

## Unit 23, Part 4: Transformation and Response Drills

1. You're determined to go to a certain place! Your interlocutor will present reasons why she thinks you shouldn't go, but using the pattern **Bùguǎn...**, you tell her that it doesn't matter whether or not what she says is true, you still want to go.

**Bù zhíde.**

"It's not worth it."

**Bùguǎn zhíde bù zhíde, wǒ hái shì yào qù.**

"It doesn't matter if it's worth it or not, I still want to go."

**Tài wēixiǎnle.**

"It's too dangerous."

**Bùguǎn wēixiǎn bù wēixiǎn, wǒ hái shì yào qù.**

"I don't care if it's dangerous or not, I still want to go."

**Nàrde zhì'ān bù hǎo.**

"There's a lot of crime there."

**Bùguǎn nàrde zhì'ān hǎo bù hǎo, wǒ hái shì yào qù.**

"I don't care if there's a lot of crime there, I still want to go."

**Yǒu niánlíng xiànzhì.**

"There are age restrictions."

**Bùguǎn yǒu méiyǒu niánlíng xiànzhì, wǒ hái shì yào qù.**

"Regardless of whether or not there are age restrictions, I still want to go."

**Xīngqīyī yǒu qīmò kǎoshì.**

"You have your final exam on Monday."

**Bùguǎn xīngqīyī yǒu méiyǒu qīmò kǎoshì, wǒ hái shì yào qù.**

"It doesn't matter if I have my final exam on Monday or not, I still want to go."

**Nǐ fāshāole!**

"You have a fever!"

**Bùguǎn wǒ yǒu méiyǒu fāshāo, wǒ hái shì yào qù.**

It doesn't matter if I have a fever or not, I still want to go."

2. Answer in the affirmative the questions you hear. They all contain the verb **zhíde** "be worth it."

**Qù Àomén lǚyóu zhíde ma?**

"Is it worth going to Macao for a tour?"

**Qù Àomén lǚyóu zhíde.**

"It's worth going to Macao for a tour."

**Fántǐzì zhíde xué ma?**

"Are traditional characters worth learning?"

**Fántǐzì zhíde xué.**

"Traditional characters are worth learning."

**Yíhéyuán zhíde qù ma?**

"Is the Summer Palace worth going to?"

**Yíhéyuán zhíde qù.**

"The Summer Palace is worth going to."

**Guǎngdōng huà zhíde xué ma?**

"Is Cantonese worth learning?"

**Guǎngdōng huà zhíde xué.**

"Cantonese is worth learning."

**Cháng Chéng zhíde cānguān ma?**

"Is the Great Wall worth visiting?"

**Cháng Chéng zhíde cānguān.**

"The Great Wall is worth visiting."

**Zhōngguóde chuántǒng wénhuà zhíde bǎocún ma?**

"Is China's traditional culture worth preserving?"

**Zhōngguóde chuántǒng wénhuà zhíde bǎocún.**

"China's traditional culture is worth preserving."

3. Answer in the negative the questions you hear. These also all contain the verb **zhíde** “be worth it.”

**Zhèige qián zhíde huā ma?**

“Was this money worth spending?”

**Nèidòng fángzi zhíde mǎi ma?**

“Is that house worth buying?”

**Zhèige diànyǐng zhíde kàn ma?**

“Is this movie worth watching?”

**Nèiběn xiǎoshuō zhíde dú ma?**

“Is that novel worth reading?”

**Zhèizhǒng shēngyì zhíde zuò ma?**

“Is this kind of business worthwhile?”

**Nèige bówùguǎn zhíde cānguān ma?**

“Is that museum worth visiting?”

**Zhèige qián bù zhíde huā.**

“This money was not worth spending.”

**Nèidòng fángzi bù zhíde mǎi.**

“That house is not worth buying.”

**Zhèige diànyǐng bù zhíde kàn.**

“This movie is not worth watching.”

**Nèiběn xiǎoshuō bù zhíde dú.**

“That novel is not worth reading.”

**Zhèizhǒng shēngyì bù zhíde zuò.**

“This kind of business is not worthwhile.”

**Nèige bówùguǎn bù zhíde cānguān.**

“That museum is not worth visiting.”