# BBC LEARNING ENGLISH Authentic Real English 地道英语 One good turn deserves another 以德报德,礼尚往来



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## Feifei

大家好,欢迎收听《地道英语》节目。我是冯菲菲。

#### Rob

... and hello I'm Rob.

## Feifei

Rob, thanks for giving me a lift home from the station tonight.

#### Rob

No problem Feifei. Happy to help... and look we're almost home... just turn this corner.

## Feifei

Great - I would have got very wet walking home in this rain.

## Rob

That's OK... but I was wondering if you could do something for me now?

## Feifei

Oh! Rob 开车回家, 捎我了一程, 我本以为他送我就是因为雨下得太大, 不过看来他是别有用心。Rob, did you just give me a lift home so that I would do something for you?

## Rob

Well... err... you know what they say... 'one good turn deserves another'.

## Feifei

'One good turn deserves another'? 等等,你是在说开车技巧吗? There's no need to 'turn another corner', we're already at my house.

## Rob

No Feifei – I mean when someone does something to help you, you should do something helpful in return.

# Feifei

Oh, is that right! 原来,在英语里, one good turn deserves another 的意思是别人对你伸出援助之手,给了你帮助,你则应当以德报德,一报还一报,礼尚往来。咱们来听几个使用 one good turn deserves another 的例句。

# Examples

A: Do you mind doing the washing up? I did do all the cooking and one good turn does deserve another!

B: Oh, OK then.

Please can you help me with my homework, I did yours last week and you know what they say: one good turn deserves another!

He helped me fix my car, so I was happy to let him borrow it if he needed to – one good turn deserves another.

# Feifei

One good turn deserves another 一报还一报实际表达的意思就是善有善报,以德报德。Hmm, I've been thinking Rob, you're right – you did me a kind favour and I should help you – so how can I help?

## Rob

Well, if you're sure Feifei – I wondered if you could help me paint my house this weekend?

# Feifei

什么?帮你粉刷房子?

## Rob

Not all of it – just the living room, the kitchen, the bathroom and the bedroom.

## Feifei

你是不是有点儿太贪心了? Rob, I'm sure one good turn deserves another of equal value – giving me a lift home isn't the same as painting all of your house!

## Rob

Oh, so the answer is 'no' then?

#### Feifei

No! Bye.

## Rob

Erm... bye. And you can walk next time!