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day 31 what's she like?

Chinese HSK 5 in 80 days
unit 6 · people & feelings

Describe someone's personality, strengths and quirks, and compare with "just like…".

Describing people well is how you talk about friends, family and colleagues, and how you understand gossip.

words

word	pinyin	meaning	example
个性	gèxìng	personality, character	她很有个性，从来不跟别人一样。 She has real character. She's never like everyone else.
善良	shànliáng	kind-hearted	他是一个很善良的人，总是帮助别人。 He's a kind man who's always helping others.
调皮	tiáopí	naughty, cheeky	这个孩子很调皮，一分钟也坐不住。 This kid is so cheeky he can't sit still for a minute.
大胆	dàdǎn	bold, daring	你大胆说吧，没关系。 Go on, speak up. It's fine.
胆小	dǎnxiǎo	timid, easily scared	我妹妹很胆小，晚上不敢一个人出门。 My little sister is timid and won't go out alone at night.
谨慎	jǐnshèn	careful, cautious	做这么重要的决定，要谨慎一点儿。 With such an important decision, be careful.
虚心	xūxīn	modest, open to advice	他很虚心，总是听别人的意见。 He's modest and always listens to other people's advice.
严肃	yánsù	serious, stern	王老师今天很严肃，大家都不敢说话。 Teacher Wang is very stern today. Nobody dares say a word.
真诚	zhēnchéng	sincere	谢谢你真诚的帮助。 Thank you for your heartfelt help.
主动	zhǔdòng	proactive, of one's own accord	他总是主动帮大家做事。 He always offers to help everyone.
独立	dúlì	independent	她十八岁就开始独立生活了。 She's lived on her own since she was eighteen.
成熟	chéngshú	mature; ripe	这两年他成熟了很多。 He's grown up a lot in the last two years.
傻	shǎ	silly, foolish	我真傻，又把钥匙忘在家里了。 How silly of me, I've left my keys at home again.
好奇	hàoqí	curious	孩子对什么都很好奇。 Children are curious about everything.
好	hào	to like, be fond of	这孩子好{hao4-5}学，什么都想知道。 This child loves learning and wants to know everything.
讲究	jiǎngjiu	particular about; refined	他吃饭很讲究，菜一定要新鲜。 He's fussy about food: it has to be fresh.

长处	chángchù	strong point	每个人都有自己的长处。 Everyone has their own strengths.
短处	duǎnchù	weak point	别总是看别人的短处。 Don't always look at other people's faults.
魅力	mèilì	charm, appeal	她笑起来特别有魅力。 She's especially charming when she smiles.
形象	xíngxiàng	image; vivid	王老师在我们心里的形象特别好。 Teacher Wang has a wonderful place in our hearts.
打扮	dǎban	to dress up	她今天打扮得很漂亮。 She's all dressed up and looks lovely today.
似的	shìde	as if, just like	他高兴得像孩子似的。 He was as happy as a child.
成长	chéngzhǎng	to grow up	父母都希望孩子健康成长。 All parents want their children to grow up healthy.
乐趣	lèqù	fun, delight	学中文给我带来了很多乐趣。 Learning Chinese has brought me so much fun.
敢于	gǎnyú	to dare to	年轻人要敢于尝试新的东西。 Young people should dare to try new things.

pattern 像……似的: just like, as if

像 | something | 似的 | (how)

像 + something + 似的 compares: just like, as if. It can describe a verb (跑得像风似的 runs like the wind) or a noun (像孩子似的笑容). 好像……似的 works too. 似的 is read shìde and is a little more spoken than 一样.

地上的雪像一条白色的被子似的。 **dì shàng de xuě xiàng yì tiáo báisè de bèizi shìde** The snow lies on the ground like a white quilt.

他今天打扮得特别帅，像要去见女朋友似的。 **tā jīntiān dǎban de tèbié shuài xiàng yào qù jiàn nǚpéngyou shìde** He's dressed up so smartly today, as if he's off to meet his girlfriend.

她好像什么都知道似的。 **tā hǎoxiàng shénme dōu zhīdào shìde** She acts as if she knows everything.

dialogue she's grown up

anna 阿姨，妹妹最近变化真大，像换了一个人似的。
āyí mèimei zuìjìn biànhuà zhēn dà xiàng huàn le yí gè rén shìde · Auntie, your daughter has changed so much lately. She's like a different person.

ms zhang 是啊。她小时候特别调皮，又胆小，一个人在家都害怕。
shì a tā xiǎoshíhou tèbié tiáopí yòu dǎnxiǎo yí gè rén zài jiā dōu hàipà · She has. As a little girl she was so cheeky, and timid too; she was scared to be home alone.

anna 现在她很独立，做什么都很主动，也特别好学。
xiànzài tā hěn dúlì zuò shénme dōu hěn zhǔdòng yě tèbié hào xué · Now she's independent, takes the lead in everything, and loves learning.

ms zhang 她现在对什么都好奇。上个星期还大胆地一个人去参加了一个比赛。
tā xiànzài duì shénme dōu hàoqí shàng gè xīngqī hái dàdǎn de yí gè rén qù cānjiā le yí gè bǐsài · She's curious about everything now. Last week she bravely entered a competition on her own.

anna 真厉害！我觉得她很有个性，也很有魅力。
zhēn lìhai wǒ juéde tā hěn yǒu gèxìng yě hěn yǒu mèilì · Amazing! I think she's got real character, and real charm.

ms zhang 老师说她在学校的形象很好。不过她有一个短处：吃东西太讲究，这个不吃，那个不吃。
lǎoshī shuō tā zài xuéxiào de xíngxiàng hěn hǎo búguò tā yǒu yí gè duǎnchù chī dōngxi tài jiǎngjiu zhège bù chī nàge bù chī · Her teachers say she has a great reputation at school. But she has one weakness: she's so fussy about food, won't eat this, won't eat that.

anna 哈哈，那也是一种个性啊。她还很虚心，也很真诚，我说什么她都认真听。
hā hā nà yě shì yì zhǒng gèxìng a tā hái hěn xūxīn yě hěn zhēnchéng wǒ shuō shénme tā dōu rènzhēn tīng · Ha ha, that's personality too! She's also open to advice, and so sincere. She listens properly to everything I say.

ms zhang 看着她一天一天成长，是我最大的乐趣。
kàn zhe tā yì tiān yì tiān chéngzhǎng shì wǒ zuì dà de lèqù · Watching her grow up day by day is my greatest joy.

anna 她爸爸呢？
tā bàba ne · And her dad?

ms zhang 她爸爸看起来很严肃，其实最疼她了。
tā bàba kàn qǐlai hěn yánsù qíshí zuì téng tā le · Her dad looks stern, but he dotes on her more than anyone.

write it trace the grey, then write your own

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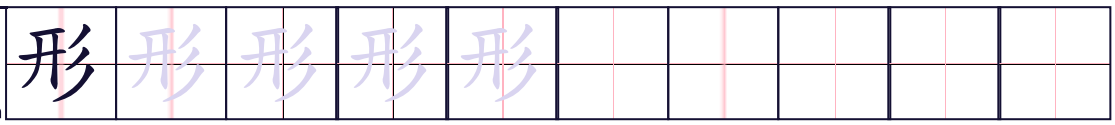
显
xiǎn
to show



胆
dǎn
gall bladder; courage



形
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shape, form



good to know · Chinese puts courage in the gall bladder, 胆: 大胆 bold, 胆小 timid, 胆子大 brave. 好 hào (fourth tone) means “to like”: 好学 keen to learn, 好奇 curious. 好 hǎo means “good”.

Kind, cheeky, bold or fussy: now you can paint a real picture of the people in your life.
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day 32 good friends

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Talk about friendship, trust and secrets, and say when neither choice feels right.

