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Andrew Macdonald
IB Chief Schools Officer



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IB Authorization Report 2014

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- DP Korean A Literature SL
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- DP French B SL
- DP Spanish ab Initio (beginners) SL
- DP Economics H/SL
- DP Geography H/SL
- DP ITGS H/SL
- DP Biology H/SL
- DP Chemistry H/SL
- DP Physics H/SL
- DP Maths HL
- DP Maths SL
- DP Maths Studies SL
- DP Visual Arts H/SL

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We are now accepting applications for students wishing to join our IB Diploma Programme in August 2015. Please contact our Admissions Office to make an appointment to come and visit us at Hanova.



See more photos at
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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR:

All,

With March comes Spring and Spring brings a whole new outlook on the year, the city, ourselves and our lives. Emily Dickinson said, "March is the month of expectation" and far be it from me to try to say it better. It's a month where everything (including us) seems to wake up from the winter slumber stretch our collective legs and say, "Right, let's get to it." January may have the highest number of gym memberships sold but March is a peak season for gym attendance. In other words this is the month of renewal and creation.

As the leaves bud, the birds start singing and the Xi'an landscape goes from grey black to brown and green, something awakens inside us and once again we venture out-of-doors to eat street BBQ and sit on sidewalk cafés all the while looking forward to the year and the adventures that lay ahead. Never mind the fact that by the end of March 2015 is already 25% over.

The ugly twin of Expectation is Gratification, often traveling together and so as the weather warms we look to the future and start asking the age-old question: *when? When will I get a better Job? When will I find love? When will I lose weight?* Unfortunately for us the immediacy of the world we live in usually facilitates an expected answer for all *when* questions as *NOW*. Which is why May is the month with the lowest gym attendance. If we can't have our expectation *NOW* then forget it.

Patience, a virtue, vice and drug is half on emotion and half a personality trait. It can ebb and flow as with the waning of the moon or maintain for the length it's needed. Yet it seems that more and more it is an attribute lacking in goal setting and managing expectations.

If I don't eat dinner for the rest of the month I will lose tons of weight.

I'm 25 and single, If I don't find anyone by Summer I guess I'm just meant to be alone forever.

Both of these sentences I read on my Weixin moments a few days before I wrote this, in fact it was because of these that I got thinking about what March really means to me, to most of us. What March means isn't just a new beginning but a new chance to be who we really want to be, our inner most desire and wants.

Since we all want to achieve something I wonder why we have to put an arbitrary time limit on so many things. Why does weight loss have to be immediate? Why must love appear exactly on cue? Who came up with the idea that when someone reaches a certain age they are old to achieve something they have always wanted? It seems to me that the answer is that "when you point a finger at someone else there are three more pointing back at you" is the most apt.

Arbitrary time limits are limits on potential, on the achievement of the true expectations that we all have when Spring springs again. This March instead of asking yourself "when" ask yourself *how*, let *how* be you way forward and leave *when* for looking back.

"Have patience. All things are difficult before they become easy."

-Saadi

Sincerely,

Patrick Antony

Editor-in-Chief

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Discover YOUR Xi'an
and join us on Weixin!

PUB QUIZ – March 18th

The winter break between New Year's and Chinese New Year is a usually a vast wasteland of catching up on TV shows and staring out the window. Yet this year there was an island of respite when Trivia Master Phil and the Belgian Bar held the monthly trivia night. For a second month in a row **Slow Children at Play** took the prize beating out two other groups by one point, a close one but in trivia, close doesn't count. Think you can beat them in March? Grab your team and head down to the Belgian bar to find out.



Time: 9:30pm

Place: The Belgian Bar

南门顺城南路中段69号
#69 shun cheng nan lu

March

18

Wednesday

MAR 2

Love Salsa



Salsa Demo Class in March - Salsa Basic steps, work shop about the dance skill

Ticket: Free

Time: 7:00pm-8:00pm

Location: Shangpin International Unit (South,) Block C, No. 88 Gaoxin Road.

Dress: Latin dancing shoes or trainers. (No high-heeled shoes)

TEL: 029-8886 8720 Alex or Lanlan

MAR 11

Concert

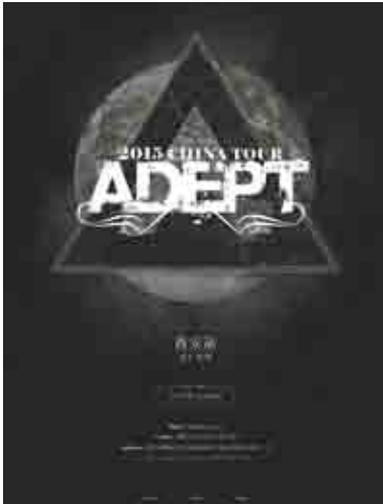
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Time: 8:30pm - 10:30pm

Location: Aperture Club
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TEL: 135-7212-4398 187-2931-3594

Tickets: 60-80 RMB



MAR 16

Open Mic Night at Vice Versa!

Poetry, Prose and Music: it's all welcome at the only open mic night in Xi'an. Come down to Vice Versa, face your fears and give it a go.

Third Monday of every month!

Time: 9:00pm

Location: No.9, Xian Ning Xue Xiang
反之亦然 - 咸宁学巷9号

MAR 7, 14, 21, 28

RED Gallery Kids Play Date

Every Saturday in March

"Bring your kids to RED Gallery for a fun art time! Meet other English speaking kids for friendship. Parents can relax over a great cup of coffee/tea or enjoy the fun art time just like a kid. 自信的英语会话与创意美术娱乐! 妈妈爸爸一起和孩子们讲英语, 学美术吧!"

Time: 11:00am-12:00am

Location: RED Gallery, L2
of De Fu Lou Cafe, 39 De Fu
Xiang, Xi'an

TEL: 186-8189-9621

RED



MAR 20

Lady's night

Complimentary for ladies

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Time: 8:00pm-Midnight

Venue: Lobby Lounge (1F)

Location: Sheraton Xi'an North City Hotel

MAR 20-29

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Tel: 029-6821 6666

MAR 22

Free demo class

How to prepare for the TSC ?!

How to prepare for the HSK ?!

Exam Focus

Exam Tips

Come and learn Chinese with us!

Time: 2:00pm

Location: #174 Yannan 1st Road, Building 1,
Room 605, Hanlinshijia, Yanta District

Tel: 186-2907-4010 / 153-0292-7680



TANGO EVENTS

Mexico Bar (墨西哥餐吧)

Address: No.21, Tian Pin Xi An Bar Street
Inside of Huan Cheng Xi Yuan Park
(天品西岸酒吧街21号)

The 2nd and 4th Wednesday night of every month (每月第二和第四个周三晚上)

Beginner lesson from 7:00pm-8:00pm
(7点至8点入门级课程)

Intermediate lesson from 8:00pm-9:00pm
(8点至9点中级课程)

C'est La Vie Restaurant & Bar (塞拉维)

Address: B-2F Lu Di SOHO Lian Meng, Zhang
Ba Yi Lu (丈八一路绿地soho联盟B座二楼塞拉维餐厅)

The 1st, 3rd and 5th Saturday night of the month (每月第一, 第三和第五个周六晚上)

Beginner lesson from 8:30pm - 9:30pm and
practice until 10:30pm

(8:30至9:30入门课程, 9:30至10:30练习时间)

Lao Mei Café (老美咖啡)

Address: Inside Wenchao Gate to the right 6
Xiamaling Lu (文昌门里下马陵六号)

The 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month
(每月第二和第四个周六晚上)

Lesson from 7:30pm - 8:30pm, with practice
after (7:30至8:30上课时间, 8:30后练习时间)



ULTIMATE FRISBEE



Match: 3:00pm - 7:00pm (every Sunday)

Location: Xi'an Jiao Tong University of Finance and Economics (西安交通大学财经学院), just next to the 纬二街(Wei Er Jie) bus stop.

