有 英 国 他 在 中 国 生 yīng zhōng guó yŏu rén tā zài уī gè guó shēng 年 学 了 点 活 半 了 儿 汉 语 diǎn huó bàn xué le ér hàn yŭ le nián уī 这 先 生 有 次 位 他 和 的 wèi yŏu cì zhè xiān shēng hé уī tā de qī 参 子 起 加 个 中 国 朋 友 的 qĭ zi уī cān jiā уī gè zhōng guó péng yŏu de 是 婚 家 大 店 婚 在 礼 礼 饭 Ιĭ shì hūn Ιĭ hūn zài dà fàn diàn уī jiā 举 新 郎 行 的 那 天 和 新 уī láng jǔ xíng nà tiān hé de xīn xīn 常 情 娘 第 非 热 英 国 太 太 是 0 niáng fēi cháng rè qíng yīng guó tài tài shì dì 着 次 握 和 新 娘 新 见 面 她 0 cì hé xīn niáng jiàn miàn tā wò zhe уī xīn 手 先 生 娘 英 对 的 用 语 她 的 shǒu yīng уŭ xiān niáng yòng duì tā de de shēng 最 漂 说 她 是 我 过 亮 见 的 的 shuō shì wŏ jiàn guò piāo liàng tā de zuì de 中 姑 娘 ļ 这 英 先 生 国 位 国 翻 niáng zhōng gū zhè wèi yīng xiān guó guó shēng fān 听 很 这 话 新 郎 了 译 句 了 zhè huà hěn yì le jù láng tīng le xīn

高兴。他礼貌地说:"哪里哪gāo xìng tā lǐ mào dì shuō nǎ lǐ nǎ
里。"

### **Character only with English translation**

有一个英国人,他在中国生活了半年,学了一点儿汉语。

有一次,这位先生和他的妻子一起参加一个中国朋友的婚礼。婚礼是在一家大饭店举行的①。那一天,新郎和新娘非常热情。英国太太是第一次和新娘见面②。她握着新娘的手,用英语对她的先生说:"她是我见过的最漂亮的中国姑娘!"这位英国先生翻译了这句话。新郎听了,很高兴。他礼貌地说:"哪里哪里。"

There was a British man, he lived in China for half a year, and learned a little Chinese. On one occasion, this gentleman and his wife attend a friend's wedding. The wedding was held in a hotel. That day, the bride and groom are very enthusiastic. The British wife met with the bride for the first time. She holds the hands of the bride, and said to her husband in English: "she is the most beautiful Chinese girl I have ever seen!" The British man translated sentence. Hearing this, the groom is very happy. He said politely: "Nali nali."

### Language note

- ① 是……的 It is used to emphasize a certain aspect, like time, place or manner, of an action that has happened or finished. For example, 她是晚上七点回家的。
- ② 见面 It means to meet. You could say "A 和 B 见面", but you cannot say "见面 sb".

### Vocabulary

半年 bàn nián - half a year	饭店 fàn diàn - hotel
一点儿 yì diǎn er – some, a little	见面 jiàn miàn - to meet
先生 xiān sheng - gentleman or husband	握(手) w shǒu - to shake hands
妻子 qī zǐ - wife	翻译 fān yì – to translate
婚礼 hūn lǐ - wedding	礼貌 lǐ mào - politely

#### **Key sentences**

# 有一个英国人,

Yǒu yīgè yīngguó rén, There was a British man.

# 他在中国生活了半年,

tā zài zhōngguó shēnghuóle bànnián, He lived in China for half a year.

# 学了一点儿汉语。

xuéle yīdiǎn er hànyǔ. (He) learned a little Chinese.

# 有一次,

Yǒu yīcì, On one occasion. (once)

# 这位先生和他的妻子一起参加一个中国朋友的婚礼。

zhè wèi xiānshēng hé tā de qīzi yīqǐ cānjiā yīgè zhōngguó péngyǒu de hūnlǐ. This gentleman and his wife attended a Chinese friend's wedding.

# 婚礼是在一家大饭店举行的。

Hūnlǐ shì zài yījiā dà fàndiàn jǔxíng de. The wedding was held in a big hotel.

## 那一天,

Nà yītiān, On that day,

# 新郎和新娘非常热情。

xīnláng hé xīnniáng fēicháng rèqíng. The bride and groom were very enthusiastic. 英国太太是第一次和新娘见面。

Yīngguó tàitài shì dì yī cì hé xīnniáng jiànmiàn.

The British wife met with the bride for the first time.

她握着新娘的手,

Tā wòzhe xīnniáng de shǒu, She held the bride's hand.

## 用英语对她的先生说:

yòng yīngyǔ duì tā de xiānshēng shuō: She spoke English to her husband.