Good friends share news, worries and secrets, and sometimes there's no easy answer.

words

word	pinyin	meaning	example
伙伴	huǒbàn	partner, buddy	他是我小时候的好伙伴。 He was my best buddy when I was little.
人际	rénjì	interpersonal	好的人际关系让工作更轻松。 Good relationships with people make work easier.
信任	xìnrèn	to trust	朋友之间最重要的是信任。 Between friends, trust matters most.
秘密	mìmì	secret	这是我们俩的秘密，别告诉别人。 This is our secret. Don't tell anyone.
私人	sīrén	private, personal	这是我的私人问题，我不想说。 That's a personal matter. I'd rather not say.
密切	mìqiè	close (link, relations)	这两件事有密切的关系。 These two things are closely linked.
紧密	jǐnmì	close, tight-knit	我们一家人的关系很紧密。 Our family is very close.
深厚	shēnhòu	deep (friendship, feelings)	他们俩有深厚的友谊。 The two of them share a deep friendship.
碰见	pèngjiàn	to run into	我昨天在超市碰见了王老师。 I ran into Teacher Wang at the supermarket yesterday.
握手	wòshǒu	to shake hands	我们第一次见面的时候先握手。 When we first meet, we shake hands.
拥抱	yōngbào	to hug	好久不见，我们高兴地拥抱在一起。 We hadn't seen each other for ages, and we hugged happily.
合影	héyǐng	group photo; take one together	我们来合影吧！ Let's take a photo together!
相册	xiàngcè	photo album	这本相册里都是我小时候的照片。 This album is full of photos of me as a child.
对待	duìdài	to treat	他对待朋友非常真诚。 He's completely sincere with his friends.
反应	fǎnyìng	reaction; to react	听到这个消息，他一点儿反应也没有。 When he heard the news, he didn't react at all.
沉默	chénmò	silent; silence	他沉默了很久，才说出自己的想法。 He was silent for a long time before saying what he thought.
称赞	chēngzàn	to praise	老师称赞她中文说得好。 The teacher praised her good Chinese.

争	zhēng	to argue; to compete for	两个孩子在争一个玩具。 The two children are fighting over a toy.
低头	dītóu	to lower one's head	他不好意思地低头笑了。 He looked down with an embarrassed smile.
在乎	zàihu	to care about, mind	我不在乎别人怎么想。 I don't care what other people think.
单独	dāndú	alone, on one's own	我想单独跟你谈谈。 I'd like a word with you in private.
独自	dúzì	alone, by oneself	她独自在国外生活了三年。 She lived abroad on her own for three years.
不幸	bùxìng	unfortunate; misfortune	听到这个不幸的消息，大家都很难过。 Everyone was upset to hear the sad news.
遗憾	yíhàn	a pity; regret	没能去你的生日聚会，我很遗憾。 I'm so sorry I couldn't make your birthday party.
舍不得	shěbude	can't bear to (part with)	我舍不得离开这个城市。 I can't bear to leave this city.

pattern x也不是，y也不是: neither feels right

X 也不是， Y 也不是

Put two opposite actions in the frame and you're stuck: whatever you do feels wrong. 站也不是，坐也不是 can't stand still, can't sit down (so nervous). The two halves are often opposites: 去/不去, 说/不说, 哭/笑.

站也不是，坐也不是，他紧张得不得了。 **zhàn yě bú shì zuò yě bú shì tā jǐnzhāng de bùdéliǎo** He couldn't stand still or sit down; he was a bundle of nerves.

走也不是，留也不是，我真不知道怎么办。 **zǒu yě bú shì liú yě bú shì wǒ zhēn bù zhīdào zěnme bàn** Should I go or stay? I really don't know what to do.

他笑也不是，哭也不是。 **tā xiào yě bú shì kū yě bú shì** He didn't know whether to laugh or cry.

dialogue xiaoming's secret

xiaoming 安娜，我有一件私人的事，想单独告诉你。这是一个秘密。
Ānnà wǒ yǒu yí jiàn sīrén de shì xiǎng dāndú gàosu nǐ zhè shì yí gè mìmì · Anna, there's something personal I want to tell just you. It's a secret.

anna 什么秘密？看你的表情这么严肃。
shénme mìmì kàn nǐ de biǎoqíng zhème yánsù · What secret? You look so serious.

xiaoming 公司让我去海外工作一年。这是很好的机会，可是我舍不得家人和朋友。
gōngsī ràng wǒ qù hǎiwài gōngzuò yì nián zhè shì hěn hǎo de jīhuì kěshì wǒ shěbude jiārén hé péngyou · My company wants me to work abroad for a year. It's a great chance, but I can't bear to leave my family and friends.

anna 这是好消息啊！你家里人有什么反应？
zhè shì hǎo xiāoxi a nǐ jiā lǐ rén yǒu shénme fǎnyìng · That's great news! How did your family react?

xiaoming 我还没告诉他们。我妈妈听了肯定会先沉默，然后跟我争。说也不是，不说也不是。
wǒ hái méi gàosu tāmen wǒ māma tīng le kěndìng huì xiān chénmò ránhòu gēn wǒ zhēng shuō yě bú shì bù shuō yě bú shì · I haven't told them yet. My mum will go quiet first, then argue with me. I can't tell them, and I can't not tell them.

anna 你在乎他们的感受，这很好。不过一个人独自在海外，一年也不算长。
nǐ zàihu tāmen de gǎnshòu zhè hěn hǎo búguò yí gè rén dúzì zài hǎiwài yì nián yě bú suàn cháng · It's good that you care how they feel. But a year abroad on your own isn't that long.

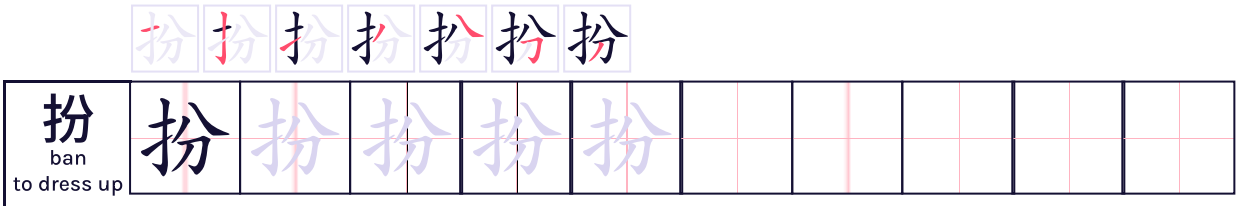
xiaoming 你说得对。你是我最好的伙伴，我们的关系这么密切，我当然要先问你。
nǐ shuō de duì nǐ shì wǒ zuìhǎo de huǒbàn wǒmen de guānxì zhème mìqiè wǒ dāngrán yào xiān wèn nǐ · You're right. You're my best mate and we're so close, of course I had to ask you first.

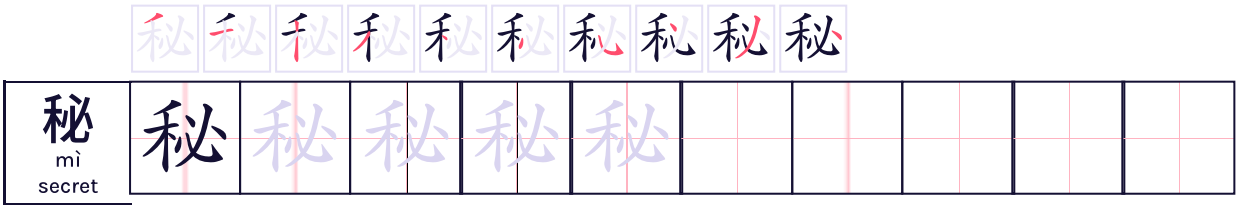
anna 我只是有点儿遗憾，以后不能常常见面了。
wǒ zhǐshì yǒudiǎnr yíhàn yǐhòu bù néng chángcháng jiànmiàn le · I'm just a bit sad we won't see each other so often.