After the match we have dinner and sometimes go out to KTV

For more information contact:

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胡纪峰 (Feng) at 153-53552643

If you're shy you could also email me at wuyikai123@qq.com



MARCH 6, 13, 20, 27

Toastmasters

Every Friday in March!

Time: 7:30pm - 9:30pm

Location: Hengzhi Education 10th Floor of the SAGA (Saige) Shopping Mall – Chang'an Middle Rd

Get all the information at: www.xatmc.org



MARCH 14, 16

Hash House Harriers

Saturday March 14th
and Monday March 16th

Time: Both are at 3:00pm

Start point/Meeting place: Inside the South Gate on the East Gate by the Subway Shop

Get all the information at:
www.xianease.com/hhh

For all the info scan the QR code →



MARCH 15

Sunday

Urban Sketchers: Xi'an 3rd Sunday of every month at 3pm

Do you like art, exploring new places around the city, and meeting new people? Whether you're a professional artist or haven't drawn since you were a child, come join us to give sketching a try. All you need is some paper and a pencil/pen.



Meeting place:

The North entrance of the Small Goose Pagoda

Contact Naomi for details: naomi.trego@gmail.com

MARCH 16

Monday

Ladies Lunch

Time: 12:30pm

Location: Qing Mai Tai – Thai Restaurant just outside of the South Gate at the Ginhua basement.

Phone: 8411 3559 / 187 0159 0786

Get all the information at: www.xianease.com/woman



MARCH 18

Wednesday

Pub Quiz

Beer and Trivia

What more could you ask for?

Time: 9:30pm

Location: Belgian Bar



MARCH 25

Tuesday

Queen OR King of the Table Pool Tourney

Time: Starting at 8:00pm

Location: Yuan Shun Pool Bunker (Southwest corner of the Shaanxi Stadium -碑林区长安北路14号省体育场)





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Restaurant Reviews



Fanier 费尼餐厅

Article By *Yanzi* and *Steven Calvi*



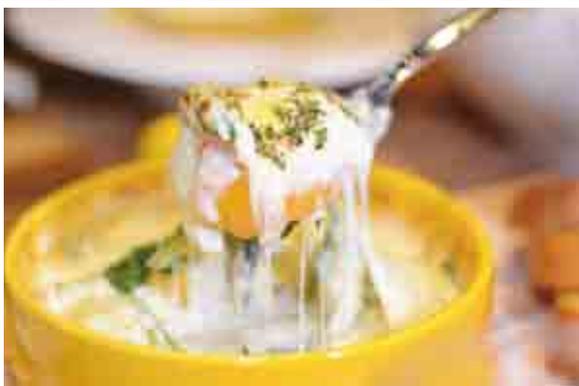
If you ask me where the best place is to go and eat, I will tell you Saga. It is the most popular shopping center in Xi'an right now. And the Food Palace on the 7th floor just opened. I heard from a few friends that there is a lovely new burger place. So Steven and I decided to try this palace and see if it is really as good as everybody says.

When we walked in to the restaurant, the decoration is laid back with a "come as you are" feel. Everything is in a typical Northern Europe style, white walls with green patches giving a fresh and clean image.



We found a comfortable corner table, sat down and started looking at the newspaper-like menu. You don't have to have a burger, you can choose from pasta, sandwiches, pancakes and an assortment of other items. Steven ordered The Fantastic Burger and I ordered the fish lasagna. The food came quite fast, probably the fact that it was a Monday and there weren't many others there helped. The burger is huge, and the taste was just like the name "FANTASTIC". The manager told us it is 80% lean and 20% fat patty seasoned with salt and pepper to keep the real beef taste. The lasagna is quite good too but a quick note here: if you're not too keen on cheese, you may decide to choose something else. We ordered a great Caesar Salad, which was huge with lots of dressing! Drink-wise, we decided on an apple and cranberry soda from Taiwan. All I can say is if you want to get something "tangy" this drink will be the right choice, it is 100% pucker power! Side note, all soft drinks from the fountain have a free refill!

Burgers can be a pretty messy meal...but Fanier has thought of that so every table has paper bags and towels, so you can eat your culinary delight as clean as you might wish.



Pro: Great burgers with a free refill!

Con: small napkins and too much stuff on the table.





费尼餐厅介绍

森邦集团的新品牌Fanier费尼餐厅，是森邦集团旗下第四个品牌。2012年9月在台北内湖开幕的首日，就造成各家媒体的争相报导，许多“费迷”（费尼餐厅的粉丝们）也来店排队，希望一尝费尼餐厅的美味风采。在网络上席卷了台湾数千位美食家与顾客的一致好评后，费尼餐厅仍旧持续的向前进步，在2013年5月31日登陆上海，期待让顾客享受到精致多样化的异国美食。

费尼餐厅大陆首店落户在7号线龙华中路站的正大乐城，正大乐城是闻名上海的陆家嘴正大广场的分部，由陆家嘴正大引进许多知名品牌进驻，未来的正大乐城也将成为徐汇区的购物商圈新地标。费尼餐厅正大乐城店，处于一楼中庭人群聚集地，靠近中山南二路，曝光性强、门店及招牌都很明显；交通上位于7号线龙华中路站，2014年也将开通12号线，两线重合未来也将造成人流量的大量集中。

费尼餐厅巧妙地运用在地食材、融合美式经典烹调、制作异国风味创意汉堡料理，清新明亮的橄榄绿搭配简约北欧时尚风格，美式热情的服务，就像阳光洒满身上的感觉，温度总是拿捏得恰到好处。其中最具特色的产品，也就是现在主推的“费尼经典汉堡”，主要的特点是使用酿造数年的威士忌加入特制秘方调制成丹尼尔酒酱，再搭配意大利进口酒醋熬煮成费尼独有的美式BBQ酱，淋在费尼特制的纯牛肉汉堡以及特选综合生菜上，一口咬下口中迅速弥漫着一股清新果香与柔和的酸甜滋味，这种特殊的口感与香气，就是“费尼经典汉堡”的特色，相信定会受到全国美食家的喜爱。

费尼餐厅有别于肯德基、麦当劳等快餐，是一个想让顾客吃到好吃、健康、精致的餐厅。餐点是以异国风味为开发、融合美式经典烹调，将轻食、意面、脆饼等欧式餐品为主打。设计上采用大气的北欧风、外显出时尚简约设计，并运用绿色及大地色系加上美式涂鸦风格。在这里顾客可以感受到环境的舒适、轻松的气氛，不管是在这里用餐、或是享受一杯下午茶咖啡，都可以将身心完全放松。未来费尼餐厅的发展将从一线城市开始，将集中在商场等人流量大的位置开设门店，配合白领的活动范围以及生活习惯，打造专属于白领的精致美式餐厅。费尼餐厅正大乐城店是费尼餐厅开启全球化的第一步，未来期待可以在中国大陆的所有城市甚至到世界各地都可以见到费尼餐厅的踪影。



Average Price per person
/人均消费:

60 RMB

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(西安赛格国际购物中心七层(费尼餐厅))

Tel /电话: 029-8932 9216

Hours /时间: 10:00am-9:30pm



Steven has been in China for 4 years and is from the UK; Yanzi is from Xi'an. They are both English teachers during the day and fight crime on weekends to make ends meet they sometimes sell horse meat.

