

Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 168 [English]

Kirin: Chinese Learn Online lesson 168 .

Hello everyone , I'm Kirin .

Raphael: Hello everyone , I'm Raphael .

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

Raphael: Today, what we are going to discuss is , people who live in different countries , what are their lives like ?

Kirin: Ah, so what you want to compare is the life in Taiwan versus in other countries , what the difference is ?

Raphael: Right .

Kirin: But, have you ever been abroad ?

Raphael: Not yet .

Kirin: Then how do you know what the difference is between their life and life in Taiwan ?

Raphael: I have seen many travel books , television , as well as newspapers .So I know .

Kirin: Ok, so which part do you want to compare first ?

Raphael: The first part is the weather .

Kirin: What about the weather ?

Raphael: In Taiwan , every season's weather doesn't have much difference . Summer weather is hot , winter weather is a little cool . When compared to other countries , we can say that our weather is quite comfortable .

Kirin: And in other countries ?

Raphael: In some countries , I heard that in the summer , it may be very hot . But in winter , the weather becomes very cold , sometimes it will also snow .

Kirin: So what to do then ?

Raphael: There's nothing you can do . If you live there , your body must definitely get used to this kind of weather .

Kirin: So what else is different between Taiwan and other countries ?

Raphael: In Taiwan , I think the things we sell aren't very expensive .

Kirin: But recently I feel that the things being sold are more expensive than in the past .

Raphael: Right, but in some countries , their things are really expensive .

Kirin: Hmm, so do they have so much money that they can buy such expensive things ?

Raphael: Their salaries there are also probably higher . But if you want to save money , I think it's more difficult .

Kirin: I think every country has this problem . So you have to first see how much your salary is , then see how much the things you want to buy this month are . If your money isn't enough , then don't buy it , Or look for cheaper things .

Raphael: Good idea . Many people first buy the things they like , then later discover , that their money this month isn't enough . So in the end they need to use a credit card to buy things .

Kirin: Hmm, if parents teach their children how to properly save money , then after the kids grow up , there is a better chance they won't have this problem .

Raphael: Right .

Kirin: So do you think saving money is easy for you ?

Raphael: Lately it's been easier for me .

Kirin: Ah, is this because you don't have a girlfriend ?

Raphael: Not at all ! It's because my current job's salary isn't bad !

Kirin: Ah, so for people who live in different countries , what else is different about their lives when compared to Taiwan ?

Raphael: Their food is really different from Taiwan's food .

Kirin: Like what, for example ?

Raphael: In Taiwan , when we eat , we usually have rice , as well we use chopsticks to eat .

Kirin: And in other countries ?

Raphael: That depends . Every country has their own food . There isn't always rice . As well, in most countries , they don't have chopsticks .

Kirin: Right, they only have forks . Some foreigners, when they first come to Asia , feel that using chopsticks to eat meals is quite troublesome .

Raphael: Let's take a moment to review the new words we taught you today .

Kirin: Were there any new words today ?

Raphael: Oh, sorry , I forgot this is a review lesson . Ok, if you need more practice , you can go to our website ChineseLearnOnline-com .

Kirin: Continue to keep at it !