

Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 173 [Pinyin]

Kirin: Shàngwǎng xué Zhōngwén dì yī bǎi qī shí sān kè .

Dàjiā hǎo , wǒ shì Kirin .

Raphael: Dàjiā hǎo , wǒ shì Raphael .

Adam: And hello, I'm Adam.

Kirin: Huānyíng lái dào Táiwan gēn wǒmen yīqǐ xuéxí gèng jìn yí bù de Zhōngwén kèchéng . Wǒmen jīntiān yào xuéde shì shénme ne ?

Raphael: Jīntiān wǒmen huì xiān tīng dào de shì yīge diànyuán gēn yīge kèrén de duìhuà .

Kirin: Yí , wǒ zhīdào kèrén de yìsi . Nà diànyuán shì shénme yìsi ?

Raphael: Ēn , nǐ jìde shāngdiàn shì shénme yìsi ma ?

Kirin: Shì biànlì shāngdiàn de shāngdiàn ma ?

Raphael: Duì a . Biànlì shāngdiàn shì yī zhǒng shāngdiàn . Nà wǒmen háiyou bié zhǒng shāngdiàn .

Kirin: Bǐrú shuō yǒu nǎxiē ?

Raphael: Bǐrú shuō , diànzǐ shāngdiàn , huādiàn , miànbāo diàn , chǒngwù diàn , dēng dēng .

Kirin: A , suǒyǐ tāmen dōu shì shāngdiàn . Wǒ liǎojiě le .

Raphael: Hǎo , ràng wǒmen xiān tīng ...

Kirin: Dēng yīxià , nǐ hái méiyǒu gàosu wǒ diànyuán shì shénme yìsi .

Raphael: O , duìbuqǐ . Nǐ zài shāngdiàn lǐmiàn de shíhòu , rúguǒ nǐ yǒu wèntí , huòshì nǐ yào fùqián de shíhòu , nǐ huì zhǎo shéi ?

Kirin: Diànyuán ma ?

Raphael: Duì , nǐ hěn cōngmíng ! Wǒ kěyǐ jìxù ma ?

Kirin: Dāngrán kěyǐ .

Raphael: Hǎo, ràng wǒmen xiān tīng yí cì jīntiān zhèngcháng yǔsù de duìhuà .

Cindy: Bù hǎo yìsi , kěyǐ qǐngwèn yīxià ma ?

Yann: Dāngrán kěyǐ . Nǐ xūyào wǒ bāng nǐ shénme máng ?

Cindy: Wèi shénme zhè tái zhàoxiàngjī nàme guì ?

Yann: Yīnwèi tā shì yīgè hěn yǒumíng de páizi .

Cindy: Rúguǒ wǒ mǎi le , fāxiàn zhè tái xiàngjī de pǐnzhí wǒ bù xǐhuān , wǒ kěyǐ tuìhuò ma ?

Yann: Nǐ kěyǐ zài qī tiān nèi ná huílái zhèlǐ .

Raphael: Ràng wǒmen zài tīng yí cì jīntiān màn yǔsù de duìhuà . Qǐng gēnzhe Kirin chóngfù shuō yí biàn .

Kirin: Bù hǎo yìsi , kěyǐ qǐngwèn yīxià ma ?

Dāngrán kěyǐ .

Nǐ xūyào wǒ bāng nǐ shénme máng ?

Wèi shénme zhè tái zhàoxiàngjī nàme guì ?

Yīnwèi tā shì yīgè hěn yǒumíng de páizi .

Rúguǒ wǒ mǎi le , fāxiàn zhè tái xiàngjī de pǐnzhí wǒ bù xǐhuān , wǒ kěyǐ tuìhuò ma ?

Nǐ kěyǐ zài qī tiān nèi ná huílái zhèlǐ .

Raphael: Ràng wǒmen lái jiěshì jīntiān de duìhuà . Dì yī jù shì

Kirin: Bù hǎo yìsi , kěyǐ qǐngwèn yīxià ma ?

Raphael: Zhèxiē dānzi wǒmen dōu xué guò le . Nǐmen juéde zhège wèntí shì shénme yìsi ?

Kirin: Bù hǎo yìsi , kěyǐ qǐngwèn yīxià ma ?

Adam: Excuse me, can I ask you a question? The **yīxià** is commonly used to suggest that you only want a small moment of the person's time.

Kirin: Bù hǎo yìsi , kěyǐ qǐngwèn yīxià ma ?

Raphael: Ránhòu zhège diànyuán huídá

Kirin: Dāngrán kěyǐ .

Adam: Of course, you can.

Kirin: *Nǐ xūyào wǒ bāng nǐ shénme máng ?*

Raphael: *Nǐmen jìde bāngmáng shì shénme yìsi ma ?*

Adam: That means “help.” So he’s asking “What help do you need from me?”

