Unit 16, Part 1: Transformation and Response Drills

1. In each of the sentences you hear, transform tài + STATIVE VERB to the pattern STATIVE VERB + le + yìdiăn.

Zhèizhŏng tài guì.

"This kind is too expensive."

Yú cì tài duō.

"The fish has too many fishbones."

Niúròu tài lăo.

"The beef is too tough."

Kăoyā tài xián.

"The roast duck is too salty."

Gōngzuò tài máng.

"The work is too busy."

Zhōngwén tài nán.

"Chinese is too hard."

Zhèizhŏng guìle yìdiăn.

"This kind is a bit too expensive."

Yú cì duōle yìdiăn.

"The fish has a few too many fishbones."

Niúròu lăole yìdiăn.

"The beef is a bit too tough."

Kăoyā xiánle yìdiăn.

"The roast duck is a little too salty."

Göngzuò mángle yìdiăn.

"The work is a bit too busy."

Zhōngwén nánle yìdiăn.

"Chinese is a little too hard."

2. In each of the sentences you hear, replace ting...de with mán...de.

Zhèige cài tǐng hǎochīde.

"This dish is quite good."

Māma jīntiān tĭng lèide.

"Mom is quite tired today."

Jīntiānde bàozhĭ tĭng yŏu yìside.

"Today's paper is quite interesting."

Zhèrde jiǎozi tǐng bú cuòde.

"The dumplings here are quite good."

Wŏ tĭng kùnde.

"I'm quite sleepy."

Lăoshī kànqilai tĭng gāoxìngde.

"The teacher looks quite happy."

Zhèizhŏng bēizi tĭng piányide.

"This kind of cup is quite cheap."

Zhèige cài mán hăochīde.

"This dish is quite good."

Māma jīntiān mán lèide.

"Mom is quite tired today."

Jīntiānde bàozhĭ mán yŏu yìside.

"Today's paper is quite interesting."

Zhèrde jiăozi mán bú cuòde.

"The dumplings here are quite good."

Wŏ mán kùnde.

"I'm quite sleepy."

Lăoshī kànqilai mán gāoxìngde.

"The teacher looks quite happy."

Zhèizhŏng bēizi mán piányide.

"This kind of cup is quite cheap."

3. In each of the sentences you hear, add a **lái** before the verb to indicate "why don't I (do something)" or "Let me (do something)."

Wŏ fùqián.

"I'll pay."

Wŏmen bāng tā.

"We'll help him."

Wŏ lái fùgián.

"Why don't I pay."

Wŏmen lái bāng tā.

"Let's help him."

Wŏ kāichē.

"I'll drive."

Wŏ zuòdōng.

"I'll be the host."

Wŏ qĭngkè.

"I'll treat."

Wŏ zuòfàn.

"I'll cook."

Wŏ lái kāichē.

"Why don't I drive."

Wŏ lái zuòdōng.

"Let me be the host."

Wŏ lái qĭngkè.

"Why don't I treat."

Wŏ lái zuòfàn.

"Why don't I cook."

4. To strengthen the sense of "only," add éryĭ at the end of each sentence.

Wŏ zhĭ yŏu yíkuài qián.

"I only have one dollar."

Tā shuō tā zhǐ yŏu yíge péngyou.

"She says she only has one friend."

Tāmen zhǐ yŏu yíliàng chēzi.

"They only have one car."

Wŏ zhĭ yŏu yíge mèimei.

"I only have one younger sister."

Xiăo Zhāng zhǐ yŏu yìzhāng zhuōzi.

"Little Zhang has only one table."

Zhèr zhĭ yŏu yíwèi fúwùyuán.

"There is only one waiter here."

Wŏ zhĭ yŏu yíkuài qián éryĭ.

"I have one dollar only."

Tā shuō tā zhǐ yŏu yíge péngyou éryǐ.

"She says she has one friend only."

Tāmen zhǐ yŏu yíliàng chēzi éryĭ.

"They have one car only."

Wŏ zhĭ yŏu yíge mèimei éryĭ.

"I have one younger sister only."

Xiăo Zhāng zhǐ yŏu yìzhāng zhuōzi éryǐ.

"Little Zhang has one table only."

Zhèr zhĭ yŏu yíwèi fúwùyuán éryĭ.

"There is one waiter here only."