

Lesson 378

Vocabulary Summary: Simplified:

被动
bèidòng
Passive

乐趣
lèqù
Pleasure / Joy

Vocabulary Summary: Traditional:

被動
bèidòng
Passive

樂趣
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Pleasure / Joy

Lesson 378 Notes :

1. Note the usage of zhǎo in *Wǒ xiǎo de shíhòu huì chèn fùmǔ bú zài de shíhòu , zhǎo péngyǒu huòshì tóngxué lái wǒ jiā wán yóuxì* . The second part literally means “look for friends or classmates to come to my house to play games”.

zhǎo 找 / 找 to look for

Wǒ xiǎo de shíhòu huì chèn fùmǔ bú zài de shíhòu , zhǎo péngyǒu huòshì tóngxué lái wǒ jiā wán yóuxì

我小的时候会趁父母不在的时候，找朋友或是同学来我家玩游戏 /
我小的時候會趁父母不在的時候，找朋友或是同學來我家玩遊戲

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

2. We use the verb dīng with guīdìng , as seen in *fùmǔ dōu bú ràng wǒmen zuò hěnduō shìqíng , dīng le hěnduō guīdìng , suǒyǐ hái zi men jiù děi chèn fùmǔ bú zài de shíhòu zuò yīxiē píngcháng bù kěyǐ zuò de shìqíng* .

dīng 订 / 訂 to draw up

guīdìng 规定 / 規定 rules

fùmǔ dōu bú ràng wǒmen zuò hěnduō shìqíng , dìng le hěnduō guīdìng , suǒyǐ hái zǐ men jiù děi chèn fùmǔ bú zài de shíhòu zuò yīxiē píngcháng bù kěyǐ zuò de shìqíng

父母都不让我们做很多事情，订了很多规定，所以孩子们就得趁父母不在的时候做一些平常不可以做的事情 /
父母都不讓我們做很多事情，訂了很多規定，所以孩子們就得趁父母不在的時候做一些平常不可以做的事情

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

3. While we've taught **zìdòng** before as meaning "automatic", the meaning in this lesson refers to being self motivated, which is the opposite of: **bèidòng** .

zìdòng 自动 / 自動 automatic / self-motivated

bèidòng 被动 / 被動 passive

4. Note the use of the sentence pattern in **yīfāngmiàn** , **yīfāngmiàn** in **yīfāngmiàn néng dé dào lèqù** , **yīfāngmiàn néng rènshì xīn péngyǒu** .

yīfāngmiàn 一方面 / 一方面 one aspect is

yīfāngmiàn 一方面 / 一方面 another aspect is

yīfāngmiàn néng dé dào lèqù , **yīfāngmiàn néng rènshì xīn péngyǒu**

一方面能得到乐趣，一方面能认识新朋友 /
一方面能得到樂趣，一方面能認識新朋友

one aspect is that they can get pleasure from it , another aspect is that they can make new friends

5. Here is a good expression, that can be used in daily conversation: **Shuō dào zhège wǒ cái xiǎng dào** .

Shuō dào zhège wǒ cái xiǎng dào

说到这个我才想到 / 說到這個我才想到

Speaking of this, I just remembered