

Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 341 [English]

Kirin: Chinese Learn Online lesson 341 .

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 our last lesson , we heard a story . Now in today's lesson , we are going to discuss the content of that story . As well, in today's lesson , we are also going to hear some new words .

Kirin: Summary .

Raphael: This uses the character from simple , and the character from introduction .

Adam: And together that gives us the word for “summary.”

Kirin: A lifetime .

Adam: A lifetime.

Kirin: To experience for oneself .

Adam: To experience for oneself.

Kirin: Curious .

Adam: Curious.

Kirin: Disappointed .

Adam: Disappointed.

Raphael: We'll now ask Teacher Yang to first give us a summary of our last story .

Kirin: The story was roughly about there was a young lady from China who kept dreaming of going abroad to travel someday . But due to her not having enough money , her dream had no way of succeeding .

Raphael: Correct . Now do you think there are many young ladies like Xiaoli in China ?

Kirin: There are probably many . Since most English novels and Hollywood movies represent western countries and life .

Raphael: So what you mean is that they feel that the life in western countries is better than in China ?

Kirin: I'm of course not saying that . Since many people spend their whole lifetime in the same place , and get used to the same environment and culture . But if people see culture and life from other countries which are very different from their local ones , they will of course feel curious .

Raphael: Ah, so what you mean is some people will want to experience for themselves the life that they see in novels or movies .

Kirin: Right, but that doesn't necessarily mean they will move to another country . They might just go there to travel .

Raphael: I see . So do you think that most Chinese people have this way of thinking ?

Kirin: I don't think so at all . According to many people , they are already used to their present life , and can't speak other languages , so they are worried that when they go abroad , they won't be able to communicate with others , or may not get used to the food there etc .

Raphael: Ah, I understand . Now in the story , another matter is Xiaoli's mother doesn't support her . Why is that ?

Kirin: In Asia , most parents feel that their children's responsibility is to do well in school . With good grades , their children will have more opportunities to succeed .

Raphael: As well her mother might feel that her daughter's dreams are too extreme , and that there isn't much of an opportunity to succeed .

Kirin: Right . Her mother might also feel that Xiaoli's dreams are a waste of time .

Raphael: Right . Since when Xiaoli applied to become a flight attendant , she found out that she was too short . But she didn't feel disappointed because of this . So what is the result of this story ? Please continue to listen to the following lesson , to see the next part of this story .

Kirin: We'll see you next time .