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Pancake Races 薄饼赛跑

Michelle: Hi, I'm Michelle. In the UK there's one day a year when everyone eats food

made with flour, eggs and milk. It's called pancake day and I'm at The

Great Spitalfields Pancake Race in London.

Wang Fei: 这个星期我们的话题是 pancakes - 也就是用面粉、鸡蛋和牛奶做的薄饼。传统上英

国人在本周二的 pancake day 薄饼日这一天吃薄饼。薄饼日吃薄饼无可厚非,但是 Michelle 说她在薄饼赛跑的现场。我一会儿让 Michelle 好好解释一下什么是薄饼赛跑。但是首先我们先学一个英语表达: to toss something 意思是说把什么东西抛起

来、颠起来翻个儿的意思。

Michelle: What is a pancake race?

Man: It's basically where teams run with a frying pan, get to a line, have to toss

the pancake, then pass the pan onto another team member and there's

four in a team and it's a bit like a relay.

Wang Fei: 你听出来 a pancake race 的意思来了吗?被采访者说 it's a bit like a relay, 就有

点像接力赛跑。我们再听一遍。

Michelle: What is a pancake race?

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a pancake then pass the pan onto another team member and there's four

in a team and it's a bit like a relay.

Wang Fei: 人们要端着一个平底儿煎锅赛跑,跑到一个终点线,toss the pancake – 把锅里的薄

饼颠一个个儿 - 然后把煎锅传递给另外一个队员。

The Great Spitalfields Pancake Race 不是一个单独的比赛,而是像一种巡回赛。 现场的气氛真是 electrifying 很火爆、很让人激动。我们刚才听到一个动词 to toss 就是把东西抛起来翻个个儿。在下面的片段中,你将听到另外一个动词 to flip, 它们的

意思是不是很相似呢?

Michelle: Well, the atmosphere here at Spitalfields Pancake Race in London is

electrifying. Lots of teams are wearing colourful costumes that are competing in the race here. People do seem to be going very quickly considering they're actually flipping pancakes as they're moving. Some people are struggling to flip their pancake and there have been a few

dropped ones.



Wang Fei: To flip a pancake 也是把薄饼翻个个儿的意思。但是有些人却 struggling to flip

their pancake, 对翻薄饼感到很困难!

Michelle: People do seem to be going very quickly considering they're actually

flipping pancakes as they're moving. Some people are struggling to flip

their pancake and there have been a few dropped ones.

Wang Fei: Oh no! 我想象不出来居然有参赛者会在 The Great Spitalfields Pancake Race 中

把薄饼翻倒地上了。这饼也真是没法吃了!

Michelle 刚才还提到了有趣的 costumes 也就是装饰服装。她和比赛最佳着装队谈他

们的服装。通过谈话,你能猜出他们化妆服饰的主题是什么吗?

Michelle: You're wearing quite interesting costumes today...

Girl: We're the Topping Treats, so we're all different toppings. So I'm sugar...

Girl 2: Banana...

Girl 3: Strawberry and...

Girl 4: Nutella.

Michelle: OK! So these are pancake toppings!

Girls: Yeah!

Michelle: Ok!

Wang Fei: 最佳着装队化妆服饰的主题是 pancake toppings 薄饼上面加的酱汁、顶料。女孩们

穿的服饰分别是 sugar, a banana, a strawberry 和 Nutella 牌子的巧克力酱。

在结束今天的节目之前,我们回顾一下我们学到的内容:英国人哪一天吃薄饼? ... 当 然是 Pancake Day! 什么单词是抛起来翻个个儿的意思? ... 对!是 toss and flip. 还

有,哪个单词是非常火爆、让人兴奋的意思?...对! 是 electrifying.

Michelle: Well I've had a lovely day here at Spitalfields and everyone here is

definitely enjoying eating their pancakes. For more programmes, visit the

website at bbcukchina.com. Bye.

