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## Authentic Real English 地道英语

### Skedaddle

### 快速离开

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#### Feifei

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#### Georgie

Well, Feifei, I'm actually really busy today, I've got lots of things to do. So, after we record this, I'd better skedaddle and get to work.

#### Feifei

Oh, poor you! Well, 'skedaddle' is the word we're looking at in this programme. It's an informal English verb which means to leave somewhere quickly, often with a sense of urgency and in quite a chaotic manner.

#### Georgie

Yes. You could skedaddle because you're in a rush to get somewhere, or you skedaddle because you're scared of something. Humans skedaddle, but we can also use it to describe animals leaving quickly. Time for some examples.

#### Examples

We've got mice in our loft, but every time I go up there, they just skedaddle – we can't catch them.

Come on, guys. We need to stop wasting time and skedaddle, otherwise we're going to miss the flight!

So funny – George is terrified of spiders. Whenever he sees one, he skedaddles – he's off!

**Feifei**

你正在收听的是 BBC 英语教学的“地道英语”节目。以上我们一起学习了俗语“skedaddle”的用法。“Skedaddle”作动词的时候的意思是“有些着急甚至手忙脚乱地迅速离开一个地方”。

So, Georgie, earlier you used 'skedaddle' to talk about your own actions – you said, 'I'd better skedaddle'. How else is 'skedaddle' used?

**Georgie**

Well, we can also describe the actions of others. For example, last night, my sister skedaddled as soon as we'd finished dinner. She didn't even stay to help clear up!

**Feifei**

我们还可以用“skedaddle”来“请求某人离开”或“驱赶小动物，比如小猫小狗”，但这个用法有些过时。我们来举一个例子。如果 Georgie 的妹妹还在她居家办公的时候不停地缠着她聊天，这时候 Georgie 可能就会对她妹妹说“Go on, skedaddle! I've got to work.”

**Georgie**

OK. Let's recap. We've learnt 'skedaddle', which means to leave somewhere quickly or in a hurry.

**Feifei**

Do come back next week for another episode. Thanks for joining us.

**Georgie**

Bye!

**Feifei**

Bye!