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# BBC LEARNING ENGLISH

## Authentic Real English 地道英语

### Long 冗长乏味的

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#### Feifei

大家好，我是冯菲菲。欢迎收听 BBC 英语教学的《地道英语》节目。

#### Neil

...and I'm Neil. Hi, Feifei, what are you up to?

#### Feifei

Hi Neil. Oh, I'm just ironing a few clothes.

#### Neil

That's a big pile of clothes.

#### Feifei

I'm going on holiday! 我要去度假了，所以得在出发前把衣服熨得平平整整的才行。

#### Neil

You're even ironing your shorts!

#### Feifei

Nothing like perfectly ironed shorts.

#### Neil

Nah, that's long, Feifei!

#### Feifei

They're shorts – not long! Neil 说熨衣服这件事很“长 long”，可是我在熨短裤啊。

#### Neil

Haha, very funny. You know what I mean.

#### Feifei

没错，其实我知道这个单词的意思。这是“long”的英式俚语用法，我们常在非正式场合听到它，人们常用 long 来形容一项任务“枯燥，毫无意义”。

**Neil**

Exactly. Ironing is long. It's dull and takes forever.

**Feifei**

That's because you do it all wrong. Here, let me show you, while we play these examples.

**Examples**

I can't believe you're cleaning the whole house. That's long, bro. Come out and enjoy the sun.

A: Why don't you stick with your diet?

B: Dieting is long. I just eat what I want and go to the gym instead.

**Neil**

You know, Feifei, you're right. Ironing isn't so bad.

**Feifei**

Just you wait. You'll be ironing your socks before you know it.

**Neil**

So, where are you off to on your holiday?

**Feifei**

我要用整整五个月的时间去环游世界。I'm travelling around the world for five months! 怎么样，听起来不错吧？

**Neil**

Wow, five months! That's long.

**Feifei**

Aha – but do you mean long as in boring?

**Neil**

Of course not. Five months is a long holiday. Have a great trip!

**Feifei**

You can do all my ironing when I get back.

**Neil**

So long, Feifei. Bye!

**Feifei**

Bye.