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Dessert Kitchen 西安甜品工房

Article By *Naomi* and *Javier*

We've all stumbled along the inside of South Gate, full of bars and cafes. And we've wandered along the strip of bar restaurants in the west wall park. But does anyone know what the southwest corner of the wall has to offer? You've probably never been there. But, my dear friends, what's hiding inside that humble corner is DESSERT. Lots and lots of dessert. Tucked away inside the south west corner of the walled city is a row of restaurants and the newly opened Dessert Kitchen. (甜品工房).

On an otherwise dim street, the glowing restaurant lured us in. The restaurant is crisp and clean, fit with modern chairs, bench seats, and couches for groups big or small. Floor to ceiling windows, an open kitchen area, and simple decorations make this one sophisticated and chic dessert place. We opened the menu and knew we were going to have one classy dessert experience.

I asked one of the many employees who spoke excellent English if Chinese cuisine has a culture of desserts and she said no. The Dessert Kitchen is from Hong Kong; the small chain of desert restaurants offers a mouthwatering array of Japanese, Taiwanese, and Hong Kongese desserts. Some were sweets we recognized: pudding, sundaes, parfaits, and waffles (Actually, I always thought it was breakfast. But hey, whatever, I guess it's dessert now). Others were dessert concoctions we had never heard of.

My sweet tooth made my first choice easy: brownies—Japanese style, bite-size chocolate delights wrapped in a fondant-like skin. Delicious, but I just wish I had a whole pan full instead of four bites worth. Javier, a trained barista, started with a hot mug of mocha that happily met his standards. He prefers main dishes to dessert so his interest was piqued by the kanten, clear jelly that looked like noodles. We enjoyed the kanten with peach sauce and mixed fruit. The waffle itself was a bit boring but the ice cream and strawberry sauce with it were delicious. Javier was quiet for most of the meal—while I was savoring every bite of my meal he had already finished the milky hot Sesame Rice Ball in Coconut. At this point, I was full but the gold medal on the Purple in Love dessert convinced me I had to try this

Bar Reviews



Quebec Cafe 魁北克咖啡餐吧

Article By *Jack Marshall* and *Tracy*

One night after work I took a wonder north past the bell tower to a café a colleague had suggested I try. After slipping and sloshing my way through the snow, I stepped into a little piece of Canada named Quebec Café.

Quebec Café could best be described as “little Canada”. From the maple leaves to the posters of Ice hockey Legends scattered throughout, the unique décor goes a long way to making you feel welcome. This was also enforced by the waiters and was probably the best service I have received in Xian. From the moment I stepped out of the elevator I felt welcome and comfortable. I was shown to my table and handed three menus.

The food menu: While the usual bar food was available, I took interest in the “Quebec specials” meals such as “The Characteristics of Quebec pizza” and the “Quebec classic double hamburger”. The pizza was one of the best I’ve had in Xi’an. The mammoth double burger arrived, accompanied by a generous portion of chips, and to my surprise it was a chicken and steak burger. For 45RMB this is one of the best “value for money” burgers you are likely to have in Xi’an. Also worth a mention are the bar snacks. Potato wedges and onion rings, “secret” grilled chicken wings and hash browns.

Standard cocktails and beers are available at competitive prices while spirits and wines are sold by the bottle; however, it's the nonalcoholic menu that catches the eye. If fresh fruit juice, imported teas and an assortment of yoghurt don't make you happy, be sure to try the blueberry sorbet...so good. Being a café, the coffee choices are great, especially the tiramisu latte.

After some great food and drink I took up a seat at the bar. With twenty plus tables and booths Quebec can easily host a birthday party, business function or a pre-club warm-up party. No matter the occasion, with a fully equipped stage for live music, central location and business hours from 9am till late, Quebec has it all.

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Pros: *The Quebec pizza and Hamburger as well as the blueberry sorbet. The waiters are friendly and helpful. The prices are really good*

Cons: *The drinks menu is in Chinese*



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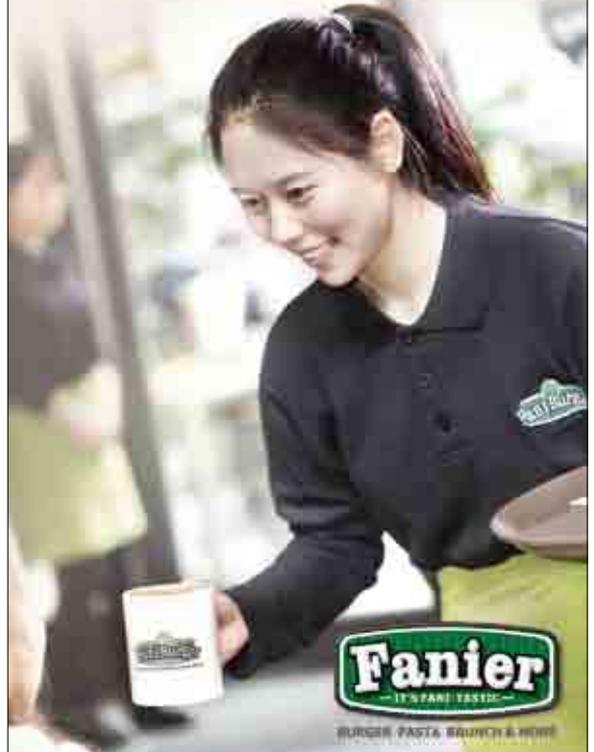
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LiTato Coffee 力TA度咖啡

Article By *Jack Marshall* and *Tracy*

One evening while wondering around the stadium with my fiancé, we came across what I thought to be a little bakery. To my surprise, hidden upstairs was an awesome bar named LiTato Coffee.

This quirky bar, situated on the east side of the stadium, is a great place for a pre-game get together or post-game party. We walked in and were greeted by one of the owners. After a short chat we placed our orders and went up to see the bar. The menu had a lot to offer and the uniquely LiTato baked goods are to die for, such as the huge cheese loaf.

I order the black pepper beef pasta, and Tracy got the beef curry and rice. We sipped on some great Mocha and began admiring the décor. LiTato is styled as a sports bar, with football shaped chairs and a fully pitched tent, the décor is brilliant. The fully equipped bar holds all our favorite beers and spirits with some unique cocktail choices all at competitive prices.

Our meal arrived and we tucked in. The beef curry was one of the best we have had outside of authentic Indian restaurants while the black pepper beef pasta was a spice explosion. The fresh ingredients and good use of spices made every mouthful worth the already great price.

