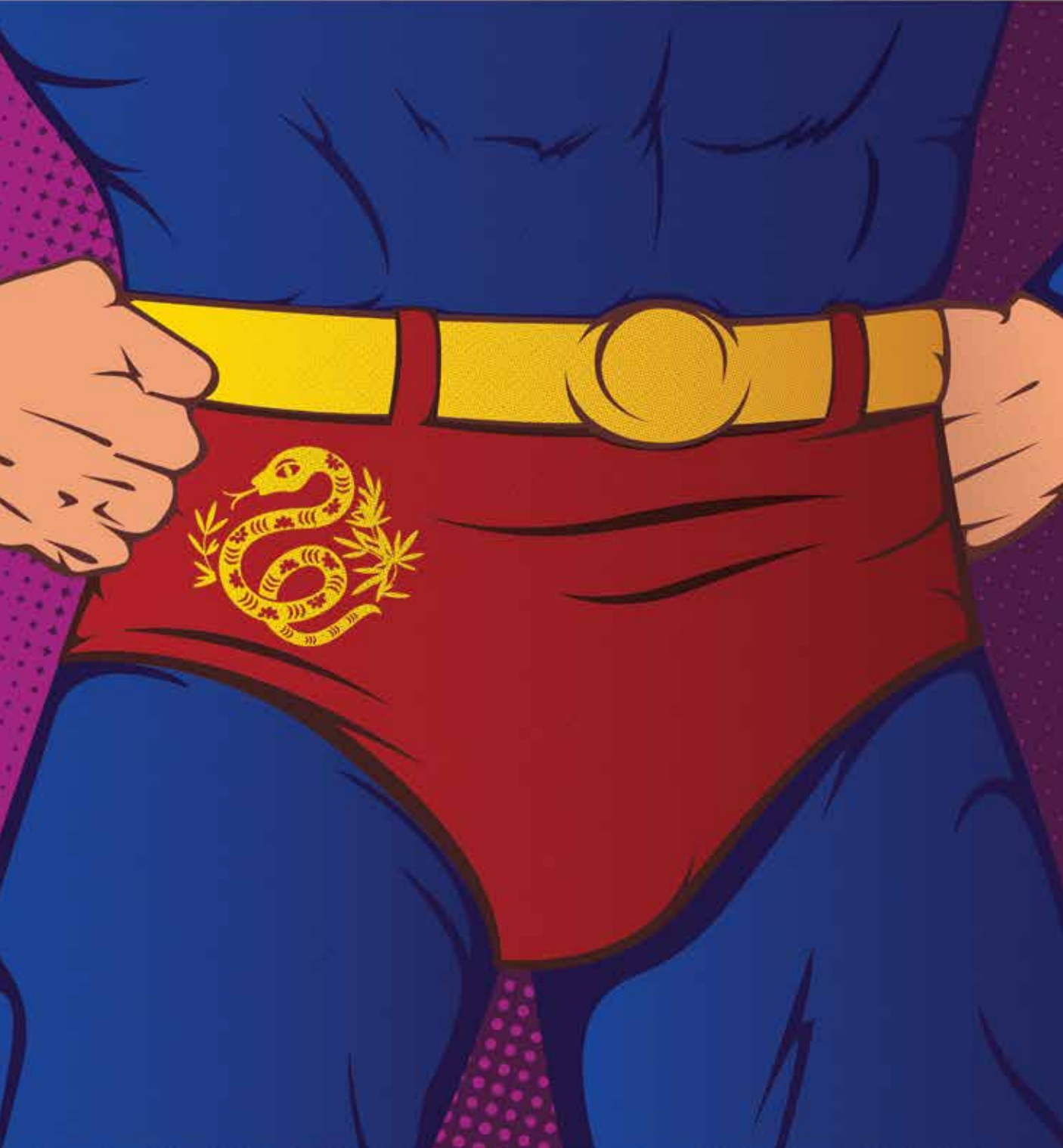


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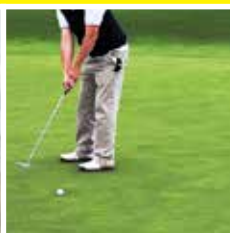




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Ghost in the Machine

Funny time of year, this. The balmy weather which has graced Nanjing of late was all the more bizarre for it landing slap bang in the middle between two new years. For many of China's massive populace, the coming year of the snake means good fortune; for others it will not be one of their best. The Nanjinger therefore in this issue turns its attention to superstition.

Joining us in 2013 is Miss Rachel Skeels whose experience in the retail trade bring us a new regular column, "Trailing Spouse", that we hope can provide inspiration for filling one's day while one's "worse half" is out all day "working".

