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去Larry家玩。Larry家住在纽约郊区。Larry和李华还打算去纽约市旅游。李华会学到两个常用语：do the math和know the

drill。LL: Okay, Li Hua, I dont know how we are going to do the sightseeing and also spend time with my family. I mean, you do the

math - how is it going to work? LH: Do the math? 这很好算嘛。我们有四天时间，24小时乘以4等于96个小时。我们总共有96个

小时。LL: Oh, Li Hua, I guess I didnt mean for you to actually do the math. When I said "you do the math," I meant something like

"you think about it." LH: 原来你说"do the math"，意思是考虑一下，不是真的要我算。Larry，是你请我到你家去，还要到纽约

玩，你应该考虑呀 - You should do the math。另外，去纽约玩要花多少钱呢？我这个当老师的可没有很多钱啊。LL:

Dont worry, Li Hua. Ive done the math. Well save a lot of money by staying at my parents house. Plus they will feed us. LH: 能住在你父母家就太好了，可以省很多钱。Larry，你知道我是穷学生，

凡事都要精打细算才行。I have to do the math all the time。LL: You know that is very smart. My younger brother could really have

learned something from you. LH: 你弟弟向我学习？我有什么好学的呢？LL: Well, when he moved out and got his first job, he

really didnt do the math. He ended up needing help from my parents, because he wasnt making enough money. LH: 你弟弟真傻，

第一次拿到工资就觉得自己很有钱，要搬出去住。他肯定

没想到房租那么贵。你弟弟现在怎么样了？ LL: Yes, he is now making very good money waiting tables at a restaurant. LH: 我也听说餐馆服务员收入不少。 LL: In one hour he might wait on ten tables. If each table tips him between five and ten dollars. Well, you do the math. LH: 每小时服务十桌客人，每桌客人给5块或是10块美元的小费。哟，你弟弟一个小时就能挣50到100美元。看来，我也改行作服务员算了。 LL: No, Li Hua. You are definitely meant to be a teacher. Hes making what seems like a lot now, but in the long term - if you do the math - I think youll be doing better in the end. LH: 从长远来看，我以后会挣得比你弟弟多？但愿如此。 \*\*\*\*\* LL: Okay, Li Hua, were now at the subway station. You know the drill. Have your ticket ready ... LH: 地铁票？我有呀。 Larry，你刚才说：You know the drill，这是什么意思啊？ Drill不是一种工具吗？ LL: Well, a drill is a tool. But a drill can also be a routine. Knowing the drill is knowing a routine - it is knowing how things are done. LH: 噢，to know the drill就是知道一件事该怎么作。我当然知道怎么坐纽约地铁了。先要买票，然后把票放进自动检票机，否则就进不去。对吗？ LL: Thats good. But do you know the drill when it comes to taking a taxi in the city? We have to do that next. LH: 什么？我们下了地铁还要打的？我可没有在纽约打过的，我是随时拦车呢，还是要到指定的街口等呀？ I really dont know the drill. LL: Thats OK, Li Hua. Ill teach you what you need to do - then youll know the drill. LH: 我是得学学。我在纽约人生地不熟的。没有你，我一定很紧张。 英语学习精华 英语六个月变流利 “日全食” 英语表达 LL: Yeah, it can be very disconcerting when you are in an

unfamiliar place and dont know the drill. LH: 是呀，在不熟悉的地方有时心里是很不安。我刚来的时候不知道怎么乘公共汽车，有一次差点走丢了。 LL: But now you are an expert. No one would say you dont know the drill now! LH: 当然了，不过我也不是什么都知道，还要向你多多请教。 Larry，我们这是去哪里呀? LL: Oh, the usual places in New York City. You know the drill: go see the Statue of Liberty, go see a play on Broadway, and then go eat in Chinatown. LH: 对，到纽约来玩的人都是去这几个地方， I know the drill。先去自由女神像，然后接着去百老汇看戏，然后去唐人街吃饭。 LL: Im glad you are excited about eating in Chinatown. Because when it comes to ordering in Chinese, I really dont know the drill. LH: 这你放心，Larry。你不会点菜，我来点。 I know the drill。今天李华学到了两个常用语。一个是do the math，意思是考虑、算计一下。另一个是know the drill，也就是说知道怎么作某件事情。 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)