

Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 253 [English]

Kirin: Chinese Learn Online lesson 253 .

Hello everyone , I am Teacher Yang .

Raphael: Hello everyone , I am Teacher Lai .

Adam: And hello, I'm Adam.

Kirin: Welcome to our learning Chinese course .

Raphael: In today's lesson , we are going to listen to a conversation . We are going to use this conversation to review the words taught in our last lesson . As well, you are also going to hear a new word today .

Kirin: Naïve .

Adam: Naïve.

Raphael: Ok, let's listen to today's dialogue at a normal speed .

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Cindy: Yes they are . I saw the clothes that their models were wearing last time , they were really beautiful .

Yann: Of course . Even if the models didn't wear any clothes, they would still be as beautiful .

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

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

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Raphael: This woman seems to have heard a piece of news that she finds very interesting , so she wants to let this man know . So what was this news ?

Kirin: From today on, the department store near here has a big sale . I heard that all the adults who live nearby are going to go there .

Raphael: Normally, when a store has a sale , they will hope that many customers will go there to buy items . Although the price of things is lower , there will be more people buying them . So they will still be able to make a lot of money . The man then says

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Raphael: So this man feels that this sale isn't at all as good as the department store says it is . He feels that if you take the item's original price and compare it to that of the sale's , the difference of the price won't be much . So he feels that the people who believe the sale are all too naive . But this woman says

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Raphael: When you go to a store , if you see that everyone is buying a lot of things , you will probably feel that the price of things must be quite cheap . Or perhaps those things are very useful . As well, if you go to the store a little earlier , you will have more choices to choose from . So if you don't decide right away , there is a good chance that the things will be bought by others . So the end result is , you want to buy them , but the items are already sold out . The man then asks

Kirin: Are their products really this good ?

Raphael: This man doesn't understand , why everyone wants to go to that department store .
The woman then replies

Kirin: Yes they are . I saw the clothes that their models were wearing last time , they were really beautiful .

Raphael: Normally, stores that sell clothes , will use models to wear their clothes , so that customers can see what it feels like to wear those clothes . If the clothes look good on the models , then there is a better chance that the customers will buy those clothes . The man then says

Kirin: Of course . Even if the models didn't wear any clothes, they would still be as beautiful .

Raphael: He feels that models look good when they wear clothes , since they have good bodies , not because the clothes are nice . The woman then says

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Raphael: In Chinese , if someone tells you a joke , but you feel that it isn't funny , you can say this line to them , or "I think it's very cold !" Ok, let's listen to this dialogue again at a normal speed .

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Kirin: Continue to keep at it !