The new year has also brought with it a sparkly new website for us, in the form of www.nanjingexpat.com. We hope you will allow us some time in your busy surfing schedule!

Finally, it only remains for all at Nanjing Expat to wish each and every one of our readers a very lucky year of the snake. May your god go with you.

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The Gavel

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WOULD YOU LIVE AT THE SCENE OF A MURDER?

■ THE STORY

If you had spent all of your savings to buy an apartment and then discovered that a murder had taken place in that same place you had just bought, how would you feel?

This actually happened in Chengdu in 2007. Mr. Li (the plaintiff) spent more than ¥300,000 to buy a second hand apartment from Mr. Liu (defendant). After the sale, Mr. Li was told by his neighbours that a murder had been committed in the purchased apartment, when Mr. Liu's son killed a 10 year-old girl. The story was later confirmed by the real estate management company.

Mr. Li was shocked by the news since Mr. Liu had not previously disclosed this information. Mr. Liu eventually admitted that his son had killed the girl in the apartment, but refused to terminate the house purchase agreement and pay back Mr. Li. The dispute was then submitted to The People's Court.

There were two critical points that made up the crux of this case:

1. Is an apartment where a murder was committed livable?
2. Is a seller allowed not to disclose that a murder occurred on the premises of the property??

Mr. Liu insisted that the plaintiff's objection to living in the apartment was merely superstition. However, Mr. Li argued that his opposition was based on a Chinese folk-

custom, not superstition. In regard to the second point, the defendant cited the clean condition of the apartment and held that the murder was not an attribute of the apartment that he was obligated to share with the purchaser.

SHORT LEGAL ANALYSIS

When talking about the attributes of an apartment, we should contextualize them with background information. It is reasonable to assume that people desire a calm and comfortable living environment. The history of an apartment is an important factor to be considered before making the decision to buy.

In this case, it is a fact that the murder occurred on the apartment premises, so the event is indeed part of the apartment's history. Although the apartment was not damaged physically by the homicide, the value of the apartment depreciates due to public perception since Chinese people commonly agree that the occurrence of a murder in a residence will influence the future tenants' psychological well-being.

Hence, the court decreed that the seller, Mr. Liu, had an obligation to disclose the murder to Mr. Li since the result of the event is manifest as an attribute of the apartment. In legal terminology this is called a defect of subject matter. In contract law, the seller is obligated to shoulder the liability for the warrant of defects. In the case that the seller fails to disclose the attribute of the apartment (defects), it is considered fraud since the seller is trying to conceal truthful information.

Based on the same viewpoint, the people's court canceled the apartment purchase agreement. Mr. Li returned the ownership of the apartment to Mr. Liu and Mr. Liu returned the funds to Mr. Li. 🍷

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Running With Scissors

By Rachel Skeels



My Nanjing born partner and I have been together for just over three years now and it has been the most interesting three years to say the least. There is never a dull moment between the two of us; I guess this is what makes cross racial relationships so challenging, but equally so exciting! Not only have the three years been filled with belly chuckling moments, it has also been an educational roller-coaster ride, learning a variety of differences between our two worlds and how meaningless things to me can be so important to him and his family. This I can say with full certainty has been the hardest part; juggling two sets of really strong but varying ideals and trying to respect them whilst staying true to my principles and my perspective of the world.

It was early on into the relationship when I figured that this was going to be a fun packed adventure; we had only been dating a few months, so I was not fully prepared for what was about to come next. He had been up all night sweating buckets load with a fever that had struck him on and off three times that very same week and with a disturbingly strong immune system that Chinese seem to possess, with the third onset I started to panic. With my nursing skills only stretching to popping a damp tea towel onto his sweaty forehead I did feel rather worried for him. The good news though was that he suddenly sprung up with relief and came out with a statement that would stick with me forever;

“It’s because I’m not wearing my red underpants”



...After I bleated out one of those dumbfounded, high pitched, Chinese “ah’s”; he continued, “You know, the ghosts will come and haunt me if I’m not wearing them”. By this time “ah” was totally out of the picture and I was sprawled out rolling around the floor in stitches. I know it might have been insensitive in hindsight, but I was well and truly amused by this random announcement.

After several hours of laughter I finally settled for him to explain what it all meant; you see in traditional Chinese culture it is said that if you were born in the current zodiac year of that animal, that year in particular will prove challenging and leave you open to spirits who can bring harm, that is unless you are wearing those all-important red undies!

After researching further into this and asking other Chinese friends I discovered that my partner was not alone with his crazy belief;

Chinese culture has cultivated various methods for keeping ghosts and other night “things” at bay.