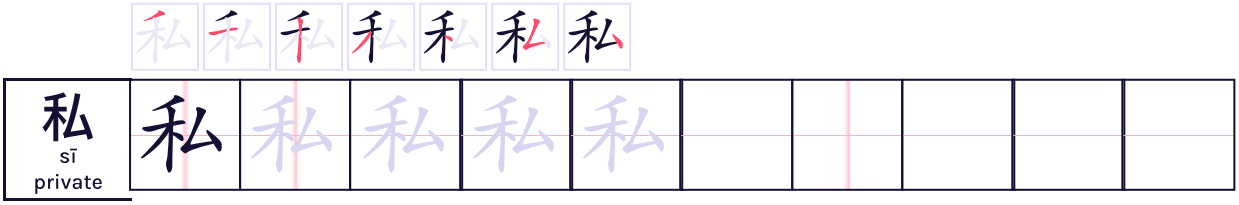
xiaoming 没关系，我们可以常常视频。现在大家的联系这么紧密，一年很快就过去了。
méi guānxi wǒmen kěyǐ chángcháng shìpín xiànzài dàjiā de liánxì zhème jǐnmì yì nián hěn kuài jiù guòqù le · Don't worry, we can video-call all the time. Everyone's so connected these days, a year will fly by.

anna 好！谢谢你这么信任我。来，我们拥抱一下，再合影！
hǎo xièxie nǐ zhème xìnrèn wǒ lái wǒmen yōngbào yíxià zài héyǐng · OK! Thanks for trusting me. Come here, a hug, then a photo!

write it trace the grey, then write your own









碰
pèng
to touch;
bump into

good to know · 舍不得 is “can’t bear to (let go)”: 舍不得走 can’t bear to leave, 舍不得花钱 can’t bear to spend. 舍得 is the opposite. 独自 and 单独 both mean “alone”. 独自 is doing it by yourself; 单独 is one to one, without others: 单独谈谈. 深 “deep” is also an adverb, “deeply, very”: 深受感动 deeply moved, 深受欢迎 very popular.

Secrets, trust and a hug: now you can be there for a friend in Chinese.
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day 33 love & weddings

Talk about love, weddings and goodbyes, and tease or praise a friend: “you’re really something!”.

Weddings are huge family events in China, and you’ll need the right words for the couple.

words

word	pinyin	meaning	example
恋爱	liànài	to be in love; romance	他们恋爱了三年，今年结婚了。 They went out for three years and got married this year.
对象	duìxiàng	partner (to marry); target	你姐姐有对象了吗? Is your sister seeing anyone?
失恋	shīliàn	to have a broken heart	他失恋了，心情很不好。 He’s just been dumped and he’s feeling low.
分手	fēnshǒu	to break up; to part	他们上{=last}个月分手了。 They broke up last month.
分别	fēnbié	to part; separately	我们分别了十年，终于又见面了。 After ten years apart, we finally met again.
分离	fēnlí	to be separated	他不想和家人分离。 He doesn’t want to be apart from his family.
告别	gàobié	to say goodbye	走以前，他跟每个人都告别了。 Before he left, he said goodbye to everyone.
想念	xiǎngniàn	to miss (someone)	我很想念我的家人。 I really miss my family.
追求	zhuīqiú	to pursue, seek	每个人都在追求幸福。 Everyone is looking for happiness.
婚礼	hūnlǐ	wedding	他们的婚礼在下{=next}个月。 Their wedding is next month.
新郎	xīnláng	bridegroom	新郎今天特别帅。 The groom looks really handsome today.
新娘	xīnniáng	bride	新娘今天真漂亮。 The bride looks beautiful today.
离婚	líhūn	to divorce	他的父母很早就离婚了。 His parents divorced when he was young.
男子	nánzǐ	man (formal)	一名男子在路边帮助了那位老人。 A man helped an elderly person at the roadside.
女子	nǚzǐ	woman (formal)	她在女子一百米比赛中得{de2}了第一。 She won the women’s 100 metres.
热爱	rèài	to love deeply	他非常热爱自己的工作。 He absolutely loves his work.
热烈	rèliè	warm, enthusiastic	大家热烈欢迎新同事。 Everyone gave the new colleague a warm welcome.
珍惜	zhēnxī	to treasure, cherish	我们要珍惜在一起的时间。 We should treasure our time together.

愿	yuàn	to wish; to be willing	愿你们永远幸福！ May you be happy for ever!
愿望	yuànwàng	wish, hope	我的愿望是让父母过上好日子。 My wish is to give my parents a good life.
赠	zèng	to give (as a gift)	这是公司赠给大家的礼物。 This is a gift to everyone from the company.
赠送	zèngsòng	to present, give free	买两本书，赠送一个本子。 Buy two books and get a free notebook.
运气	yùnqi	luck	今天运气真好，一出门就打到了车。 I was so lucky today: I got a taxi the moment I stepped out.
命运	mìngyùn	fate, destiny	他相信自己能改变命运。 He believes he can change his destiny.
命	mìng	life; fate	是你救了我的命！ You saved my life!

pattern 真有你的！ you're really something!

真有 | 你 / 他 / 她 | 的!

真有你的！ reacts to something surprising someone did. It can be real admiration (you did it!) or friendly teasing (only you would do that!). Your tone and the situation tell which. Use 他 or 她 for someone else.

这么难的题你都会，真有你的！ **zhème nán de tí nǐ dōu huì zhēn yǒu nǐ de** You solved such a hard problem? You're amazing!

他一个人做了一桌子菜，真有他的！ **tā yí gè rén zuò le yì zhuōzi cài zhēn yǒu tā de** He cooked a whole table of dishes by himself. What a guy!

她居然忘了自己婚礼的时间，真有她的！ **tā jūrán wàng le zìjǐ hūnlǐ de shíjiān zhēn yǒu tā de** She actually forgot what time her own wedding was. Typical her!

他热爱音乐，一个人写了一百首歌，真有他的！ **tā rèài yīnyuè yí gè rén xiě le yìbǎi shǒu gē zhēn yǒu tā de** He loves music so much he wrote a hundred songs on his own. Incredible!

dialogue zhao yang's wedding

xiaoming 赵阳，恭喜恭喜！你今天真帅。
ZhàoYáng gōngxǐ gōngxǐ nǐ jīntiān zhēn shuài · Zhao Yang, congratulations! You look so handsome today.

zhao yang 谢谢！我紧张得不得了，昨天晚上都没睡好。
xièxie wǒ jǐnzhāng de bùdéliǎo zuótiān wǎnshang dōu méi shuì hǎo · Thanks! I'm incredibly nervous. I hardly slept last night.

anna 你们是怎么认识的？我们都很好奇。
nǐmen shì zěnme rènshi de wǒmen dōu hěn hàoqí · How did you two meet? We're all dying to know.

zhao yang 三年前我去她的故乡拍东西，她每天带我四处走走。后来我就开始追求她了。
sān nián qián wǒ qù tā de gùxiāng pāi dōngxi tā měi tiān dài wǒ sìchù zǒu zou hòulái wǒ jiù kāishǐ zhuīqiú tā le · Three years ago I went to film in her home town, and she showed me around every day. After that I started courting her.

xiaoming 真有你的！拍着拍着就有对象了。
zhēn yǒu nǐ de pāi zhe pāi zhe jiù yǒu duìxiàng le · Only you! Out filming one day, and suddenly you've got a girlfriend.

zhao yang 那时候她在海外读书，我们分离了两年。每次在机场分别，我们都特别想念对方。
nà shíhou tā zài hǎiwài dúshū wǒmen fēnlí le liǎng nián měi cì zài jīchǎng fēnbié wǒmen dōu tèbié xiǎngniàn duìfāng · Back then she was studying abroad, so we were apart for two years. Every time we said goodbye at the airport, we missed each other terribly.

