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Authentic Real English 地道英语 You're pulling my leg!



你在愚弄我!

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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。

Rob

... and hello, I'm Rob. So Feifei, how was your holiday – did you go anywhere special?

Feifei

Yes, I did. I went walking.

Rob

Very healthy. So, where did you go?

Feifei

Oh, I walked up Mount Everest.... It was tough and cold but I made it.

Rob

Errr... you walked up Mount Everest – the highest mountain in the world – are you sure?

Feifei

Rob 不相信我登上了珠穆朗玛峰。You don't think I'm fit enough to do it, do you?

Rob

No no, no it's just... oh come on Feifei, you're pulling my leg.

Feifei

I'm not even touching you.

Rob

No, I don't mean you're actually pulling leg – I mean you're lying aren't you – you're joking with me?

Feifei

原来 pull someone's leg 这个英语表达的意思是在开玩笑时故意哄骗或逗某人玩。

所以,Rob 说我在逗他玩儿,因为他觉得我根本没有爬上珠穆朗玛峰的能力。不过我是真的在骗他吗?

Rob

Come on Feifei, stop teasing me - you didn't do it.

Feifei

I did. I'll show you some photos. But let me hear some more examples of the phrase in action first.

Examples

A: So I got to the restaurant and sat down at my table and guess who was sitting on the next table – George Clooney!

B: You're pulling my leg!

I was pulling his leg when I said I was going to marry Jenny but he believed me and bought me a present!

Oh stop pulling my leg – you can't have won the lottery, you didn't even buy a ticket!

Feifei

表达 pull someone's leg 的意思就是愚弄、哄骗某人,但请大家记住这种哄骗都是开玩笑的、无恶意的行为。Look at this photo Rob, you can see how much snow there was on Everest – and look, there's me on top.

Rob

Hold on – this is a trick photo – you had this taken in one of those photo-booths where you stand in front of a big screen. You're not pulling my leg!

Feifei

Ooo... ouch... 我的大腿肌肉好像抻到了。

Rob

It looks like you've pulled something in your own leg – a muscle perhaps! Who's the fool now?

Feifei

OK, I didn't walk up Everest - I was teasing you but you almost believed me!

Rob

Didn't.

Feifei

Did!

Rob

Did not.

Feifei

Did.