

Unit 23, Part 2: Transformation and Response Drills

1. The woman will ask about the main exports of a certain country or region. Answer her questions in Chinese, based on the English cues provided.

Qǐng wèn, Táiwānde chūkǒu yǐ shémme wéi zhǔ?

(cue: electronics)

“Excuse me, what are Taiwan’s main exports?”

Táiwānde chūkǒu yǐ diànzǐ chǎnpǐn wéi zhǔ.

“Taiwan’s exports consist primarily of electronics.”

Qǐng wèn, Bāxīde chūkǒu yǐ shémme wéi zhǔ?

(cue: coffee)

“Excuse me, what are Brazil’s main exports?”

Bāxīde chūkǒu yǐ kāfēi wéi zhǔ.

“Brazil’s exports consist primarily of coffee.”

Qǐng wèn, Fǎguode chūkǒu yǐ shémme wéi zhǔ?

(cue: wine)

“Excuse me, what are France’s main exports?”

Fǎguode chūkǒu yǐ pútáo jiǔ wéi zhǔ.

“France’s exports consist primarily of wine.”

Qǐng wèn, Ribēnde chūkǒu yǐ shémme wéi zhǔ?

(cue: automobiles and electronics)

“Excuse me, what are Japan’s main exports?”

Ribēnde chūkǒu yǐ qìchē hé diànzǐ chǎnpǐn wéi zhǔ.

“Japan’s main exports are automobiles and electronics.”

Qǐng wèn, Hélánde chūkǒu yǐ shémme wéi zhǔ?

(cue: vegetables and flowers)

“Excuse me, what are Holland’s main exports?”

Hélánde chūkǒu yǐ shūcài hé huār wéi zhǔ.

“Holland’s main exports are vegetables and flowers.”

2. The woman will ask if you know the world ranking of various stock exchanges. Answer her questions in Chinese, based on the English cues provided.

Niūyuē Gǔshì páimíng dìjī, nǐ xiǎo bu xiǎode?

(cue: no. 1)

“Do you know how the New York Stock Exchange ranks?”

Niūyuē Gǔshì zài shìjièshang páimíng dìyī.

“The New York Stock Exchange ranks no. 1 in the world.”

Shànghǎi Gǔshì páimíng dìjī, nǐ xiǎo bu xiǎode?

(cue: no. 4)

“Do you know how the Shanghai Stock Exchange ranks?”

Shànghǎi Gǔshì zài shìjièshang páimíng dìsì.

“The Shanghai Stock Exchange ranks no. 4 in the world.”

Dōngjīng Gǔshì páimíng dìjī, nǐ xiǎo bu xiǎode?

(cue: no. 2)

“Do you know how the Tokyo Stock Exchange ranks?”

Dōngjīng Gǔshì zài shìjièshang páimíng dì'èr.

“The Tokyo Stock Exchange ranks no. 2 in the world.”

Xiānggǎng Gǔshì páimíng dìjī, nǐ xiǎo bu xiǎode?

(cue: no. 5)

“Do you know how the Hong Kong Stock Exchange ranks?”

Xiānggǎng Gǔshì zài shìjièshang páimíng dìwǔ.

“The Hong Kong Stock Exchange ranks no. 5 in the world.”

Lúndūn Gǔshì páimíng dìjī, nǐ xiǎo bu xiǎode?

(cue: no. 3)

“Do you know how the London Stock Exchange ranks?”

Lúndūn Gǔshì zài shìjièshàng páimíng dìsān.

“The London Stock Exchange ranks no. 3 in the world.”

3. The woman is showing you photos of various places she has been. Each time she mentions a place, you should, based on the cues provided, say: “Yes, some people call that place (cue).”

Nǐ qiáo, nà shì Xiānggǎng!
 (“měishí tiāntáng”)

“Look, that’s Hong Kong!”
 (“food heaven”)

Duì, yǒu rén bǎ Xiānggǎng jiàozuo
 “měishí tiāntáng”.

“Yes, some people call Hong Kong ‘food heaven.’”

