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Authentic Real English 地道英语 Tell me about it



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Rob

And hello, I'm Rob. And I'm so exhausted today! I feel like I could fall asleep right now...

Jiaying

Tell me about it!

Rob

Well, I kind of just did. I've been watching a TV series, and last night I watched it for so long that I didn't get much sleep and now I'm really tired.

Jiaying

不是啦,Rob。虽然我说了"tell me about it",但我并不是想知道你为什么这么累。在口语中,我们用固定表达"tell me about it"来表示同意某人刚刚说的话,你对此事也有同感或有过类似的经历。所以,我刚刚是想说"我也很累"。

Rob

So, when you said 'tell me about it', you didn't want me to tell you about it. You were saying you felt the same. Ah, that's a bit strange, isn't it?

Jiaying

Well, Rob – language can be a bit strange at times – especially with fixed expressions!

Rob

Hmm. Tell me about it! Right, we can talk more about this after these examples.

Examples

When I told my boss I was working too much, she just said 'tell me about it'.

You're not happy with the new trilogy of films? Tell me about it.

Tell me about it! I know exactly what you mean when you say the cricket team aren't performing.

Jiaying

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Rob

Yes! So, seeing as I'm feeling really tired, I think I might apply for a holiday. I need a nice break to help me relax.

Jiaying

Tell me about it! I think I'd go for a week to a spa, turn off my phone and just disconnect from everything. What would you do?

Rob

Well, you know that I mentioned that TV series that I just can't stop watching?

Jiaying

The one you watched for so long last night that caused you to be tired today?

Rob

Yes! Well, I think I'd like to spend one week watching all of the episodes, and not go to bed once.

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But Rob, if you do that, you'll be even more tired than you are now!

Rob

Hmm... tell me about it! The thing is, I just can't stop watching it! It's brilliant!

Jiaying

Oh, well. Good luck with your holiday! Bye.

Rob

Bye-bye.