anna 听说新娘还是女子足球队的？
tīngshuō xīnniáng hái shì nǚzǐ zúqiú duì de · I hear the bride plays in a women's football team?

zhao yang 对，她踢得比很多男子都好！
duì tā tī de bǐ hěn duō nánzǐ dōu hǎo · That's right, she plays better than lots of men!

xiaoming 这就是命运啊！你们要好好珍惜。这本相册是我们赠给你们的。
zhè jiùshì mìngyùn a nǐmen yào hǎohǎo zhēnxī zhè běn xiàngcè shì wǒmen zèng gěi nǐmen de · That's destiny! Treasure each other. This photo album is our present to you.

zhao yang 谢谢大家这么热烈地祝贺我们！我们也准备了一些小礼物，赠送给大家。我们的愿望是大家都幸福！
xièxie dàjiā zhème rèliè de zhùhè wǒmen wǒmen yě zhǔnbèi le yìxiē xiǎo lǐwù zèngsòng gěi dàjiā wǒmen de yuànwàng shì dàjiā dōu xìngfú · Thank you all for such warm congratulations! We've got some little gifts for everyone too. Our wish is for you all to be happy!

write it trace the grey, then write your own

舍
shě
to give up

念
niàn
to read aloud; to study



追 zhuī to chase, run after	追	追	追	追	追					

good to know · 对象 is everyday Chinese for a serious boyfriend or girlfriend, someone you might marry: 你有对象了吗？ At Chinese weddings, guests often give money in a red envelope (红包) rather than a present.

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day 34 let's talk it through

Talk about how a conversation went: interrupting, expressing yourself, adding, summing up, and "it went on and on".

Meetings, phone calls and difficult talks are easier when you can describe and steer the conversation.

words

word	pinyin	meaning	example
沟通	gōutōng	to communicate	有问题要及时沟通。 If there's a problem, talk about it straight away.
交换	jiāohuàn	to exchange	我们交换一下电话号码吧。 Let's swap phone numbers.
谈话	tánhuà	to have a talk; a talk	林经理想找你谈话。 Manager Lin wants a word with you.
讲话	jiǎnghuà	speech, talk	他的讲话很短，但是很有意思。 His speech was short but really interesting.
表达	biǎodá	to express	我不知道怎么表达我的感谢。 I don't know how to say how grateful I am.
说服	shuōfú	to persuade	我终于说服了爸爸，让他少抽{=to smoke}烟。 I finally persuaded my dad to smoke less.
打断	dǎduàn	to interrupt	别打断我，让我说完。 Don't interrupt. Let me finish.
请求	qǐngqiú	to request; request	经理同意了我的请求。 The manager agreed to my request.
询问	xúnwèn	to enquire	有问题可以向工作人员询问。 If you have questions, ask a member of staff.
提起	tíqǐ	to mention, bring up	他从来没有提起过{guo}这件事。 He's never mentioned it.
语气	yǔqì	tone (of voice)	他说话的语气很不|客气。 His tone was really rude.
话题	huàtí	topic	我们换个话题吧。 Let's change the subject.
强调	qiángdiào	to stress, emphasise	老师强调了好几次：明天别迟到。 The teacher said it several times: don't be late tomorrow.
补充	bǔchōng	to add, supplement	我想补充一点{=point (in a talk)}。 I'd like to add one thing.
表明	biǎomíng	to make clear, show	这个结果表明，我们的方法是对的。 This result shows our method was right.
形容	xíngróng	to describe	这里的风景美得没法儿形容。 The scenery here is beautiful beyond words.
描述	miáoshù	to describe (in detail)	请你描述一下那个人的样子。 Please describe what that person looked like.
讲述	jiǎngshù	to tell, narrate	这部电影讲述了一个家庭的故事。 This film tells the story of a family.

生动	shēngdòng	vivid, lively	孙教授讲课讲得很生动。 Professor Sun's lectures are really lively.
传递	chuándì	to pass on, convey	音乐可以传递快乐。 Music can spread joy.
反映	fǎnyìng	to reflect; to report	我们把这个问题反映给了经理。 We raised the problem with the manager.
概括	gàikuò	to sum up	你能简单地概括一下吗? Could you briefly sum it up?
称为	chēngwéi	to be called, be known as	这条街被称为“美食街”。 This street is known as “Food Street”.
自身	zìshēn	oneself, itself	先找自身的问题，再|说别人。 Look at your own faults before talking about others.
舍得	shěde	to be willing to part with	你舍得把这么好的东西送人吗? Can you really bear to give something this nice away?

pattern 没a没b: no a, no b

没 A 没 B

没A没B is a set four-character frame, “with neither A nor B”, and it usually complains. 没完没了 never-ending, 没大没小 no respect for age (talking to elders like friends), 没日没夜 day and night without a break.

他们没日没夜地工作了一个星期。 **tāmen méi rì méi yè de gōngzuò le yí gè xīngqī** They worked day and night for a whole week.

这孩子跟老人说话没大没小的。 **zhè háizi gēn lǎorén shuōhuà méi dà méi xiǎo de** This kid talks to old people with no respect at all.

雨下得没完没了。 **yǔ xià de méi wán méi liǎo** The rain just won't stop.

dialogue after the meeting

anna 林经理，今天的会开了四个小时，对方的问题没完没了。
Línjīnglǐ jīntiān de huì kāi le sì gè xiǎoshí duìfāng de wèntí méi wán méi liǎo · Manager Lin, today's meeting went on for four hours. The client's questions were endless.

manager lin 是啊。不过对方愿意跟我们沟通，也表明他们很重视我们。
shì a búguò duìfāng yuànyì gēn wǒmen gōutōng yě biǎomíng tāmen hěn zhòngshì wǒmen · Yes. But the fact that they want to talk shows they take us seriously.

anna 可是他老是打断我，我想表达的意思一句也没说完。
kěshì tā lǎoshì dǎduàn wǒ wǒ xiǎng biǎodá de yìsi yí jù yě méi shuō wán · But he kept interrupting me. I never got to finish a single point.

manager lin 我注意到了。不过我们也要先想想自身的问题。下次你先简单地概括一下，再慢慢补充。
wǒ zhùyì dào le búguò wǒmen yě yào xiān xiǎng xiang zìshēn de wèntí xià cì nǐ xiān jiǎndān de gàikuò yíxià zài màn màn bǔchōng · I noticed. But let's look at our own side first. Next time, sum it up briefly first, then fill in the details.

anna 好的。还有，他说话的语气让我很不舒服。我说也不是，不说也不是，只好换了个话题。
hǎo de hái yǒu tā shuōhuà de yǔqì ràng wǒ hěn bù shūfu wǒ shuō yě bú shì bù shuō yě bú shì zhǐhǎo huàn le gè huàtí · OK. And his tone made me really uncomfortable. I didn't know whether to say something, so I just changed the subject.

manager lin 这种时候别着急，要强调我们的长处，用作品说服他。
zhè zhǒng shíhou bié zháojí yào qiángdiào wǒmen de chángchù yòng zuòpǐn shuōfú tā · At times like that, stay calm, stress our strengths, and win him over with our work.

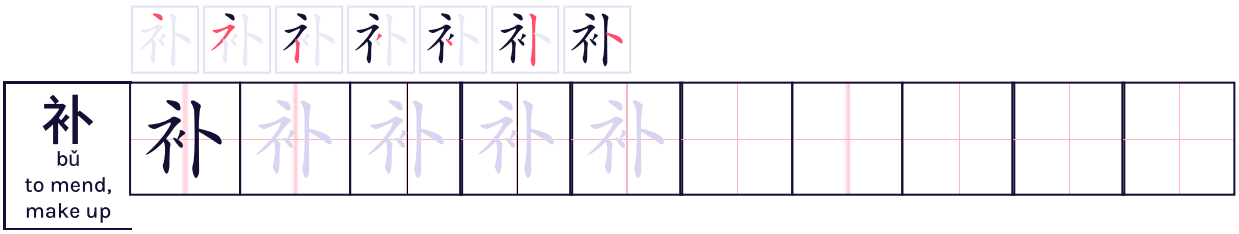
anna 明白了。我会把今天的谈话写下来，把问题反映给大家。
míngbai le wǒ huì bǎ jīntiān de tánhuà xiě xialai bǎ wèntí fǎnyìng gěi dàjiā · Got it. I'll write up today's discussion and pass the issues on to the team.

