

PROJECT BANK - GRANDPA

DUE Tuesday, April 14th by 12PM EST



Character Description: a proud, charismatic storyteller who fully believes every word he says. His sincerity drives the humor, supported by expressive features and a strong presence.

Please do two takes of each scene: One in Cantonese and/or Mandarin, and another in English.

INTRODUCE YOURSELF: First name, last name. City.

SCENE 1

You're teaching your grand-son how to play chess. He complains about how hard it is.

Grandpa: This is hard?! When we first came to Canada things were a lot harder than this!

You see your family roll their eyes. They tell you that they've already heard this story before. You become even more determined!

Grandpa: No bank account. No credit card. It took going to so many places before we got everything set up.

SCENE 2

Improv this scene.

Talk about your life when you first moved to Canada. Tell us a story. Remember: your character is a passionate storyteller whose humour lies in your expressive features and strong presence!

CANTONESE & MANDARIN TRANSLATIONS BELOW:

30s: CHINESE (SC, TC) | REVISED

We open on a family gathering, where GRANDFATHER (a man in his 60s) in his 60s **playing Chinese chess** with his GRANDCHILD (7-9). His daughter-in-law (MOM, around 35) sits with them.

GRANDCHILD <close-up, frowning>: SC: Grandpa, 好~难啊!

TC: Grandpa, 好~難啊!

Grandpa, it's sooo hard!

GRANDFATHER <playful tone>:

SC: 这还难?! 我们刚来加拿大那会, 可比这难多了.....

TC: 咁都難?! 我地啱啱嚟到加拿大個陣, 仲難啊.....

This is hard?! When we first came to Canada, things were a lot harder than this.

An earshot away, GRANDMA (60s), DAD (around 35) and their pre-teen GRANDDAUGHTER, Nannan, are setting the dinner table. Whispering amongst themselves—

DAD <whispering>: SC: 老爸又来了!

TC: 老豆又嚟啦!

Here we go again.

DAD interjects with a harrumph. GRANDMA smiles, amused.

GRANDFATHER <facing Mom, counting on his fingers>:

SC: 没有银行卡, 沒有信用卡, 也没法投資。去了好多地方才办好。

TC: 冇銀行卡、冇信用卡、又冇得投資。要去多幾個地方先搞得掂。

No bank account. No credit card. And couldn't invest. It took going to so many places before we got everything set up.

GRANDMA: SC: 其实, 只去了TD一个地方, 就都办好了!

TC: 其實, 淨係去咗TD一個地方, 就搞掂晒!

Actually, we just went to the bank. And we got everything we needed in one place.