

Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 405 [English]

Kirin: [Chinese Learn Online lesson 405](#) .

[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 today's lesson](#) , we are going to listen to a dialogue related to Halloween .
[Let's first listen to the new words that will appear in the dialogue](#) .

Kirin: [To hold](#) .

Adam: To hold (as in a meeting or ceremony).

Kirin: [The Devil](#) .

Adam: The Devil.

Kirin: [Angel](#) .

Adam: Angel.

Kirin: [And / Together with](#) .

Adam: And or together with.

Kirin: [In this way](#) .

Adam: In this way or so.

Kirin: [Mystery](#) .

Adam: Mysterious or mystery.

Kirin: [Don't tell me](#) .

Adam: Don't tell me or could it be that.

Raphael: Let's first listen to today's dialogue at a normal speed .

Raphael: This weekend at the activity center, students are going to hold a Halloween dance party !

Kirin: A Halloween dance party ? What do you plan to dress up as ?

Raphael: I plan to dress up as a devil , my girlfriend plans to dress up as an angel .

Kirin: A devil and an angel ? I believe you will definitely attract the attention of everyone there !

Raphael: I hope that's the case . Since there will also be another activity that night , which is to let the people participating choose the people who they believe have dressed the best , and the people chosen will receive a mystery gift .

Kirin: Mystery gift ? Wow, sounds very interesting !

Raphael: Is it possible that you're not going with us ?

Kirin: I haven't decided yet . If I finish the report I'm supposed to do , then I'll go with you, ok ?

Raphael: Let's listen again to this dialogue at a slowed down speed .

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Raphael: Let's now explain today's dialogue . The first line was ...

Kirin: This weekend at the activity center, students are going to hold a Halloween dance party !

Raphael: To hold has the same meaning as to conduct . For example, athletes often attend athletic events held by their country . Now in the dialogue , the school's student activity center often holds some activities , perhaps because Halloween is about to arrive , so

they are holding a dance party to celebrate it , this type of activity will make the students feel good , and want to attend . His friend then says

Kirin: A Halloween dance party ? What do you plan to dress up as ?

Raphael: Due to some dance parties requiring us to specially dress up , some people even go and buy the appropriate clothes , and use make up skills to make themselves look different from normal . So the woman in the dialogue starts to discuss the theme of the dance party , and asks her friend what his plan is to dress into . Her friend then replies

Kirin: I plan to dress up as a devil , my girlfriend plans to dress up as an angel .

Raphael: Since Halloween was originally a religious festival , the man in the dialogue and his girlfriend plan to dress as a devil and an angel which happen to be related to religion , and have their own characteristics . The woman then says

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Raphael: Yǔ (And) has the meaning as hé (and) . So a devil and (yǔ) an angel are devil and (hé) an angel . Since during Halloween , everyone that goes to a dance party dresses differently , not only does the process feel interesting , but you can also see how others have dressed . The woman in the dialogue also feels that the theme that her friend wants to use to dress up is also a good one . Her friend then says

Kirin: I hope that's the case .

Raphael: The “this way” in this sentence has almost the same meaning as “this manner” . Hope it's this way over here means that he hopes that things will happen like this friend says . He then continues

Kirin: Since there will also be another activity that night , which is to let the people participating choose the people who they believe have dressed the best , and the people chosen will receive a mystery gift .

Raphael: Apart from needing to dress up , sometimes dance parties also hold some activities to make the atmosphere even more exciting . In this dialogue they mention what type of activity this Halloween dance party will have . His friend then says

Kirin: Mystery gift ? Wow, sounds very interesting !

Raphael: When we feel that some things have exceed our own imagination , and there is no way to understand or when you don't know , we get very curious , and feel very mystified . So some activities prepare mystery gifts to attract more people to attend . Since there is a chance to get a gift , everyone will look for a way to make their own costume the most special , and hope that they get this gift . Her friend then says

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Raphael: The two characters for “nandao” are normally placed at the beginning of a question you ask others , and to emphasize the manner of asking the question . It also expresses the opposite meaning , and has a feeling of worry, fear or not liking . When we feel that the other party is going to do it this way , and the result is that the other side seems like he's not going to go do it this way , you can use it here .

Kirin: For example you feel that the other side probably understands what you're saying , but he looks like he doesn't understand what you mean , you can ask : ”Is it possible that you don't understand what I'm saying ?”

Raphael: So the man in the dialogue thought that his friend would go with them to the dance party . However this woman seems to have other things and so can't go . The woman finally replies

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Raphael: Normally using the two characters for “nandao” in a sentence , is actually because you're a little worried that the decision the other side makes is different from your own , so it emphasizes that the result is what you hoped for . As expected, the woman in the dialogue , since she hasn't finished writing her report , is not sure if she can go to the dance party with them . Ok, let's listen again to this dialogue at a normal speed .

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Kirin: Keep at it .