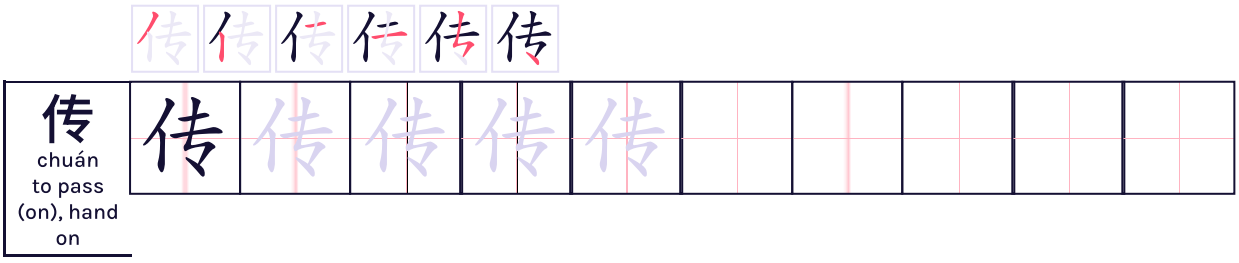
manager lin 很好。其实你今天的讲话很生动，对方很满意。
hěn hǎo qíshí nǐ jīntiān de jiǎnghuà hěn shēngdòng duìfāng hěn mǎnyì · Good. Actually, your presentation today was really lively. The client was very happy.

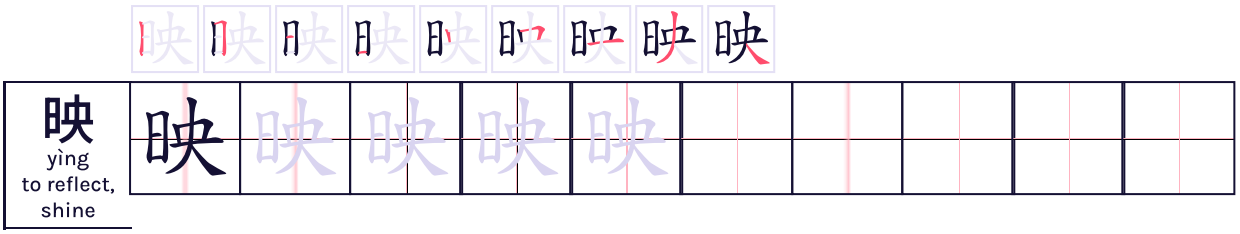
anna 真的吗？他走的时候还向我询问了下次见面的时间，我们交换了电话号码。
zhēn de ma tā zǒu de shíhou hái xiàng wǒ xúnwèn le xià cì jiànmiàn de shíjiān wǒmen jiāohuàn le diànhuà hàomǎ · Really? When he left, he asked me when we could meet next, and we swapped numbers.

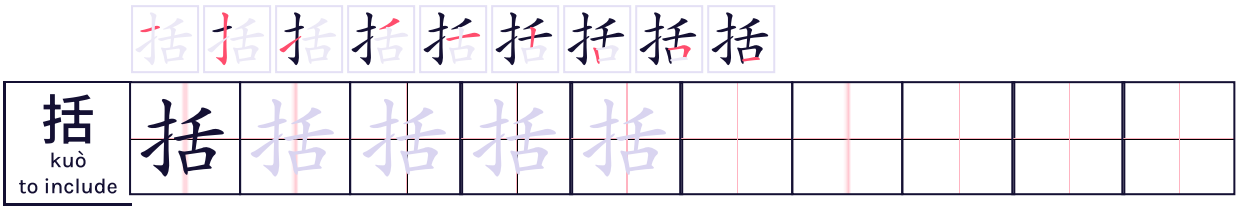
manager lin 你看，他在邮件里还把我们称为“最认真的伙伴”。
nǐ kàn tā zài yóujiàn lǐ hái bǎ wǒmen chēngwéi zuì rènzhēn de huǒbàn · See? In his email he even called us “the most dedicated partners”.

write it trace the grey, then write your own









good to know · 反映 (to report, reflect) and 反应 (to react) sound the same, fǎnyìng. 把问题反映给经理 means telling the manager about a problem. Polite ways to get the floor back: 我补充一点 let me add one thing; 我先说完，好吗？ can I just finish?

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day 35 who's right?

Give your opinion, agree or disagree with reasons, and hold your ground: "even if..., still...".

Discussing a question calmly, with reasons and respect, is a key skill at work, in class and with friends.

words

word	pinyin	meaning	example
观点	guāndiǎn	point of view	我同意你的观点。 I agree with your point of view.
赞成	zànchéng	to approve, be in favour	我赞成这个计划。 I'm in favour of this plan.
否认	fǒurèn	to deny	他否认了这件事。 He denied it.
否定	fǒudìng	to reject; negative	别马上否定别人的想法。 Don't shoot down other people's ideas straight away.
承认	chéngrèn	to admit	我承认是我错了。 I admit I was wrong.
理由	lǐyóu	reason, grounds	你迟到的理由是什么? What's your reason for being late?
道理	dàolǐ	reason, sense	你说的很有道理。 What you say makes a lot of sense.
合理	hélǐ	reasonable	这个要求很合理。 That's a reasonable request.
客观	kèguān	objective	看问题要客观。 You need to look at things objectively.
主观	zhǔguān	subjective	你这个看法太主观了。 Your view is too subjective.
角度	jiǎodù	angle, point of view	换个角度想想，问题也许没那么严重。 Look at it from another angle. Maybe it's not so bad.
看作	kànzuò	to regard as	我一直把他看作自己的哥哥。 I've always thought of him as my big brother.
当成	dàngchéng	to treat as, take for	别把我当成孩子。 Don't treat me like a child.
当作	dàngzuò	to treat as, regard as	他把这里当作自己的家。 He treats this place as his own home.
视为	shìwéi	to regard as (formal)	很多人把健康视为最重要的事。 Many people see health as the most important thing.
评价	píngjià	to evaluate; assessment	大家对这部电影的评价很高。 This film has had great reviews.
确定	quèdìng	to be sure; to fix	你确定明天不下雨吗? Are you sure it won't rain tomorrow?
确认	quèrèn	to confirm	请再确认一下时间和地点。 Please double-check the time and place.

认	rèn	to recognise; to admit	他戴着帽子，我差点儿没认出来。 He had a hat on and I almost didn't recognise him.
事实	shìshí	fact	事实证明，他是对的。 The facts proved him right.
真实	zhēnshí	true, real	这部电影是根据真实的故事拍的。 This film is based on a true story.
明确	míngquè	clear, definite	你的回答不太明确。 Your answer isn't very clear.
哪怕	nǎpà	even if	哪怕下雨，我们也要去。 Even if it rains, we're going.
显然	xiǎnrán	obvious(ly)	他显然不想去。 He obviously doesn't want to go.
疯狂	fēngkuáng	crazy, wild	这个想法太疯狂了！ That idea is crazy!

pattern 哪怕……也……: even if

哪怕 | **even in this case** | **，(subject) 也** | **still the same**

哪怕 A，也 B: even if A happens (often something extreme), B still holds. It's stronger and more spoken than 即使. The subject goes before 也 in the second part: 哪怕下雨，我们也去.

哪怕只有一点儿希望，我们也不能放弃。 **nǎpà zhǐ yǒuyìdiǎnr xīwàng wǒmen yě bù néng fàngqì** Even if there's only a little hope, we can't give up.

