



ADVENTURES IN LANGUAGE



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A Translate the following sentences into Mandarin Chinese, using 就 (jiù) to express emphasis.

1. Is he really Professor Ma?

2. I only have one cat.

3. It's getting dark soon.

4. Mom really doesn't like cheese.

5. I will be in the office in 5 minutes.

B Reconstruct the sentences using the words given.

1. 你, 如果, 就, 不舒服, 去, 看医生
nǐ, rúguǒ, jiù, bùshūfú, qù, kàn yīshēng
If you are not feeling well, then go see the doctor.

2. 下雪了, 他, 上学, 今天, 就, 因为, 没去
xiàxuě le, tā, shàngxué, jīntiān, jiù, yīnwèi, méiqù
Because it snowed today, he didn't go to school.

3. 为了, 取得, 就, 努力, 成功, 你, 需要
wèile, qǔdé, jiù, nǔlì, chénggōng, nǐ, xūyào
In order to succeed, you will need to work hard.

4. 你, 只要, 会, 努力, 成功, 就
nǐ, zhǐyào, huì, nǔlì, chénggōng, jiù
As long as you work hard, you will succeed.

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C Correct the mistakes in the following sentences.

Incorrect sentence	Correct sentence
1. 他喜欢就画画儿。 Tā xǐhuan jiù huàhuàr. He (truly) likes to draw.	
2. 我就一会儿到。 Wǒ jiù yíhuìr dào. I will arrive immediately.	
3. 吃完饭只睡觉不健康。 Chī wán fàn zhǐ shuìjiào bú jiànkāng. It is not healthy to go to bed immediately after a meal.	

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A Add 就 in the following sentences to emphasize.

1. 他**就**是马教授吗?
Tā jiù shì mǎ jiàoshòu ma?
Is he really Professor Ma?
2. 我**就**有一只猫。
Wǒ jiù yǒu yìzhī māo.
I only have one cat.
3. 天**就**要黑了。
Tiān jiù yào hēi le.
It's getting dark soon.
4. 妈妈**就**不喜欢吃奶酪。
Māma jiù bù xǐhuan chī nǎilào.
Mom really doesn't like cheese.
5. 我五分钟后**就**到办公室。
Wǒ wǔ fēnzhōng hòu jiù dào bàngōngshì.
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因为下雪了, 他今天就没去上学。
Yīnwèi xiàxuě le, tā jīntiān jiù méiqù shàngxué.

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Wèile qǔdé chénggōng, nǐ jiù xūyào nǔlì.

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