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## Personal Report

I am writing my personal report with great pleasure about my experience which I had in the summer school at Gaming, Austria.

Let me begin with the courses. The three courses illustrate the western society from three aspects. And it is a challenge for me to take high intellectual level, so I studied very hard. Before I came to the summer school, I had known religion influences on every aspects of western society, which is very important for the developing of Europe. From the study, I understood deeply the influences of Christian religion in the western society. Moreover, possibly, people in all ages have experienced problems in articulating the reasons for religious belief. Systematically constructive thinking about the meaning of life has become suspect in the world. Confusion is everywhere. It is a good opportunity for me to know western people's ideas about life, including religion, politics, culture and philosophy.

Secondly, communicating with the students who are from different countries is very important for me to be acquainted with the details of different cultures. Besides, through exchanging our ideas, I am able to think about some issues from different angles.

Thirdly, friendship is also a big treasure which I got from this summer school. I am very proud to be the one of the members of this excellent student group. In this group, I made friends with students from different countries. And the friendship encourages me to be willing to know more countries which I did not know much before.

Furthermore, I have to mention the accommodation, which is very comfortable and convenient.

Last but not the least, I would like to express my gratitude for the scholarship the Phoenix Institute granted me, without which this study trip would not have been made possible. I am sincerely grateful for your trust and generosity.