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约会迟到在美国是很不礼貌的。为了给别人留下好印象，最好不要迟到。但是如果“迟到”已成事实，也不用害怕。这里有天下无敌的借口供你选择。【Kim's Note

】Everyone is late once in a while. Sometimes it truly can't be helped or avoided. But some people are never on time! They use every excuse possible to explain why they are late. This section is useful to anyone who ever finds himself in the situation of having to explain why he is late.（一）交通事故借口：【疯狂联想】把迟到的原因归于糟糕的交通是天下第一号的借口，“都怪那该死的破烂交通，我也没办法啊！”总会让别人不得不原谅你。1. Uh, I was stuck 『卡住；被困住』 in traffic! (我碰到交通堵塞了！) 2. Well, there was an accident on the road, you see!”（哎，你知道吗？路上有一桩交通事故。）3. The bus broke down on my way here! It was a nightmare!（在我来的途中公共汽车坏掉了！真是倒霉！）4. There were so many people waiting for the bus, I couldn't even get on it!（等车的人太多了，我根本就挤不上车。）【Kim's Note】The more dramatic your excuse is the better it sounds! If you don't often make excuses you don't need to worry about this. If you are a professional excuse maker, these hints will help you sound more believable. 5. I lost my car keys!（我找不到车钥匙了。）【Kim's Note】This is a

very popular excuse in America. It is so common that no one ever doubts it! 6. My car died! ( 我的车坏掉了。 ) (二) 较为“人性”的借口：7. Oh, I over slept. ( 哎，我睡过头了。 ) 8. Nobody woke me up! ( 没人叫我起床。 ) 9. I didn ' t go to sleep until 3:00 last night! ( 我昨晚3点钟才睡着。 ) 10. My alarm didn ' t go off 『不响了』! ( 我的闹钟罢工了。 )

【Kim ' s Note】Another common way of saying this is “ I slept in. ” I have seen many native speakers use this expression and watched many English learners become confused. It simply means, “ I didn ' t get up at the time I needed to. ” 【疯狂联想】“闹钟失灵”、“睡过头”都是人之常情。相信对方会原谅你的。(三) 花样百出的借口：11. My cat died! / My dog died! ( 我的爱猫/爱狗归天了。 ) 【疯狂联想】在必要时，你可以诅咒一下你家的猫呀、狗呀。讲这句话时，请掉下两滴眼泪，以增加一些说服力。【Kim ' s Note】Americans are really attached to their pets. This excuse may sound silly to people from other cultures, but it is completely acceptable in America. 12. My mother called! ( 我老妈打电话给我！耽误了一点时间。 ) 13. My son got really sick. I had to take him to the hospital. ( 我儿子生病了，我必须送他去医院。 ) 怎么样？不赖吧！学会这些你就可以变成“借口大王”了。100Test 下载频道开通，各类考试题目直接下载。详细请访问 [www.100test.com](http://www.100test.com)