

Lesson 246

Vocabulary Summary: Simplified:

最近几年
Zuìjìn jǐ nián
In the past few years

世界好像变得越来越小了
Shìjiè hǎo xiàng biàn de yuèláiyuè xiǎo le
The world seems to be getting smaller and smaller

网路的进步
Wǎnglù de jìnbù
The rise of the internet

让我们很快就可以收到最新的消息跟资料
Ràng wǒmen hěn kuài jiù kěyǐ shōu dào
zuì xīnde xiāoxī gēn zīliào
lets us receive the latest news and
information very quickly

知道哪些国家发生了什么事情
Zhīdào nǎxiē guójiā fāshēng le shénme
shìqíng
While letting us know what is happening
in other countries

另外，有些公司为了能发展的更快
Lìngwài, yǒuxiē gōngsī wèile néng fāzhǎn
de gèng kuài
As well, in order to expand, some
companies

他们把公司开在很多个国家
Tāmen bǎ gōngsī kāi zài hěnduō ge guójiā
They are opening locations in many
countries

Vocabulary Summary: Traditional:

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知道哪些國家發生了什麼事情
Zhīdào nǎxiē guójiā fāshēng le shénme
shìqíng
While letting us know what is happening
in other countries

另外，有些公司爲了能發展的更快
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他們把公司開在很多個國家
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Vocabulary Summary: Simplified:

像麦当劳跟星巴克
Xiàng Màidāngláo gēn Xīngbākè
Like McDonalds and Starbucks

这样不但让我们的生活变得更方便
Zhè yàng búdàn ràng wǒmen de shēnghuó
biàn de gèng fāngbiàn
This way, not only does our life become
more convenient

而且也可以吃到不一样口味的食物
Érqiě yě kěyǐ chī dào bù yīyàng kǒuwèi de
shíwù
We can also eat different types of foods

不过，有些人觉得
Búguò, yǒuxiē rén juéde
But some people feel that

这样的改变并不好
Zhè yàng de gǎibiàn bìng bùhǎo
These types of changes aren't good at all

他们比较喜欢本来的生活
Tāmen bǐjiào xǐhuān běnlái de shēnghuó
They prefer the type of life we had before

由于西方的文化影响
Yóuyú xīfāng de wénhuà yǐngxiǎng
Due to the influence of Western culture

让有些国家当地的文化跟传统都慢慢消失了
Ràng yǒuxiē guójiā dāngdì de wénhuà gēn
chuántǒng dōu màn màn xiāoshī le
The local cultures and traditional of
certain countries are slowly disappearing

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Tāmen bǐjiào xǐhuān běnlái de shēnghuó
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这样的改变对我们的世界比较好
Zhè yàng de gǎibiàn duì wǒmen de shìjiè
bǐjiào hǎo
These types of change are better for our
world

因为这样西方人就有更多机会
Yīnwèi zhè yàng xīfāng rén jiù yǒu gèng
duō jīhuì
Since this way Westerns have more
opportunities

认识东方文化
Rènshì dōngfāng wénhuà
To learn about Eastern cultures

像目前有越来越多的西方人
Xiàng mùqián yǒu yuèláiyuè duō de
xīfāng rén
For example these days, more and more
Westerns

选择学习中国历史，文化跟语言
Xuǎnzé xuéxí Zhōngguó lìshǐ, wénhuà
gēn yǔyán
Are choosing to study the Chinese history,
culture and language

或许有一天
Huòxǔ yǒuyītiān
Perhaps one day

他们也会选择住在中国也说不定
Tāmen yě huì xuǎnzé zhù zài Zhōngguó
yě shuōbúding
They might choose to live in China

我相信，我们都希望这些改变
Wǒ xiāngxìn, wǒmen dōu xīwàng zhèxiē
gǎibiàn
I believe, we all hope these changes

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能让每个人对其他的国家
Néng ràng měi ge rén duì qítā de guójiā
Can help everyone for other countries

有更多的了解和尊重
Yǒu gèng duō de liǎojiě hé zūnzhòng
Have more understanding and respect

也学习不同文化的优点
Yě xuéxí bùtóng wénhuà de yōudiǎn
While learning the advantages of other cultures

让我们的世界有更棒的未来
Ràng wǒmen de shìjiè yǒu gèng bàng de wèilái
That can give our world a better future

本来
Běnlái
Originally

西方
Xīfāng
Western countries

由于
Yóuyú
Due to / Owing to

影响
Yǐngxiǎng
Influence

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东方
Dōngfāng
Eastern countries

传统
Chuántǒng
Traditions / Traditional

说不定
Shuōbúding
Can't say for sure / Maybe

Vocabulary Summary: Traditional:

東方
Dōngfāng
Eastern countries

傳統
Chuántǒng
Traditions / Traditional

說不定
Shuōbúding
Can't say for sure / Maybe

Lesson 246 Notes (Simplified / Traditional)

1. Like its English equivalent, **běnlái** is usually used when a change occurs that differs from the original expectation.

běnlái 本来 / 本來 originally

2. **Xiāoshī** refers to a gradual fading away as opposed to an immediate disappearance.

Xiāoshī 消失 / 消失 Disappear

3. **Búguò** can be used in place of **kěshì** or **dànshì** .

Búguò 不过 / 不過 But / However
kěshì 可是 / 可是 But / However
dànshì 但是 / 但是 But / However

4. The sentence **Huòxǔ yǒuyītiān tāmen yě huì xuǎnzé zhù zài Zhōngguó yě shuōbúding** features a bit of redundancy since both **huòxǔ** and **shuōbúding** mean the same thing.

Huòxǔ yǒuyītiān tāmen yě huì xuǎnzé zhù zài Zhōngguó yě shuōbúding

或许有一天他们也会选择住在中国也说不定 / 或許有一天他們也會選擇住在中國也說不定
Perhaps one day they might choose to live in China

huòxǔ 或许 / 或許 perhaps
shuōbúding 说不定 / 說不定 perhaps