

Lesson 394

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Lesson 394 Notes :

1. **Náshǒu** is one of those words whose usage is different in English than in Chinese, as you can see by the translations of the examples:

Náshǒu 拿手 / 拿手 Specialty

a. **Nǐ zuì náshǒu de yùndòng shì shénme ?**

你最拿手的运动是什么？ / 你最拿手的運動是什麼？

What is the sport that you are best at ?

b. **Wǒ zuì náshǒu de yùndòng shì yóuyǒng .**

我最拿手的运动是游泳。 / 我最拿手的運動是游泳。

The sport I'm best at is swimming .

c. **Búguò wǒde dìdì zuì náshǒu de yùndòng shì lánqiú .**

不过我的弟弟最拿手的运动是篮球。 / 不過我的弟弟最拿手的運動是籃球。

But the sport my brother is best at is basketball .

2. **Zǎo zhīdào** is a simple, but useful sentence pattern. **Zǎo zhīdào nǐ zhème huì yóuyǒng , wǒ jiù gēn nǐ xué le .**

Zǎo zhīdào 早知道 / 早知道 If I had known earlier

Zǎo zhīdào nǐ zhème huì yóuyǒng , wǒ jiù gēn nǐ xué le .

早知道你这么会游泳，我就跟你学了。 / 早知道你這麼會游泳，我就跟妳學了。

If I had known earlier that you could swim this well , I would have learned from you .

