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Feifei

Hi Neil. 脚上这双新鞋很不错嘛!

Neil

Really, Feifei? I'm not so sure about them.

Feifei

They look cool. 橙色的鞋很有个性!

Neil

You're just being nice. I've decided buying orange shoes was a bad move. I look stupid.

Feifei

Were they expensive?

Neil

Very expensive.

Feifei

Oh, you know what? I think you're suffering from buyer's remorse!

Neil

I suppose I do regret buying them.

Feifei

"Buyer's remorse"就是这集"地道英语"节目中要教给大家的表达。"Buyer's remorse"的字面意思是"买家懊悔",它被用来描述一种特殊的遗憾、后悔的情绪。这种情绪通常在有大笔支出时出现,比如购买了房子、车之后,认为自己做了一个错误的决定,从而有了"buyer's remorse"买家懊悔情绪。

Neil

Yes, that sounds right! Have you ever felt it?

Feifei

Yes, after I bought my new bike. Thankfully, the feeling passed. I love my bike now. Listen to these examples.

Examples

A: I made a terrible decision buying this house. It's in a bad location and it needs a lot of repairs. What was I thinking?

B: Sounds like buyer's remorse, my friend. Relax. The repairs aren't serious and it only takes five minutes to get to the train station.

A: Lovely new car!

B: Thanks, but I'm feeling terrible buyer's remorse right now. It was so expensive. What if I lose my job?

A: Why did I order lobster soup? Your potato soup was half the price, and it's tastier. B: I know the feeling – I always order the wrong thing and then get some serious buyer's remorse. Let's share.

Feifei

你正在收听的是 BBC 英语教学的"地道英语"节目。在这集节目里,我们教给大家的 表达是 "buyer's remorse"。So, Neil. Are you feeling any better now?

Neil

You know, the funny thing is, I bought these shoes to cheer myself up!

Feifei

Oh, a bit of retail therapy, was it? Buying something to make yourself feel happier. It doesn't always work!

Neil

Sadly not.

Feifei

Hey, aren't they running shoes?

Neil

Yes.

Feifei

Well, how about this for a crazy idea: go for a run in them! That will make you feel better.

Neil

You're probably right, as always, Feifei!

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Feifei

And by the way, I do think they look great. Orange suits you.

Neil

Oh, thanks. I guess they are pretty... unique.

Both

Bye.