In fact you only need to look in the local department stores to see this thriving industry selling hoards of red wrist bands, jade and Buddha statues to help keep you in safe hands. It is also important to note that the colour red will only work to protect you against ghosts if it is directly touching the skin; it's no use wearing large red overalls if you haven't got your scarlet socks and undies on.

I am almost certain that as the year of the snake takes its grip, we will see the volume of red underwear usually decorated with gold embroidery illustrating the pertinent zodiac animal increase, as probably will the price, due to 1 in 12 people scurrying around in fear of the year ahead or Valentine's day lovers buying matching pairs of his and hers. So beware anyone born in the snake year; start stocking up on all things red, whilst dragons can finally breathe a sigh of relief!

After finally digesting the idea that I need to be kitted out in jade necklaces, red wristbands and knickers I was then dealt with a new crisis of superstitions. Unfortunately my partner's Grandma died at a respectable age of 84 and although everyone was sad, they were also happy that she would finally rest in peace, as she had been bedridden for years. The funeral was only two days after she had passed, so it did not give me long to research the superstitions surrounding death and how to handle the shocks that were almost certainly going to bowl me over. I have to say that this funeral was like no other; there were so many procedures that had to be followed with particular attention to detail.

There were in fact so many rules to follow that even the family were a little vague and therefore hired someone to direct the event to ensure that everyone did as they should. We followed strict instructions that included eating tofu and qingcai vegetables, wearing coloured arm bands; different colours for different age generations, jumping over fires, placing fruits, flowers and a bowl of

rice at the tomb, that was only two minutes later thrown off and replaced with a lunch of fish and steamed rice. This of course made no sense to me as the tomb was so beautifully decorated and then to only be left in such a mess; my culture would always ensure it was left looking beautiful and presentable, but here they were more worried about her starving, which considering the event seemed somewhat absurd. I finally decided to put it down to another crazy superstition in that without lunch she will simply haunt us all for an eternity; or does it just sum up the importance of food in China?



One of the most memorable parts for me was focused around a music band which had been hired, as I previously said it was an occasion to celebrate due to her age, so the morning we approached his uncles home from where we would proceed, a band stood playing the most depressing sombre music possible, which was sure to make everyone shed a tear. When I later found out that the band would be accompanying us on the coach I remember asking my partner; “they're not going to play on the bus are they?”

My partner assured me that they definitely would not, but as the coach pulled off, a sudden clash of percussion instruments scared everyone out of their wits and as the band continued to play the whole forty five minutes of the journey with many re-runs of “Auld Lang Syne”, I remember the strong feeling of anger, discomfort and a sense of total disrespect! As the day continued to unfold I was also given the impression that it was some sort of competitive show, a show to display which family were grieving the most or which family were willing to splash the most cash! To me this felt surreal and absurdly rude, but I was quickly reminded by my partner that this was their way and their culture of dealing with such occasions.



On a lighter note that same family occasion came with it not only superstitious activity on the day, but also guidelines to follow, such as my boyfriend not being allowed to cut his hair for a month. Now his hair was long overdue for cutting, not to mention his hair's freakish ability to grow at a rapid pace. He looked like a little Yeti by the end and despite that, plus my threatening to leave him, he remained fairly confident that he would not break the rules. I also didn't have the heart to butcher his locks whilst he was sleeping.

So after three years of similar experiences I feel grateful to have shared such intimacy with a family who have shown me much affection, when they could have turned me away. I now know that I must at least try to respect their ways and question that if and when the tables are turned in my country and with my family, would my partner feel my culture ill-mannered for not hiring a band to play on a coach or for us to not argue over money? The world we think we know is not necessarily the right one. **N**



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Feng Shui for Business

by Valerie Zhang



Your work place is the cradle of nearly all your creativity, productivity and inspiration. But according to feng shui, the ancient Chinese art, it can also become a stepping stone to success if designed the right way. To gauge your need for a little feng shui advice, close your eyes and bring your office to mind. What first comes to mind? A desk messily piled with files, or a huge, illuminated computer screen? Do you feel smothered by the “fresh air” pumped from the ventilation ducts, rather than soothed by a harmonious breath that promises a fruitful and harmonious work day? If you feel overwhelmed by the design of your work place, it’s an indication that the feng shui could stand some tinkering for better energy—and better performance.

Before diving into the nitty-gritty, a working knowledge of feng shui will help you grasp the spirit of it. Commonly associated with superstitious beliefs, feng shui conjures up an image of a so-called “feng shui master” walking the property with a kind of feng shui compass, or Luopan, in hand, mumbling abstruse words before offering the house owner some ambiguous advice. However, though it is usually regarded as a mere “art of placement,” feng shui is also a philosophy or a world outlook.

