

Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 213 [English]

Kirin: Chinese Learn Online lesson 213 .

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 Mandarin Chinese .

Raphael: Let's first listen to today's dialogue at normal speed .

Yann: Oh, I can't stand my brother .

Cindy: Did he do something wrong ?

Yann: He always uses my things whenever he wants , but he never asks me first if he can .

Cindy: Then you should tell him that you don't like him doing this in that manner .

Yann: It doesn't matter if I tell him or not , the result is still the same . So I've decided to teach him a lesson , which is to take his bicycle out for a ride .

Cindy: So what was the end result ?

Yann: I broke his bicycle by mistake . So I don't know what I should do now .

Cindy: Sounds like you should be learning a lesson yourself .

Raphael: Let's listen to this dialogue again at a slower speed .

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Raphael: Let's now explain today's dialogue . The first line is

Kirin: Oh, I can't stand my brother .

Raphael: This man probably doesn't really hate his brother . It might be that his brother did something recently that made him angry . So the woman asks

Kirin: Did he do something wrong ?

Raphael: This woman wants to know , what his brother did to make him feel such hatred . The man then replies

Kirin: He always uses my things whenever he wants , but he never asks me first if he can .

Raphael: Normally, when you want to use someone else's things , you need to first ask them if you can or not . This is a more polite approach . So we now know , why this man is angry at his brother . The woman then gives him a suggestion , she says

Kirin: Then you should tell him that you don't like him doing this in that manner .

Raphael: Today's first new word is

Kirin: Manner / Aspect .

Adam: Manner or aspect.

Raphael: When we are doing something , we sometimes don't know what mistakes we are making . So this woman feels , that if the man lets his brother know about this problem , the same problem won't happen again . The man then says

Kirin: It doesn't matter if I tell him or not , the result is still the same .

Raphael: There are two new words in this sentence . The first is

Kirin: No matter .

Adam: No matter.

Raphael: The second is

Kirin: Result .

Adam: Result.

Raphael: This sentence has a sentence pattern , no matter, still .

Adam: No matter, still.

Raphael: So this man feels , if he tells his brother , to please not use his things whenever he wants , his brother will still keep doing things the same way . He then says

Kirin: So I've decided to teach him a lesson

Raphael: Today's next new word is

Kirin To teach / learn a lesson .

Adam: To teach or learn a lesson.

Raphael: The man feels , that there is no use speaking to his brother , so he thinks that teaching him a lesson would be faster . So how does he teach his brother a lesson ? He says

Kirin: which is to take his bicycle out for a ride .

Raphael: Today's next new word is

Kirin: Bicycle .

Adam: Bicycle.

Raphael: In Taiwan we call it

Kirin: Bicycle .

Raphael: So the lesson he taught his brother is , that he didn't tell his brother that he was going to take his bicycle out for a ride . After his brother finds out , he would feel that this type of feeling wasn't good , so he may change his bad habit . The woman then asks

Kirin: So what was the end result ?

Raphael: The woman wants to know , in the end, was he successful in teaching the lesson or not . The man then replies

Kirin: I broke his bicycle by mistake .

Raphael: The last new word of the day is

Kirin: To break something .

Adam: To break something.

Raphael: If your way of using something isn't proper , it is very easy to break it . He then continues

Kirin: So I don't know what I should do now .

Raphael: Previously, there was only one matter that was troubling this man , which was his brother's bad habits . But now he has a bigger problem , which is that he took his brother's bicycle and broke it , he is scared that after finding out, his brother will be angry . The woman finally says

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Raphael: This woman feels , that riding his bicycle wasn't the best way to teach his brother a lesson . So she feels , this man also learned a lesson from his own ineptitude . Ok, let's listen again to the dialogue at normal speed .

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Raphael: If needed , our premium subscribers can visit our website chineselearnonline.com for more practice .

Kirin: Continue to keep at it !