

**Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 354 [English]**

Kirin: Chinese Learn Online lesson 354 .

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 few lessons , we discussed the topic of news . And we also discussed some categories of news . Like in our last lesson , we discussed the topic of sports .

Kirin: Right . We can always see news about sports on television news , as well the reporters tell us which team has won , and which team has lost , and what the result of the game was or what the score was .

Raphael: That's right . Now in today's lesson , we are going to continue discussing another aspect of news . Let's first take a look at the new words we are going to use in a moment .

Kirin: Media .

Adam: Media.

Kirin: To broadcast .

Adam: To broadcast.

Raphael: In the past most people got their news from the newspaper . Later due to the development of technology , new machines were invented . Like radio, television, the internet etc . So now we can know the news from many different places .

Kirin: Hmm, so this is one of the reasons why the media has developed so quickly .

Raphael: That's right . Now do you feel that the media industry is good or bad ?

Kirin: I feel that some aspects are good , but some aspects aren't good at all .

Raphael: Now what negative aspects are there ?

Kirin: For example I feel the development of media has meant that many celebrities don't have any freedom anymore .

Raphael: Why do you feel this way ?

Kirin: Because there are many tabloid reporters who want to know what kind of life those celebrities are living . They even want to know really basic things . Like when you go out to eat , some reporters will follow you , to see what kind of restaurant you are eating at , who you are going to eat with etc . Do people really need to know these types of things ?

Raphael: I think the problem is regular people are very curious about the lives of celebrities . If nobody watched the media reports that are broadcast , then these types of news will slowly decrease . But since the reporters know that many people like to watch this , this type of news is more likely to increase , rather than decrease .

Kirin: But I think the media should also respect the lives of those celebrities .

Raphael: But some people feel , most celebrities make a lot of money , so it is not strange for them to not have freedom , since this is the lifestyle that they chose for themselves .

Kirin: But some people didn't make their own choice to become celebrities . For example if your father is a celebrity , then because of this you might be followed by a reporter everyday . Do you think this is fair ?

Raphael: According to those children , this is probably not very fair . So what do you think the good aspects of media are ?

Kirin: I feel that if the report that the a reporter broadcasts is related to my life , or will influence my job , then I think that will be good . Like what the weather is everyday , what new movies there are to watch this weekend , or what new rules did the government create etc .

Raphael: But according to me , I feel that news is also a type of entertainment . If all the news reports were very formal , then that would be too boring . Sometimes I like to see the scandals of some singers . Now how do scandals like this happen in the news ?

Kirin: Normally scandals happen when a celebrity is reported on, after doing something bad .

Raphael: Hmm . Now what kind of bad things are considered to be scandals ?

Kirin: For example if he doesn't respect the rules .

Raphael: Ah, maybe while driving he ran through a red light .

Kirin: Not like that . It would have to be something more serious . Like him drinking and driving , or if he is already married , but the media discovers that he also has another girlfriend .

Raphael: Ah, so a scandal doesn't necessarily have to involve not respecting the rules , sometimes it might be something that has a negative influence on society .

Kirin: That's right .

Raphael: Ok, let's take a moment to review the new words taught today .

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Kirin: We'll see you next time .