

Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 184 [English]

Kirin: Chinese Learn Online lesson 184 .

Hello everyone , I'm Kirin .

Raphael: Hello everyone , I'm Raphael .

Kirin: Welcome to Taiwan and our progressive course teaching Chinese . What are we studying today ?

Raphael: In our last lesson, we taught you a lot of new words . So today we are going to listen to a dialogue , that is going to review the new words we studied in our last lesson . But I want to use a new approach to teach you .

Kirin: Oh, what new approach ?

Raphael: Since this lesson doesn't have any new words , we are not going to translate this lesson's dialogue .

Kirin: Then what are we going to do ?

Raphael: You'll find out in a moment . Let's first listen to today's dialogue at normal speed .

Yann: Please come in . Welcome to my new apartment .

Cindy: Wow, it's really big here !

Yann: That's right . The living room is on the left , the kitchen is on the right , and my bedroom is inside .

Cindy: Looks quite comfortable . So where do you eat ?

Yann: Hmm, I don't have a special place , I usually eat while sitting on the sofa .

Cindy: Then where do you put the things you are eating ?

Yann: I put them all on top of that coffee table .

Cindy: So how come you have so many cabinets ?

Yann: Because I have a lot of things , and I don't want my apartment to look messy . Do you have any other questions ?

Cindy: No, I have finished asking .

Raphael: Let's listen again to today's dialogue at a slow speed .

Kirin: Please come in .

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Raphael: Ok, let's begin to discuss this lesson's dialogue . In the beginning we had

Kirin: Please enter .

Raphael: Normally, when guests come to our house , and we invite them to come in , we say

Kirin: Please enter .

Raphael: So when guests want to go home , what can we say to them ?

Kirin: Go slowly .

Raphael: This means , you hope that the while the guests are on the road home , they will drive slowly .

Kirin: Or , you wish that the guests can go home slowly .

Raphael: Right . He then continues

Kirin: Welcome to my new apartment .

Raphael: When we hear this sentence , what do we know ?

Kirin: Hmm, since the man said "new apartment" , he probably just moved recently . As well, he is welcoming this lady , so it's probably this lady's first time coming to this place .

Raphael: Very good . So how does the lady reply ?

Kirin: Wow, it's really big here !

Raphael: Can we use a different way to say this sentence ?

Kirin: There are many . He could also say “Wow, your house is so big” !

Raphael: Ok, so what does the man reply with ?

Kirin: That’s right . The living room is on the left , the kitchen is on the right , and my bedroom is inside .

Raphael: In this sentence , this man is describing his new apartment . So what does this lady think of the new apartment ?

Kirin: Looks very comfortable .

Raphael: So this woman is complimenting the place that this man just moved into . Next, what question does she ask this man ?

Kirin: So where do you eat ?

Raphael: Why does she ask the man this question ?

Kirin: Because in this apartment , she didn’t see a dining table .

Raphael: Right . So what does this man do about that ? He said

Kirin: Hmm, I don’t have a special place , I usually eat while sitting on the sofa .

Raphael: Wow, how convenient . This way while eating dinner , he can also watch television . The lady then asks the man another question .

Kirin: Then where do you put the things you are eating ?

Raphael: This is a good question . Usually when you eat , you need a table and a chair . In this dialogue , the sofa is the man’s chair , so what about his table then ? The man says

Kirin: I put them all on top of that coffee table .

Raphael: Ah, because normally coffee tables are in front of the sofa , so this man feels that eating this way is more convenient . This woman then asks the man another question .

Kirin: So how come you have so many cabinets ?

Raphael: In our last lesson, we studied the names of many different cabinets . But in this sentence , it seems that they are talking about cabinets that are all the same type . Let's listen and find out , how this man answers this question .

Kirin: Because I have a lot of things , and I don't want my apartment to look messy .

Raphael: If his things are placed in a messy manner , his apartment won't make people feel comfortable . The man then asks the woman a question

Kirin: Do you have any other questions ?

Raphael: In this sentence , we can feel that , this man feels that the woman is asking too many questions . Finally, how does this woman reply ?

Kirin: No, I have finished asking .

Raphael: This woman figures out that she's asking too many questions .

Kirin: Right , so she feels that not continuing to ask questions would be better .

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Raphael: I hope you like this lesson's teaching style , since this is the fourth level , we will continue to use new methods to teach you , as well as review the words we've taught you . This is also the last lesson that you can use the premium features for free . So you're welcome to visit our website [chineselearnonline-com](http://chineselearnonline.com) .

Kirin: Continue to keep at it !