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1. Daily Life - Fast Food (C0361)

- A: I' m hungry, let' s order up 点 (酒菜等) something to eat.
- B: Ok, maybe we can order a soup and a salad from the restaurant down the street.
- A: I was thinking of getting a hamburger, fries 薯条 and a chocolate sundae 圣代冰淇淋.

Example 1. 案例 sundae

a cold dessert (= a sweet dish) of ice cream covered with a sweet sauce 酱,调味汁, nuts, pieces of fruit, etc., usually served in a tall glass 圣代冰激凌 (加甜汁、果仁、水果粒等)



B: You eat too much junk food. That sort 种类,品种 of stuff **clogs up** (使)阻塞,堵塞 your arteries 动脉 and is very high in cholesterol 胆固醇.

你吃太多垃圾食品了。这种东西会堵塞你的动脉,而且胆固醇含量很高。

A: Well I never seem to gain weight so I don't mind.

B: It's not only about getting fat **or not**, it's about being healthy (a.). You could really have some health problems **later on** 以后,随后.

这不只是胖不胖的问题,而是健康的问题。你以后可能真的会有健康问题。

A: How about pizza or maybe some fried chicken 炸鸡! Better yet 更好的是, let's order some hot dogs!

B: You are a lost cause 注定会失败的事物或人;业已失败的事情;没有希望的事情.

Example 2. 案例 lost cause

2. Daily Life - What Mood Are You In 你心情如何?? (C0362)

A: Are you ok? You seem a bit anxious.

B: Yeah I' m OK, I have been having a lot of *mood swings* (摇摆,使.....旋转) 情绪波动 lately. I think it has to do with the pills my doctor prescribed 给.....开(药),让.....采用(疗法) that are causing (v.) chaos 混乱,无秩序状态;混沌 on my hormones 激素;荷尔蒙.

还好,我最近情绪不太稳定。我想这和医生给我开的药有关,这些药导致我的荷尔蒙紊乱。

A: So you mean you feel (v.) ecstatic 狂喜的; 热情极高的 one minute and then blue (a.)忧郁的; 悲伤的 the next?

所以你的意思是,你前一分钟欣喜若狂,下一分钟又闷闷不乐?

B: Yeah, it's weird 奇怪的,不寻常的;怪异的. For example just this morning I was feeling detached (a.)不带感情的;超然的;冷漠的 and lonely, even though there was really no reason to feel that way.

A: Well, maybe your mood will swing (v.) positively (ad.)乐观地;肯定地;积极地 and you will feel confident, brave and hopeful!

也许你的情绪会变得积极,你会感到自信、勇敢和充满希望!

B: I hope you are right.

3. Daily Life - Living With Your Parents (C0363)

A: Why did your girlfriend break up 分手 with you?

B: I don't know, she said she was **tired (a.) of** (使)感到累,(使)感到疲劳;厌倦 me not **manning up** 勇敢面对 and being more independent, which I think is all a bunch of crap 胡扯,废话.

她说她厌倦了我不够男人,更独立,我认为这都是废话。

Example 3. 案例 man up

used to tell someone that they should deal with something more bravely.

A: Well, you still live with your parents, so she does have a point 论点;观点;见解;重点;要点;核心问题.

你还和父母住在一起,所以她说得有道理。

B: What do you mean? Lots of people live with their parents, especially when rent 租金 is so expensive and the slump (经济的)不景气,萧条 in the economy.

A: Yeah, but you are almost forty! Plus, you make good money so there is really no excuse 借口, 托词. It's simply because you are a momma's boy.

但你都快四十岁了!另外,你赚了很多钱,所以真的没有借口。因为你是妈妈的宝贝。

B: Whatever dude <美, 非正式>家伙, 小子, I have everything I need, why would I move out! Have a great roof over my head, my mom does my laundry 待洗(或正在洗涤、洗完)的衣物 and cooks (v.) for me, what else could a guy ask for!

不管怎样,伙计,我有我需要的一切,我为什么要搬出去!我有一个很好的屋顶,我妈妈为我洗衣服和做饭,一个男人还能要求什么呢!

A: Let's agree to disagree 求同存异,各自保留意见.

4. Daily Life - Hiring (v.)雇用 Help (n.)有帮助的人 (或事物);佣人 (C0364)

A: Can you help me write a newspaper ad?

B: Sure, what are you looking to buy or sell?

你想买什么, 或卖什么?

A: Actually, I want to hire someone to help me around the house.

我想雇人帮我做家务。

B: Oh, you want to get a maid 女仆,女佣?

A: Well, I think it's better if you call her a *cleaning lady* 清洁女工 or *domestic help* 家政助理. 我觉得你称她为清洁女工, 或家庭佣工比较好。

B: Ok, so what do you want her to do?

A: Well, let's see. I want her to come in three times a week for a couple of hours to clean the kitchen 厨房, bathroom and maybe do some cooking.

B: Got it. And how much do you offer per month?

A: I would pay her hourly, I don't know what the **going rate** 当前的标准 is though 不过,可是,然而.

我会按小时付她工资,不过我不知道现在的工资是多少。

Example 4. 案例 going rate

the amount of money that something costs at the present time:

- the going rate for sth The going rate for a skilled architect in India is about \$50,000 per year.

通行价格:某物品或服务的平均或通常价格。

B: I know *for sure* it's more than *minimum wage* 最低工资 but maybe you should just negotiate (v.) (尤指在商业或政治上)谈判,磋商 with the person that answers (v.) the ad.

我知道这肯定比最低工资高,但也许,你应该和回复广告的人谈判。

A: Great! Thanks for your help!

5. Daily Life - Household 一家人;家庭;同住一所房子的人 Chores (日常事务;例行工作)家务琐事 (C0365)

A: Kevin, what is this mess 怎么乱成这样了? It looks like a pigsty 猪圈;猪场 in here! Clean this up!

B: Ok dad, I will do it in a minute, let me just finish this level of this game.

A: No, I said now! Plus, you are grounded (v.)罚 (儿童) 不准出门, you're not allowed to play video games. I want you to make your bed 整理床铺, do the laundry 待洗 (或正在洗涤、洗完) 的衣物;洗衣物 and then come downstairs and sweep the floors.

B: That' s so unfair!

A: You have to **pull your weight** 尽你的本分; 负起责任 around here young man. My house, my rules.

年轻人,在这里你得尽职尽责。我的房子,我的规矩。

B: But I already mopped (v.)擦拭;用拖把擦 the floors, dusted the furniture and vacuumed (v.)用真空吸尘器清扫 the rugs 地毯;毯子!

A: That' s great, but you still have work to do, so get to it.

那很好,但是你还有工作要做,所以赶紧去做吧。