

The Stars At Night 群星闪亮 — 7月19日

Hello and Welcome to English World. I am Mark, along with Wen-Jie.

欢迎听友收听英语世界节目，马可和文洁我问候你！

I am thinking right now about the stars, I'm wondering: How many stars can you see at night?

朋友，你在夜间可以看到多少颗星星呢？

Hundreds of years ago, people could see over 2,000 stars at night.

几百年前的人，在晚上可以看到超过两千颗的星星

That was the days before electricity. Now our sky is lit from the many city lights, making it difficult to see stars.

那是早在电力被发明之前的事。如今城市的灯光照亮了夜空，我们更不容易看到星星了

Now, most people who live near big cities can see only 20-30 stars on the clearest night.

如今，住在城郊的大多数人，在最清明的夜空顶多能看到二三十颗星星罢了

When you look up and see a few stars, you think, "that's nice."

当你举目望天，看到几颗星星，你会心想，真不错呢。

But when you look up and you see thousands, you say, "Wow."

但是，当你抬头能看到几千颗星星，你会惊叹的说，哇！

I think everyone knows this song:

(singing)

Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Stars.

How I wonder what you are.

*Up above the world so high,
like a diamond in the sky.*

Twinkle, Twinkle, little stars.

How I wonder what you are.

You know, in order to see the stars, the sky has to be very dark. Wen-Jie, Do you know how to tell if the sky is perfectly dark?

Hum...怎么知道天空是全然黑暗呢？

When you can't see your own fingers, that's dark. Ha! Tell me.

Well, If you can see the clouds, then it's still not completely dark.

如果你能看到天上的云，那表示夜空还不是完全暗了 Oh?

But if you look up and you see there are holes in the sky, that means there is no light at all shining upwards.

但如果天空看来有洞口，那表示地上全然没有强烈灯光往上照

And, That's a very dark night. A night we can see the stars.

这表示夜空够暗，我们能看到星星

I see.

This reminds me of an event last year.

Oh? 马可想到去年发生的一件事

It's amazing. Let me tell you and the listeners.
All right.

"I remember last summer, when we traveled to a wilderness area and at night the sky was very dark, and we could see the stars everywhere. We sat in the middle of a big field and looked upwards. We saw meteors flashing across the sky. It was August and I realized it's the Perseid Meteor shower. Then we saw a glow in the sky arcing up from one horizon and down to the other, like a river in the sky. It was the first time I had ever seen the Milky Way. It was awesome, beautiful, magnificent."

马可老师去年八月夏天在郊区的荒地上，看到了夜空的流星雨；那也是他头次见到银河系，感到非常的惊人，美丽，和壮观。

Wow, Mark! You were really lucky to see the Meteor Shower.

Many people in the world have never seen the Milky Way. The sky is too bright at night to see it in its full brilliance.

的确，有多少人曾见过银河系呢？现今夜晚的天空太亮了，根本看不到。这叫做 - 灯光污染

This is called: light pollution.

You are right. This is light pollution. OK, How about now we help listeners learn some vocabularies.

现在我们来帮助听友学几个单字

Metero (Meteor), Milky Way (Milky Way), and Galaxy (Galaxy)

Meteor is also known as a "shooting star." It is not really a star.

Meteor 又被称为扫把星，流星，但他们并不是真正的星星

As they shoot through the air, they heat up and glow brightly as they travel across the sky.

当它们快速经过空中时，它们会因著发热燃烧而产生亮光

Next, Milky Way. Our galaxy is called the Milky Way. It has about 200 billion stars in it.

我们的银河系就叫做 Milky Way，这个银河系有 大约两千亿颗星星

And finally, Galaxy. Each galaxy has billions of stars. There are billions of galaxies in the universe.

Galaxy 银河、天河，是一大群星。每个银河都有好几千亿的星星。在整个宇宙里有好几亿的银河存在。

Coming up next we bring you today's "Everyday Dialogue". Two young men are on a camping trip with friends.

接下来每日会话单元，两位青年和朋友一起露营

They enjoy all the activities, as well as the quiet night.

他们很享受所有的活动，也喜欢安静的夜晚

Here they are chatting with each other in the field.

这当头，他们在户外一起闲聊谈话

Dialogue:

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B *I can't see anything.*
A *Look up. Did you see that?*
B *Yes! Like a star shooting across the sky.*
A *There's another. It must be a meteor shower.*
B *I've never seen so many stars.*
A *What's that? It looks like someone poured milk across the sky.*
B *That's our home galaxy – the Milky Way.*
A *I wish we could see this every night.*
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我来为您翻译会话内容

- A *It's very dark out here at night in the wilderness.*
在这个荒郊野地，夜晚是一片漆黑
B *I can't see anything.*
我什么都看不见
A *Look up. Did you see that?*
抬头看天，你看到那个吗？
B *Yes! Like a star shooting across the sky.*
看到了。好像一颗流星滑过天上
A *There's another. It must be a meteor shower.*
那边也有一颗。这一定是流星雨
B *I've never seen so many stars.*
我从没有看过这么多的星星
A *What's that? It looks like someone poured milk across the sky.*
那又是什么？好像有人在天上洒了牛奶
B *That's our home galaxy – the Milky Way.*
那是我们所在的银河系
A *I wish we could see this every night.*
真希望我们每天晚上都可以看到这个景观
B *We can – If we lived out here in the wilderness.*
我们能的。不过我们可能每天都要住在这荒郊野地里
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Shall we review the dialogue once again?

Sure.

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Verse For Life 生命经文

"The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

诸天述说神的荣耀，穹苍传扬他的手段

Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they display knowledge.

这日到那日发出言语，这夜到那夜传出知识

There is no speech or language
where their voice is not heard.

无言无语，也无声音可听

Their voice goes out into all the earth,
their words to the ends of the world."

他的量带通遍天下，他的言语传到地极。

Psalms 19:1-4 诗篇

Wherever we are, whatever language we speak, the stars talk to us.

无论我们住在那儿，或说什么样的语言，星星都向我们每个人说话

What do they say? They tell us about their Maker – they talk to us about the greatness of God. They remind us that God is amazing.

星星不断的告诉我们，天地间有个伟大的创造主，他行做伟大的事

We have to remember that God is not far from us, because we can know him in a personal way.

这位造物主离我们不远，我们能认识他，与他交往

If you would like to have a personal relationship with this creator God, please let us know.

你若想知道如何与这位造物主有个别的关系，我们很愿意帮助你

Write to us, either to Mark or Wen-Jie, and we will for sure write back.

欢迎来信与我们联系

Next time in English World, we will bring you another lesson. We hope you don't miss us. Until next time, I am Mark,

And I am Guo Wen-Jie.

God Bless and Zai-Jian.

Mark, I was thinking...After existing so many years, the stars are still shining and moving.

Yes of course. Because God made them.

On the other hand, the things we make work only for short time, and they fall apart.

It seems that way. But the things God makes - those things can last forever!

That's so cool. God is great.