哪怕大家都反对，我也要试一试。 **nǎpà dàjiā dōu fǎnduì wǒ yě yào shì yi shi** Even if everyone is against it, I'm going to give it a try.

哪怕你不同意，也要听听别人的理由。 **nǎpà nǐ bù tóngyì yě yào tīng ting biérén de lǐyóu** Even if you disagree, listen to other people's reasons.

dialogue big city or home town?

professor sun 今天我们来讨论一个问题：年轻人应该在大城市工作，还是回故乡工作?
jīntiān wǒmen lái tǎolùn yí gè wèntí niánqīng rén yīnggāi zài dà chéngshì gōngzuò háishi huí gùxiāng gōngzuò · Today let's discuss a question: should young people work in big cities, or go back to their home towns?

xiaoming 我赞成在大城市工作。机会多，哪怕压力大，也值得。
wǒ zànchéng zài dà chéngshì gōngzuò jīhuì duō nǎpà yālì dà yě zhídé · I'm for big cities. There are more chances, so even if the pressure is high, it's worth it.

anna 我不完全同意。从另一个角度看，小城市生活更轻松，也更健康。
wǒ bù wánquán tóngyì cóng lìng yí gè jiǎodù kàn xiǎo chéngshì shēnghuó gèng qīngsōng yě gèng jiànkāng · I don't completely agree. From another angle, life in a small town is more relaxed and healthier.

zhao yang 我觉得你们的观点都有道理，不过都有点儿主观。我们应该看事实。
wǒ juéde nǐmen de guāndiǎn dōu yǒu dàolǐ búguò dōu yǒudiǎnr zhǔguān wǒmen yīnggāi kàn shìshí · I think you both have a point, but you're both a bit subjective. We should look at the facts.

professor sun 说得好。评价一个地方，不能只看工资。很多人把家人视为最重要的。
shuō de hǎo píngjià yí gè dìfang bù néng zhǐ kàn gōngzī hěn duō rén bǎ jiārén shìwéi zuì zhòngyào de · Well said. When you judge a place, you can't look only at salaries. Many people see family as what matters most.

xiaoming 好吧，我承认，大城市的房子贵得疯狂。
hǎo ba wǒ chéngrèn dà chéngshì de fángzi guì de fēngkuáng · OK, I admit it: housing in big cities is insanely expensive.

anna 显然，没有一个答案适合所有人。把每个人的选择都看作合理的，就不会争了。
xiǎnrán méiyǒu yí gè dáàn shìhé suǒyǒu rén bǎ měi gè rén de xuǎnzé dōu kànzuò hélǐ de jiù bú huì zhēng le · Clearly there's no one answer for everyone. If we see each person's choice as reasonable, there's nothing to argue about.

professor sun 对。别马上否定别人的选择，也别把自己的想法当作最好的答案。
duì bié mǎshàng fǒudìng biérén de xuǎnzé yě bié bǎ zìjǐ de xiǎngfǎ dàngzuò zuìhǎo de dáàn · Exactly. Don't dismiss other people's choices straight away, and don't treat your own idea as the best answer.

zhao yang 那我们确定一下，下次讨论什么话题?
nà wǒmen quèdìng yíxià xià cì tǎolùn shénme huàtí · So let's settle it: what's the topic for next time?

professor sun 我想一想，明天再跟大家确认。
wǒ xiǎng yi xiang míngtiān zài gēn dàjiā quèrèn · Let me think about it. I'll confirm with you all tomorrow.

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疯 fēng mad

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good to know · Polite ways to disagree: 我不完全同意 I don't fully agree; 从另一个角度看 from another angle; 你说得有道理，不过..... you have a point, but.... 当成, 当作, 看作 and 视为 all mean "to regard A as B" with 把: 把他当成朋友. 视为 is the most formal, 当成 the most spoken. 不过 isn't only "but": as an adverb it means "only, merely": 他不过是开个玩笑 he was only joking, 不过十分钟 only ten minutes.

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chapter 1 the secret plan

anna
赵阳，小明下个星期就要去海外了。我们给他开一个惊喜聚会，怎么样?
ZhàoYáng Xiǎomíng xià gè xīngqī jiù yào qù hǎiwài le wǒmen gěi tā kāi yí gè jīngxǐ jùhuì zěnmeyàng · Zhao Yang, Xiaoming leaves for abroad next week. How about a surprise party for him?

zhao yang
好主意！不过这件事是我们的秘密，千万别让他知道。小明那个人很好奇，做事又很谨慎，我们得小心。
hǎo zhǔyi búguò zhè jiàn shì shì wǒmen de mìmì qiānwàn bié ràng tā zhīdào Xiǎomíng nà gè rén hěn hàoqí zuò shì yòu hěn jǐnshèn wǒmen děi xiǎoxīn · Great idea! But this has to stay our secret. He mustn't find out. Xiaoming is curious and careful, so we need to watch out.

anna
放心吧。我已经单独跟张女士说了，她赞成在家里开。你别跟他提起这件事，也别在电话里说我们的计划。
fàngxīn ba wǒ yǐjīng dāndú gēn Zhāngnǚshì shuō le tā zànchéng zài jiā lǐ kāi nǐ bié gēn tā tíqǐ zhè jiàn shì yě bié zài diànhuà lǐ shuō wǒmen de jìhuà · Don't worry. I've already had a quiet word with Ms Zhang, and she's happy to have it at home. Don't mention it to him, and don't talk about our plan on the phone.

zhao yang
他要是询问，我就说周末要加班。前几天王老师碰见了他，跟他握了握手，说他越来越成熟了。我们也请王老师吧。
tā yàoshi xúnwèn wǒ jiù shuō zhōumò yào jiābān qián jǐ tiān Wánglǎoshī pèngjiàn le tā gēn tā wò le wòshǒu shuō tā yuè lái yuè chéngshú le wǒmen yě qǐng Wánglǎoshī ba · If he asks, I'll say I'm working at the weekend. Teacher Wang ran into him a few days ago, shook his hand and said he was getting more grown-up all the time. Let's invite her too.

zhao yang
那他妹妹呢？她那么调皮，会不会说出去?
nà tā mèimei ne tā nàme tiáopí huì bu huì shuō chuqu · What about his sister? She's so cheeky. Might she let it slip?

anna
她现在很成熟，我信任她。
tā xiànzài hěn chéngshú wǒ xìnrèn tā · She's very grown-up now. I trust her.

zhao yang
好。那我们周末一起讨论一下怎么准备。
hǎo nà wǒmen zhōumò yìqǐ tǎolùn yíxià zěnme zhǔnbèi · OK. Let's talk about the preparations together at the weekend.

chapter 2 who's right?

zhao yang

我觉得应该吃火锅，小明最喜欢火锅了。

wǒ juéde yīnggāi chī huǒguō Xiǎomíng zuì xǐhuan huǒguō le · I think we should have hotpot. Xiaoming loves hotpot more than anything.

little sister

我不完全同意。我哥哥最近在减肥，还是做一些健康的菜吧。从另一个角度看，吃得太多，他第二天会不舒服。

wǒ bù wánquán tóngyì wǒ gēge zuìjìn zài jiǎnféi háishi zuò yìxiē jiànkāng de cài ba cóng lìng yí gè jiǎodù kàn chī de tài duō tā dì èr tiān huì bù shūfu · I don't fully agree. My brother's been trying to lose weight, so let's make something healthy. And from another angle, if he eats too much, he'll feel ill the next day.

zhao yang

哪怕他在减肥，这么重要的晚上也可以吃一次火锅！我认为火锅是最好的选择，这是事实！

nǎpà tā zài jiǎnféi zhème zhòngyào de wǎnshang yě kěyǐ chī yí cì huǒguō wǒ rènwéi huǒguō shì zuìhǎo de xuǎnzé zhè shì shìshí · Even if he's on a diet, he can have hotpot just once on such a big night! Hotpot is the best choice: that's a fact!