Anchored in the perception of reality in The Book of Changes (Yi Jing), feng shui has undergone thousands of years of evolution, drawing on the essence of other religions and academic fields. Perhaps the most fundamental doctrine is keeping a harmonious relationship with the course of nature. The crucial concept is qi, roughly translated into ‘breath,’ ‘breath of nature’ – the energy that existed in all matter.

According to An Introduction to Feng Shui by Ole Bruun, qi has “a certain parallel” in the Greek concept of “ether,” but perhaps is “of a more static nature.”

The benign energy flow, the idea goes, will create wealth, prosperity, health, sound relationship and vice versa. It is up to us to make adjustments to activate or slow the flow of energy.

A controversial subject, feng shui has always lurked along the sidelines of Chinese history, and is covered by no official guidebooks recognized by authorities. So we’ve gathered up a handful of tips that are universally acknowledged to help you feng shui up your business.

Clear up clutter

An easy start, almost like household work, right? Although you might feel at home working among a leaning heap of papers, books and rubbish, all this junk is getting in the way of free flowing good energy. According to Feng Shui Made Easy, a manual written by William Speare, the unwanted negative energy must be addressed before the positive energy can have its way. So, throw out the wilting flowers on the table, send your obsolete files to the recycle bin and change that worn, oil-stained tablecloth. Believe it or not, a tidy environment will have a far-reaching effect, larger than your imagination!

Place your desk in a commanding place

If you are free to replace the furniture, here is the way to gather the utmost in good energy. The desk is where the most productivity is generated and thus should be in a commanding position; opposite the door, not in line with it, and in the area farthest away, allowing you visibility towards the door. Ideally, it should be backed up by a solid wall (which can be substituted by a tall wing chair) rather than an open window. This tradition is evolved from the living habits of primitive people who usually chose to settle nestled against a mountain. The desk should be placed parallel to a wall, rather than at an uneven angle, which feng shui experts say creates a feeling of conflict in the room.

If you don’t have say over where to place the desk, at least put up a mirror or reflective metal that lets you see what’s happening at the entrance.

Remove the blockage

Ideally, there should be no walls facing the entrance or your desk, since it will block the flow of energy, creating a stagnant eddy of energy. But you can magically “remove” the challenging walls by decorating them with inspiring ornaments--anything, even a child’s drawing--that carry the specific energy you crave, thus changing the dull wall into a tool that creates energy and eases its flow. This is not a moment to be snooty about art: the crude portrait of you and your spouse painted by your four-year-old may work better than some gloomy print by Van Gogh. The point is to generate positive energy, so a medal you won, a picture of your loved ones or simply a landscape painting that brightens your mood can suffice.

All you need is a little green

Although you may choose whatever colour lightens up your spirit, the green provided by potted plants is most recommended. Remember the doctrine mentioned earlier; go with nature. Plants in your office can help absorb the toxic elements emitted in many work environments. And feng shui holds that evergreen and wide-leaved plants (such as Dracaena Janet Craig and Peace Lily) are good for absorbing negative energy and should be placed at a spot diagonally from the entrance – known as the Fiscal Position. A strong and lush plant like Golden Pothos or Areca Palm can also serve to create the feeling of a mountain and are thus ideal feng shui backings. On the other hand, vine plants or those with pointed and narrow leaves (cactus or the money plant, for example) should be moved to a balcony or dark corner, since they are thought to create conflicts within the office.

Another way to bring nature into your office is to display a little fountain (try to avoid the south direction because it represents the “fire” element that would be snuffed by water). Besides its soothing sound, a fountain can bring the energy of water, a symbol of wealth and prosperity.

Depending on your intuition

The last and the most important concept to bear in mind is to rely on your intuition. William Speare suggests us to “pretend that you know nothing” and to observe your workplace from “emptiness” in order to achieve a state of objectivity. Everything that makes you feel uncomfortable should be changed. You should relate the outer world as if it were simply “a reflection of the inner psyche”, and allow it to sync with body and soul.

Now sit back and wait for the magic to take hold. Here’s to a bumper New Year in your freshly feng shui-ed office.



COCONUT CRANBERRY LIME PIE



INGREDIENTS

1 pre-made 9-inch pie crust 1/2 cup butter, melted
1 cup sugar
2 large eggs
1 tablespoon lime zest
1 tablespoon white vinegar
1 tablespoon vanilla extract
1/8 teaspoon salt
1 cup glazed walnuts
1/2 cup sweetened flaked coconut
1/2 cup dried cranberries
Garnish: lime zest, dried cranberries

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350°F.
2. In a large bowl combine butter, sugar, eggs, lime zest, vinegar, vanilla and salt, whisking until smooth.
3. Add walnuts, coconut, and cranberries, stirring until combined.
4. Spoon mixture into prepared pie crust. Bake for 40-50 minutes, or until center of pie is set.
5. Let cool for 1 hour before slicing.
6. Garnish with lime zest and dried cranberries, if desired.

