

Unit 18, Part 3: Substitution Drills

Listen to the audio; after each prompt, say the new sentence using that substitution. Do each drill at least twice: first with the book open, then with the book closed. Each drill starts with a model sentence for you to repeat.

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1. Duìbuqǐ, wǒ yīnwei línshí yǒu diǎn shì , suóyì láiwǎnle. Sorry, I'm late because something came up at the last minute.
- yǒu hěn duō shì Sorry, I'm late because I had a lot of things to do.
- gānggāng kāiwán huì Sorry, I'm late because I just got out of a meeting.
- děi dǎ ge diànhuà Sorry, I'm late because I had to make a phone call.
- gēn yíwèi tóngshì jiǎnghuà Sorry, I'm late because I was talking to a colleague.
- gěi xuésheng bǔkè Sorry, I'm late because I was making up a class for a student.
- línshí yǒu diǎn shì Sorry, I'm late because something came up at the last minute.
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2. Cài Tàitai , zhè shì yìdiǎnr xiǎo yìsi. Mrs. Cai, this is a little something for you.
- Sòng Xiānsheng Mr. Song, this is a little something for you.
- Niú Xiáojié Ms. Niu, this is a little something for you.
- Huáng Nǚshì Madam Huang, this is a little something for you.
- Cài Tàitai Mrs. Cai, this is a little something for you.
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3. Nín zuótiān zài diànhuàlì shuō yǒu diǎnr shì yào zhǎo wǒ. You said over the phone yesterday there was something you wanted to see me about.
- nín xiǎng zhǎo wǒ You said over the phone yesterday you wanted to find me.
- nín yào wèn wǒ yìxiē shì You said over the phone yesterday you wanted to ask me about some things.
- yào gēn wǒ yìqǐ chīfàn You said over the phone yesterday you wanted to eat together with me.
- xiǎng yìqǐ tīng yīnyuèhuì You said over the phone yesterday you wanted to attend a concert together.
- yǒu diǎnr shì yào zhǎo wǒ You said over the phone yesterday there was something you wanted to see me about.

4. Yǒu diǎn xiǎo shìqing	xiǎng bàituō nín bāngge máng	There is a little matter that I would like to ask for your help with.
	xiǎng qǐng nín zhǐjiào	There is a little matter that I would like to ask for your advice on.
	yào máfan nín	There is a little matter that I need to trouble you about.
	děi wèn nín	There is a little matter that I need to ask you about.
	nín děi duō duō zhǐjiào	There is a little matter that I need your advice about.
	xūyào nínde bāngzhù	There is a little matter that requires your help.
	xiǎng bàituō nín bāngge máng	There is a little matter that I would like to ask for your help with.

5. Nǐ gēn	tā	shì shémmé guānxi?	What's your relationship to him?
	nèige nánde		What's your relationship to that man?
	nèige nǚde		What's your relationship to that woman?
	Xiǎo Zhèng		What's your relationship to Little Zheng?
	Lǎo Lín		What's your relationship to Old Lin?
	tā		What's your relationship to him?