.~~ [fostering meaningful communication and collaboration among diverse students.] I love to support other people and would love to join your school community. I can achieve that in different aspects. In the sporting community, I can encourage and motivate people to try harder, which is always what I do to encourage my sister to try different activities. The same goes for music. I believe that people should try different hobbies, challenges and activities. My instrument called Guzheng is a Chinese instrument that I play because it is unique and special. Every person has their own distinct advantage and talent, and I wish to spread that and serve everyone in need.

### #2 Weakness/Strength

One of my weaknesses is being overly anxious ~~of~~ [about] what is to come in the future. This problem has been racking my ~~nerve~~ [nerves] since I was only in preschool, and when I had to go to primary school. ~~For me, I only thought of primary school as 'torture' back then, but until I have really experienced and enjoyed the feeling of primary school, I have really come to enjoy and love the sensational feeling of having a rich diversity of friends to communicate with.~~ [Initially, I viewed primary school as 'torture', but after experiencing it, I came to enjoy the wonderful feeling of communicating with diverse friends.] Another problem occurred when in ~~Yr~~ [Year] 1, I had to leave my old school to go to another one. It deeply demoralised me and I was in a frenzy. Just then, my family friend was backing me up and ensuring me that it was fine. While all the other kids in my old school were just ignoring the fact that I had to leave, it was reassuring to have family and friends who care about me and are always there to back me up. I will never forget about the fact that friendships can lead to treasure and understanding in your life and that true friends are like a boomerang that always swings back to your hands.

#3 What things do you like most at school?

Things I enjoy most about school ~~is~~ [are] excursions and camps. They help me experience other places where they might have a different cultures and traditions. It is always a pleasure where I can understand other people's feelings and experience what they feel. At camps, it is a necessary time to bond with your friends and classmates like never before. It is a unique experience where you get time to sleep, interact and enjoy your time with friends more. I deeply appreciate all these excursions and I believe they are the heart of school.