

Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 233 [English]

Kirin: Chinese Learn Online lesson 233 .

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 . What are we studying today ?

Raphael: In today's lesson , we are going to review the new words taught in our last lesson .

Kirin: Oh, and what was the topic ?

Raphael: Arguing with me ! Have you forgotten ?

Kirin: Me arguing with you ? I don't think so , you started it first .

Raphael: Who started it is not important . Let's first listen to today's dialogue at normal speed .

Yann: How come you look like you're in a bad mood today ?

Cindy: Because I had an argument with my boyfriend yesterday .

Yann: What happened ?

Cindy: He came home very late last night . As well, he didn't tell me why . So I just gave him a piece of my mind .

Yann: Hmm, so what was the result then ?

Cindy: He got very angry . Since he felt that I didn't respect him enough .

Yann: So what happened after that ?

Cindy: I was very surprised by his reaction , so I started to cry .

Yann: My goodness ! I never knew that you were such an emotional person .

Sometimes I feel living a single life is better .

Cindy: I hate the arrogance that you are showing me now . Who doesn't know that you've never stopped looking for a girlfriend ?

Yann: So now you know what my life's purpose is !

Raphael: Let's listen again to today's dialogue at a slowed down speed .

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

Kirin: How come you look like you're in a bad mood today ?

Raphael: Normally when we are in a bad mood , others can see from our face , how our mood differs from normal . For example when you are happy , we will smile . So in this conversation , this man can see that this woman seems to be in a bad mood . The woman then replies

Kirin: Because I had an argument with my boyfriend yesterday .

Raphael: When arguing with others , our manner tends to not be very happy . So now we know , why this woman is in a bad mood . The man then asks

Kirin: What happened ?

Raphael: He wants to know what they were arguing about . The woman then replies

Kirin: He came home very late last night .

Adam: The **grammar particle** here signifies the lateness of the action.

Kirin: As well, he didn't tell me why .

Raphael: Sometimes, because of working or going out, we will go home late . Now if you know that someone is waiting for you at home , you should probably let them know , this way you won't make them worried , as well it's also polite . So this woman is in a bad mood , because her boyfriend didn't tell her that he was going to go home late . The woman then continues

Kirin: So I just gave him a piece of my mind .

Raphael: In this sentence, we can see two new words . The first is

Kirin: To scold .

Adam: To scold.

Raphael: The second is

Kirin: Measure word for scoldings .

Adam: The **measure word for scoldings** here is a measure word for scoldings. So it's like saying "I gave him a piece of my mind."

Kirin: I gave him a piece of my mind .

Raphael: The man then asks

Kirin: So what was the result ?

Raphael: When two people are having an argument , if one of the people scolds the other one , the end result will probably be even worse . So this man wants to know what the result of their argument was . The woman says

Kirin: He got very angry . Since he felt that I didn't respect him enough .

Raphael: When you are being scolded , of course you won't be happy . Especially if you feel you didn't do anything wrong . So in this conversation , her boyfriend feels that his girlfriend isn't showing him enough respect . The man then asks

Kirin: So what happened after that ?

Raphael: In the situation in this dialogue , there are two unhappy people . The first is the boyfriend who was scolded by his girlfriend . The other is the girlfriend whose boyfriend

feels that she doesn't respect him enough . So this man wants to know what the end result of this situation was . The woman says

Kirin: I was very surprised by his reaction , so I started to cry .

Raphael: In this sentence , we also saw two new words . The first is

Kirin: Reaction .

Adam: Reaction.

Raphael: The second was

Kirin: To be surprised / frightened by .

Adam: To be surprised or frightened by.

Raphael: Since this woman scolded her boyfriend , although she probably wants to say sorry to her boyfriend , she didn't expect that her boyfriend would have an angry reaction , and a feeling of not being respected . So these reactions , not only surprised the woman , they also made her cry . The man then said

Kirin: My goodness ! I never knew that you were such an emotional person .

Raphael: This man feels that this woman is too emotional , since he feels that she cries too easily . He then continues

Kirin: Sometimes I feel living a single life is better .

Raphael: Today's next new word is

Kirin: Single .

Adam: "Single", as in not in a relationship.

Raphael: This man feels , the disadvantage of boyfriends and girlfriends being together is that they easily quarrel over small things . So he feels that the best thing about being single is that he doesn't have to argue with others often . The woman then replies

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Raphael: This woman feels , although this man said that having a single life is better , he is still always looking for a girlfriend . The man finally says

Kirin: So now you know what my life's purpose is !

Raphael: Today's last new word is

Kirin: Goal .

Adam: Goal.

Raphael: This man wants to let this woman know , no matter whether he argues with his future girlfriend or not , he still feels that having a girlfriend is better . Ok, let's listen again to today's dialogue at normal speed .

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

Kirin: See you next time .