# "她是我见过的最漂亮的中国姑娘!

"Tā shì wǒ jiànguò de zuì piàoliang de zhōngguó gūniáng! She is the most beautiful Chinese girl that I have ever seen!

## "这位英国先生翻译了这句话。

"Zhè wèi yīngguó xiānshēng fānyìle zhè jù huà. The British man translated this sentence.

# 新郎听了, 很高兴。

Xīnláng tīngle, hěn gāoxìng.

The groom was very happy when he heard the sentence.

### 他礼貌地说:"哪里哪里"。

Tā lǐmào de shuō: "Nălǐ nălǐ".

He said politely "nă li nă li" to show his humble.

### Lesson 96 哪里 哪里(1) (下)

间 英 汉语的 时 уŭ xiān shēng xué hàn de shí jiān bù cháng yīng guó 是 还 道 这 话 什 不 知 句 么 huán dào zhè huà shì shén νì bù zhī jù me

"Where Where? 就 译 为 太 翻 英 国 太 ? yì jiù fān wèi tài tài yīng guó 觉 得 听 很 怪 想 奇 ら jué dé hěn xiǎng уī tīng qí guài xīn 怎 么 ? 还 要 我 说 出 哪 儿 漂 她 zěn hái yào chū ér me wŏ shuō tā nă piāo 亮 ? 怎 吗 道 她 不 知 应 该 回 liàng tā bù zhī dào yīng zěn gāi yàng huí ma 你 答 好 对 她 丈 夫 说 只 zhàng fū dá zhĭ hǎo duì tā shuō nĭ gào Ł 他 诉 他 的 妻 子 全 下 都 sù tā tā de qī zi quán shēn shàng xià dōu 很 漂 hěn piāo liàng

### **Character only with English translation**

英国先生学汉语的时间不长,还不知道这句话是什么意思,就翻译为: "Where? Where?" 英国太太一听,觉得很奇怪,心想:怎么?还要我说出她哪儿漂亮吗?她不知道应该怎样回答,只好对她丈夫说:"你告诉他,他的妻子全身上下都很漂亮。"

The British man hasn't learned Chinese for a long time, and he doesn't know the meaning of this sentence, so he just translated it as: "Where? Where?"

Hearing this, the British lady feels very strange, she thought: What? I still have to say where she is beautiful?

She doesn't know how to answer, so she has to answer her husband: "Please tell him that every part of his wife is very beautiful."

#### Language note:

① Some terms in Chinese are inconsistent in their literal meanings and their actual meanings. For example, "哪里哪里" is actually a modest reply to other's compliments, rather than a query of location. When you feel you have bothered someone and have expressed your thanks, the other side may say "哪儿的话", which means "不用客气" (my pleasure).

**Vocabulary** – You can type pinyin in the rectangle box to find the correct character to check the stroke order when you write the character by website at <a href="http://www.zdic.net/">http://www.zdic.net/</a>. Please see the Jing video at <a href="https://www.screencast.com/t/4tfeJeuJ8">https://www.screencast.com/t/4tfeJeuJ8</a> if you have a question to know how to do this.

奇怪 qí guài - strange	丈夫 zhàng fu - husband
应该 yīng gāi - should	

### **Key sentences**

英国先生学汉语的时间不长,

Yīngguó xiānshēng xué hànyǔ de shíjiān bù cháng, The British man hasn't learned Chinese for a long time.

还不知道这句话是什么意思,

hái bù zhīdào zhè jù huà shì shénme yìsi, and he didn't know the meaning of this sentence.

就翻译为: "Where? Where?"

jiù fānyì wèi:"Where? Where?"
So he just translated it as "Where? Where?"

英国太太一听,

Yīngguó tàitài yī tīng, The British lady heard this. she thought: What?

觉得很奇怪, juédé hěn qíguài, She felt very strange,

### 心想: 怎么?

xīn xiǎng: Zěnme? She thought "what?".

## 还要我说出她哪儿漂亮吗?

Hái yào wǒ shuō chū tā nǎ'er piàoliang ma? I still have to say where she is beautiful.

# 她不知道应该怎样回答,

Tā bù zhīdào yīnggāi zěnyàng huídá, She doesn't know how to answer.

## 只好对她丈夫说:

zhǐhǎo duì tā zhàngfū shuō: and she said to her husband.

## "你告诉他,

"Nĭ gàosù tā, Please tell him.

## 他的妻子全身上下都很漂亮。"

tā de qīzi quánshēn shang xià dōu hěn piàoliang." His wife is very beautiful every part of her body.

### **Culture Reflection for Narrative Writing 2 (People)**

Please write a reflection (120-150 words) after researching Google and watching any video you can find on: **Chinese Idioms Ba Miao Zhu Zhang (** 拔苗助长 **).** 

The link is at <a href="https://youtu.be/L0XgcQh-QZA">https://youtu.be/L0XgcQh-QZA</a>

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