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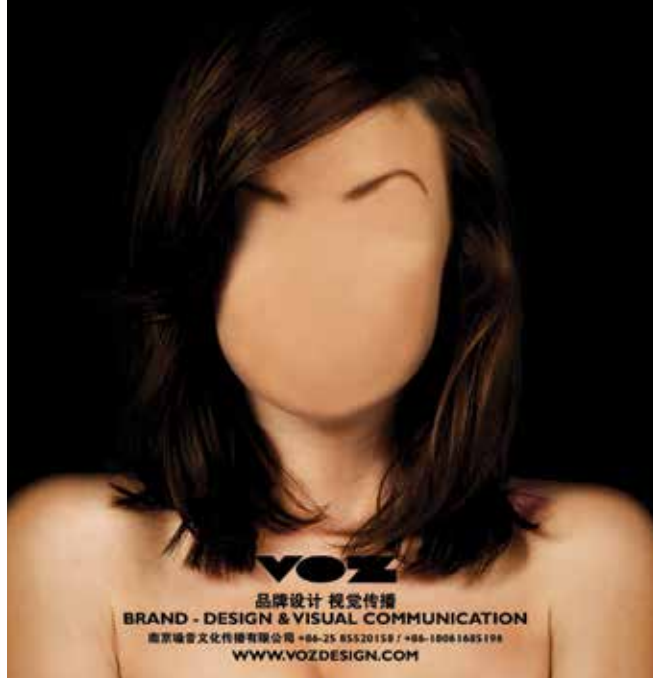
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HAIRY DEVILS, BABY EATERS, AND LAOWAI

By Melissa Morgenstern



...OH MY!

FOREIGNERS IN CHINA

can be forgiven if the events of 2012 left them feeling just the teensiest bit unloved.

From Yang Rui's rant about "foreign trash" to stricter restrictions on visas, international residents here were feeling the sting of their "laowai" label more than usual. While we could answer with a rant about how insensitive modern China can be or how some foreigners can spoil it for the rest (and you know who you are...), we'll take on the whole "laowai" sensation from a more sober perch.

To fully grasp the loaded topic of outsidership in China, it helps to go back to the ancient scholars and myths that first coloured Chinese perceptions of the "foreigner."

ABRUPT ENTRY = LIFELONG AMBIVALENCE

It cannot be denied that China's history is deep, rich, and complex. But the country's long held view of itself as the center of the universe and civilization met with a rude awakening when Europeans made it to China, bringing their influences with them. Some might say that the realization by Chinese intellectuals of civilization from outside the "central middle kingdom" produced near-trauma by puncturing their view of China as the center of the modern world. This became the basis of the reigning notion of non-Chinese being outsiders.

While China long held the outside world with deep suspicion, major treaties and historical events, such as the 1729 Chinese Anti-Opium edict, which enabled the British East India Company to flood China with opium, and Article 156 of the Treaty of Versailles, which led the Germans to transfer Shandong to Japan, also fed a more negative general view of the foreigner. In China, history and betrayal are not easily forgotten.

Also playing into China's view of foreigners are local definitions of elitism and bias based on ethnic origin, language differences, religious belief, or social class. While China is home to a highly developed, modern society, traditional prejudices remain. These prejudices are not only geared towards foreigners or minorities; they also exist within the majority population.

The general trend is that those who are "developed" or "modern" tend to receive more deference while those seen as "backward" or "old-fashioned" are held lower on the social pyramid. Chinese elitism and bias is based heavily on personal and communal accomplishments and social standing.

The bursting of the Chinese intellectual bubble, aggravated over the years by opportunistic treaties and local discrimination has led to a centuries-long ambivalence towards the non-Chinese population of Mainland China.

HAIRY DEVILS AND AN UPSIDE DOWN CIVILIZATION



As Western European influence began to seep in, Chinese people sought to understand the "foreigner" by way of homegrown Chinese thought.

Europeans were first seen as crude, lustful beings, ignorant of Chinese ways and values. During and after the Opium war, foreigners were taken to be cunning, intelligent and completely unpredictable. Foreign missionaries were alleged to dine on babies and came to be viewed as hairy monsters with intensely bad breath. Some intellectuals theorized that foreign power was simply another form of Chinese scholasticism. An admirer of Western technology and reformist named Wei Yuan claimed that European power grew out of a translation and separate interpretation of the Confucian classics into Latin. According to Wei, Confucian literature was so influential that it helped Jesus to establish Christianity.

