

Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 325 [English]

Kirin: Chinese Learn Online lesson 325 .

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 an article that reviews the words taught in our last lesson . As well, in this lesson , we will also see a new word .

Kirin: To not afford .

Adam: To not afford.

Raphael: Let's first listen to today's article at a normal speed .

Kirin: These days the world has many countries , whose economic situations have started to have some problems . Due to the population of these countries increasing , the price of their land has become expensive . So some people can't afford the houses there . Another problem is , due to natural resources slowly decreasing , the prices of some products are becoming more expensive . But the salaries of the people are still the same , not at all higher than in the past . So the result is that they can't afford the products that have become more expensive , and will instead save their money . Because of this , the money that many companies are making is much less than before , which means they can't hire new employees . So the result is that nowadays many people can't find jobs . So the taxes that the government receives has also decreased . If the government doesn't have enough money , they have no way to construct new hospitals , schools and parks . This way people can also feel the problems up close , with no chances to earn money . So some governments, in order to change this situation , have started decreasing their tax rates . This way their citizens have more money to spend , letting their country's economy slowly improve .

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

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land has become expensive . So some people can't afford the houses there . Another problem is , due to natural resources slowly decreasing , the prices of some products are becoming more expensive . But the salaries of the people are still the same , not at all higher than in the past . So the result is that they can't afford the products that have become more expensive , and will instead save their money . Because of this , the money that many companies are making is much less than before , which means they can't hire new employees . So the result is that nowadays many people can't find jobs . So the taxes that the government receives has also decreased . If the government doesn't have enough money , they have no way to construct new hospitals , schools and parks . This way people can also feel the problems up close , with no chances to earn money . So some governments, in order to change this situation , have started decreasing their tax rates . This way their citizens have more money to spend , letting their country's economy slowly improve .

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Kirin: See you next time .