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Real English: Manny 男保姆

- Helen: This is Real English from BBC Learning English. I'm Helen.
- Zoë: 大家好，我是刘佳。
- Helen: Today we're going to look at words and phrases that have recently become part of the English language.
- Zoë: 地道英语教大家学习英语中的流行词汇和流行用法。那Helen，咱们今天要学的是什么词呢？
- Helen: Today's new word is a 'manny'. M.A.N.N.Y. Manny.
- Zoë: Manny. 这个词可是够新的，是什么意思呢？
- Helen: Well, you might know the word nanny. A nanny is a woman who looks after children while the mother goes to work.
- Zoë: Nanny 这个词是女保姆的意思，那把第一个字母n换成m，又是什么意思呢？
- Helen: Well, a manny is a male nanny.
- Zoë: 哦，manny 就是男保姆的意思啊。
- Helen: Yes. Mannies are now very common in some cities in the United States.

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A: I called your house yesterday. Who was that man who answered the phone?

B: That's Freddy, my new manny. I've always hired women before, but he seems very good. I'd recommend you get one yourself!

Zoë: 他们家用的是男保姆。Would you prefer a manny or a nanny to look after your children?

Helen: I don't think it matters. A manny could be just as good as a nanny.

Zoë: Really?

Helen: Yes, why not? As long as he was good with my children, I'd hire a manny.

Zoë: 是吗？我怎么觉得照顾孩子，还是女的更细心周到呢？

Helen: Well, manny or nanny, it makes no difference to me.
Well let's recap, a manny is a male nanny who looks after children.

Zoë: 不管怎么说，男保姆始终还是个新概念。

Helen: That's right. You've been listening to Real English from BBC Learning English. Do tune in next time for more interesting new words. Bye for now.

Zoë: See you next time.