

Unit 22, Part 3: Transformation and Response Drills

1. You will hear a number of questions. In each case, respond that the first item mentioned is twice as (whatever the stative verb is) as the second item mentioned.

Zuò huǒchē bǐ zuò gōngchē guì ma?

“Is taking a train more expensive than taking a bus?”

Shì, zuò huǒchē bǐ zuò gōngchē guì yībèi.

“Yes, taking a train is twice as expensive as taking a bus.”

Lǎo Lǐde fángzi bǐ Lǎo Héde fángzi dà ma?

“Is Old Li’s house bigger than Old He’s house?”

Shì, Lǎo Lǐde fángzi bǐ Lǎo Héde fángzi dà yībèi.

“Yes, Old Li’s house is twice as big as Old He’s house.”

Wáng Xiáojiede xiézi bǐ Chén Xiáojiede xiézi duō ma?

“Does Ms. Wang have more shoes than Ms. Chen?”

Shì, Wáng Xiáojiede xiézi bǐ Chén Xiáojiede xiézi duō yībèi.

“Yes, Ms. Wang has twice as many shoes as Ms. Chen.”

Zhèicì zhōukǎo bǐ shàngcì zhōukǎo nán ma?

“Was this weekly test harder than the last weekly test?”

Shì, zhèicì zhōukǎo bǐ shàngcì zhōukǎo nán yībèi.

“Yes, this weekly test was twice as hard as the last weekly test.”

Nèijiàn yīfude hàomǎ bǐ zhèijiàn yīfude hàomǎ dà ma?

“Is the size of that piece of clothing bigger than the size of this piece of clothing?”

Shì, nèijiàn yīfude hàomǎ bǐ zhèijiàn yīfude hàomǎ dà yībèi.

“Yes, the size of that piece of clothing is twice as big as the size of this piece of clothing.”

Lǎo Mǎ yínhánglǐde qián bǐ wǒmende duō ma?

“Does Old Ma have more money in the bank than we do?”

Shì, Lǎo Mǎ yínhánglǐde qián bǐ wǒmende duō yībèi.

“Yes, Old Ma has twice as much money in the bank as we do.”

2. When your interlocutor asks if you didn’t bring a certain item, use **Méiyǒu** to respond that you didn’t. Then say you’re embarrassed and ask if you could borrow one of them from her.

Nǐ méiyǒu dài bǐ ma?

“You didn’t bring any pens?”

Méiyǒu. Bù hǎo yìsi, kě bu kéyǐ gēn nǐ jiè yìzhī?

“I didn’t. I’m sorry, could I borrow one from you?”

Nǐ méiyǒu dài yǔsǎn ma?

“You didn’t bring any umbrellas?”

Méiyǒu. Bù hǎo yìsi, kě bu kéyǐ gēn nǐ jiè yìbǎ?

“I didn’t. I’m sorry, could I borrow one from you?”

Nǐ méiyǒu dài bàozhǐ ma?

“You didn’t bring any newspapers?”

Méiyǒu. Bù hǎo yìsi, kě bu kéyǐ gēn nǐ jiè yìfèn?

“I didn’t. I’m sorry, could I borrow one from you?”

Nǐ méiyǒu dài zhǐ ma?

“You didn’t bring any paper?”

Méiyǒu. Bù hǎo yìsi, kě bu kéyǐ gēn nǐ jiè yìzhāng?

“I didn’t. I’m sorry, could I borrow one sheet from you?”

Nǐ méiyǒu dài qián ma?

“You didn’t bring any money?”

Méiyǒu. Bù hǎo yìsi, kě bu kéyǐ gēn nǐ jiè yìkuài?

“I didn’t. I’m sorry, could I borrow one dollar from you?”

Nǐ méiyǒu dài zìdiǎn ma?

“You didn’t bring any dictionaries?”

Nǐ méiyǒu dài zázhì ma?

“You didn’t bring any magazines?”

Méiyǒu. Bù hǎo yìsi, kě bu kéyi gēn nǐ jiè yībēn?

“I didn’t. I’m sorry, could I borrow one from you?”

Méiyǒu. Bù hǎo yìsi, kě bu kéyi gēn nǐ jiè yí fèn?

“I didn’t. I’m sorry, could I borrow one from you?”