

Lesson 324

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Lesson 324 Notes (Simplified / Traditional):

1. **Què** is similar in meaning to **kěshì** and **dànshì** , however it is not used as a conjunction like they are, as its position in the sentence is a little different:

Què	却/ 卻	but / however
kěshì	可是 / 可是	but / however
dànshì	但是 / 但是	but / however

a. Nà wèishénme yǒuxiē guójiā shuì de biāozhǔn hěn gāo , yǒu de què dī hěnduō ne ?

那为什么有些国家税的标准很高，有的却低很多呢？ / 那為什麼有些國家稅的標準很高，有的卻低很多呢？

Now why do some countries have a high tax rate , but others are much lower ?

The literal meaning of this sentence is “In that case why some countries tax rate very high, some however lower a lot?”

b. O, xiàng zhè yàng de qíngkuàng , nàxiē tiānrán zīyuán hěnduō kěshì què méiyǒu bànfǎ liyòng de guójiā , tāmen jīngjì fāzhǎn de sùdù kěnéng méiyǒu qítā guójiā fāzhǎn de kuài , dànshì tāmen de zhèngfǔ kěnéng jiù huì kào mài zhèxiē tiānrán zīyuán zhuàn dào hěnduō qián .

哦，像这样的情况，那些天然资源很多可是却没有办法利用的国家，他们经济发展的速度可能没有其他国家发展得快，但是他们的政府可能就会靠卖这些天然资源赚到很多钱。 /

哦，像這樣的情況，那些天然資源很多可是卻沒有辦法利用的國家，他們經濟發展的速度可能沒有其他國家發展得快，但是他們的政府可能就會靠賣這些天然資源賺到很多錢。

Oh, in this type of situation , the natural resources are a lot, but there is no way for the country to use them , so the speed at which their economy developes might not be as fast as other countries , but their government might rely on making money from selling these natural resources .

For extra emphasis, you can combine **què** with a conjunction as seen in:

a. Kěshì zài biéde guójiā què yào zìjǐ fù .

可是在别的国家却要自己付。 / 可是在別的國家卻要自己付。
But in other countries you have to pay for it yourself .