There are also journals from Guo Songtao and Liu Xihong, two of the first Chinese ministers who were sent to London, in 1876, to learn more about this alien civilization known as Europe.

Liu Xihong was very conservative in his writing, yet exemplified the bewilderment over Western customs quite clearly. Liu saw everything in England as the opposite of China.



He theorized that this upside-down relationship stemmed from the fact that England is situated south of the center of the earth: "That is why their customs and systems are all topsy-turvy," he surmised. Liu posited that this explained why day and night were reversed. So, the next time you feel jet leg, see if doing things backward might help you get over that first-day-back-in-China hump.

LANGUAGE SHAPES YOUR THOUGHTS

Mainland foreigners are more than familiar with the phrase "lao wai (老外)," or, for those in Cantonese-speaking areas, with "gwai lo (鬼佬)." These terms reflect a deep spiritualism and a traditional sense of being at the center of things that remain pervasive in modern society. The term "gwai lo" can be literally translated as "ghost man" but has also been translated figuratively as "foreign devil". The term "gwai lo" first appeared in the 16th century when European sailors were becoming increasingly prevalent on China's southern coast.

The negative connotation term was reinforced by fears

of Chinese borders being continuously invaded by "uncivilized tribes" from distant lands.

During the Opium war and after the signing of disadvantageous treaties, the terms "gwai lo" (in Southern China) and "yang gui zi" (foreign devil) became a staple of the Chinese language.

TRADITIONAL MYTHS TURNING INTO MODERN STEREOTYPES



With the Communist takeover and near-abandonment of traditional thought and superstition, many myths about foreigners have been turned into more modern-based biases. Many of us have encountered the flippant comment or unspoken belief that all foreigners are rich, alike and are here to teach English. Tumble on your bike and people nearby will gawk, but may do nothing to help. Indeed, Chinese society can offer a perplexing mix of friendly warmth and wary chill. There are days when China feels to a foreigner like a welcoming cottage, embracing with its tea and noodles, and others when people seem to offer only spiny glares. But like much else of Chinese thought, myths about foreigners have a long and complicated history colouring life here to this day. **NU**

A Day In The Life Of Chinese Superstition

When a pair of black crows suddenly confronts you or look directly at you from a tree or rooftop, look on it as a warning. Immediately cancel all your important appointments for that day as the crows are said to be the bringers of bad news.



Never stick chopsticks vertically straight into your rice bowl as this a sign of ancestor worship and spells yin spirit formation, bringing bad luck.



One should never use the broom to sweep outwards at the front of the shop. One should always sweep inwards from main door and then progressively work your way to the back of the shop. This pulls in the luck. The front of the house is where good luck enters and the back of the house is where bad luck leaves.

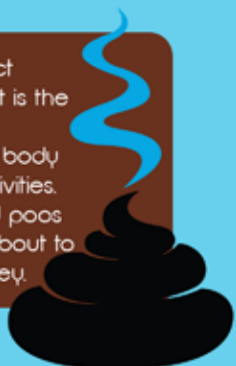


It's never good to give a clock to someone as a gift. In Chinese, clock "钟 zhōng" has the same pronunciation as death "终 zhōng". To elaborate on their similarities, "送钟 sòng zhōng" means to give a clock as a present and "送终 sòng zhōng" means to attend a funeral.



College going kids should avoid reading their text books in the toilet. This implies disrespect for the God of Education who then withholds his blessings. As a result, the child will lack good examination luck and will be hit by bad exam results.

If you step on poo, you can expect some good luck to come to you. It is the same when you dream of poo. Apparently this has to do with the body getting rid of its undesirable negativities. It is also believed that when a bird poos on your head, it means you are about to come into some speculative money.



It is considered very inauspicious to place odd numbered amounts of cash inside a red packet or "Hongbao".

On happy occasions such as weddings and birthdays, money wrapped as gifts should have even numbers and better yet should end in the 8 digit such as 110, 100 or 160. Odd number money is said to signify death.





When visiting sick people never offer pears as this is a symbol that the patient will die. It is also bad luck to send red flowers, especially red roses, as this signifies blood.



Never leave laundry hung in the nocturnal hours, always remember to bring the washing back in when dusk falls, otherwise wandering spirits will be tempted to "attach themselves" to the clothing and take over the personality of the person who wears them.



Try not to have sex on the 1st and 15th days of the Lunar Chinese Calendar. These are the days of the new moon and full moon. While these are auspicious days, they are also days for sacrifice rather than for sexual indulgence.

