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## Authentic Real English 地道英语

### Eye candy 虚有其表的人或物

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#### Feifei

大家好, 欢迎收听BBC英语教学节目《地道英语》。我是冯菲菲。

#### Finn

And hello! I'm Finn.

#### Feifei

Do you feel a bit tired, Finn? 我今天特累, 昨天的 party 玩儿得特开心。

#### Finn

Yes, it was great! Good food, plenty to drink ...

#### Feifei

诶, 你说你太忙, 没时间谈恋爱, but who was that beautiful woman you were with?

#### Finn

Ah, that was... you know, just a girl I know...

#### Feifei

Come on, Finn, don't be so mysterious. Everybody was looking at her. She looked like a supermodel! Is it serious? No offence, but how did you manage to attract a woman like that?

#### Finn

What do you mean? I'm very handsome! But... yeah, she's not my girlfriend...

#### Feifei

Just some eye candy, then?

#### Finn

That's not fair. I mean, yes she's beautiful – but eye candy means someone who is attractive, but not very interesting...

**Feifei**

哈哈，我知道 **eye candy** 的意思，逗你玩儿呢。在英语里，**eye candy** 用来指“外表美丽，吸引人眼球，但乏味无趣的人或物”。不过大家在使用这个表达的时候要格外小心，不要故意出口伤人。

**Finn**

Let's hear some examples...

**Examples**

I was going out with this gorgeous footballer but it didn't last. He was just eye candy.

This illustrated cookbook looks good but you can never find the ingredients for the recipes. These pictures are just eye candy!

**Feifei**

Well, the party was fun anyway. And you know what? Today I'm going on a date with a guy I met there.

**Finn**

Mmm... is this the beginning of a romance, Feifei?

**Feifei**

Oh, no. He's very boring, actually.

**Finn**

Just some eye candy then.

**Feifei**

Well... we'll see. But I want to make all my friends jealous!

**Both**

Bye!