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horoscope

Capricorn (DEC. 22-JAN. 19) Partial victories won't have much significance in the general scheme of things, so don't kid yourself into believing something is a fait accompli if it's only half-finished.

Pisces (FEB. 20-MARCH 20)

Aquarius (JAN. 20-FEB. 19) If you're not on your toes, it's guite likely that you'll repeat an error very similar to one you recently made, only this time you won't have any excuses.

Do your best to avoid financial gambles and those who are prone

to take them. If you don't do so, you're asking for money trouble.



Aries (MARCH 21-APRIL 19) 0

Clarify the rules regarding a partnership arrangement so that no one in the group tries to supersede anyone else. Should that happen, trouble is likely.

Taurus (APRIL 20-MAY 20) Move today when considering making any long-range maneuvers concerning your work or career, in order to be sure that your information is accurate and your ideas realistic.

Gemini (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

This is not a good time to make loans to friends or to borrow any funds from them. Arrangements of this ilk are likely to cause complications in the future.

Cancer (JUNE 21-JULY 22) In your eagerness to start something new, you might not take under consideration all the ramifications. Don't get in over your head

Leo (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

It behooves you to be extremely selective regarding those whom you go to for advice. Turning to a friend might not be the smartest hing if he or she isn't any more informed than you are.



Think twice before getting involved with a friend in some sort of financial matter. It might take a longer time to resolve than any-body realized, and you could be stuck with some of the payback.



Keep your colleagues fully informed about your intentions before acting on them. If you make a move without their knowledge, big trouble could result

Scorpio (OCT. 24-NOV. 22)

Because of your sharp intuitive powers, you can often see where things are heading from the get-go. That doesn't mean you'll always be right, though, and that could be the case today.

It's quite possible that you'll make an unusually strong impression

tion writing is great. You can make up almost anything."

and focuses on the trump suit. What should happen in four hearts after West leads the spade eight?

South's opening bid is his hand is a tad strong,

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language tips

BETTER CHINESE

男人必备 (nán rén bì bèi) What a man must be

首先你要帅。你要是不帅, 那么你要有钱。你要是没 钱,那么你要高。你要是不高,那么你要会说话。你要 是不会说话,那么你要幽默。你要是不会幽默,那么你 要懂得幽默。

(shǒu xiān nǐ yào shuài 。 nǐ yào shì bú shuài , nà me nǐ yào yǒu qián o nǐ yào shì méi qián, nà me nǐ yào gāo o nǐ yào shì bú gão , nà me nỉ yào huì shuỗ huà
 $_{\circ}$ nỉ yào shì bú huì shuỗ huà , nà me nǐ yào yõu mò $_{\circ}$ nǐ yào shì bú huì yõu mò $\,,$ nà me nǐ yào dòng dé yōu mò)

First of all, you must look handsome. If you are not handsome, you must be rich. If you are not rich, you must be tall. If you are not tall, you must be a good conversation partner. If you are not a good conversation partner, you must be humorous. If you are not humorous, you must understand humor

你要是连幽默都不懂,那么你就得体贴一点。你要是不 会体贴,那么你就要温柔一点。你要是连温柔都不会, 那么你就要酷一点。你要是酷不起来,那么你就要装得 老实一点。你要是看起来就不老实,那么……你就靠" 运气"吧!

(nǐ yào shì lián yōu mò dōu bú dǒng , nà me nǐ jiù dé tǐ tiē yī diǎn • nǐ yào shì bú huì tǐ tiē, nà me nǐ jiù yào wēn róu yī diǎn • nǐ yào shì lián wēn róu dõu bú huì, nà me nǐ jiù yào kù yī diǎn . nǐ yào shì kù bú qǐ lái, nà me nǐ jiù yào zhuāng dé lǎo shí yī diǎn $\ddot{}_{\circ}$ nǐ yào shì kàn qĩ lái jiù bú lǎo shí , nà me $\ddot{\cdots}$ nǐ jiù kào "yùn qì" ba!)

If you don't understand humor, you must be caring. If you are not caring, you must be tender. If you are not even tender, you must be cool. If you are not able to be cool, you must pretend to be honest. If you don't look honest, then ... you need to be lucky.

- From Chinese Humorous Stories, by Liang Yanmin. Beijing Language and Culture University Press

BETTER ENGLISH

"便民拖鞋"现身北京地铁

北京地铁一些客流高峰站为乘客准备了便民拖鞋,以方 便坐地铁被挤丢鞋的乘客。不过这些借出去的便民拖鞋 有些从未被归还,地铁工作人员近日发出倡议,希望这 些拖鞋能"有去有回",以帮助更多乘客。

Replacement slipper就是便民拖鞋,也叫backup slippers.

In addition to the replacement slippers, the station has also prepared hundreds of raincoats and medical kits for emergencies, such as mint cream and water for sunstroke victims and brown sugar and candies for people exhibiting symptoms of hypoglycemia.

除了"便民拖鞋", 该地铁站还准备了几百件雨衣、以 及医药箱等以备不时之需。医药箱中有供中暑乘客使 用的薄荷油和水、也有为低血糖乘客准备的红糖和糖 果等。

Replacement在这儿的意思是"代用品、替代物",等同 于substitute。北京地铁在每个transfer station (换乘车站)都 准备了五双以上便民拖鞋,以方便在rush hour (高峰期) 被挤掉鞋的乘客替换。

Sagittarius (NOV. 23-DEC. 21)





North

on others. Just make sure it's not a negative one.

bridge

Ivana Trump said, "Fic-Today's deal is made up

governed by his range for two no-trump. If it promises a good 20 to 22 points,

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STRESSTESTS

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comics



F-minus



Peanuts



Drabble





a two-no-trump rebid. If South uses the modern 20 or 21 points, he should upgrade to two clubs, planning to rebid two notrump. But when East overcalls in spades, South must show his five-card heart suit instead.

East takes the first two tricks in spades, then leads a third round, which South ruffs with his heart jack (or 10).

Now comes the key moment of the deal. West must discard smoothly.

Then declarer, assuming that East has the heart queen, will cash the heart ace, play a club to dummy's king, and return a heart to

kakuro

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A Kakuro consists of a playing area of filled and empty cells similar to a crossword puzzle. Some black cells contain a diagonal slash from top left to bottom right with numbers in them, called "the clues". A number in the top right corner relates to an "across" clue and one in the bottom left a "down" clue. The object of a Kakuro is to insert digits from one to

Yesterday's solution nine into the white cells to total the clue associated with it. However no digit can be duplicated in an entry.

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his 10 (or jack). But West will win the trick and exit with a heart or a diamond. Later, he will take the setting trick with his club queen.

Note that if West overruffs at trick three, declarer will be forced to rely on the club finesse and take 10 tricks via four hearts, three diamonds and three clubs.

Yes, South might take the club finesse anyway, but if it loses, a fourth round of spades will be fatal.

Unless you have something important to do, it is rarely right to overruff with an honor that can score a trick later in the play.





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5 2

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乘地铁挤掉鞋除了因为heavy traffic flow (客流量大), 因为夏天人们都喜欢穿容易掉的flip-flop (人字拖)等。鞋 类统称footwear, 夏天常见的凉鞋种类有flat sandal (平底 凉鞋), thong sandal (夹趾凉鞋)、wedge sandal (坡跟凉鞋) 、peep-toe sandal (鱼嘴凉鞋)等。今年夏天很流行platform sandal (厚底凉鞋)和gladiator sandal (罗马鞋)等。

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