I found out that the owners are adventure enthusiasts and love skiing, they have pictures of all of their trips as well as videos playing on the big screen. The great thing is, anyone can join and share in their adventures.

LiTato offers a comfy atmosphere for a quick coffee between friends or a wacky vibe for those "all nighter" parties.

Pro: Great location, adventure club, special baked goods and the out of the box décor

Con: For now the menus are in Chinese but will be changing soon



Average Price per person/人均消费:

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CROSS CULTURAL DATING

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Article by **Gary Wood**

Gary has lived in Xi'an for over two years and works in a local high school. You can contact him at: garywoodgac@hotmail.com

My curiosity for cross-cultural transitions is once again back in full swing. This time I'm aiming for a small glimpse into the world of cross-cultural relationships. Having dated both Chinese and Western people, I've experienced such cultural differences on both a positive and negative scale, i.e. misunderstandings, relationship roles, refusing to carry their pink handbag etc. The loyalty we have towards our own culture and traditions can often result in problems accepting another. However, I wanted to broaden my perspective by asking 3 Xi'an residents about their own experiences of cross-cultural dating and what advice they may have for others.

- **Name:** David Wright □ **Age:** 30
- **Nationality:** American
- **Partner's nationality:** Chinese
- **Length of relationship:** 5 years (Engaged)



If any, what challenges do you face together?

As neither of us are religious, nor are we very ideologically motivated, the majority of our problems are domestic and thus probably not too dissimilar from other couples. We disagree about where to eat, what time to return home from a night out and whose turn it is to do the dishes.

Has this cross-cultural experience changed the way you view relationships?

I think the most important thing we've both learned about relationships is the importance of honesty. In the past I always assumed my partner would be able to guess at what I wanted without saying it. Because we are cross cultural, and therefore our desires are more difficult for the other to guess, I think we've dispensed with that for the most part. Telling each other what we think and want is better than expecting the other person to be a mind reader.

Have you had to deal with the in-laws yet? How did it go?

We have both met the in-laws. Actually, that was one of the more difficult aspects of our relationship; as an American I really wanted to meet the family before the engagement. Eventually we compromised by traveling to America pre-engagement and meeting her family here post-engagement.

It was quite awkward the first time I met her mother. She had us over to her house for dinner and all the Chinese I have just flew out the window. Eventually I squeezed out enough words for her mother to feel it was sufficient and we talked on the subject of marriage. She made it clear from the beginning that she thought this was going to be harder than we realized but she also offered her support. It was a huge relief once it was done, but without a doubt it was one of the harder situations we'd faced together.

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What is your advice towards making a cross cultural relationship work?

I think you just need to be prepared to deal with a little extra adversity which I think can make your relationship stronger.

Do you plan to stay here in the long-term or do you have plans to move elsewhere?

We intend to stay here long-term, although we plan on spending 1-2 months in America each year.



- Name:** David Wachiuri **Age:** 28
- Nationality:** Kenyan
- Partner's nationality:** Chinese
- Length of relationship:** 3 years

If any, what challenges do you face together?

Well there have been a few challenges. At first, it was about the eating habits, but with time I got used to the food in China and she was able to make a few western dishes. Apart from this we have had a few challenges on how we view different aspects of life but we always seem to find a common ground.

Has this cross-cultural experience changed the way you view relationships?

Yes, being in a cross-cultural relationship has made me have a deeper understanding of Chinese people and how things are done in China. It has also changed the way I see other's cultures and has also had an impact on how I live my life.

Do you plan to meet the in-laws soon? If yes, how do you feel about it?

The topic has come up several times and we are planning

on a date to meet up with the in-laws. It always feels awkward to meet the in-laws for the first time, but we want to get it over with once and for all.

What is your advice towards making a cross cultural relationship work?

1. Communication: I think communication is one of the most important aspects in a cross cultural relationship; I have had to learn Chinese in case she doesn't understand what I mean in English.

2. Learn to understand each other's cultural beliefs about time, discipline and personal space.

Do you plan to stay here in the long-term or do you have plans to move elsewhere?

We plan on staying here for another couple of years before we move on to another place.



- Name:** Natalya Benjamin **Age:** 26
- Nationality:** British
- Partner's nationality:** Chinese
- Length of relationship:** 6 months

If any, what challenges do you face together?

The biggest challenge is not being able to speak Chinese. Although my boyfriend can speak fluent English, there are still times when he might say something inappropriate in English because he doesn't know how to express it correctly. It's more of a cultural thing than a communication thing on his part. With me however it is quite embarrassing, especially when I'm around his family and friends. It makes me feel like I'm on the outside and even though they don't have a problem with it, I still feel guilty

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and ashamed for not learning it prior to coming here.

Has this cross-cultural experience changed the way you view relationships?

No not really.

Have you had to deal with the in-laws yet? How did it go?

Yes and I was soooooo scared the first time I met them. I was thinking they would hate me because I'm not Chinese but actually they were really friendly. It was a little awkward as we couldn't say much to each other without my bf translating but it went well. I can feel they are happy for us, BUT I always keep my tattoos covered. That's one thing I don't think they would be able to accept haha!

What is your advice towards making a cross cultural relationship work?

Always remind yourself that English is not their first language so that you don't get offended or confused too easily. Also try hard to learn about their culture so you can understand them more too. Oh and try not to worry too much about your families. When there are countries between you it can make you worry about the future but what I do is just think that it's an excuse to take more family holidays!

Do you plan to stay here in the long-term or do you have plans to move elsewhere?

We both want to move elsewhere because the education system in China is too hard on children. We will stay here and save up for another two years, but we won't settle here.

As with all relationships, it appears that communication plays a vital role. Being explicit in your desires, thoughts and attitudes could be one way to possibly eradicate any conflict. Expecting a partner, who comes from an entirely different culture, to instinctively understand your perspectives and reasons for doing, saying or thinking in a certain way would be slightly naive. Understanding and accepting that your partner's culture is very different to your own, will likely go a long way in forging a successful foundation for a long term relationship. In closing, I would like to say a big thank you to my interviewees for their input and making this article possible.

