

Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 150 [English]

Kirin: Chinese Learn Online lesson 150 .

Kirin: Hello everyone , I'm Kirin .

Raphael: Hello everyone , I'm Raphael .

Adam: And hello, I'm Adam.

Kirin: Welcome to Taiwan and our progressive course teaching Chinese . What are we studying today ?

Raphael: Today we are going to teach you some “jiāshì” (housework) .

Kirin: Hmm, what does “jiāshì” (housework) mean ?

Raphael: Hmm, what does “dōngdōng” (thing) mean ?

Kirin: Oh, that means “dōngxi” (thing) . So what I just asked you was “What does ‘Jiāshì’ (housework) mean ?”

Raphael: Oh, it's the “jiā” in “jiālǐ” (house) and the “shì” in “shìqíng” (matter) .

Kirin: Oh, house matters . Very interesting ! So what examples are there ?

Raphael: There are many .

Kirin: So ?

Raphael: For example wash dishes , wash clothes , cook ...etc .

Kirin: Hmm, usually its women who do the housework .

Raphael: Yes, if men want to become good husbands , they should definitely help the women do housework .

Kirin: Right . Can you introduce to me a man like this who can do housework ?

Raphael: There's one right here !

Kirin: Who ?

Raphael: Me !

Kirin: Be serious ok ?

Raphael: Fine .

Kirin: So what other housework do we have ?

Raphael: The first is “sǎodi” (sweep floor) .

Adam: The literal meaning of these two characters is “sweep ground.” And that’s what is used to say “sweep the floor.”

Kirin: Sweep the floor .

Raphael: What else can we sweep ?

Kirin: Clean the washroom .

Raphael: Ok . Now if you want to use water , you won’t sweep , what will you use ?

Kirin: You will mop .

Raphael: Right, so you can “tuōdi” (mop the floor) .

Adam: “Mop the floor.”

Kirin: Mop the floor .

Raphael: Next, you can also “cā dì” (wipe the floor) .

Adam: And here we have the verb “to wipe”

Kirin: To wipe .

Raphael: So what else can we wipe ?

Kirin: You can also wipe the windows .

Adam: And here we have the word for “window.”

Kirin: Window .

Raphael: What else ?

Kirin: Wipe the tables .

Adam: “Wipe the tables.”

Kirin: Wipe the mirrors .

Adam: “Wipe the mirrors.”

Kirin: Wipe the cups .

Adam: “Wipe the cups.”

Kirin: Wipe your face .

Raphael: That’s not housework .

Kirin: Oh, pardon me .

Raphael: Ok, let’s review all the housework we taught you today

Kirin: Wash dishes .

Adam: “Wash dishes.” Note how they use “wash bowls” in Chinese.

Kirin: Wash clothes .

Adam: “Wash clothes.”

Kirin: Cook .

Adam: “Cook.”

Kirin: Sweep the floor .

Adam: “Sweep the floor.”

Kirin: Clean the bathroom .

Adam: “Clean the bathroom.”

Kirin: Mop the floor .

Adam: “Mop the floor.”

Kirin: [Wipe the window](#) .

Adam: “Wipe the windows.”

Kirin: [Wipe the table](#) .

Adam: “Wipe the tables.”

Kirin: [Wipe the mirror](#) .

Adam: “Wipe the mirrors.”

Kirin: [Wipe the cups](#) .

Adam: “Wipe the cups.”

Raphael: [Wow, women do a lot of housework everyday](#) , [they really work hard](#) .

Kirin: [They really what](#) ?

Raphael: [Our last new word of the day is](#)

Kirin: [To be exhausted](#) .

Adam: And that’s the verb “to be exhausted.”

Kirin: [To be exhausted](#) .

Kirin: [So when you go home](#) , [when the husband sees his wife](#) , [or when the child sees his mom doing housework](#) , you can say “(My wife) you’ve been working hard !” or “(Mother) you’ve been working hard !”

Raphael: [Right, this is a good suggestion](#) .

Kirin: [Ok, I hope today’s lesson helped you](#) . [If you need more practice](#) , you can go to [our website ChineseLearnOnline-com](#) .

Raphael: [We’ll see you next time](#) !