Kirin: *Nǐ xūyào wǒ bāng nǐ shénme máng ?*

Raphael: *Ránhòu zhège kèrén wèn*

Kirin: *Wèi shénme zhè tái zhàoxiàngjī nàme guì ?*

Raphael: *Jīntiān de xià yíge shēngzì shì*

Kirin: *Zhàoxiàngjī .*

Adam: We’ve seen the *zhào* before in

Kirin: *Zhàopiàn*

Adam: meaning “photograph”. Together

Kirin: *Zhàoxiàng*

Adam: is another way to say “take a picture.” And lastly we’ve seen *jī* before in

Kirin: *Fēijī*

Adam: which means “airplane”. The *jī* on its own means “machine.” So together an airplane is a flying machine.

Kirin: *Fēijī .*

Adam: So can you guess what a “take photographs machine” is?

Kirin: *Zhàoxiàngjī .*

Adam: That of course means “camera.”

Raphael: *Suǒyǐ nǐmen juéde zhège wèntí shì shénme yìsi ?*

Kirin: Wèi shénme zhè tái zhàoxiàngjī nàme guì ?

Adam: That's asking "Why is this camera so expensive?" Note the tái measure word here being used here. We've seen it used before for vehicles. Here it's used for machines.

Kirin: Wèi shénme zhè tái zhàoxiàngjī nàme guì ?

Raphael: Ránhòu zhège diànyuán huídá

Kirin: Yīnwèi tā shì yīgè hěn yǒumíng de páizi .

Raphael: Nǐmen jìde yǒumíng shì shénme yìsi ma ?

Adam: That means "famous."

Raphael: Zài zhège jùzi de hòumiàn wǒmen kàndào jīntiān de xià yīge shēngzì

Kirin: Páizi .

Adam: And that means "brand" or "trademark."

Kirin: Yīnwèi tā shì yīgè hěn yǒumíng de páizi .

Adam: Because it's a famous brand.

Raphael: Ránhòu zhège kèrén wèn

Kirin: Rúguǒ wǒ mǎi le

Adam: If I buy it

Kirin: Fāxiàn zhè tái xiàngjī de pǐnzhí wǒ bù xǐhuān .

Raphael: Nǐmen jìde fāxiàn shì shénme yìsi ma ?

Adam: That means "to find out."

Raphael: Ránhòu jīntiān de xià yīge shēngzì shì

Kirin: Pǐnzhí .

Adam: And that means "quality."

Kirin: Rúguǒ wǒ mǎi le , fāxiàn zhè tái xiàngjī de pǐnzhí wǒ bù xǐhuān .

Adam: If I buy it and find out that I don't like the quality of this camera. Note that zhàoxiàngjī is reduced to xiàngjī in this sentence.

Kirin: Rúguǒ wǒ mǎi le , fāxiàn zhè tái xiàngjī de pǐnzhí wǒ bù xǐhuān , wǒ kěyǐ tuìhuò ma ?

Raphael: Zài zhègè jùzi de hòumiàn wǒmen kàndào

Kirin: Tuìhuò .

Adam: There are two characters there. The first means “to decline” while the second huò we've seen before in

Kirin: Bǎihuò gōngsī

Adam: and means “products.” So together

Kirin: Tuìhuò

Adam: means “to return a product back to where you purchased it from.”

Kirin: Rúguǒ wǒ mǎi le , fāxiàn zhè tái xiàngjī de pǐnzhí wǒ bù xǐhuān , wǒ kěyǐ tuìhuò ma ?

Adam: If I buy it then find out that I don't like the camera's quality, can I return it?

Raphael: Ránhòu zhègè diànyuán huídá

Kirin: Nǐ kěyǐ zài qī tiān nèi ná huílái zhèlǐ .

Raphael: Jīntiān de zuìhòu yíge shēngzì shì

Kirin: Nèi .

Adam: And that means “internal.” In this case

Kirin: Qī tiān nèi

Adam: means “within 7 days”

Kirin: Nǐ kěyǐ zài qī tiān nèi ná huílái zhèlǐ .

Adam: You can bring it back here within 7 days.

Raphael: Ràng wǒmen zài tīng yí cì jīntiān zhèngcháng yǔsù de duìhuà .

Cindy: Bù hǎo yìsi , kěyǐ qǐngwèn yīxià ma ?

Yann: Dāngrán kěyǐ . Nǐ xūyào wǒ bāng nǐ shénme máng ?

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Yann: Nǐ kěyǐ zài qī tiān nèi ná huílái zhěǐ .

Adam: For more practice with the vocabulary taught in this lesson, listen to the podcast review available for this and earlier lessons at chinesemanual.com.

Kirin: Wǒmen xiàcì zàijiàn o !