BAD

**Xunzi (荀子)**

“性恶”

**Thomas Hobbes (托马斯·霍布斯)**

“The state of nature is a war of all against all.”

文明之前，人类处于互相不断的争斗状态。

"No arts; no letters; no society; and which is worst of all, continual fear, and danger of violent death; and the life of man, solitary, poor, nasty, brutish, and short."

“没有艺术、文字、社会，最糟糕的是持续的恐惧、随时遭遇暴力死亡的危险；还有当时的人类的生活现状：孤独、贫困、残酷、粗暴，并且短暂。

**Machiavelli (马基雅维利)**

Humans are “ungrateful, fickle, false, cowardly, and covetous.”

人类“忘恩负义、多变、虚假，懦弱，还会觊觎他人之物。”

**John Calvin (卡尔文)**

“Therefore, original sin is seen to be a sickness received from our ancestors and a corruption of our nature diffused into all parts of the soul.”

“原罪被视为我们本性中所固有的、渗透到灵魂的每一处的堕落和腐败。”

 GOOD

**Mencius (Mengzi 孟子)**

“性善”

**Plato （柏拉图）**

“To prefer evil to good is not in human nature; and when a man is compelled to choose one of two evils, no one will choose the greater when he might have the less.”

“人之本性并非好恶胜过好善； 当一个人被迫于两种恶之间做选择时，只要能选择小恶，没有人会选择大恶。”

**John Jaques Rousseau （卢梭）**

“Man is naturally inclined to do good, but society corrupts him.”

“人之本性向善，然而社会腐坏人类。”

**David Hume （休姆）**

“I feel a pleasure in doing a good to my friend because I love him; but it is not for the sake of the pleasure that I love him.”

“因为我爱我的朋友，所以为他做好事时我感到欢愉；但是我不是因为这欢愉而爱我的朋友。”

“Most people, having a family, children, and relations, spend more on the maintenance and education of these than on their own pleasures.”

“相较于自己寻欢作乐，很多人花在家庭亲友上的精力更多。”

**Writing Prompt:**

I believe human nature is good/bad for three reasons.

First, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Second, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Third, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_