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https://www.100test.com/kao_ti2020/605/2021_2022_VOA_E6_B5_81_E8_A1_8C_E7_c96_605390.htm 今天李华学到两个常用语。

一个是play something by ear, 就是现在还不能确定，要等到时候看情况再说。另一个常用语是strapped, 也就是缺乏什么，通常是指缺乏时间或金钱。我要收藏 Larry和李华在商量下星期三有没有时间去听爵士音乐。今天李华会学到两个常用语：to play something by ear和strapped. LH: Larry, 我看到一张爵士音乐会的海报。我很想去。怎么样，你下星期三有没有空去听呢？ LL: I dont know. I have several papers due next week and Im not sure if Ill have time. Lets play it by ear, okay? LH: 哇，你下星期得交好几份报告啊？那肯定没有空了。哎，你刚才说：Lets play it by ear。你想玩什么啊？玩耳朵？ LL: No! "To play something by ear" is to wait and see if something is possible and to be flexible rather than set any firm plans. LH: 噢，play something by ear就是想去做一件事，可是又不能确定是否可能，只好到时候看情况再说，就像中文里说的“看情况而定”！ LL: Right. I just cant make any definite plans right now, so I prefer to play it by ear. LH: 所以你刚才的意思是，你要再等等看能不能及时写完报告，然后才能确定能不能去音乐会！对了，你不是答应我下星期六去博物馆吗？你还能去吗？ LL: Oh, I forgot that I promised to go with you. Can we play that by ear, too? LH: 你怎么把答应我的事都给忘了！我特别想去那个博物馆！你不能去也得早告诉我吗！ LL: Just because I want to play it by ear doesnt mean that we definitely wont go. It just means that Im not certain.

LH: Larry, 下回你要约我上那儿去, 我也学你说: Lets play it by ear, 到时候再说! LL: Thats not fair, Li Hua. Its not my fault that I cant make any definite plans because I have so much work to do. LH: 好啦, 说真的, 这也不是你的错。那我们也只好看情况再说了! LL: All right, Ill call you the day before the concert to let you know if we should get tickets, okay? LH: 到音乐会前一天再告诉我, 那还买得到票呀! Lets play it by ear! ***** LL: Hey, Li Hua, I cant go to the concert with you. Im sorry, but Im really strapped for time. LH: 噢, Larry, 你不能去听音乐会。没关系。我听说票子早卖完了。你刚才说: strapped for time, 那是什么意思啊? LL: Oh, to be "strapped" for time or money means that you dont have enough of it. LH: 噢, 我懂了。Strapped for something就是缺少什么东西。你因为有很多报告要完成, 所以没有时间去听音乐会了。Youre strapped for time. 对吗? LL: Exactly. I still have 20 pages to write by Friday. LH: 星期五以前还有20页的报告要写, 那很多耶! 那星期六还去博物馆吗? LL: Yes! I should be finished with everything by Friday, so I wont be strapped for time this weekend. LH: 你真的能在星期五以前把报告都写完呐! 那你这个周末就有时间陪我去看博物馆了。Youll not be strapped for time this weekend, right? LL: Yes, I promise to go with you. LH: 那太好了! 我很高兴这个星期六我们能一块儿出去, 因为下个周末我就要忙了, I will be strapped for time next weekend! LL: Why? Do you have a paper due? LH: 就是啊。下个周末, 我得写完一篇英文课的报告, 所以肯定不能出去了。 LL: Let me know if you need any help with that. Listen, Im sorry, but Im too strapped for time to talk any more right now. Ill

talk to you after Friday, okay? LH: 没问题。等你星期五写完报告再打电话给我吧。 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