

Unit 3, Reference List

1. A: Nǐ jiějie xiànzài zěnmē duì zhèngzhī wèntí rèxīnqilái le?
 B: Zhèi méiyǒu shénme qíguài, tā jīnnián kāishǐ xué zhèngzhixué le.
- How is it that your older sister has become so interested and enthusiastic about political questions now?
 There's nothing strange about that, she started studying political science this year.
2. A: Nǐ zěnmē bù chī le?
 B: Wǒde wèi hěn nánshòu, chībuxiàqù le.
 A: Nà wǒ gěi ni nòng dianr tāng lai.
- Why aren't you eating?
 My stomach is uncomfortable, I can't eat anymore.
 I'll go get you some soup then.
3. A: Wǒ qù zhǎo Xiǎo Lán liáo tiānr.
 B: Nǐ bié qù le, tā yìtiān dào wǎn yònggōng, méi shíjiān péi ni liáo tiānr.
- I'm going to go look for Xiǎo Lán to have a chat.
 Don't go, she works hard all day long and doesn't have the time to chat with you.
4. A: Wáng jiā Xiǎo Lán cónglái méiyǒu nán péngyou ma?
 B: Tā cái shíjiǔsuì, mángzhe niàn shū, hái méiyǒu xiàngdào zhèixie shìr ne!
- Hasn't the Wáng family's Xiǎo Lán ever had a boy friend?
 She's only nineteen years old, busy studying, and hasn't thought of these things yet!
5. A: Wǒde xiǎo nǚér liǎngsānsuìde shíhou cháng kū, xiànzài zhǎngdà le, bú zài kū le.
- My youngest daughter cried a lot when she was two or three years old, but now she has grown up and doesn't cry anymore.
6. A: Zuò fùmǔde bù yīnggāi zhòng nán qīng nǚ.
 B: Duì. Zuò háizide yě yīnggāi xiàoshun fùmǔ.
- Those who are parents shouldn't regard males as superior to females.
 Right. And those who are children should show filial obedience to their parents.

7. A: Nǐ dìdì báitiān zài jiā ma? Is your younger brother at home during the day?
B: Bú zài, nǐ děng dào wǎnshang zài dǎ diànhuà lai ba. No, wait until the evening and then call him.
8. A: Zhōngguó rén cónglái bù jiǎng nánǚ píngděng ma? Didn't the Chinese ever stress equality between men and women?
B: Shuōdao nánǚ píngděng, nà shì zuìjìn jǐshíniǎnde xīn guānniàn. As for equality of the sexes, that's a new concept of the last few decades.
9. A: Dà jiāting yǒu shénme hǎo? What's good about large families?
B: Zěnmé bù hǎo? Rén duō, zhuàn qiǎnde rén yě duō ma! What could be bad about them? After all, if there are more people, there are also more people earning money!
A: Yàoshi suǒyǒude rén dōu xiàng nín zhèiyang xiǎng, Zhōngguó xiànzài bù zhīdào yǒu duōshao yì rén le! If everyone thought the way you do, who knows how many hundreds of millions of people there would be in China now!
10. A: Nǐ zhèicì huí guó kàndao nǐ lǎojiāde rén le ma? Did you see the people in your hometown on this visit back to your country?
B: Kàndao le. Tāmen shēng-huóde bú cuò, wǒ lǎojiā yě biànchéng yíge hěn rènaode dìfang le. Yes. They're living pretty well, and my hometown has become quite a bustling place.

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED VOCABULARY

11. yǒu yòng to be useful
12. hēiyè (darkness of) night, nighttime
13. xīn heart