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Diavola Style Chicken with Crushed Chives Potatoes

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↓ INGREDIENTS 食材:

- 1/2 pc Chicken (鸡)
- 100g Potatoes, Peeled (土豆(剥皮))
- 10g Chives (韭菜)
- 35g Extra Virgin Olive Oil (特级初榨橄榄油)
- 40g Lemon Juice (柠檬汁)
- 1/2 pc Fresh Chilly (鲜辣椒)
- 2g Dry Chilly (干辣椒)
- Chopped Parsley (香菜末)
- Salt, Pepper (盐 胡椒)

↓ PREPARATION 做法:

- 1) Boil the potatoes until soft (将土豆蒸熟变软)
- 2) Mash them with a fork (用叉子把土豆捣碎)
- 3) Dress with salt, pepper, chives and extra virgin olive oil (加入盐, 胡椒, 韭菜, 橄榄油)
- 4) Roast the spring chicken in a pan with a little bit of olive oil, garlic and chilly (用平底锅放入橄榄油, 大蒜, 辣椒煎鸡肉)
- 5) Bake it and keep it skin-side down (将鸡皮贴向盘子那一面, 将其烤熟)
- 6) Place the mashed potato in a circle on the plate (将土豆泥放于盘中摆盘)
- 7) Two minutes before it's ready remove the chilli and the garlic from the chicken (两分钟前将准备好的辣椒和大蒜从鸡里取出)
- 8) Sprinkle with the sifted lemon juice and the dry chilli (撒上柠檬汁和干辣椒)
- 9) Remove the chicken and place it on top of the potatoes (将鸡放置在土豆上)
- 10) Emulsify the sauce with the butter and add the parsley (酱汁加入黄油和香菜末)
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- 30g Pantelleria capers (刺山柑)
- 30g Parsley (香菜)
- 2g Dry Chilli (什锦色拉)
- Assorted salad (香菜末)
- Blanched vegetables (蔬菜)
- Xeres vinegar (摩德纳传统香醋)
- Garlic (蒜)
- Thyme (麝香草)
- Beetroot extract (甜菜根)
- Parsley extract (香菜萃取)
- Dehydrated vegetables (脱水蔬菜)

↓ PREPARATION 做法:

- 1) Wash and cut the aubergines for the length, season with salt and pepper a sprig of thyme, drizzle with extra virgin olive oil. Wrap them in aluminum foil and bake in oven at 180°C for about 60 minutes (茄子洗净切成长条, 用盐, 胡椒, 一根小百里香枝调味, 淋上橄榄油。将它们包上锡箔纸放入烤箱180度烤制60分钟)
- 2) Once the aubergines are cooked peel them and save the skin. Chop the flesh and let drain in a chinoise. Cut the skin in a fine brunoise and add to the aubergines together with the blanched onion, the confit tomatoes (茄子烤好后去皮, 把茄子皮留下, 轻剁茄肉去掉其中的水分。把茄肉和茄皮放在一起加入红葱头调味酱和糖腌西红柿)
- 3) In a pan, melt the anchovies in a bit of oil, add the capers and sauté the aubergines. Remove from the fire, add the chopped parsley and season with the Xeres vinegar, add salt and pepper to taste (平底锅中放入凤尾鱼加少许油, 再放入刺山柑和茄子, 关火后放香菜末, 醋, 盐, 胡椒调味)
- 4) Brush some balsamic vinegar on the plate, a quenelle of aubergine caviar and place the vegetables, the salad and the herbs over it (盘子上撒一些醋, 把茄子放入盘中搭配一些蔬菜)
- 5) Drizzle the dish with extra virgin olive oil, a few drops of parsley and beetroot extract and garnish with the dehydrated vegetables (淋上特级初榨橄榄油, 加一些香菜末和甜菜根, 再放一些脱水蔬菜即可)

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SUBWAY LINE THREE OPENING DATE PUSHED BACK

Opening of the Qujiang – Gaoxin Subway line (Line 3) has been pushed back from the start of this year to the end of this year or the beginning of 2016 due to construction delays. They also released a full map of the completed Xi'an subway system, take a look at this beauty. Around 2025 we will all be getting around Xi'an easily and conveniently.



