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满城狂玩儿

Will: Hello! I'm Will. It's Friday night - time to have fun! This is the Burning Swan - my favourite pub. I'm just waiting for Li. Oh there she is. My goodness! What is she wearing this time? Li: Hi Will. Will: Hi Li! Nice... blue overalls! Li: Thank you, 这些都是新买的工作服 overalls, 专门为今天晚上准备的。 Will: Okay. I don't really follow fashion, but in London at least, overalls are really just for builders and painters and carpenters. Li: Yes, you're right! 好了我们从哪儿开始呢? Will: Eh? What are you doing? Li: 这里看上去是挺单调的。 Will: Why have you got a can of paint? Li: 特别是对面儿的那堵墙,你看漆都掉了。Shall we? Will: Li, what are you doing? You can't just walk into places and start repainting their walls! Don't! Stop it! Don't! I love that brown colour! Will,你不是说要刷成红色吗? Li: Will: No! No-one wants it to be red! Li: But didn't you say that tonight we'd paint the town red, starting with this pub - 你不记得了今天早上你说我们要把这城市刷成红色的,还说就从这个酒吧开始!

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Will: It's just an expression! It means that we'll go out and have a really exciting, crazy time. We'll paint the town red – it just means we'll have fun, not actually paint things.

Li: OK. To paint the town red 是一个短语意思是在城里狂玩儿。

Will: Let's listen to some examples.

Examples

It's my daughter's birthday today. She's gone out with her friends. I expect they'll paint the town red!

We had a crazy night on Saturday, we painted the town red.

- Li: 好了Will, 你来说说你的想法把, 你准备怎么个狂玩儿? What's your idea of painting the town red?
- Will: We drink, we dance, we laugh loudly, we meet people, we stay up all night.
- Li: 嗯,不过我觉得,我还是想粉刷一下,你看,这面墙多旧呀。
- Will: No, Li, stop! We'll get arrested. You'll ruin our night out!
- Li: Isn't that colour so much better?
- Will: No, Li, just stop please!
- Li: 你看这红色的多好看哪!

Will: Li!

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