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I'm game 我很愿意



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Li

欢迎收听BBC英语教学的《地道英语》节目。我是杨莉。今天我的搭档是 Neil。

Neil

Hello everyone.

Li

Hi Neil, you look very sporty today! 你今天很运动范儿啊! Going to the gym?

Neil

Not exactly, but I'm dying for a game of squash after work. I've brought all my gear and I've booked the court. But I have no one to play against. Are you game?

Li

Neil 说他特想下班以后去打壁球。Am I game? 我是不是 game, 运动? Of course I'm not a game, I'm Li! My name is Li. What are you talking about, Neil?

Neil

Well, I thought you knew this expression. If someone asks you if you are game, they want to know whether you are willing to try something; whether you are interested in doing something fun or unusual.

Li

I see. 原来 game 还可以作为形容词来用, 表示愿意尝试做某事, 或对什么事情感兴趣。So you can use the word 'game' as an adjective as well as a noun?

Neil

That's right. The word 'game' has a number of meanings. Let's look at some examples.

Examples

So many people in England are fans of football; they all love the game.

Sam is brilliant at board games.

A: I'm going to have a fancy dress party next Saturday. Would you like to come?

B: Hey thanks! Yes, I'd love to. I'm game for a laugh.

A: Hey Brian, I'm organising a football match between the managers and the workers. Do you want to play?

B: Sure, count me in. I'm game.

Li

听上去 **game** 是个很有活力的词儿啊，作名词时表示游戏或运动，作形容词时表示愿意尝试，欣然接受。

Neil

So, how about playing squash this evening. I've got two rackets here. Are you game?

Li

Oh, well, I'm not sure. I've not played squash for a long time. Sorry no, I don't think I am game today!

Neil

That's a pity. Maybe another time. But at least we've taught an authentic real English expression.

Li

Yes, we have, Neil. Enjoy your game. Bye for now!

Neil

Bye!