

Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 182 [English]

Kirin: Chinese Learn Online lesson 182 .

Hello everyone , I'm Kirin .

Raphael: Hello everyone , I'm Raphael .

Adam: And hello, I'm Adam.

Kirin: Welcome to Taiwan and our progressive course teaching Chinese .

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

Cindy: I heard that you are moving to a new apartment .

Yann: Right . The place I'm living in now is too small . So I want to find a bigger place .

Cindy: But you live by yourself . Why do you need to live in such a big place ?

Yann: Actually, the apartment I'm living in now , has only one room . I would like to have an apartment that has a kitchen , living room , as well as a bedroom .

Cindy: Why do you need such a big place ?

Yann: This way , when friends come over , it will feel more comfortable .

Cindy: Ok, next time don't forget to invite me to your housewarming party .

Yann: I will definitely remember .

Raphael: Let's listen again to today's dialogue at a slower speed . Please repeat after Kirin .

Kirin: I heard that you are moving to a new apartment .

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

Kirin: I heard that you are moving to a new apartment .

Raphael: This sentence has two new words . The first is

Kirin: To move .

Adam: And that's the verb "to move," as in to move from one house to another.

Raphael: Next, the second new word is

Kirin: Apartment .

Adam: The literal meaning of these two characters is "public residence" and together, they form the meaning of apartment or flat.

Kirin: I heard that you are moving to a new apartment .

Adam: "I heard that you're moving to a new apartment."

Raphael: The young man then replies

Kirin: Right .

Adam: "That's right."

Kirin: The place I'm living in now is too small .

Raphael: We have studied all these words before . Do you remember what "zhù" (to live) means ?

Adam: That means "to live"

Raphael: What does "difang" (place) mean ?

Adam: That means "place."

Kirin: The place I'm living in now is too small .

Adam: The place I'm living in now is too small.

Raphael: He then continues

Kirin: So I want to find a bigger place .

Raphael: This sentence is also very simple .

Adam: So I want to find a bigger place.

Raphael: The young woman then says

Kirin: But you live by yourself .

Raphael: What does “zìjǐ” (self) mean ?

Adam: That means “self”, so it combines with you to form

Kirin: You yourself

Adam: which becomes “yourself.”

Kirin: But you live by yourself .

Adam: The literal meaning here is “But only you yourself one person live.” which becomes “But you live by yourself.”

Kirin: But you live by yourself .

Raphael: She then continues by asking

Kirin: Why do you need to live in such a big place ?

Adam: Why do you need to live in such a large place?

Raphael: The young man then replies

Kirin: Actually, the apartment I’m living in now , has only one room .

Raphael: Do you remember what “qíshí” (actually) means ?

Adam: That means “actually.”

Raphael: And what does “fángjiān” (room) mean ?

Adam: That means “room.”

Kirin: Actually, the apartment I’m living in now , has only one room .

Adam: So the first part of this sentence translates to “Actually, the apartment I’m living in now only has one room.” Notice at the end of the sentence we heard

Kirin: Merely .

Adam: This is a common element added to indicate “merely” or “only.” So the speaker wants to stress that there being only one room isn’t enough.

Kirin: Actually, the apartment I’m living in now , has only one room .

Raphael: He then continues

Kirin: I would like to have an apartment with a kitchen , living room , as well as a bedroom .

Raphael: In this sentence , we saw three places related to home . The first was

Kirin: Kitchen .

Raphael: This is the “chú” in “chúshī” (chef) , and the “fáng” in “fángjiān” (room) .

Adam: And together that forms the word for “kitchen.” Notice the measure word being used for rooms.

Kirin: A kitchen .

Raphael: Next, the second place is

Kirin: Living room .

Raphael: It’s the “kè” in “kèrén” (guest) , and the “tīng” in “cāntīng” (restaurant) .

Adam: The literal meaning here is “guest hall,” which is what is used to describe a “living room.”

Kirin: Living room .

Raphael: Next, the third place is

Kirin: Bedroom .

Adam: And that means “bedroom.”

Kirin: I would like to have an apartment with a kitchen , living room , as well as a bedroom .

Adam: “I want to find an apartment that has a kitchen, living room and a bedroom.”

Raphael: The young lady then asks

Kirin: Why do you need such a big place ?

Adam: “Why do you need such a big place?”

Raphael: The young man then replies

Kirin: This way , when friends come over , it will feel more comfortable .

Raphael: Do you remember what “gǎnjué” (feeling) means ?

Adam: That means “feeling.”

Raphael: And what does “shūfu” (comfortable) mean ?

Adam: That means “comfortable.”

Kirin: This way , when friends come over , it will feel more comfortable .

Adam: “This way, when friends come over, they will feel more comfortable.”

Raphael: The young woman then says

Kirin: Ok, next time don't forget to invite me to your housewarming party .

Raphael: Do you remember what “wàngjì” (to forget) means ?

Adam: That means “to forget.”

Raphael: And what does “pàiduì” (party) mean ?

Adam: That means “to have a party.”

Kirin: Ok, next time don't forget to invite me to your housewarming party .

Adam: So the literal meaning here is “Ok, next time don't forget invite me come you move new house party.”

Kirin: Ok, next time don't forget to invite me to your housewarming party .

Adam: “So next time, don’t forget to invite me over for your house warming party.”

Raphael: The young man then replies

Kirin: I will definitely remember .

Adam: “I’ll definitely remember to.”

Kirin: I will definitely remember .

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Kirin: Ok, if you need more practice , you can go to our website chineselearnonline.com . Here you will find many useful features to help you review . Lastly, you are welcome to continue listening to our course .

Raphael: We’ll see you next time !