VOA流行美语第116课 哎呀,砸锅了!实用英语考试 PDF转 换可能丢失图片或格式,建议阅读原文 https://www.100test.com/kao_ti2020/582/2021_2022_VOA_E6_B5 _81_E8_A1_8C_E7_c96_582309.htm Larry和李华两人正在做菜 ,准备一会儿带到朋友家参加party。今天李华会学到两个常 用语: to blow it和to wing it. (Cooking sounds) LH: Larry, 那是什 么味道?(sniffing)哎呀,糟了!是猪排烤焦了啦! LL: What? Oh no! I ruined them. Theyre stuck to the bottom of the pot. I blew it! LH: 你在说什么啊!你是把猪排烤焦了,又没有吹坏 什么东西!你怎么说blow it呢? LL: When I said "I blew it", I meant that I ruined the whole dish. To "blow it" means to make a mistake that leads to total failure, or ruins a good opportunity. LH: 噢,原来blow it是指犯了错,把事情搞砸了,或者错过了一个 大好机会。你啊!还真是把这道猪排给搞砸了。这样吧!给 你个将功补过的机会,再给我举个blow it的例子吧! 我要收 藏 LL: Well, the other day I was playing pool with Jack. I was just two shots away from winning, but then I blew it: I sunk the eight ball and lost. LH: 哈哈! 你玩台球输给Jack! 八成是你太有自信, 所以 才会在最后关头输掉。 LL: And last week, I finally got a date with that girl from my international relations class, but I blew it. I took a nap, overslept, and showed up at her place an hour and a half late. LH: 哎, Larry, 你几星期来一直要约那个女孩出去玩。终于约 到了,怎么会睡过头,还迟到一个半小时的呢!我看你啊! 你真是砸了这个好机会。 LL: Yeah, well, it wasnt as bad as when you had that job opportunity last week and blew it! LH: 哟,你说到 我头上来啦!我没有拿到那分工作又不是我的错!我怎么知

道他们在我的电话里留了言。 LL: Thats because you forgot to check it. That was a really good job, too, and you blew it! LH: 我没 有听电话留言。就算是我blew it。 ****** LH: 哎, Larry, 现在 可怎么办?我们一个小时后就得到Jane的家里,可是我们一 道菜也没做好! LL: Well, well just have to wing it. LH: Wings? 你 是说鸡翅膀?可是我们已经没有时间到店里去买了啊! LL: No, no, Li Hua, I said we have to wing it. That means, well have to do the best we can with limited time and resources. LH: 噢,原来to wing it 是说在有限的时间和条件下尽量拼凑。好吧!那你有什么好 办法? LL: Let me see, what do you have in the fridge? (sound of fridge opening) Hmm, theres some tofu in here, and some green onions. And theres all these jars of weird Chinese sauces. Maybe we can wing it by making some kind of tofu dish. LH: 嗯,让我看 看......!对了!这儿有豆腐,有葱,还有...让我看这瓶子里是 什么...噢,四川辣酱!得了,我们可以做麻辣豆腐,这道菜 又快又容易,只要把豆腐切块,再切些青葱,半个小时就可 以完工咯! LL: O.K., lets get to work. (sound of sink/cooking sounds). This is a great idea. People will love it, and no one will even notice that were winging it. LH: 没人会看出我们是临时凑出这道 菜的。所以Larry, to wing it是不是只能用在临时把东西放在一 块儿,就像做菜? LL: Not always. For instance, when I covered for Jack and taught his history 101 students last week, I didnt have time to prepare for the class, so I just winged it. LH: 你替Jack上课, 可是事前没有时间备课。咦?那你是怎么临时备好课的呢? LL: I read the reading assignment just an hour before class began. The students knew I was winging it, but they were very

understanding. LH: 上课前一小时看看指定阅读些什么材料你就去上课啦!那学生当然知道你是在凑合咯! LL: Li Hua, pay attention to your cooking, dont blow it this time! LH: 你放心,你没看见我老守在炉子边吗! 我绝不会blow it ! 今天李华学到的两个常用语,一个是to blow it ,意思是把事情搞砸了,或者是错过一个大好机会。另一个常用语是to wing it ,是指在有限的时间和条件下,临时拼凑完成一件工作。 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