

Lesson 11 中国的节日 Reading

C Read this passage, then mark the statements true or false. **INTERPRETIVE**

雪梅已经两年没有和爸爸妈妈一起过春节了。这次回杭州，她原来打算陪父母过完年以后再去北京，可是舅舅从北京打电话说有一个实习的机会，马上就要开始工作。爸爸妈妈也说，这个机会对雪梅的事业太重要了，就让雪梅和柯林春节前去了北京。雪梅在北京给妈妈打电话说，她和柯林已经在杭州一家有名的餐馆儿给爸爸妈妈和弟弟订好了去那儿吃年夜饭，这样妈妈就不用花时间准备了。可是妈妈说，到餐馆儿吃方便是方便，可是没有在家里吃年夜饭好。雪梅觉得妈妈说的有道理，就打电话告诉那家餐馆儿说不去了。

- 1 ____ Xuemei went to Beijing earlier than she had originally planned.
- 2 ____ Xuemei feels bad that she has spent only one Spring Festival with her parents in the last two years.
- 3 ____ Xuemei had intended to cook a New Year's Eve dinner for her family.
- 4 ____ Xuemei's parents and brother will most likely have their New Year's Eve dinner at home.
- 5 ____ Xuemei's parents persuaded Xuemei to leave for Beijing before the Spring Festival because they thought that Xuemei's uncle would need her company in Beijing.

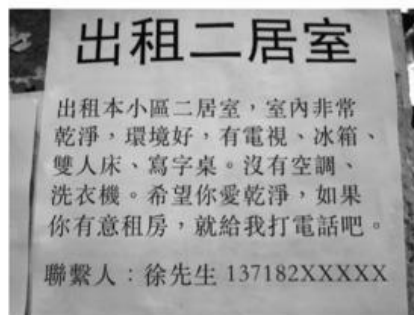
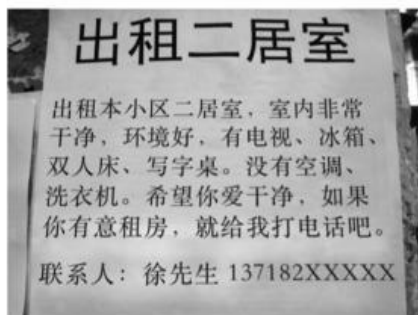
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在中国，很多人在过春节的时候都说吉利 (jǐlì) (auspicious) 的话，可是有时候说吉利的话不太容易。有一位王先生，家里的家具都很新很漂亮，他觉得过年应该在墙上贴两张画才像过年。他贴好了第一张，想把第二张贴得跟第一张一样高，就对十岁的儿子说：“你帮我看看，要是我把画贴得太高了，你就说‘发财’；要是太低了，你就说‘健康’。”说着，王先生就把第二张画贴到墙上了，贴得正好，不比第一张高，也不比第一张低。这时候儿子高兴地说：“爸爸，你太棒了，不发财，也不健康！”

- 1 ____ According to the passage, saying the right auspicious thing is not always easy.
- 2 ____ Mr. Wang thinks that pasting a couple of pictures on the wall will enhance the festive atmosphere.
- 3 ____ Of Mr. Wang's two pictures, the first has to do with wealth and the second has to do with health.
- 4 ____ Mr. Wang tries to get his son to say auspicious words.
- 5 ____ Mr. Wang's son is glad that his father was able to position the pictures perfectly.
- 6 ____ Mr. Wang's son knows that his father will be neither wealthy nor healthy.

E Look at the apartment listing below and note in English the things that you like and dislike about the place. Before calling the landlord, jot down in Chinese some of the questions you may want to ask. Note: 二居室 has the same meaning as 两个卧室/兩個臥室.

INTERPRETIVE & PRESENTATIONAL



Likes: _____

Dislikes: _____

Questions: _____