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# Authentic Real English 地道英语



你真的会用"excuse me"吗?

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#### Feifei

大家好,欢迎收听 BBC 英语教学的《地道英语》节目。我是冯菲菲,还有我的同事......

## Rob

...and me, Rob. Now excuse me Feifei, I just need to reach over and get a tissue before I...! Oh excuse me!

#### Feifei

你是不是感冒了?

#### Rob

Oh excuse me, I've got to get this. Hi Mum, I've told you not to call me at work. I'll call you tonight. OK? Bye. Sorry about that.

#### Feifei

Err Rob, are you going to do any work?

## Rob

Excuse me! I am working very hard to explain a piece of authentic English.

#### Feifei

Excuse me? Say that again.

#### Rob

Yes – that's it – the phrase we are teaching is two words with many different meanings – 'excuse me'.

## Feifei

大家对短语"excuse me"一定不陌生。它有很多的意思和用法。比如,当我们打喷嚏或不小心发出了不雅的声音的时候,我们就应该说"excuse me 请原谅,对不起"。

#### Rob

Exactly. And when I wanted you to move so that I could reach for the tissues, I said 'excuse me' to politely ask you to move so that I could reach them. A bit like this...

## **Example**

Excuse me, could you move down the bus please so that I can get on. Thanks!

#### Feifei

上面的例句中,"excuse me"来礼貌地向别人发出"借过,劳驾"的请求。And what about that phone call?

#### Rob

Ah yes, I said 'excuse me' as a polite way of apologising for the interruption.

## Feifei

Rob 刚才接电话,打断了我俩之间的谈话,所以他在挂了电话后对我说 "excuse me 很抱歉"。But then you were rude when you said 'excuse me!'

#### Rob

I was expressing shock and disbelief that you thought I wasn't working. A bit like this...

## Example

Excuse me! How can you say I don't do any housework – I cleaned the bathroom yesterday.

#### Feifei

在我们想表示异议或惊讶时,也可以说 "excuse me 请原谅,对不起,但是……"。

#### Rob

And then you said 'excuse me?' because you didn't understand what I said earlier – as usual – and you wanted me to repeat it.

## Feifei

Excuse me! That's not fair. 当然,在没听清楚某事的时候,我们想礼貌地请别人重复一遍时也可以说"excuse me 对不起,请再说一遍"。Any other uses?

## Rob

Yes. Here's another one.

#### Example

Excuse me, do you know the way to the railway station?

#### Feifei

"Excuse me"的这个用法应该算是最常见的了。当我们想礼貌地引起他人、尤其是陌生人的注意的时候,就可以说"excuse me 劳驾,打扰一下"。Well Rob, now I've got your attention, you'll have to 'excuse me' because I've got to go.

## Rob

A very good use of 'excuse me' Feifei – politely saying you have to go. OK, so can you think of any more... Feifei? Feifei? Oh she really has gone.

## Rob

Bye.