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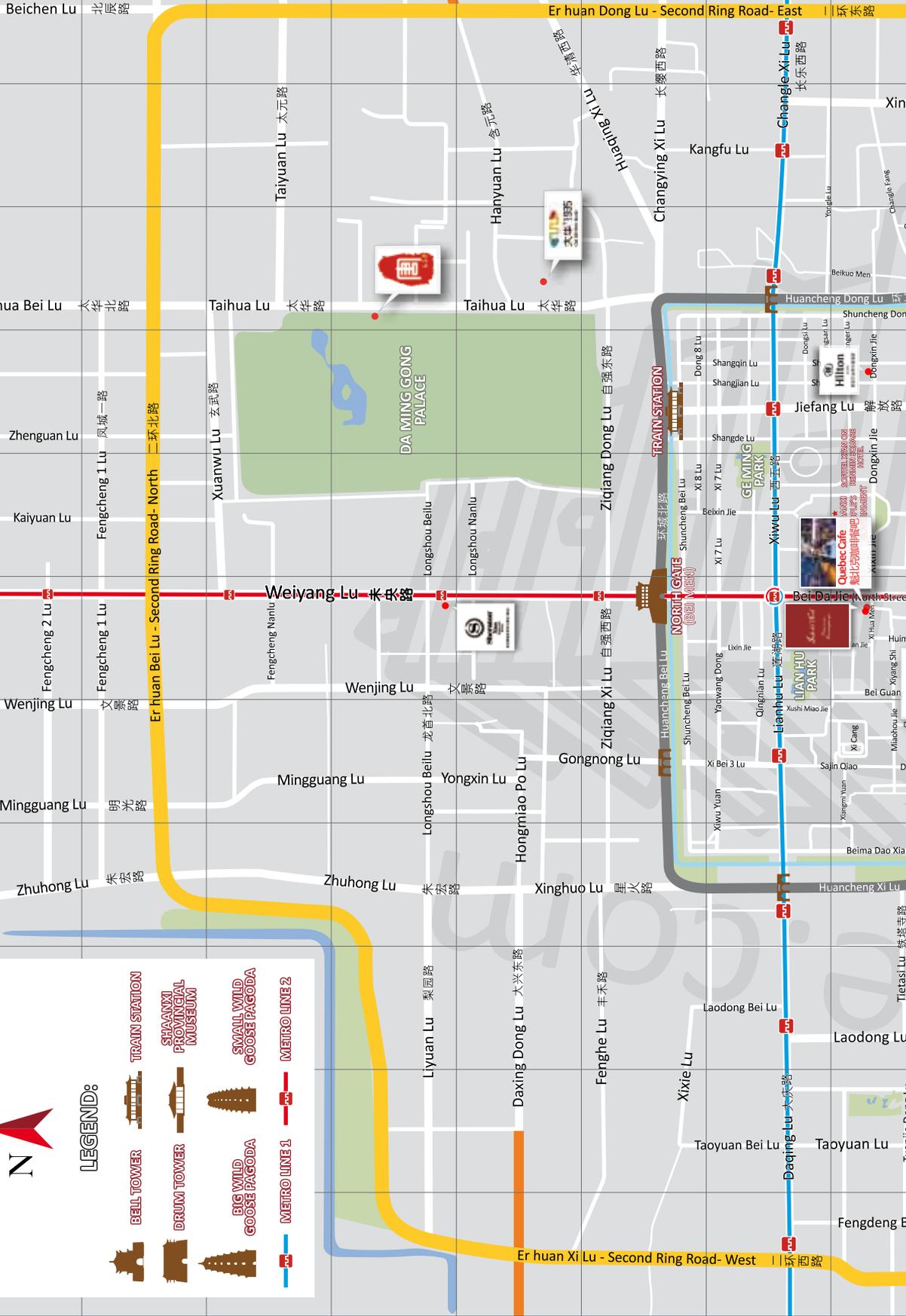
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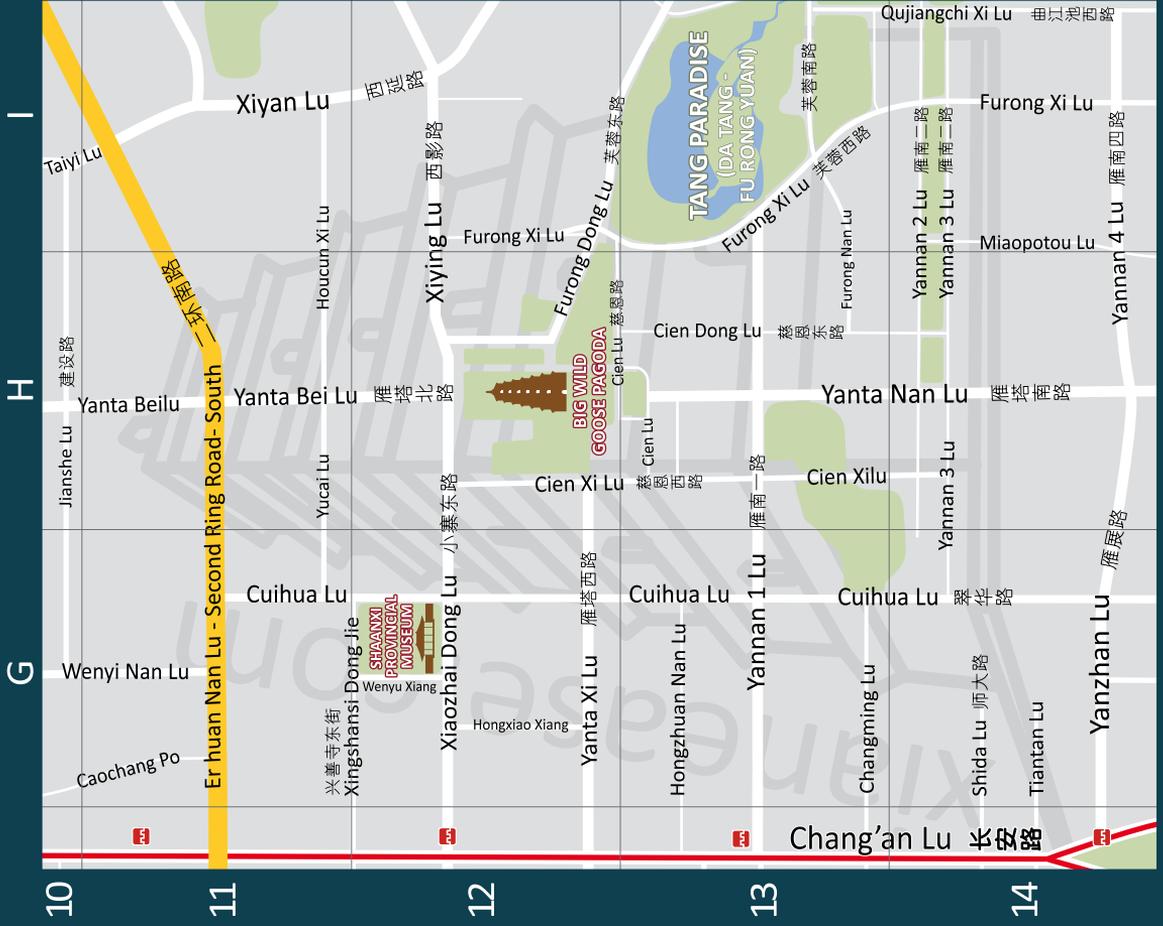
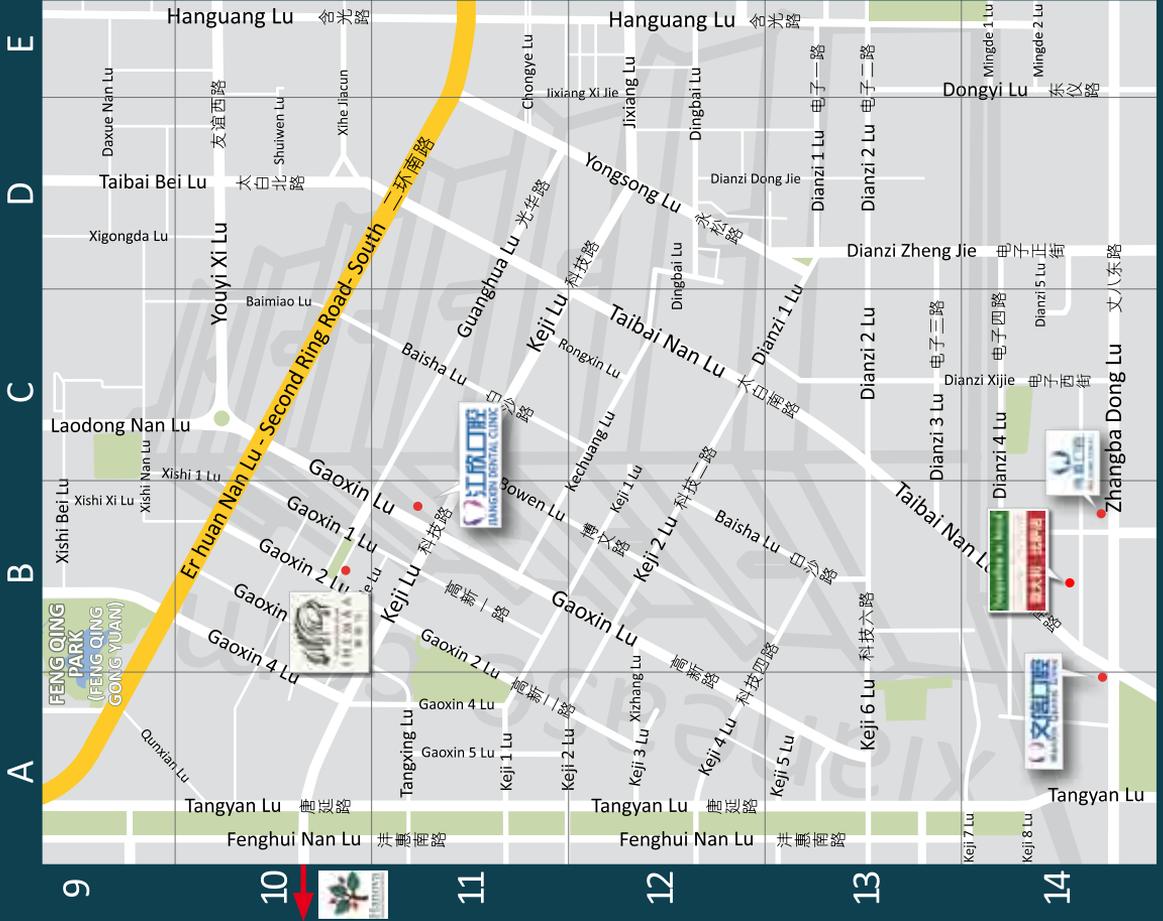
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At Home in England

Christmas Indoors

Article by *Carolyn*

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On Christmas Eve we carried our beds out of the hut down the garden steps and into the cottage. It felt distinctly uncomfortable to be lying in a bedroom inside a proper house again. The sound of the sea had all but disappeared and the palpable sensation of being surrounded by miles of open land and water was almost nonexistent. "I don't like it in here," I whispered to Li Chen. "Nor do I," she whispered back, "I can't hear properly, it's like being shut in a box!" she said. "Someone could come creeping up on us and we wouldn't know until they were in the room!" "Mum you're frightening me." "Sorry, it's the brick walls" "You're totally weird mum but I know what you mean, let's move back into the hut when Grandmother goes home." "That would be best." I replied.

