

Unit 18, Part 2: Transformation and Response Drills

1 Transform the sentences you hear from the **A yě B** pattern to the **yìbiān A yìbiān B** pattern.

Tā chīfàn, yě kànshū.

“She’s eating and also reading.”

Tā kāichē, yě kàn dìtú.

“He’s driving and also looking at the map.”

Tā chī wǔfàn, yě kàn bào.

“She ate lunch and also read the newspaper.”

Tāmen zuòfàn, yě chīfàn.

“They’re cooking and also eating.”

Tāmen hē chá, yě liáotiān.

“They drank tea and also chatted.”

Tā guā húzi, yě jiǎng diànhuà.

“He’s shaving and also talking on the phone.”

Tā yìbiān chīfàn, yìbiān kànshū.

“She’s reading while she’s eating.”

Tā yìbiān kāichē, yìbiān kàn dìtú.

“He’s looking at the map while he’s driving.”

Tā yìbiān chī wǔfàn, yìbiān kàn bào.

“She read the newspaper while she ate lunch.”

Tāmen yìbiān zuòfàn, yìbiān chīfàn.

“They’re eating while they’re cooking.”

Tāmen yìbiān hē chá, yìbiān liáotiān.

“They chatted while they drank tea.”

Tā yìbiān guā húzi, yìbiān jiǎng diànhuà.

“He’s talking on the phone while he’s shaving.”

2. Your interlocutor will comment that Professor Wang is in a certain kind of situation. Use the pattern **jírán... jiù** to respond that since Professor Wang is in that kind of a situation, you’ll just head back to where you were before.

Wáng Lǎoshī hēzuìle.

“Prof. Wang is drunk.”

Wáng Lǎoshī jīntiān bù lái.

“Prof. Wang is not coming today.”

Wáng Lǎoshī hái zài shítáng.

“Prof. Wang is still in the cafeteria.”

Wáng Lǎoshī xiànzài hěn máng.

“Prof. Wang is very busy right now.”

Wáng Lǎoshī shàngjiē qù mǎi dōngxi le.

“Prof. Wang went out to buy stuff.”

Wáng Lǎoshī yīnwei lùshang sāichē, suóyì hái zài lùshang.

“Because there’s a traffic jam, Prof. Wang is still on the way here.”

Jírán Wáng Lǎoshī hēzuìle, wǒ jiù huíqùle.

“Since Prof. Wang is drunk, I’ll just head back.”

Jírán Wáng Lǎoshī jīntiān bù lái, wǒ jiù huíqùle.

“Since Prof. Wang isn’t coming today, I’ll just head back.”

Jírán Wáng Lǎoshī hái zài shítáng, wǒ jiù huíqùle.

“Since Prof. Wang is still in the cafeteria, I’ll just head back.”

Jírán Wáng Lǎoshī xiànzài hěn máng, wǒ jiù huíqùle.

“Since Prof. Wang is very busy right now, I’ll just head back.”

Jírán Wáng Lǎoshī shàngjiē qù mǎi dōngxi le, wǒ jiù huíqùle.

“Since Prof. Wang went out to buy stuff, I’ll just head back.”

Jírán Wáng Lǎoshī hái zài lùshang, wǒ jiù huíqùle.

“Since Prof. Wang is still on the way here, I’ll just head back.”