



ADVENTURES IN LANGUAGE



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Word Bank

睡觉 shuìjiào to sleep	累 lèi tired	冷 lěng cold
茶 chá tea	淡 dàn light	差 chà bad

1. The more he sleeps, the more tired he is.

2. It's getting colder and colder.

3. The more tea (you drink), the lighter it is.

4. They love it there more and more.

5. His Chinese is getting worse and worse.

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B Translate the following Mandarin sentences into English.

1. 你的女儿越来越漂亮了。
Nǐde nǚér yuè lái yuè piàoliang le.

2. 我越走越累。
Wǒ yuè zǒu yuè lèi.

3. 他们越来越觉得汉语不难了。
Tāmen yuè lái yuè juéde hànyǔ bù nán le.

4. 天气越来越冷了。
Tiānqì yuè lái yuè lěng le.

5. 人越懒越不运动。
Rén yuè lǎn yuè bú yùndòng.

C Correct the mistakes in the below sentences.

1. 妈妈的头发越长越很长。
Māma de tóufa yuè zhǎng yuè hěn cháng.

2. 我们越来越做练习了。
Wǒmen yuè lái yuè zuò liànxí le.

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D Translate the passage below into Mandarin, using either 越来越... or 越.....

Word Bank

最新的 zuìxīnde latest	花木兰 mùlán Mulan	收到 shōudào to receive
评价 píngjià reviews	令人激动的 lìngrén jīdòng de exciting	情节 qíngjié plot
响 xiǎng loud	发现 fāxiàn to realize	打鼾 dǎhān to snore

Last week I went to the movies with my friends. We saw the latest Kung Fu movie, Mulan. The movie received better and better reviews every day. The beginning was very good and the plot became more and more exciting. All of a sudden, I heard a noise behind me. The louder the noise became, the more worried I was. In the end, I realized the person behind me was snoring.

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1. The more he sleeps, the more tired he is.
他越睡觉越累。
Tā yuè shuìjiào yuè lèi.
2. It's getting colder and colder.
天越来越冷了。
Tiān yuè lái yuè lěng le.
3. The more tea (you drink), the lighter it is.
茶越喝越淡。
Chá yuè hē yuè dàn.
4. They love it there more and more.
他们越来越爱这里了。
Tāmen yuè lái yuè ài zhèlǐ le.
5. His Chinese is getting worse and worse.
他的汉语越来越差了。
Tāde Hànyǔ yuè lái yuè chà le.

B Translate the following Mandarin sentences into English.

1. 你的女儿越来越漂亮了。
Nǐde nǚér yuè lái yuè piàoliang le.
Your daughter is getting more and more beautiful.
2. 我越走越累。
Wǒ yuè zǒu yuè lèi.
The more I walk, the more tired I am.
3. 他们越来越觉得汉语不难了。
Tāmen yuè lái yuè juéde Hànyǔ bù nán le.
They start to feel more and more that Chinese is not hard.
4. 天气越来越冷了。
Tiānqì yuè lái yuè lěng le.
The weather is getting colder and colder.
5. 人越懒越不运动。
Rén yuè lǎn yuè bú yùndòng.
The lazier people are, the less they exercise.

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Māma de tóufa yuè zhǎng yuè hěn cháng.
→ 妈妈的头发越长越长。
Māma de tóufa yuè zhǎng yuè cháng.
The more Mom's hair grows, the longer it gets.
2. 我们越来越做练习了。
Wǒmen yuè lái yuè zuò liànxí le.
→ 我们越来越喜欢做练习了。
Wǒmen yuè lái yuè xǐhuan zuò liànxí le.
We like to do the exercises more and more.

(Remember this? Only mental verbs can be used in this pattern: **Subject + 越来越 + verb + Object + 了**.)

D Translate the passage below into Mandarin, using either 越来越... or 越.....

上周我和我朋友去看电影。我们看了最新的功夫片《花木兰》。这部电影每天都收到越来越好的评价。电影一开始就不错，而且情节越来越令人激动。突然，我听到我身后有个噪音。噪音越响，我越担心。最后，我发现我身后的那个人在打鼾。

Shàngzhōu wǒ hé wǒ péngyou qù kàn diànyǐng. Wǒmen kàn le zuìxīn de gōngfu piān huā mùlán. Zhè bù diànyǐng měitiān dōu shōudào yuè lái yuè hào de píngjià. Diànyǐng yì kāishǐ jiù búcuò, érqǐè qíngjié yuè lái yuè lìng rén jīdòng. rú rán, wǒ tīngdào wǒ shēn hòu yǒu gè zàoyīn. Zàoyīn yuè xiǎng wǒ yuè dānxīn. Zuìhòu, wǒ fāxiàn wǒ shēn hòu de nà ge rén zài dǎhān.