The feeling of being closed in and having ones senses clipped is familiar to me. Every summer for a decade I slept in a tent pitched where the hut stands now. We'd go out in May and stay out till mid-October when the damp English Autumn forced us back inside. We'd furnish the tent with mattresses, duvets, candelabras and a bookshelf; it was very comfortable.



What lured us out year after year was the feeling of being connected to the wider landscape; the sound of waves rolling across open water, gentle rain pattering on canvas, moonlit rock pools silver and black, the song of the oystercatchers on Spring nights, the shrew family who lived behind the tent, badgers, foxes, hedgehogs; you could wake and listen and feel at ease. It's funny how the voice of a shrew can evoke a sense of oneness in a human. I'd listen to the curlews calling far out at sea, the rumble of thunder and sometimes witness the magnificence of a full blown storm when the tent would pitch and puff like a set of bellows. On those nights Cassian, Li Chen's English father, would retreat into the cottage leaving Li Chen and me sitting in bed wide eyed watching forked lightening shoot out of the sky into the sea. And when the lightening passed we'd gasp as the rains swept and the winds blew, the end of the mattress would get soaked but we didn't care we felt too alive. And the next morning when all was still and quiet the sun would dry the mattress and we'd hammer the tent pegs further in.

Every Christmas I re-read Dickens' Christmas Carol and it always gets me in the mood. This year it made me feel so expansive I decided to throw open the house to complete strangers on Boxing Day. Christmas Day was so radiant we ate our lunch in the conservatory with the doors open but Boxing Day sidled in with low cloud and a gun metal grey sea. "You don't know who'd come by on a day like this," cautioned my mother, "axe murderers are drawn to this kind of weather!" "Not Boxing Day, not here mother. Quick, get the sign out Li Chen!" Li Chen picked up our 'Welcome to

the Coast Guard Cottage for a Sherry and a Mince Pie sign and placed it outside the front gate. My mother settled into the armchair by the fire with Greta the dachshund on her lap, "Don't let them in if you don't like the look of them," she instructed. Half an hour later with a glass of sherry in her hand she was happily regaling strangers with her war time evacuation adventures. Bob Cratchit's house itself couldn't have been merrier. It appears entertaining strangers brings out the very best in everybody; the whole experience was such a success we've decided to make it an annual event.

But Christmas is behind us now. My mother has returned to London, Li Chen is back at school and guess what, I'm still sleeping in the cottage. The days are so short, the house is so warm and the hut is so cold. It was snowing this morning when I woke and the sea was a shimmering green lake, cliffs dusted white, everything still, only the geese calling from down river broke the silence. A thin bright line like an iridescent ribbon lit the horizon for a moment as a shaft of light slipped through the blue white snow clouds and fell upon the water. Now I'm waiting for more snow, perhaps even snow on snow.....

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Article by *Jonas Goldbach*

Archery has existed for thousands of years, it is known by people young and old all over the world through stories, history lessons and movies. During the history of China it always played a very important role. It evolved from a hunting weapon towards an important matter of warfare and became a sport and amusement activity later on. Confucius counted it as one of the six arts that every scholar had to master in ancient times.

Nowadays archery in China is becoming popular again; Chinese archers are winning more and more medals during the Olympic games and new archery ranges in China spring up like mushrooms.

Until now Xi'an didn't have an archery range open to the public, which was a big problem for all the hobbyist archers out there – but in November this finally changed. For me personally this was a great news. I practice Chinese traditional archery myself and was really happy to know that we finally had a fixed place to go to. Until now I have been practicing archery with friends out at some open fields or in some of the bigger parks in Xi'an, which meant a guaranteed sun burn in summer and frostbites in winter. Apart from the weather the areas outside also had some other problems, some park security didn't like us shooting around, every time some arrows broke and you came



back home dirty from tip to toe.

Fortunately now we have a nice and clean place where you can shoot, no matter what weather. The archery club is a great place for all archery enthusiasts to shoot some arrows and try out a new sport. They have a great variety of bows that you can try out, no matter if you are into traditional archery, modern recurve bows, long bows or compound bows; at the club you can find club members shooting any kind of bow. They also have children bows and bows with low draw-weights so no matter how

strong or weak you are you will definitely have the chance to shoot some arrows.

At the club you can find all kinds of people, students as well as guys in the mid 40s come here to relax from their everyday life and enjoy the sound of their arrows hitting the target. If your body is tired from all the bow-drawing there is a small area with sofas and an Xbox that invites you to relax, drink some tea or soft drinks and have some nice chats. In the future they will have another lounge on the second floor where the lockers to store your bow



and arrows are located. Most important they have a total of ten targets at the shooting range, five targets at a distance of 18 meters and another five at 20 meters, for beginners they also have some moveable targets to start practicing at a closer distance.

The archery range is located at Da Hua 1935 aka. Old mill new world in the East of the Da Ming Gong palace, there is a big free parking space area for everyone who prefers to drive car instead of taking the public transportation.

For non-members the price per hour is 60 RMB (including bow, arrows, protection equipment and some professional advice), they charge 1800 RMB for a half year membership (no time restrictions).

If you are interested in trying out something new or you practised archery before and would like to give it another try just pass by and have fun. The owners and most of the members at the club only speak Chinese so make sure to go together with one of your Chinese friends or contact me.

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Jonas is a German and has been in Xi'an for almost 3 years. Right now he is working in Xi'an at a private language school. You can reach him via Wechat: **JoGold** or via mail **jonas_goldbach@web.de**



Using Sitcoms to Teach English

Article by *Stuart Allen*



English teachers have been using videos in the classroom for decades and, more recently DVDs and online video clips from Youtube or YouKu. Sitcoms are an excellent classroom resource for a number of reasons.

They Aren't Boring

An episode generally lasts 30 minutes - so we don't have to worry about students getting bored or losing the plot - as sometimes happens when we watch a feature film.

Sitcoms are often repetitive too. Students who watch more than one episode become familiar with the characters and their catch-phrases. As students begin to pre-

dict how a character might behave in a particular circumstance they will become more motivated and enjoy a sense of achievement.

Don't deny your students video material

Very often teachers underestimate the ability of their students to understand authentic language and so they shy away from real material in favour of these purpose-made recordings. Or worse, they don't use any videos - thereby denying their classes the opportunity to get used to real English, spoken by real English speakers, in realistic situations.

Students get listening practice with tapes and CDs but we shouldn't underestimate the value of the visual element a video provides.

A large part of communication is non verbal. Being able to see gestures and facial expressions helps students grasp the meaning of the words spoken and also any underlying insinuations. Sitcoms are full of unspoken innuendos.

Humour

Sitcoms are funny and everybody enjoys laughing. Watching a humorous video clip in class can be rewarding for students and helps to create a positive classroom atmosphere. This in turn can only have a positive effect on the learning experience.

