

## Starting New 全新开始 — 1月4日

You are listening to English World. Hello Listener friend, I am your radio host Mark.

And I am your friend Guo Wen-Jie.

欢迎来到英语世界

Remember on our last program, I asked the question:

还记得上回节目里，马可问了个问题

Which is more important, a good beginning or a good ending?

那一个比较重要，好的开始还是好的结束？

And I said, both are important. 两者都重要

That's right. And since it was the end of the year, we talked about a good ending.

因为当时是年尾，我们谈到好的结束

But of course, now the New Year has arrived.

如今，新的一年来临了

Listener friend, In this new year, what are your expectations?

听友，对这新的一年，你有什么期待呢？

The New Year is a great time for a new start.

新年可以有新的开始

Today, our lesson is "Starting New".

今天这一课，我们来谈谈“全新开始”

### Fun With Idioms 趣味成语

In English, we say: "Get Off To A Good Start"

英语有这句成语，

get off to a good start

This phrase means to start well.

意思就是有很好的开始

We say, get off to a good start with breakfast.

有话说，吃早餐，会让一天有好的开始

Get Off To A Good Start

Wen-Jie, What would you like to get off to a good start?

Well, I want to take exercise more seriously.

我希望新的一年认真作运动

Have you started doing that?

Yes. I'm hoping to keep it up.

我已经开始，希望能保持下去

How about for you, Mark?

I'm thinking about starting something new.

Oh? 马可要开始新计划

What is it?

Well, I'd like to keep it to myself now. Maybe I'll tell you later.

Well, Let me know when are you going to announce it?

When it's time, I'll do that.

马可有个新计划，但他目前还不愿说

Do we plan to blow a trumpet to let people know it's starting?

是否有一天他会吹号角宣布呢

No way. Now that you mention it, do you know what kind of sport starts off with a bell sound?

Huh, 什么运动以铃声作比赛开始呢

I can't think of any.

It's boxing. (是拳击赛) How about a sport that starts out with a whistle?

I know this one. It's soccer

以吹哨开始比赛的是足球赛

You've got it. Well, here are some more.

### **The Way to Start A Game 比赛怎么开始的？**

In a basketball game, it's the "tip off".

在篮球比赛，是 tip off 「双方争球」

In a football game, it's the "kick off".

在美式足赛，是 kick off 「底线踢球」

In baseball, It's the first pitch.

在棒球赛，投手投出第一球 the first pitch，比赛正式开始

In a race, the sound of the gunshot means: "Go".

在跑步比赛，枪声响起则是象徵 Go：「起跑」

We all know that beginnings are important.

起头，是非常重要的

We can start new programs or activities.

我们可以开始新的项目或活动

We often start new friendship when we meet new faces.

我们碰到新面孔，也通常会开始新友谊

We can also start a new life when we move to a new place.

我们如果搬了家，也可以在新地方开始新生活

Coming up next, it's our Everyday Dialogue.

接下来，是日常会话的单元

A new couple has moved into the neighborhood.

有一对夫妇搬进了社区里

And their next door neighbors have met them.

他们隔壁邻居有机会和他们见了面

Let's listen in.

我们一起来听

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A: Honey, did you meet our new neighbors?

B: Yes, I did. The other day I bumped into them in the store.

A: Well, what do you think?

B: *The husband seems to be very nice. But I don't like the wife.*  
A: *Why?*  
B: *She talks too much and she wears too much make-up.*  
A: *You can't judge a person by her appearance. Maybe if you get to know her more, you two can be friends.*  
B: *I don't think so*

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Now, let's try to understand the dialogue.

我们来了解这个会话的意思

*Honey, did you meet our new neighbors?*

爱人，你见过我们的新邻居了吗？

*Yes, I did. The other day I bumped into them in the store.*

是阿，见著了。有一天，我在杂货店里遇见他们

*Well, what do you think?*

你认为他们怎样？

*The husband seems to be very nice. But I don't like the wife.*

作丈夫的看来蛮好的，但是我不喜欢那个太太

*Why?*

为什么呢？

*She talks too much*

她滔滔不绝，讲个不停

*and she wears too much make-up.*

脸上的妆又很浓

*You can't judge a person by her appearance.*

你不能从外貌来断定人

*Maybe if you get to know her more, you two can be friends.*

如果你多认识她一些，也许你们会成为朋友的

*I don't think so*

我看是不太可能

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Mark, The wife seems to have her mind set.

看来这个太太已经有了成见

I can understand why. Think of when you met a person for the first time,

想一想，当你首次见到某个人的时候

You got an impression about him or her.

你对那人会有了个最初印象

This is what we call the first impression.

我们称这是，第一印象

The wife didn't have a good first impression of the new neighbor.

作太太的对新来的邻居太太印象不好

I do hope they can become good neighbors.

Me, too. 我们希望他们还是有机会成为好邻居

All right. Let's review the dialogue once again.

我们再次来听一回刚才的日常会话

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We all desire a good start.

我们都期望一个好的开始

A good start on a journey,

一个旅程能有好的起程

A good start in an activity or a plan,

一个活动或计画能有好的开端

A good start in a race.

一场赛跑能起步得好

A good start in a relationship.

与人的关系能够开始得顺畅

Many times we don't have a good start.

但多半时候我们都不见得能有好开始

However, there is one thing in which we can always have a good start.

但是，有一样事情，却是我们随时都可以有好的开始

That is in our relationship with God.

那就是，我们与神的关系

### **Verse For Life 生命经文**

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation;

若有人在基督里、他就是新造的人

the old has gone, the new has come!

旧事已过、都变成新的了。

II Corinthians 5:17 哥林多后书

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation;

The old has gone, the new has come!

God desires to establish a relationship with us.

神要与我们建立关系

He sent his only son Jesus Christ to our world.

祂差派爱子耶稣基督从天上来到人间

Through Christ dying on the cross,

通过基督十字架的受死

Our sins are forgiven.

我们罪得赦免

We have a new life.

我们有了新生命

We become God's children.

我们成为神的儿女

So, make a new start with God.

你和神有个好的开始

Right now, and today.

今天，现在就是时候了

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Well, our time is just up again.

时间又差不多的

Remember, we love to be your friends.

我们希望成为你的朋友

We always welcome hearing from you, hearing your questions about English learning,

欢迎你来信,欢迎问英语学习的问题

We also want to get to know about you.

我们也希望多认识你

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请来信，也上网来复习旧的课程

Until next time, we wish you happy learning.

在此，祝你开开心心学英语

This is your radio friend Mark.

And I am Guo Wen-J.

May God Bless You.

神祝福你

Zai-Jian.  
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Mark, I think we had a good start in the New Year.

A very good start for English World, for sure.

Now the question is: How to Keep It Up.

I guess that will be the challenge. Jia-Yo, Wen-Jie !

Jia-Yo, Mark!