little sister

你的理由不太明确，太主观了。

nǐ de lǐyóu bú tài míngquè tài zhǔguān le · Your reasons aren't very clear. You're being too subjective.

anna

你们别争了，这样讨论下去没完没了。我们要客观一点儿。

nǐmen bié zhēng le zhèyàng tǎolùn xiaqu méi wán méi liǎo wǒmen yào kèguān yìdiǎnr · Stop arguing, you two: at this rate we'll go on for ever. Let's be a bit more objective.

anna

你们的观点都有道理。要不我们吃火锅，再多准备一些蔬菜？

nǐmen de guāndiǎn dōu yǒu dàolǐ yàobù wǒmen chī huǒguō zài duō zhǔnbèi yìxiē shūcài · You both have a point. How about hotpot, with lots of extra vegetables?

little sister

这个想法很合理！真有你的，安娜姐姐。

zhège xiǎngfǎ hěn hélǐ zhēn yǒu nǐ de Ānnà jiějie · That's a sensible idea! You're brilliant, Anna.

zhao yang

好，我承认你说得对，我不否认你们说得有道理。那我负责拍照，把晚上的一切都拍下来。

hǎo wǒ chéngrèn nǐ shuō de duì wǒ bù fǒurèn nǐmen shuō de yǒu dàolǐ nà wǒ fùzé pāizhào bǎ wǎnshang de yíqiè dōu pāi xialai · OK, I admit you're right: I won't deny you have a point. Then I'll take the photos and film the whole evening.

little sister

我哥哥总是把我当成小孩子，这次我要让他看到我长大了。

wǒ gēge zǒngshì bǎ wǒ dàngchéng xiǎo háizi zhè cì wǒ yào ràng tā kàn dào wǒ zhǎng dà le · My brother always treats me like a little kid. This time I want him to see I've grown up.

anna

他一直把你看作最亲的人。

tā yìzhí bǎ nǐ kànzuò zuì qīn de rén · He's always seen you as the person closest to him.

little sister

不过，他不过是去一年，你们怎么像他要去十年似的！

búguò tā búguò shì qù yì nián nǐmen zěnme xiàng tā yào qù shí nián shìde · Still, he's only going for a year. You're all acting as if he were going for ten!

zhao yang

上次给他过生日，大家的评价是“太疯狂了”。显然这次要安静一点儿。

shàng cì gěi tā guò shēngrì dàjiā de píngjià shì tài fēngkuáng le xiǎnrán zhè cì yào ānjìng yìdiǎnr · Last time, for his birthday, everyone's verdict was "totally crazy". Clearly this time we need to keep it a bit quieter.

zhao yang

哈哈，那时间就这么确定了：星期六晚上七点。我明天跟张阿姨确认一下。

hā hā nà shíjiān jiù zhème quèdìng le xīngqīliù wǎnshang qī diǎn wǒ míngtiān gēn zhāng āyí quèrèn yíxià · Ha ha, then the time's fixed: Saturday at seven. I'll confirm it with Auntie Zhang tomorrow.

chapter 3 surprise!

xiaoming 妈妈，我回来了。家里怎么这么安静?
māma wǒ huílái le jiā lǐ zěnme zhème ānjìng · Mum, I'm home. Why's it so quiet?

little sister 惊喜！
jīngxǐ · Surprise!

xiaoming 你们……你们都在这儿？我站也不是，坐也不是，太激动了！
nǐmen nǐmen dōu zài zhèr wǒ zhàn yě bú shì zuò yě bú shì tài jīdòng le · You... you're all here? I don't know what to do with myself, I'm so excited!

ms zhang 这都是安娜的主意。大家准备了一个星期，你居然一点儿也不知道。你看，我们把家里打扮得像过节似的。
zhè dōu shì Ānnà de zhǔyi dàjiā zhǔnbèi le yí gè xīngqī nǐ jūrán yìdiǎnr yě bù zhīdào nǐ kàn wǒmen bǎ jiā lǐ dǎban de xiàng guòjié shìde · This was all Anna's idea. Everyone's been getting ready for a week, and you didn't have a clue. Look, we've decorated the house like it's a festival.

xiaoming 我真傻！这几天你们的表情都那么奇怪，我还以为出了什么事呢。
wǒ zhēn shǎ zhè jǐ tiān nǐmen de biǎoqíng dōu nàme qíguài wǒ hái yǐwéi chū le shénme shì ne · How silly of me! You've all had such funny looks on your faces these last few days, I thought something had happened.

xiaoming 妹妹，你平时那么胆小，这次居然一句也没说出去！
mèimei nǐ píngshí nàme dǎnxiǎo zhè cì jūrán yí jù yě méi shuō chuqu · Sis, you're usually so timid, and this time you didn't let slip a single word!

little sister 我现在很独立，也很大胆！
wǒ xiànzài hěn dúlì yě hěn dàdǎn · I'm very independent now, and very bold!

xiaoming 爸爸，您平时那么严肃，今天也笑得这么开心。
bàba nín píngshí nàme yánsù jīntiān yě xiào de zhème kāixīn · Dad, you're usually so serious, and today you're smiling so happily.

dr li 儿子要走了，我当然舍不得。不过年轻人应该敢于出去看看。
érzi yào zǒu le wǒ dāngrán shěbude búguò niánqīng rén yīnggāi gǎnyú chuqu kàn kan · My son is leaving: of course I'll miss him. But young people should dare to go and see the world.

teacher wang 你虚心、善良，个性也好，在公司的形象很好，到了海外一定会受欢迎。看着你们一天天成长，是我最大的乐趣。
nǐ xūxīn shànliáng gèxìng yě hǎo zài gōngsī de xíngxiàng hěn hǎo dào le hǎiwài yídìng huì shòu huānyíng kàn zhe nǐmen yì tiān tiān chéngzhǎng shì wǒ zuì dà de lèqù · You're modest and kind, with a lovely personality, and you have a great reputation at work: you'll be popular abroad. Watching you all grow up day by day is my greatest joy.

anna 小明的长处是真诚，短处是吃东西太讲究！
Xiǎomíng de chángchù shì zhēnchéng duǎnchù shì chī dōngxi tài jiǎngjiu · Xiaoming's strong point is that he's sincere; his weak point is being far too fussy about food!

zhao yang 哈哈，这也是一种魅力。
hā hā zhè yě shì yì zhǒng mèilì · Ha ha, that's part of his charm.

anna 我们舍不得你走，所以想好好跟你告别。
wǒmen shěbude nǐ zǒu suǒyǐ xiǎng hǎohǎo gēn nǐ gàobié · We can't bear to see you go, so we wanted to give you a proper send-off.

xiaoming 谢谢你们！我不知道怎么表达我的感谢。
xièxie nǐmen wǒ bù zhīdào zěnme biǎodá wǒ de gǎnxiè · Thank you all! I don't know how to say how grateful I am.

chapter 4 see you next year

anna 小明，大家给你写了一张卡片，我来读一读：
Xiǎomíng dàjiā gěi nǐ xiě le yì zhāng kǎpiàn wǒ lái dú yi du · Xiaoming, everyone has written you a card. Let me read it:

anna “亲爱的小明：认识你这么多年，你一直是我们最真诚、最善良的伙伴。你对待朋友像对待家人似的，我们之间的友谊特别深厚。明年你一个人在海外，哪怕遇到困难，也别忘了我们。我们会常常跟你视频，把家里的事都讲述给你听。祝你一路顺风，早日回来！”
qīnài de Xiǎomíng rènshi nǐ zhème duō nián nǐ yìzhí shì wǒmen zuì zhēnchéng zuì shànliáng de huǒbàn nǐ duìdài péngyou xiàng duìdài jiārén shìde wǒmen zhījiān de yǒuyì tèbié shēnhòu míngnián nǐ yí gè rén zài hǎiwài nǎpà yùdào kùnnan yě bié wàng le wǒmen wǒmen huì chángcháng gēn nǐ shìpín bǎ jiā lǐ de shì dōu jiǎngshù gěi nǐ tīng zhù nǐ yílù shùnfēng zǎo rì huílái · “Dear Xiaoming: in all the years we’ve known you, you’ve always been our most sincere and kind-hearted friend. You treat your friends like family, and our friendship runs deep. Next year, on your own abroad, even if things get hard, don’t forget us. We’ll video-call you often and tell you everything that happens at home. Have a good trip, and come back soon!”

