

How hard is learning Chinese 学汉语有多难

Transcripts

Zuì jìn zhè jǐ nián,
最近这几年,
In recent years,

yuè lái yuè duō de wài guó rén kāi shǐ xué Hànyǔ.
越来越多的外国人开始学汉语。
more and more foreigners begin to learn Chinese.

Jīng cháng yǒu wài guó péng you shuō,
经常有外国朋友说,
Foreign friends often say that,

xué Hànyǔ tài nán le!
学汉语太难了!
learning Chinese is too difficult!

Dì yī,
第一,
First of all,

Hànyǔ yǒu sì ge shēng diào,
汉语有四个声调,
Chinese has four tones,

bù yí yàng de shēng diào yǒu bù yí yàng de yì sī.
不一样的声调有不一样的意思。
different tones have different meanings.

Yǒu yí cì,
有 一 次,
Once,

yí ge wài guó péng you gào sù wǒ,
一 个 外 国 朋 友 告 诉 我,
a foreign friend told me,

tā xǐ huan chī Zhōng guó de bào zhǐ.
他 喜 欢 吃 中 国 的 报 纸。
he likes to eat Chinese newspapers.

Wǒ yǐ wéi tā zài kāi wán xiào.
我 以 为 他 在 开 玩 笑。
I thought he was joking.

Hòu lái wǒ cái zhī dào,
后 来 我 才 知 道,
Later I learned,

tā qí shí xiǎng shuō,
他 其 实 想 说,
he actually wanted to say,

tā xǐ huan chī Zhōng guó de bāo zi.
他 喜 欢 吃 中 国 的 包 子。
he likes to eat Chinese steamed buns.

Dì èr,
第 二,
The second,

xué Hàn yǔ yào xiě Hàn zì.
学 汉 语 要 写 汉 字。
learning Chinese requires writing Chinese characters.

Hàn zì fēi cháng nán,
汉 字 非 常 难,

Chinese characters are very difficult,

měi ge zì dōu bù yí yàng,
每个字都不一样,
every character is different,

měi ge zì de yì sī yě bù yí yàng.
每个字的意思也不一样。
each character has a different meaning.

Yǒu xiē zì hěn xiàng,
有些字很像,
Some characters are very similar,

hěn róng yì jì cuò.
很容易记错。
it's easy to get it wrong.

Nà me,
那么,
Then,

zěn me cái néng xué hǎo Hàn yǔ ne?
怎么才能学好汉语呢?
how can we learn Chinese well?

Yì xiē Hàn yǔ hěn hǎo de wài guó rén jiàn yì:
一些汉语很好的外国人建议:
Some foreigners who can speak Chinese well suggest:

hé Zhōng guó rén zuò péng you,
和中国人做朋友,
make friends with Chinese people,

duō shuō, duō liàn.
多说、多练。
speak more and practice more.

Nǐ huì fā xiàn,
你会发现,
You will see,

xué Hànyǔ méi yǒu nà me nán.
学汉语没有那么难。
it's not that hard to learn Chinese.