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Slag Off 很强烈地批评

John: Hello, you're listening to Real English from BBC Learning English.

I'm John.

Helen: And I'm Helen.

John: Here on Real English, you can learn words and phrases which you

might not find in your dictionary.

Helen: That's right. 希望您在今天的地道英语节目中能学到一些平时在字典里找不

到的英语表达。So what's our phrase of the day, John?

John: Today we're going to learn about the expression: to slag somebody

off, to slag off.

Helen: To slag somebody off. 这个表达的意思是什么呢?

John: It means to criticise someone.

Helen: 批评别人, to criticise.

John: But it has a more negative element, because it usually means to

criticise someone behind their back strongly.

Helen: 原来是这样。难怪这个表达听起来像个贬义词,因为指的是在背后批评别人,

而且是非常强烈地批评。

John: It's not a nice thing to do, to slag someone off, to be very critical

about someone.

Helen: So do we hear this phrase a lot in conversations? 这个表达我们是不是

经常会听到呢?

John: Yes, people use this expression a lot when they are talking about

someone else.

Helen: 那让我们听听例子吧。

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A: I really can't work with Mark anymore.

B: Why's that?

A: He's just so annoying. I really don't like the way he is slagging people off

behind their backs. Some of the things he says are so unfair.

B: I'm sure he won't be here for long if he keeps doing that.



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John: So Mark keeps slagging other people off behind their backs.

Helen: 听刚才的例子,Mark 老是在别人背后说坏话,看来他非常不受欢迎。

John: Well, let's recap, today's expression is to slag somebody off, to slag

someone off.

Helen: 意思就是非常强烈地批评别人,带有诋毁别人的感觉。

John: That's all from us. We hope you'll join us for more Real English next

time. Bye.

Helen: Bye.

