

## Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 378 [English]

Kirin: Chinese Learn Online lesson 378 .

Hello everyone , I am Teacher Yang .

Raphael: Hello everyone , I am Teacher Lai .

Adam: And hello, I am Adam.

Kirin: Welcome to our learning Chinese course .

Raphael: In today's lesson , we are going to use a question and answer method to review words we studied in our last lesson . This type of practice can you let you know how to take words you've learned and use them in real life . As well, in today's lesson , we have a new word .

Kirin: Passive .

Adam: Passive.

Raphael: Let's now listen to the first word and question .

Kirin: To take advantage of .

Raphael: When you were small, what would you do, to take advantage of when your parents weren't around ?

Kirin: When I was young, I would take advantage when my parents weren't around , to invite friends or classmates to my house to play games . Since my parents normally only wanted me to be serious about my studies , and prepare for tests , and wouldn't let me go out with friends . So when my parents weren't at home , I would take advantage of this opportunity to invite friends to play games at my house .

Raphael: It seems that when everyone was small , our parents didn't let us do many things , and created a lot of rules , so children had to take advantage when their parents weren't around to do things that they couldn't normally do . But my mother once discovered that I was taking advantage of when she wasn't paying attention to go out and play , as a result I was scolded by her .

Kirin: I was too . Later my parents discovered that I was playing games at home with my friends , so I was also punished .

Raphael: Next, please listen to the second word and question .

Kirin: Foreign language .

Raphael: Do you believe that studying a foreign language is important or not ? What is the advantage of learning a foreign language ?

Kirin: I believe that learning a foreign language is extremely important and useful . People who can speak foreign languages can not only get to know people from many different countries , they can also understand different cultures , and get a lot of special experiences . It is also useful for finding work . People who can speak foreign languages will have more work opportunities than those who can't .

Raphael: That's right . So many people start learning other languages from the time they are small , hoping it will help them find jobs in the future , there are also some people who choose to go abroad to study , this makes it easier to learn another language .

Kirin: That's right . For example I want to go to Australia to study , and work , not only can I make friends from different countries , I can also train myself to be more independent .

Raphael: Please continue to listen to the third word and question .

Kirin: Automatic / self-motivated .

Raphael: What is the opposite of self-motivated ?

Kirin: The opposite of self-motivated is passive . The meaning of self-motivated is that you are willing on your own to do the things you should be doing . Passive people don't have the same attitude towards doing things that self-motivated people do . Passive people always wait for others to first tell them what they should do before they start doing it .

Raphael: If it was me, I would like self-motivated people better . For example if I go to someone's house to eat , after eating, I take my bowl and plate to the kitchen , and help wash them , I don't passively wait for someone else to tell me to do it .

Kirin: I feel the same way too . Passive people improve at a much slower rate , as well everyone probably prefers self-motivated people .

Raphael: Next, please listen to the fourth word and question .

Kirin: Substantial / fulfilling .

Raphael: If people who become students don't want to study all day , and they want to make their life more fulfilling , what should they do ?

Kirin: People who become students, apart from studying , actually can participate in a lot of activities that are held by the school , one aspect is that they can get pleasure from it , another aspect is that they can make new friends . Working part time is also a great idea . People who become students can use the time after class to work , and earn some money for daily expenses , while also increasing their work experience . These are all great ways for students to make their lives more fulfilling .

Raphael: In the past I often participated in activities that the school held , especially sports competitions . In the process of training , I became good friends with other students who were also participating , we still keep in touch even now !

Kirin: Really ! I also made a lot of friends while working part time . See, our student lives were both quite fulfilling !

Raphael: Lastly, please listen to the fifth word and question .

Kirin: To tidy up .

Raphael: What is the difference between tidying up and cleaning ?

Kirin: If there are a lot of things in your room that are messy , you should probably tidy up , to make it look like there are less things in the room . If there is a lot of trash in your room , and it looks dirty everywhere , then you should probably clean up . After cleaning up , your room will look a lot cleaner .

Raphael: I tidied up my closet yesterday , and prepared all the clothes I can't wear anymore and gave them to my little brother , now my closet has room to add new clothes .

Kirin: Speaking of this, I just remembered , I haven't tidied up my room in a long time , since nowadays I'm working all day , I have no time when I get back home , I should take advantage of this weekend to quickly tidy up .



Raphael: We hope this type of practice can help you more clearly understand the usage of these words . You can can also practice these questions you're your friends , to increase your opportunities to speak Chinese . Our premium subscribers can visit our website [chineselearnonline-com](http://chineselearnonline-com) for more practice .

Kirin: See you next time .