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刚找到工作的朋友。今天李华会学到两个常用语：cushy和legit。LL: Hey, Li Hua, did you hear about Kelsey? She just got a cushy new job. LH: A "cushy" job? 我知道Kelsey最近找到了新工作，但什么是cushy job？那是不是她找到了很理想的工作？

LL: Oh, yeah. A "cushy" job a cushy job is one that isnt hard to do and has lots of benefits. A cushy job is soft and has a lot of padding like a cushion. 我要收藏 LH: 我懂了，cushy就是从cushion软垫子这个词来的。所以cushy job就是很舒服的工作，就是钱多事少的好差事。Larry，快告诉我，Kelsey的工作到底是什么性质，为什么能够这么cushy？LL: Well, shell be working as an interpreter for a local businessman who does a lot of work with Chinese companies. Her salary is very high, shell get to travel regularly to China, and her other benefits are good, too. LH: 哇，帮美国商人做翻译，不但薪水高，还有机会到中国出差。真好！

Kelsey的中文很好，个性又活泼，我想这个工作对她来说应该不难。真是一个cushy job! LL: Doesnt it make you want to find a new job, Li Hua? Being a teaching assistant isnt the cushiest job.

LH: 就是啊，当助教一点也不舒服，每星期我得花很多时间备课，和学生面谈，上课，批改作业，但是助教的薪水却少的可怜。It isnt a cushy job at all. LL: But you know, the teaching assistant job gives you valuable experience, and maybe some day you will have a cushy job as a Chinese professor at a major university.

LH: 我也希望如此啊。希望我这个助教工作能为我将来能到名牌大学当教授打下基础，那可就是个cushy job了。Larry，那你呢？你希不希望你的暑期工作也是个舒服的好工作呢？

LL: Well, it isnt hard to do, but I am hardly being paid anything, so I dont think you can call it a cushy job. LH: 工作虽不难做，可是工资微薄。那没什么意思。那你想找个新工作吗？你可以去问问Kelsey 她是怎么找到的，没准那公司还要人呢！

LL: Yeah, I am going to talk to Kelsey. Maybe she has some good advice for me.

\*\*\*\*\* LL: Well, Li Hua, I talked more to Kelsey about her new job, and now I am a little concerned that it isnt legit. LH: 你说，Kelsey的工作怎么样？什么是legit？

LL: Legit. Its short for legitimate. I am afraid Kelseys new job may not be legitimate. LH: 噢，legit就是合法的意思，是legitimate这个词的简化。你是说，你担心Kelsey找到的工作不合法？为什么呢？

LL: Kelsey told me she hasnt actually started her job yet, and she had her interview in a coffee shop. LH: 嗯，在咖啡厅里面谈，这也不奇怪啊，很多公司觉得在办公室外面谈比较放松一些嘛。

LL: But, I tried to look up the company name in the phone book and couldnt find it. If a company is legit, it should have a listing in the phone book. LH: 那倒也是。你在电话本里找不到这公司的名字？一个合法的公司应该在电话本里有它的名字呀。或许是你把公司的名字拼错了？

LL: I am pretty sure that I got it right. The more I think about the job it seems too good to be true. LH: Larry，我知道你是为Kelsey担心，不过Kelsey很聪明，这个工作到底合不合法，我想她自己心里应该很明白。

LL: I guess youre right. Maybe it is my concerns that arent legit. LH: 不过话说回来，Larry，你替好

朋友担心，这也是很正常的。 LL: Well, thats true. I should stop worrying about Kelsey. LH: 好啦，现在什么都别担心了，我们一起去吃冰淇淋好不好？ LL: Now, that is a business we KNOW is legit! 今天李华学到两个常用语。第一个是cushy。这是形容很软，很舒服的意思，用来形容一个工作，就是轻松容易的工作。另一个常用语是legit。这是指合法的，正确的意思。

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