Avoid whistling at night. According to the old folks, doing so is sure to attract the attention of wandering spirits who then follow you home.



When eating, never point the knife or fork directly at someone, as this is a hostile signal and can cause the other party to have an accident.



Do not place a mirror directly facing your bed or it could cause you to get "trapped" in the inbetween world that exists between sleep and wakefulness. Another explanation is that the mirror attracts wandering spirits who come to steal your consciousness.





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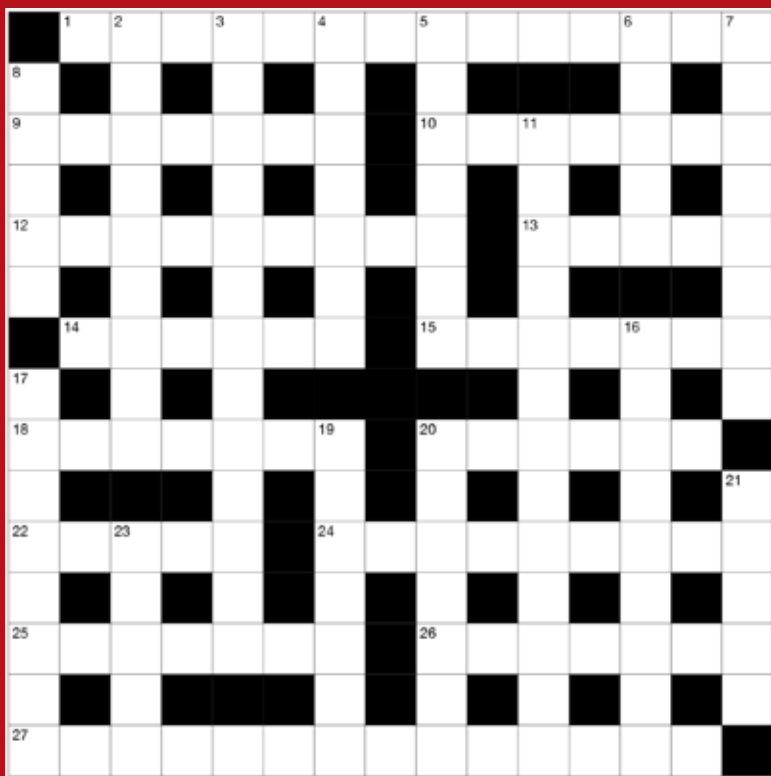
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The Nanjinger Cryptic Crossword

By Adam Wilkie

Solutions revealed in
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- 1 Family quarrel or precipitation after bombardment (7,7)
- 9 Two ways by which to travel, making the vehicle for one of them (7)
- 10 Good French in what sounds like an American car, resulting in a sort of plague (7)
- 12 Guard and small pedestal lost holy degree to give assurance (9)
- 13 What happens every fourth hand is perfect (5)
- 14 This animal is also a point (6)
- 15 These rulers sound like the signs of a hangover (7)
- 18 A seaman and I get confused: from forgetfulness? (7)
- 20 Big guns or church decrees (6)
- 22 London district includes a foul strike for a principle (5)
- 24 This farmhand provides a popular pub lunch (9)
- 25 Limber, but mixed with 'r' makes even more so (7)
- 26 What rot Terence wrote partly to make a horse (7)
- 27 Trio of unsighted animals who lost their tails (5,5,4)

- 2 One member of a sect believing in religious freedom (8)
- 3 I said a lack about and above an American state in short makes listless (13)
- 4 Shed a tear, mix, but not quietly, to describe a fizzy drink (7)
- 5 Dismisses confusedly and instal the Boys Brigade for liars (7)
- 6 Weighty cat (5)
- 7 Some can't act less undiplomatically (8)
- 8 These Frenchmen are what they eat (5)
- 11 And bridge room destroyed wedding principals (5,3,5)
- 16 Old cow with Tam back in charge of motion (9)
- 17 Has no upper teeth initially including zeal mixed up for edible kernel (5,3)
- 19 Give the gunners an apple and confuse them for clothes (7)
- 20 Fried bread translates to contour (7)
- 21 Initially a new green, red, yellow gives rise to this emotion (5)
- 22 Run or poet (5)

Down

Useful little oddities from an English/Mandarin world: Superstition

By Laura Helen Schmitt

CHINESE CORNER 汉语角 Hànyǔ jiǎo

Even Western superstition can vary a great deal. In the UK black cats are seen as lucky, whereas in Germany many think they are unlucky.

