



## LESSON 3.8

### LIKES AND DISLIKES

### 喜欢和不喜欢的东西

### XǐHUĀN HÉ BÙ XǐHUĀN DE DŌNGXĪ

# PREFERENCE



**Positive**  
正面 (zhèngmiàn)

**Negative**  
负面 (fùmiàn)

**like**

喜欢  
*xǐhuān*

**dislike**

不喜欢  
*bù xǐhuān*

**eat apple**

吃苹果  
*chī píngguǒ*

**prefer**

更喜欢  
*gèng xǐhuān*

**not prefer**

更不喜欢  
*gèng bù xǐhuān*

**eat orange**

吃橙子  
*chī chéngzi*

**love**

爱  
*ài*

**hate**

讨厌  
*tǎoyàn*

**sleeping**

睡觉  
*shuìjiào*

**really want (longing)**

好想  
*hǎo xiǎng*

**dread**

怕  
*pà*

**fishing**

钓鱼  
*diàoyú*

I  
我  
*wǒ*





# CENTRAL TAIWAN



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- Fed up with beaches, Lily and Sky are planning to go to central Taiwan.

天

莉莉，你看起来不太开心。

*lìlì, nǐ kàn qǐlái bu tài kāixīn*

Lily, you don't look very happy.

莉

我受够了海滩，到处都是沙子。

*wǒ shòu gòule hǎitān, dào chù dōu shì shāzi*

I am fed up with beaches. Sands everywhere.

天

你喜欢什么？

*nǐ xǐhuān shénme*

What do you like?

莉

好想去台中市，好不好？

*hǎo xiǎng qù táizhōng shì hǎobù hǎo*

I really want to go to Taichung City. Is it okay?

# SOUTHERN TAIWAN



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- Lily and Sky decide to travel down to Southern Taiwan.

天 好吧，我们明天去台中。

*hǎo ba, wǒmen míngtiān qù táizhōng*

Okay we go to Taichung tomorrow.

天 让我给你买一杯珍珠奶茶。

*ràng wǒ gěi nǐ mǎi yībēi zhēnzhū nǎichá*

Let me buy you a bubble tea.

天 你更喜欢什么口味？

*nǐ gèng xǐhuān shénme kǒuwèi*

What flavour do you prefer?

莉 荔枝，我最讨厌蜜瓜。

*lìzhī, wǒ zuì tǎoyàn mì guā*

Lychee (please), I (most) hate honeydew melon most.

# SOUTHERN TAIWAN



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- Lily and Sky decide to travel down to Southern Taiwan.

莉

真好喝！

*zhēn hǎo hē*

Really good drink!

天

你喜欢在台中做什么？

*nǐ xǐhuān zài táizhōng zuò shénme*

What do you like to do in Taichung?

莉

我想去夜市。

*wǒ xiǎng qù yèshì*

I want to go to the night markets.

天

什么都可以！

*shénme dōu kěyǐ*

Whatever please you. (Lit. anything is (all) okay.)

# GRAMMAR – To be or not to be?



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- To pose a reflexive question, place 不 (*bù*) between the same adjectives.
- Note, the tone of 不 changes from 4th to 2nd when followed by a 4th tone

|                                      |   |                                   |   |  |
|--------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| <b>Expensive</b><br>贵<br><i>guì</i>  | + | <b>(or) not</b><br>不<br><i>bù</i> | + | <b>expensive?</b><br>贵?<br><i>guì</i>  |
| <b>Good</b><br>好<br><i>hǎo</i>       | + | <b>(or) not</b><br>不<br><i>bù</i> | + | <b>good?</b><br>好?<br><i>hǎo</i>       |
| <b>Pretty</b><br>美<br><i>měi</i>     | + | <b>(or) not</b><br>不<br><i>bù</i> | + | <b>pretty?</b><br>美?<br><i>měi</i>     |
| <b>Big</b><br>大<br><i>dà</i>         | + | <b>(or) not</b><br>不<br><i>bù</i> | + | <b>big?</b><br>大?<br><i>dà</i>         |
| <b>Tasty</b><br>好吃<br><i>hǎo chī</i> | + | <b>(or) not</b><br>不<br><i>bù</i> | + | <b>tasty?</b><br>好吃?<br><i>hǎo chī</i> |

# GRAMMAR – Good or Greedy



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- 好 is a multi-tone word. It has two meanings distinguished by distinct tones.
- The third tone 好 (**hǎo**) is an adjective meaning “good”, commonly used to describe an object.
- The forth tone 好 (**hào**) is a verb. There is no direct English translation but it can mean “like”, “be fond of”. There is also an implication of self indulgence, commonly used to describe a character.

## 好 hǎo = good

tasty

好吃  
hǎo chī



Bamboo leaves are rather tasty.  
竹叶很好吃。  
zhú yè hěn hǎo chī

fun

好玩  
hǎo wán



It is rather fun here.  
这里很好玩。  
zhèlǐ hěn hǎo wán

## 好 hào = like

like eating  
(almost greedy)

好吃  
hào chī



He is rather fond of eating.  
他很好吃。  
tā hěn hào chī

like playing  
(almost naughty)

好玩  
hào wán



He is rather fond of playing.  
他很好玩。  
tā hěn hào wán



# ADVANCED – BAD MOOD



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不爽 *bùshuǎng*

bad luck

倒霉  
*dǎoméi*

Damn it!  
(Lit. deserve dying)

该死!  
*gāisǐ*

bad day

糟糕的一天  
*zāogāo de yītiān*

idiot

白痴  
*báichī*

moron

混蛋  
*húndàn*

complaint

抱怨  
*bàoyuàn*

grumble

牢骚  
*láo sāo*

Oh my God!

(Lit. old heaven's granddad)

老天爷呀!  
*lǎotiānyé ya!*

Hell!  
(Lit. see devil)

见鬼!  
*jiànguǐ*

\$#@% off!  
(Lit. go away)

去你的!  
*qù nǐ de*

Disgusting!

讨厌!  
*tǎoyàn!*

Annoying!

恼人!  
*nǎorén!*

