

## Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 285 [English]

Kirin: Chinese Learn Online lesson 285 .

Hello everyone , I am Teacher Yang .

Raphael: Hello everyone , I am Teacher Lai .

Kirin: Welcome to our learning Chinese course .

Raphael: Today's lesson is going to continue to discuss the topic of technology . Let's first take a look at the new words we are going to hear in the dialogue .

Kirin: PDA .

Adam: The literal meaning here is “handheld type computer,” which refers to a “pocket computer” or “PDA.”

Kirin: Schedule / Itinerary .

Adam: Schedule or itinerary.

Kirin: Model number .

Adam: Model number.

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

Yann: Look ! I bought a new PDA . So from now on , I can use this PDA to arrange my daily schedule .

Cindy: Oh, I bought the exact same one . What is your model number ?

Yann: Umm, mine is S301 . And yours ?

Cindy: Oh, mine is S302 . Mine is probably newer than yours , and better . Look ! My screen is bigger than yours .

Yann: How is that possible ? The salesman said mine was the latest model .

Cindy: You were probably lied to . I heard that next week the S305 is coming out . So they will probably sell the S302 for cheaper then .

Yann: Why is it so troublesome . Why does the same product have so many models ? How am I supposed to know which one to buy .

Cindy: Since every model has different features . You should first look at which features you need the most , then decide which one to buy .

Yann: Forget it . If I had known earlier that your model was newer than mine , I wouldn't have bought this one . I'm going to return my PDA . And then wait till next week to buy the S305 .

Cindy: As you wish , whatever makes you happy .

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

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

Kirin: Look ! I bought a new PDA . So from now on , I can use this PDA to arrange my daily schedule .

Raphael: Some people are busy with work , so they use PDAs to arrange their schedule . This way they won't forget what things to do . Now the man in the dialogue probably feels that his life these days is quite busy , so he needs a PDA to help him arrange things . His friend then says

Kirin: Oh, I bought the exact same one . What is your model number ?

Raphael: As soon as the woman sees her friend's PDA , she feels that it is similar to her own one . But sometimes the products released by the same company , will have similar models . And each model has its own model number . So if she knows what model number her friend's PDA is , she will know whether the two PDAs they bought are the same ones . Her friend then says

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Raphael: The woman then says

Kirin: Oh, mine is S302 . Mine is probably newer than yours , and better . Look ! My screen is bigger than yours .

Raphael: Normally when a model number has a higher number , it will probably have more features . The woman then finds out that her friend's PDA model number is lower than hers . The man then says

Kirin: How is that possible ? The salesman said mine was the latest model .

Raphael: This man sounds a bit upset . Because when he bought this PDA , he thought it was the best one . He didn't know that there would be other better ones . The woman then says

Kirin: You were probably lied to . I heard that next week the S305 is coming out . So they will probably sell the S302 for cheaper then .

Raphael: In order to make money, some salespeople , won't tell their customers the latest news about their products . For example they might say "This is already the newest model , there won't be other models released ." They also may not tell their customers when the newer model is coming out . Because their customer might want to wait until the new model comes out before buying it . If it happens that way , they may not be able to make money from their customer . The man then replies

Kirin: Why is it so troublesome . Why does the same product have so many models ? How am I supposed to know which one to buy .

Raphael: This man doesn't seem very clear as to what the difference is between his model of PDA and other models . So he is confused as to which model is most suitable for him . His friend then says

Kirin: Since every model has different features . You should first look at which features you need the most , then decide which one to buy .

Raphael: This woman feels that how many models there are isn't important . What is important is whether the product you buy can do what you want it to do . The man then says

Kirin: Forget it . If I had known earlier that your model was newer than mine , I wouldn't have bought this one . I'm going to return my PDA . And then wait till next week to buy the S305 .

Raphael: The reason this man wants to return his product has nothing to do with whether the features it has are good or not , it's because the model he bought isn't the latest one . He feels that the newest product is the best one for him . His friend then says

Kirin: As you wish , whatever makes you happy .

Raphael: This woman feels that her way of thinking is different from the man's . So she feels that continuing to explain to her friend , is just going to waste her time . Ok, let's listen again to today's dialogue at a normal speed .

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Kirin: Keep at it !