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Authentic Real English: Heads Up 警告/通报/提醒

Diarmuid: Hello everybody and welcome to this week's Authentic Real English from

BBC Learning English. I'm Diarmuid.

Wang Fei: And I'm Wang Fei. So what are we going to learn today Diarmuid?

Diarmuid: Today's expression is heads up.

Wang Fei: Heads up?

Diarmuid: Yes, heads up. That's two words. Heads: H.E.A.D.S. and up: U.P.

Wang Fei: Heads up. 是# 向上看"的意思吗? Diarmuid. Those are two very simple

words. I'm guessing the meaning is to look up.

Diarmuid: I can see why you would think that but in fact the meaning is very

different.

Wang Fei: 大家注意了,今天的 heads up 这个短语并不是它的字面意思,所以不能望文生义。

Diarmuid: Yes, let me explain. Heads up actually means a warning or a passing on of

information.

Wang Fei: 原来这个短语的意思是"发出警告或传递重要消息"的意思。

Diarmuid: That's right.

Wang Fei: 我们能不能这么说: I'm giving you a heads up that the boss is in a very bad

mood today.

Diarmuid: Very good Wang Fei. That's exactly how to use it. With the phrase heads

up we often use the verb give. So you give somebody a heads up.

Wang Fei: 这里,我们要用 give 这个动词和 heads up 搭配,give somebody a heads up.

Diarmuid: That's right. Now let's hear some examples:



Examples

A: Make sure your work is up to standard. The boss is going to inspect your work later on today.

B: Thanks for the heads up.

A: I'm going to give you a heads up that there'll be a surprise exam tomorrow.

B: Lucky you told me. I need to revise.

Wang Fei: What a useful expression Diarmuid. Now I have a heads up for you.

Diarmuid: Really? What's that?

Wang Fei: The heads up is that we have nearly reached the end of the programme.

Diarmuid: Gosh! So we have.

Wang Fei: 最后,我想提醒大家经常登陆我们的网页。

Diarmuid: That's www.bbcukchina.com. Remember all of our programmes are free.

Wang Fei: And the website is updated every day.

Diarmuid: See you next time.

Wang Fei: Bye bye.

