

Asking someone to do something politely in Chinese

Boss:

我下周要去上海开会。

wǒ xià zhōu yào qù shàng hǎi kāi huì .

I'm going to Shanghai for a meeting next week.

Angel:

哦！我已经知道了。

ò ! wǒ yǐ jīng zhī dào le .

I (already) know that.

Boss:

我只是想善意地提醒你一下。

wǒ zhǐ shì xiǎng shàn yì de tí xǐng nǐ yī xià .

I just wanted to kindly remind you.

当我不在办公室的时候，麻烦你帮我签收一下快递。

dāng wǒ bú zài bàn gōng shì de shí hòu, má fán nǐ bāng wǒ qiān shōu yī xià kuài dì.

I'm sorry to bother you to help me to get my express delivery while I'm not at the office.

Angel:

没问题！

méi wèn tí !

No problem!

Boss:

你介意帮我倒杯咖啡吗？

nǐ jiè yì bāng wǒ dào bēi kā fēi ma ?

Would you mind helping me get a cup of coffee?

Angel:

好的！

hǎo de !

Okay!

Boss:

当我在上海开会的时候，

dāng wǒ zài shàng hǎi kāi huì de shí hòu ,

While I'm at the meeting in Shanghai...

如果您能帮我遛狗，那就完美了！

rú guǒ nín néng bāng wǒ liù gǒu , nà jiù wán měi le !

It would be perfect if you could help walk my dog!

Angel:

靠！我会忙死的！

kào ! wǒ huì máng sǐ de !

Damn! I will be really busy!

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