ms zhang 你怎么沉默了？
nǐ zěnme chénmò le · Why have you gone quiet?

xiaoming 我深受感动，不知道说什么好。我在乎的人都在这儿，独自出去，真有点儿遗憾。
wǒ shēn shòu gǎndòng bù zhīdào shuō shénme hǎo wǒ zàihu de rén dōu zài zhèr dúzì chūqù zhēn yǒudiǎnr yíhàn · I’m deeply moved and don’t know what to say. Everyone I care about is here: going off alone feels like a bit of a shame.

ms zhang 一开始我不同意，还跟他争了几句。后来我想，年轻人应该出去看看。
yì kāishǐ wǒ bù tóngyì hái gēn tā zhēng le jǐ jù hòulái wǒ xiǎng niánqīng rén yīnggāi chūqù kàn kan · At first I was against it, and even argued with him a bit. Then I thought: young people should go and see the world.

xiaoming 妈妈一开始的反应，我早就猜到了。不过我们好好谈话以后，我说服了她。
māma yì kāishǐ de fǎnyìng wǒ zǎo jiù cāi dào le búguò wǒmen hǎohǎo tánhuà yǐhòu wǒ shuōfú le tā · I’d guessed how Mum would react at first. But after a proper talk, I won her round.

teacher wang 小明，到了海外，要主动跟别人沟通，也要照顾好自己。人际关系很重要，要真诚地对待别人。
Xiǎomíng dào le hǎiwài yào zhǔdòng gēn biérén gōutōng yě yào zhàogù hǎo zìjǐ rénjì guānxì hěn zhòngyào yào zhēnchéng de duìdài biérén · Xiaoming, when you’re abroad, make the effort to talk to people, and look after yourself. Relationships matter: treat people sincerely.

dr li 再忙也要好好吃饭，按时睡觉。
zài máng yě yào hǎohǎo chī fàn ànshí shuìjiào · However busy you are, eat properly and get to bed on time.

xiaoming 我补充一句：这张卡片我会一直保存着。
wǒ bǔchōng yí jù zhè zhāng kǎpiàn wǒ huì yìzhí bǎocún zhe · Let me add one thing: I’ll keep this card for ever.

zhao yang 来，大家合影！这张照片我要放进相册里。我们的联系会一直很紧密的。来，大家拥抱一下！
lái dàjiā héyǐng zhè zhāng zhàopiàn wǒ yào fàng jìn xiàngcè lǐ wǒmen de liánxì huì yìzhí hěn jǐnmì de lái dàjiā yōngbào yíxià · Come on, group photo! This one’s going in the album. We’ll always stay in close touch. Come on, group hug!

xiaoming 我会珍惜我们的友谊。哪怕在很远的地方，我也会想念你们的。
wǒ huì zhēnxī wǒmen de yǒuyì nǎpà zài hěn yuǎn de dìfang wǒ yě huì xiǎngniàn nǐmen de · I’ll treasure our friendship. Even far away, I’ll miss you all.

anna 一年很快就过去了，我们等你回来！
yì nián hěn kuài jiù guòqù le wǒmen děng nǐ huílái · A year will fly by. We’ll be waiting for you!

chapter 5 the airport

little sister 哥哥，你到了海外，要是有了对象，一定要先告诉我！
gēge nǐ dào le hǎiwài yàoshi yǒu le duìxiàng yídìng yào xiān gàosu wǒ · Bro, if you find a girlfriend abroad, you have to tell me first!

xiaoming 哈哈，你又提起这个话题了。我是去工作，不是去谈恋爱的。
hā hā nǐ yòu tíqǐ zhège huàtí le wǒ shì qù gōngzuò bú shì qù tán liànài de · Ha ha, you're on that subject again. I'm going to work, not to fall in love.

zhao yang 我和我太太当年也分离了两年，后来还是结婚了。这就是命运！
wǒ hé wǒ tàitai dāngnián yě fēnlí le liǎng nián hòulái háishi jiéhūn le zhè jiùshì mìngyùn · My wife and I were apart for two years back then, and we still got married. That's fate!

anna 你们的婚礼我还记得：大家的祝贺那么热烈，新郎紧张得不得了，新娘却一点儿也不紧张。
nǐmen de hūnlǐ wǒ hái jìde dàjiā de zhùhè nàme rèliè xīnláng jǐnzhāng de bùdéliǎo xīnniáng què yìdiǎnr yě bù jǐnzhāng · I still remember your wedding: everyone's good wishes were so warm, the groom was a nervous wreck, but the bride wasn't nervous at all.

zhao yang 别打断我！我还没说完呢。我想强调的是：分别不可怕，只要心在一起。
bié dǎduàn wǒ wǒ hái méi shuō wán ne wǒ xiǎng qiángdiào de shì fēnbié bù kěpà zhǐyào xīn zài yìqǐ · Don't interrupt! I haven't finished. What I want to stress is: parting isn't scary, as long as your hearts stay together.

ms zhang 小明，我有一个请求：每个星期给家里打一次电话。
Xiǎomíng wǒ yǒu yí gè qǐngqiú měi gè xīngqī gěi jiā lǐ dǎ yí cì diànhuà · Xiaoming, I have one request: call home once a week.

xiaoming 好，我答应您。我会把那边的生活生动地描述给你们听。
hǎo wǒ dāying nín wǒ huì bǎ nàbiān de shēnghuó shēngdòng de miáoshù gěi nǐmen tīng · OK, I promise. I'll tell you all about life over there, in every detail.

dr li 这是我们赠送给你的礼物，里面是全家的照片。愿你一切顺利！
zhè shì wǒmen zèngsòng gěi nǐ de lǐwù lǐmiàn shì quán jiā de zhàopiàn yuàn nǐ yíqiè shùnlì · This is our present for you: photos of the whole family. May everything go well for you!

teacher wang 你运气真好，有这么多热爱你的家人和朋友。
nǐ yùnqi zhēn hǎo yǒu zhème duō rèài nǐ de jiārén hé péngyou · You're so lucky to have so many family and friends who love you.

dr li 我们舍得让你走，是因为我们相信你。
wǒmen shěde ràng nǐ zǒu shì yīnwèi wǒmen xiāngxìn nǐ · We're willing to let you go because we believe in you.

xiaoming 谢谢大家！本来我有点儿舍不得走，现在放心多了。
xièxie dàjiā běnlái wǒ yǒudiǎnr shěbude zǒu xiànzài fàngxīn duō le · Thank you, everyone! I wasn't sure I could bear to leave, but I feel much better now.

zhao yang 我们交换一下新的电话号码吧。安娜，你用几个字概括一下今天吧！
wǒmen jiāohuàn yíxià xīn de diànhuà hàomǎ ba Ānnà nǐ yòng jǐ gè zì gàikuò yíxià jīntiān ba · Let's swap new phone numbers. Anna, sum today up in a few words!

anna 很简单：我们都爱你！妹妹，你呢？
hěn jiǎndān wǒmen dōu ài nǐ mèimei nǐ ne · Easy: we all love you! What about you, sis?

little sister 我的愿望是明年去看你！
wǒ de yuànwàng shì míngnián qù kàn nǐ · My wish is to go and visit you next year!

little sister 哥哥，一路顺风！
gēge yílù shùnfēng · Have a good trip, big brother!

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