

Dialogue

Domain: Community

Gender of English speaker: Male

Gender of LOTE speaker: Either

Scenario:

This dialogue is a phone conversation between a resident and an English-speaking staff member of the animal protection centre. The resident is calling the animal protection centre to discuss the welfare of their neighbour's dog.

The dialogue begins now:

No.	Speakers	Segments	Words
1	ENGLISH	Hello. This is the animal protection society. I'm Harry. How can I help you today?	15
2	MANDARIN	您好，我觉得我的邻居在虐待他们的狗。我不知道该怎么办。	
Translation		Hello. I think my neighbours are mistreating their dog. I'm not sure what to do.	15
3	ENGLISH	It's good that you have called us. Could you tell me why you think the dog is being mistreated?	19
4	MANDARIN	它一直在叫。我想可能是狗不听话。但是当我从围墙上看到邻居的后院时，我发现狗根本没有水喝。	
Translation		It barks all the time. I thought it was behaving badly. But I looked over the fence into the back yard, and I saw it didn't have any water to drink.	31
5	ENGLISH	I see. That's not good. Dogs need to have drinking water available all the time. Have you noticed anything else wrong?	21
6	MANDARIN	是的。那条狗很大，但是很瘦。我还能看到它身上的肋骨。狗毛暗淡无光，并缠在一起。我觉得狗很不健康。	
Translation		Yes. The dog is quite big, but it's very thin. I can see its ribs. Its coat is dull and matted. I don't think it looks healthy.	27
7	ENGLISH	You shouldn't be able to see its ribs. It doesn't sound like it is in good condition. You might be right.	21
8	MANDARIN	我的邻居从来不去遛狗。我本想去敲他们的门，跟他们说一下，可又担心他们可能会不高兴。	
Translation		My neighbours never take it for a walk either. I was going to knock on their door, but I thought they might get angry at me.	26
9	ENGLISH	It's best not to approach your neighbours. I will write up a report on what you have told me, and our protection officers will visit them.	26
10	MANDARIN	我不想让他们有什么麻烦，但是我确实担心那条狗。	
Translation		I don't want them to get into trouble, but I am worried about the dog.	15

11	ENGLISH	Don't worry. If they are not mistreating the dog, they won't get into trouble. We will help them if they need more information on how to take care of the dog.	31
12	MANDARIN	这听起来很好。我希望动物保护工作人员能够尽快来看看。我很高兴跟您打了电话，万一那狗真的需要帮助。	
Translation		That sounds good. I hope the protection officers will visit them soon. I'm glad I called you, in case the dog does need help.	24
13	ENGLISH	I'm sure they will come in the next few days. If you notice the situation getting worse in the meantime, call us back.	23
14	MANDARIN	我会的。谢谢您接听我的电话。	
Translation		I will. Thank you for listening to me.	8

End of Dialogue**Dialogue - Word Count**

Language	Total number of words	Number of segments with 20 or less words	Number of segments with 21-35 words	Number of segments with less than 10 words
ENGLISH	156	2	5	0
MANDARIN	146	3	4	1
Total	302	5	9	1