Nǐ qiáo, nà shì Běijīng Dàxué!
 (“Zhōngguode Hāfó”)

“Look, that’s Peking University!”
 (“the Harvard of China”)

Duì, yǒu rén bǎ Běijīng Dàxué jiàozuo
 “Zhōngguode Hāfó”.

“Yes, some people call Peking University ‘China’s Harvard.’”

Nǐ qiáo, nà shì Niūyuē!
 (“dà píngguǒ”)

“Look, that’s New York!”
 (“the Big Apple”)

Duì, yǒu rén bǎ Niūyuē jiàozuo “dà píngguǒ”.

“Yes, some people call New York the ‘Big Apple.’”

Nǐ qiáo, nà shì Shànghǎi!
 (“xiǎo Bālí”)

“Look, that’s Peking University!”
 (“little Paris”)

Duì, yǒu rén bǎ Shànghǎi jiàozuo “xiǎo Bālí”.

“Yes, some people call Shanghai ‘Little Paris.’”

Nǐ qiáo, nà shì Táiwān!
 (“bǎodǎo”)

“Look, that’s Taiwan!”
 (“treasure island”)

Duì, yǒu rén bǎ Táiwān jiàozuo “bǎodǎo”.

“Yes, some people call Taiwan ‘treasure island.’”

Nǐ qiáo, nà shì Xiānggǎng!
 (“gòuwùzhède tiāntáng”)

“Look, that’s Hong Kong!”
 (“shopper’s paradise”)

Duì, yǒu rén bǎ Xiānggǎng jiàozuo
 “gòuwùzhède tiāntáng”.

“Yes, some people call Hong Kong a ‘shopper’s paradise.’”

Nǐ qiáo, nà shì Qīnghuá Dàxué!
 (“Zhōngguode MIT”)

“Look, that’s Peking University!”
 (“the MIT of China”)

Duì, yǒu rén bǎ Qīnghuá Dàxué jiàozuo
 “Zhōngguode MIT”.

“Yes, some people call Tsinghua University ‘China’s MIT.’”

4. Your Chinese interlocutor will ask you if a certain American person, place, or company is famous. Respond that it is one of America’s most famous people, places, or companies, using ...**rén zhīyī**, ...**difang zhīyī**, or ...**gōngsī zhīyī** as appropriate.

Bill Gates yǒumíng ma?

“Is Bill Gates famous?”

Bill Gates shì Měiguó zuì yǒumíngde rén zhīyī.

“Bill Gates is one of America’s most famous people.”

Niagara Falls yǒumíng ma?

“Is Niagara Falls famous?”

Niagara Falls shì Měiguó zuì yǒumíngde difang zhīyī.

“Niagara Falls is one of America’s most famous places.”

Coca-Cola yǒumíng ma?

“Is Coca-Cola famous?”

Coca-Cola shì Měiguó zuì yǒumíngde gōngsī zhīyī.

“Coca-Cola is one of America’s most famous companies.”

Barack Obama yǒumíng ma?

“Is Barack Obama famous?”

Grand Canyon yǒumíng ma?

“Is the Grand Canyon famous?”

Apple yǒumíng ma?

“Is Apple famous?”

Hillary Clinton yǒumíng ma?

“Is Hillary Clinton famous?”

New Orleans yǒumíng ma?

“Is New Orleans famous?”

AT&T yǒumíng ma?

“Is AT&T famous?”

Barack Obama shì Měiguó zuì yǒumíngde rén zhīyī.

“Barack Obama is one of America’s most famous people.”

Grand Canyon shì Měiguó zuì yǒumíngde dìfang zhīyī.

“The Grand Canyon is one of America’s most famous places.”

Apple shì Měiguó zuì yǒumíngde gōngsī zhīyī.

“Apple is one of America’s most famous companies.”

Hillary Clinton shì Měiguó zuì yǒumíngde rén zhīyī.

“Hillary Clinton is one of America’s most famous people.”

New Orleans shì Měiguó zuì yǒumíngde dìfang zhīyī.

“New Orleans is one of America’s most famous places.”

AT&T shì Měiguó zuì yǒumíngde gōngsī zhīyī.

“AT&T is one of America’s most famous companies.”