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Larry 和李华刚刚看完电影。李华在问 Larry 她没看懂的地方。今天李华会学到两个常用语：copycat 和 wacky。

LH: Larry, 我特别喜欢看这种侦探片, 最后把坏人抓住, 特痛快。对了, 刚才那电影里的侦探说, 那杀人凶手是个 copycat。那是什么意思啊?

LL: A copycat is someone who imitates someone else. The murderer in the movie imitated other famous murderers, so he was copycat killer.

LH: 嗯, copycat 就是指模仿别人的人。噢, 现在我懂了。那个侦探是说那个杀人犯是模仿其他杀人犯的作案方法。哎呀, 怪不得我看电影的时候有些地方弄不懂。对了, Larry, 这个 copycat 还可以用在其他的地方吗?

LL: Sure. For instance, my younger sister used to imitate me a lot when she was a kid. She would repeat whatever I said, so I call her my little copycat.

LH: 你叫你小妹妹 little copycat。你妹妹一定很可爱。她一定很崇拜你, 所以才模仿你的一举一动, 重复你说的话!

LL: Yeah, it was kind of cute, but it got annoying after a while.

LH: 小妹妹学你的样有什么讨厌的?

LL: Kids are great copycats and they always manage to copy things that they shouldn't. If I said a bad word, my sister always repeated. My mother thought I was teaching her bad words on purpose.

LH: 所以大人要给小孩树立好的榜样嘛! 你不要你妹妹说粗话, 那你不该说粗话。不过, 你妈妈以为你故意教坏妹妹, 那肯定让你很不好受。对不对?

LL: That's right. It got me into a lot of trouble. Hey, I also remember that when I was a kid, it was common for kids to accuse each other of being a "copycat."

LH: 没错, 小孩子最喜欢说别人学自己, 好象自己很聪敏, 别人就只会模仿。

LL: You're right. To call someone a copycat means that the other person isn't original and was just imitating what someone else was doing.

LH: Larry, 你说的这句话不是跟我刚才说的意思一样吗? You're a copycat!

LL: Not entirely the same!

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LL: Hey, Li Hua, did you ever do any wacky things when you were a kid?

LH: 对不起, Larry, 你刚才说什么。我没听懂, 你问我小时候做过什么 wacky 的事, 那是什么意思啊?

LL: Wacky means crazy or silly. Kids tend to do wacky things. For instance, when I was a kid, I tried to play Tarzan with our living room curtains.

LH: Wacky 就是指疯疯颠颠或犯傻。对, 小孩子往往会做一些傻事。不过, 像你小时候想学泰山而把窗帘当树枝爬上去, 这也太危险了。

LL: Yeah, I had just seen the movie, Tarzan, and I decided to climb the curtains and swing from them the way Tarzan swung from the vines. Pretty wacky, huh?

LH: 我想也是, 你肯定是看了泰山这电影后才那么 wacky 的。不过说到 wacky, 我小时候也不见得比你差, 也做了不少 wacky 的事呢!

LL: Such as?

LH: 嗯, 比方说, 我8岁那年, 我爬上邻居家的一棵树, 上去了, 却不知道该怎么下来呢。

LL: That's wacky! So what did you do?

LH: 我挂在树上, 还能怎么办? 只好大叫, 请人来救我喽! 后来有人拿了张梯子, 把我给救下来了。

LL: That's funny. Hey, how's your cat doing? Has she done anything wacky lately?

LH: 嗨, 说到我的猫小雪球, 它做的 wacky 事那才多呢! 昨天我在看电视上一个介绍大自然的节目, 小雪球看到银幕里的小鸟就一直想扑上去和它玩。那个模样真逗!

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