

Unit 16, 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.

1. Nǐ jīntiān yùbeile zème duō	cài	a!	You've prepared so many dishes today!
	chīde		You've prepared so many things to eat today!
	hēde		You've prepared so many things to drink today!
	jiǔ		You've prepared so many alcoholic beverages today!
	fàn		You've prepared so much food today!
	dōngxī		You've prepared so many things today!
	shuǐguǒ		You've prepared so many fruits today!
	cài		You've prepared so many dishes today!
2. Zhèr méi shémme	cài	.	There aren't many dishes here.
	chīde		There isn't much food here.
	hǎochīde		There isn't anything very good to eat here.
	piányide dōngxī		There isn't anything cheap here.
	yú		There isn't much fish here.
	dòngwù		There aren't a lot of animals here.
	cài		There aren't many dishes here.
3. Nàrde cài shízài	jiǎndān	de hěn.	The dishes there are really very simple.
	guì		The dishes there are really very expensive.
	hǎo		The dishes there are really very good.
	hǎochī		The dishes there are really very tasty.
	tián		The dishes there are really very sweet.
	xián		The dishes there are really very salty.
	là		The dishes there are really very hot spicy.
	chà		The dishes there are really very bad.
jiǎndān		The dishes there are really very simple.	
4. Nàrde chūntiān zǒngshi	lěng	de hěn.	Spring there is always very cold.
	rè		Spring there is always very hot.
	shūfu		Spring there is always very comfortable.
	gānzào		Spring there is always very dry.
	nuǎnhuo		Spring there is always very warm.
	lěng		Spring there is always very cold.

5. Zhēn shì liǎngsānnián méi	chī	dào!		It really has been two or three years since I ate some.	
	kàn			It really has been two or three years since I saw some.	
	tīng			It really has been two or three years since I heard it.	
	jiàn			It really has been two or three years since I saw some.	
	wén			It really has been two or three years since I smelled any.	
	chī			It really has been two or three years since I ate some.	
6. Wǒ tèdì wèi nǐ	zuòle yíge cài	.		I prepared a dish especially for you.	
	mǎile zhèběn shū			I bought this book especially for you.	
	yùbeile yìxiē cài			I prepared some dishes especially for you.	
	dàile yìxiē dōngxi			I brought some things especially for you.	
	qùle yítàng Běijīng			I made a trip to Beijing especially for you.	
	zuòle yíge cài			I prepared a dish especially for you.	
7. Nǐ	gòu	dezháo	gòu	buzháo?	Can you reach it or not?
	shuì		shuì		Can you fall asleep or not?
	zhǎo		zhǎo		Can you find it or not?
	mǎi		mǎi		Can you buy one or not?
	cāi		cāi		Can you guess or not?
	gòu		gòu		Can you reach it or not?
8. Duìbuqǐ, wǒ	yǒu diǎn shì	,	děi xiān zǒu yíbiè.		Sorry, I have something to take care of, so I must leave a little early.
	hái yǒu shì				Sorry, I still have things to do, so I must leave a little early.
	děi qù bàn diǎn shì				Sorry, I have to go take care of something, so I must leave a little early.
	yǒu jíshì				Sorry, I have urgent business, so I must leave a little early.
	yǒu diǎn shì				Sorry, I have something to take care of, so I must leave a little early.