

Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 353 [English]

Kirin: Chinese Learn Online lesson 353 .

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: Two lessons ago , we discussed the topic of sports . Now in today's lesson , we are going to continue discussing sports . Let's first listen to the new words that we are going to use in a moment .

Kirin: Sports game .

Raphael: A sports game is a competition that uses a ball . Such as a basketball game, baseball game etc .

Kirin: Professional .

Raphael: Professional means , if there is something that you do very well , and you're very good at it , in the end this might become your job . For example most people who play tennis aren't professionals , some people just play it for fun . But if your playing skills are very good , you can become a professional tennis player , this way you can make money while exercising .

Kirin: Golf .

Adam: This is a translation of the English word for “golf.”

Kirin: Sports team .

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Kirin: Teammate .

Raphael: A teammate is another athlete on the same sports team .

Kirin: Coach / Trainer .

Raphael: The job of the coach is to train the athletes , plan a strategy for the game , and help the athletes win the game .

Kirin: Score / Number of points .

Adam: Score or number of points.

Kirin: Equipment .

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Raphael: Now why are sports important for our society ?

Kirin: There are many reasons . If you are an athlete , then of course exercise is good for the body . But some people are just interested in some sports , such as supporting a team or an athlete , I think this is also good .

Raphael: Why is supporting someone else considered to be good ?

Kirin: Some people have things at work or in their life , that give them a lot of pressure . But when they go watch sports , they forget the pressure they had . As well, this is also a great chance to find people who have the same interests as you . So this way when people have conversations , they can discuss the content of the game .

Raphael: As well, sports is a big industry . It's not only the athletes who make money . The people selling food near the game , or who sell sports clothes , can also make money .

Kirin: You're right . So if a city has a professional sports team to represent that city , that will have a big influence on the local economy .

Raphael: That's right . Now the rules for every sport are a little different . For example some teams only require one or two players . Such as tennis, golf etc . But some sports require many athletes , like football, basketball, baseball etc .

Kirin: So if the team is bigger , every teammate has to learn how to work together with others , only this way can they have good scores .

Raphael: You're right . For example if an athlete's skills are very good , but he is not willing to work with his other teammates , so sometimes this might cause their team to lose the game .

Kirin: That's right . So on this occasion , the coach needs to get the team to work together , to make the team improve together .

Raphael: Hmm . Now when we are watching games , how do we know who is winning and who is losing ?

Kirin: Have to look at the score . In most games , the team with the most points wins . But in some sports it's the opposite . Like in golf , the lowest score represents who is winning the game .

Raphael: Now in the world there are so many types of sports , how do we choose which sport to play ?

Kirin: Some sports need facilities , like a golf course, football field, basketball court etc . If you don't have these facilities near your home , there might not be any way to learn it .

Raphael: Hmm, that makes sense . As well, some sports equipment is very expensive . So if the parents can't afford to buy that equipment , then their kids may not be able to study it . Ok, let's take a moment to review the new words taught today .

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Kirin: [Keep at it](#) .