Cultural References

Sitcoms are full of cultural references. Depending on the situation these references might portray regional differences throughout the world, the class system, family issues, religion, race and ethnicity, gender issues, social issues, and numerous others.



Different Accents

Every successful British or US sitcom has its trademark English, from Del Boy's Cockney accent and attempts at talking "posh". There are sitcoms from up north, down south and everywhere in between. This exposure to different varieties of English introduces the idea to learners that there isn't just one standardised version of the language. All too often the only reference to spoken English that students have is the accent of wherever their teacher happens to come from or wherever their teacher's teacher came from.

How many times have we heard "I understand everything in class but when I went to the UK in the summer I didn't understand a word!"?

Availability

All of the successful British or American sitcoms are available on video or DVD. Whole series can be bought through websites like Amazon, Taobao or e-bay. Another great source is Youtube. A simple search for any of the major - and even lesser known sitcoms throws up scores of video clips. Sometimes whole episodes are serialised into five or six short videos making it possible to watch a whole 30 minute programme in five or six 'bites'.



Comparisons

Students love watching videos that reflect western life. They like to see how people in the west live, what they eat, how they spend their free time. They love seeing typical homes and institutions, the countryside and weather.

By learning more about the culture of the country they stop seeing English as simply a language in isolation, but start to understand the wider implications of a language's link to its culture(s). This is the same for learners of any language. The more we know about the culture of the language we are learning - the better our understanding of that language will be.

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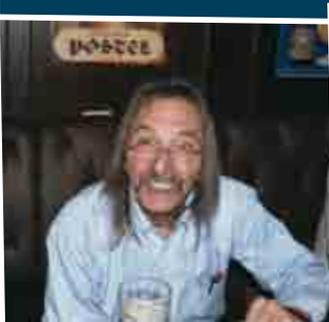
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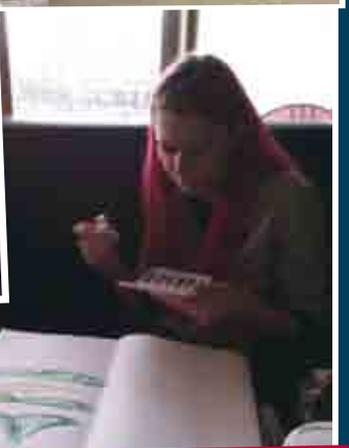
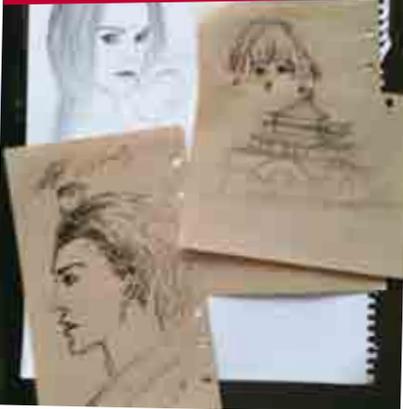
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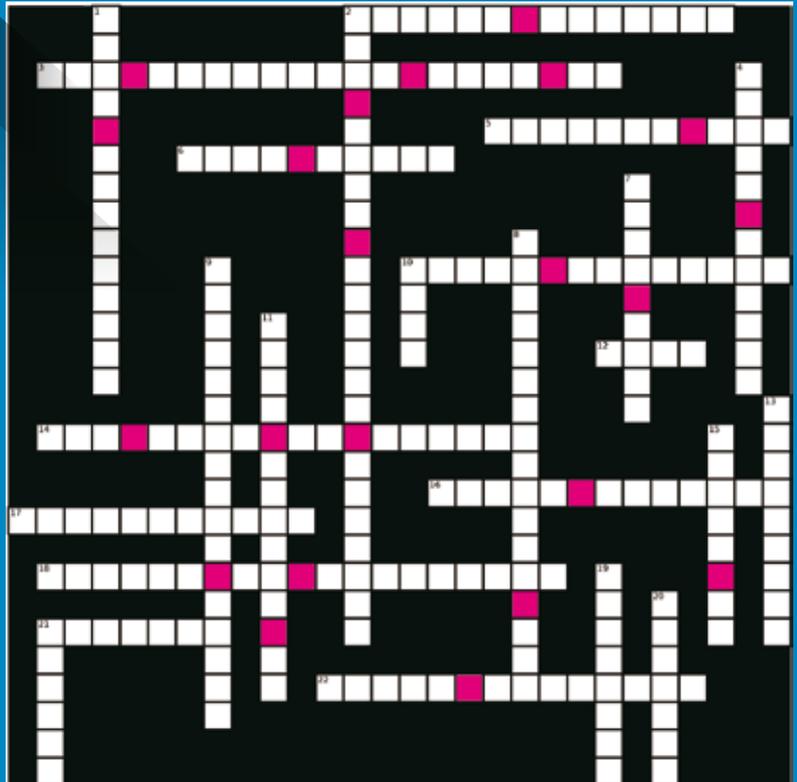
Pub Quiz Questions

The winter break between New Year's and Chinese New Year is a usually a vast wasteland of catching up on TV shows and staring out the window. Yet this year there was an island of respite when Trivia Master Phil and the Belgian Bar held the monthly trivia night. For a second month in a row **Slow Children at Play** took the prize beating out two other groups by one point, a close one but in trivia, close doesn't count. Think you can beat them in March? Grab your team and head down to the Belgian bar to find out.

Want the answers? Head over to www.xianease.com/trivia for this month's answers

Across

2. In Muhammad Ali's last professional fight, on December 11, 1981, who did he lose to?
3. What film was the first sequel to win Best Picture at the Academy Awards?
5. What trophy is awarded to the team that wins the NHL playoff championship?
6. What famous record producer and songwriter has produced songs and albums for AC/DC, Def Leppard, Tina Turner, Bryan Adams, Michael Bolton, The Corrs, Nickelback, Lady Gaga, and Shania Twain, who he also married?
10. Played by Kurt Russell, what film character is featured in the films Escape from New York and Escape from LA?
12. What venerable English monk is best known for his Ecclesiastical History of the English People?
14. Written by Trey Parker, Matt Stone, and Robert Lopez, what successful musical opened on Broadway in March, 2011?
16. What famous event began at the Council of Clermont on November 27, 1095?
17. In which century was the Bank of England founded?
18. Who is the only surviving principle cast member of the 1939 film, Gone with the Wind?
21. What name does blues legend BB King give to his guitars?
22. What 1981 song was recorded by Queen and David Bowie?



Down

1. In the film E.T: The Extra Terrestrial, who played the role of Elliot's little sister, Gertie?
2. In 2005, Bob Iger succeeded Michael Eisner as CEO of what company?
4. Who was the first man to break the sound barrier?
7. What cartoon character claims he's "smarter than the av-er-age bear"?
8. The conflict between Athens and Sparta that lasted from 431 to 404 BCE is known by what name?
9. Who played Superman in the 1978 Richard Donner film, Superman?
10. What American band is best known for its hits Come Sail Away, Mr. Roboto, and Lady?
11. In baseball, what does RBI stand for?
13. What wireless technology is named after a 10th century Danish king?
15. Who provided voices for Miss Piggy, Fozzy Bear, Cookie Monster, and Yoda?
19. What is the capital of Syria?
20. What is Tiger Woods' real first name?
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