

## Being Single 单身生活 – 9月6日

Hello and Welcome to English World. This is your friend Mark, along with Wen-Jie.

马可和文洁我又在《英语世界》和你会面了，听友你好！

Every week we bring you a lesson in English.

每周我们都带给你一课英语。

With all the regular features.

固定推出各样的环节。

Like, “Everyday Dialogue”,

有“日常会话”，

“Vocabulary 123”,

“生词点滴”，“Culturally Speaking” “话说文化”，

“Fun With Idioms”,

“趣味成语”，We also do some singing and poems 有时还有唱歌，诗文欣赏，

That's true. And don't forget we have “Verse of the Week”.

还有，“每周金句”单元。

It's our hope that you enjoy listening to us.

我们希望，你喜欢听我们的节目。

And that your English is improving everyday.

而且，你的英语每天都有进步。

All right. Today, we are going to talk about an interesting new topic.

今天我们要来谈谈一个有趣的新主题。

First of all, I am a married man.

首先来提，马可老师是已婚男士。 I have met your wife Judy. She is a beautiful lady. 他有个漂亮妻子 Judy。

Well thanks. And you Wen-Jie, you are also married.

对了，我也是结婚多年了。 And I have a good husband. 有个好丈夫。

We are both married. But we do know a lot of single friends.

但我们可认识不少单身的朋友。

Come to think of it, we have many co-workers who are still single.

我们倒有不少同事是单身。 Like Josh, Courtney, Jack, and so on.

Right. And many of our listeners are single, too.

许多听友你现在也还是单身。

So, we bring you this topic today:

所以今天带给你这个主题，

“Being Single.”

Being Single 单身生活。

### **Vocabulary 123 生词点滴**

*Single, s-i-n-g-l-e, single is an adjective, meaning one only.*

*(Single, 是形容词，指单一，单个。)*

*It also means not married.*

*(也有含意是，未婚独身。)*

*Singles, single plus s, is a noun, meaning unmarried people.*

(Singles, single 加 s, 是名词复数, 意思是未婚的人们。)  
**Single & Singles**

You know, once you are married, you are no longer single.

你一旦结了婚, 就不再是单身了。

Some people think of the single life as being very free.

有人认为单身生活很自在逍遥。

You can do whatever you want, whenever you want, wherever you want.

一个人可以随时随地, 作自己心里想作的。

You are not tied down by relationships.

单身的人不被夫妻关系所牵绊。

But some feel a single life is very lonely and boring.

有的则认为单身生活很孤单很无趣。

No one right beside to talk to or eat dinner with.

没有人在身旁可以一起谈话、吃饭。

No one to care of you or make you feel special.

没有人照顾你, 或让你觉得自己很特别。

How do you think of the single life, listener friend?

听友你是怎么来看单身生活的?

### **People Who Are Single 单身的人们**

*Being single is a stage of life.*

单身, 是生活的一个阶段。

*Some haven't found "the better half" yet.*

有些人还没找到“另一半”。

*Some choose to remain single.*

有的人选择独身。

*Some live away from their family and spouses.*

有些人和家人配偶分隔两地。

*Some have gone through divorce.*

有人经历了离婚。

*And some have lost their spouses.*

也有不少丧偶的。

*Most people spend more of their adult lives single than married.*

多半的成年人, 他们所度过的单身时光多过结婚时光。

Coming up next, is today's Everyday Dialogue.

接下来, 是今天的“每日会话”。

Two friends who are still single are chatting.

两位单身朋友在聊天。

Let's listen in to their conversation.

我们来听他们的对话。

\*Dialogue (A: male, B: female)

A: Hey, What are your plans this weekend?

B: Well, I'm meeting my girlfriend Anne. What about you?

A: I don't know yet. I might do grocery shopping and some laundry.

B: Those are just routine chores. Why don't you join us?

A: Oh no. I don't want to intrude on your time with your girlfriend.

B: It's okay. Anne and I like to do community service. This Saturday we're taking some children on a field trip.

A: That sounds fun. I love children.

B: Then come along. You will get to meet a lot of people.

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现在我们来帮助你了解会话的内容。

Hey, what are your plans this weekend?

嘿，你这周末有什么活动吗？

Well, I'm meeting my girlfriend Anne. What about you?

嗯，我要和我的朋友 Anne 碰头聚聚，你呢？

I don't know yet. I might do grocery shopping and some laundry.

我还不知道要做什么。我可能会买些食品杂货，洗洗衣服。

Those are just routine chores. Why don't you join us?

那些都不过是例行家务事。你要不要干脆加入我们？

Oh no. I don't want to intrude on your time with your girlfriend.

哦那不好。我不想要打扰你和你朋友的相聚。

It's okay. Anne and I like to do community service.

没事的。Anne 跟我喜欢作一些社区服务。

This Saturday we're taking some children on a field trip.

这周六我们要带一群孩子去户外活动。

That sounds fun. I love children.

听来很有趣。我很喜欢小孩子。

Then come along. You will get to meet a lot of people.

那来吧，你会有机会认识许多朋友。

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Wen-Jie, being single doesn't have to be lonely and boring.

独身生活不见得就必须是孤独无聊。

One can enjoy the freedom,

单身的人可以好好享受自由，

And make good use of the time that God has given.

好好利用神所赐的大好光阴。

To make friends.

跟人作朋友，

And make yourself a blessing to others.

把祝福带给他人，

Let's review the Everyday Dialogue once again.

我们再来听一回“每日会话”。

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**Verse of the Week 每周金句**

*I have set the LORD always before me.*

我将耶和华常摆在我面前，

*Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.*

因他在我右边、我便不至摇动。

*Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;*

因此我的心欢喜、我的灵快乐，

*my body also will rest secure,*

我的肉身也要安然居住。

*Psalms 16:8-9 诗篇*

Whether we are married or single, we all belong to God.

不论我们是结了婚或是单身，我们都属于神。

He loves us and wants to give us abundant life.

神爱我们，要赐给我们丰盛的生命。

Those who know Jesus Christ and put their trust in Him,

凡认识耶稣基督，信靠祂的人，

Can rejoice in the Lord.

就能以耶和华为乐。

Being single can mean more time to be close to God,

单身，可以表示有更多的时间去与神亲近，

More freedom to serve God and people.

有更多自由去事奉神，服事人。

If you are single, my friend,

倘若听友你现在是单身，

Count it as a blessing.

把它当作是一个祝福吧。

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Well, our time is up again.

哇，时间又差不多了。

If you want to know how to be God's children,

你如果想知道如何成为神的儿女，

Write to us. We would love to tell you.

捎个信来，我们很乐意与你分享。

We welcome your comments and sharing.

我们欢迎你的提问和建议。

Don't forget to ask for our gift for you.

别忘了索取我们赠送的礼物。

We are your friends Mark,

And Guo Wen-jie.

See you next time. May God Bless You.

神祝福你，改回见了。

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I've got an idea. Why don't we and our spouses hang out with Josh and Courtney this weekend at my place?

That's a great idea. We can play games, watch a movie, cook together...

And have a great time.

Yeah.