

I. Chart Filling-Details of Stories:

Name	Time	Place	Organization	Motivation/ Purpose	Charity Work	Lessons I Learned	Other Information
Fan Li							
Fan Zhongyan							
Zhang Zhongjing							
Liu Zai							
Li Wu							

II. Write a narrative about charity work of one celebrity in ancient China.

Sample-Fan Li's story:

Fan Li was a famous politician, strategist and businessman during the Spring and Autumn Period. As a politician in Yue, he assisted the King of Yue wholeheartedly and put forward the policy of controlling the price of crops by the government to save the famine and relieve poverty. To avoid the worsening political situation, he resigned and started business, giving all his fortune rewarded by the king to the poor. Having been engaged in the agriculture and business by the sea for years in Qi, he accumulated a great fortune and always helped the poor villagers. Before leaving for Tao, he donated all his fortune to the villagers and did business successfully there. However, he didn't leave money behind for his offspring to prevent extravagantly spending. He used all his money to build up infrastructure to benefit people. Fan's charity work demonstrates the spirit of giving and selfless caring for people's livelihood.

III. Q: What can we learn from charity work of past and present?

perspectives	past	present
donator		

receiver		
donation/ service		
motivation/ purpose		
positive effects		

Additional materials about today's charity work:

- a) Charity shops are run by a paid manager and volunteers. People can donate secondhand clothes, toys, books and other things that they no longer use. The volunteers then wash or steam the things to make sure they are clean before being sold. The money that is made from these sales then goes to a parent charity company. Many people believe that you can find very rare and expensive items in charity shops; you just have to know where to look!
- b) Sports events are also organized to help charities. You can take part in a charity race and get people to sponsor you. This usually means asking your friends and family to give money to the charity that you are supporting. You are sponsored for every kilometer that you complete, but the money will be used to help others, of course!
- c) In China, Alipay has a feature called Ant Forest that takes everyday low-carbon activity – such as walking instead of driving – and turns it into virtual “energy” that is used to grow virtual trees. For every virtual tree that is grown, Alipay and its partners plant a real tree in the deserts of Northwest China. These efforts may sound too small to make a real difference, but they do.
- d) The 36 works were painted by ordinary Chinese people who live with autism (自闭症) or cerebral palsy (脑瘫), aged from their early teens to late thirties. They all studied art at World of Art Brut Culture (WABC), which is a Shanghai-based non-profit organization for art education. The project was initiated by WABC and backed by the Tencent charitable foundation (腾讯慈善基金会). WeChat users could buy a digital copy of each painting by donating 1 yuan or more. By Aug 29, donations totaled more than 15 million yuan, with about 5.8 million people participating, reported China Daily.
- e) This 23-year-old graduate majoring in industrial engineering at Tsinghua University is a volunteering enthusiast. He set up the Tsinghua University China-Africa Youth Exchange and Volunteer Group with other six students, which is financially supported by China Africa Industrial Forum. They went to Kenya to participate in teaching, wildlife conservation and cultural exchange activities for 15 days. They gave of themselves and in return gained unique experiences.
- f) Various academic research activities, some of which directly serve the whole society, some of which study the development of technologies, may be set up by the organization itself or may support the research activities of certain academic research institutions for a long time. Sponsorship of social organizations can not only make use of the influence of academic research activities in the public to improve their reputation, but also they can get advice and

suggestions from experts to improve their work.

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