在西方的迷信中存在着许多不同。在英国黑猫代表好运，可是在德国很多人的眼里黑猫就是不吉利的象征。

Zài xīfāng de míxìn zhōng cúnzài zhe xǔ duō bùtóng。Zài Yīngguó hēimāo dàibiǎo hǎoyùn, kěshì zài Déguó hěn duō rén de yǎn lǐ hēi mǎo jiù shì bù jílì de xiàngzhēng。

My Chinese friend could never understand my horror when he walked under a ladder.

我有一个中国朋友，他总是不能理解为什么当我看到他穿过梯子时，每次我觉得很不舒服。

Wǒ yǒu yī gè Zhōngguó péngyǒu, tā zǒngshì bù néng lǐjiě wéi shénme dāng wǒ kàn dào tā chuānguò tīzi shí, měi cì wǒ juéde hěn bù shūfú。

The only person who is allowed to run with scissors is Edward Scissorhands.

这个世界上只有一个人可以拿着剪刀跑，那就是剪刀手爱德华。

Zhè gè shìjiè shàng zhǐ yǒu yī gè rén kě yǐ ná zhe jiǎn dǎo pǎo, nà jiù shì jiǎn dǎo shǒu ài dé huá。

My friend once put up her furniture according to Feng Shui and ended up with the bed blocking the door. She must have done something wrong...

有一次我朋友按照风水放置了她的家具。结果因为被床挡着，她开不了门了。这可能是她做的方式不对。

Yǒu yī cì wǒ péngyǒu ànzhào fēng shuǐ fàngzhì le tā de jiā jù。Jiéguǒ yīn wéi bèi chuáng dǎng zhe, tā kāi bú liáo mén le。Zhè kěnéng shì tā zuò de fāngshì bú duì。

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THE PHILIPPINES

By Megan Fisher



Your flight must first go through Manila then you can take a plane to Puerto Princesa, or "Puerto", Palawan's capital.

This Palawan city is one of the cleanest in the Philippines and surrounded by a tropical paradise. Natives welcomed us with toothy grins and always had recommendations for activities or accommodation.



Grimy with sweat, my husband and I stepped to the side of a jungle trail while a farmer and his boy rode past on a water buffalo. We all shared smiles. Life was simple, happy, beautiful. It was Palawan.

Palawan, a province consisting of Palawan Island and much smaller surrounding islands, has been dubbed the "last frontier" of the Philippines. It is largely unsettled, and towns are often rustic. Nature overwhelms with green mountains and an amazing seascape covered with a blanket of cerulean water. The beaches are clean and quiet except for the occasional small gatherings of travellers, where one guy strums a guitar and the rest pass around a bottle of rum.

My husband and I decided Palawan Island would have the perfect mix of adventure and relaxation while not being overrun with fellow tourists. Although we went during the rainy season, which extends from June to October, this also meant lower prices for accommodation and travel.

Reaching Palawan can take some time, especially if you plan on visiting magnificent El Nido in the north.



A room in Palawan can be found for any budget. My husband and I decided to be as comfortably cheap as possible, opting for fan rooms when available because of the cooler month.

Air-conditioned rooms might be preferable in the summer. It is also important to note that hot showers are a real rarity, and washing usually involves a spigot and a bucket.

Toward Puerto's center, small night markets lined the streets and stalls sold everything from grilled oysters to fried chicken. The locals were enjoying a festival celebrating their youth members, who performed songs and dances.

Restaurants were diverse, and although McDonalds was nonexistent, there was a Pancake House, a Jollibee, and a plethora of seafood restaurants.



For an adventurous day, visitors can tour the Puerto Princesa Subterranean River National Park, where you can float the longest navigable underground river in the world and hike up to the Sabang X Zipline for an 800-metre thrill ride over the ocean. In other tours, take a boat in the pitch-black night to see fireflies light up trees as if Christmas, or visit the Palawan Wildlife Rescue and Conservation Center to see crocodiles that are positively Jurassic in size.

Exotic sun-drenched beaches are best experienced in the north of Palawan Island, where the small town of El Nido hugs Bacuit Bay. After a six-hour bus ride over some extremely rough roads that will make carsick-inclined passengers green, we arrived at night and wandered into an open hotel.

All electricity is turned off in El Nido from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., so I felt my way out of the room the next morning and was met with an amazing sight. The bay expanded into a blue sea that melted into the horizon. Karst limestone formations towered out of the water like ancient island watchmen, their bottom edges eroded away and the tops green yet weathered. My days were then spent on sand or trekking through jungles toward the pounding sound of waterfalls.

The nightlife unfolded on the town's beach, where you could drink with your feet in the lulling waves and meet other travellers.


For a small fare, a tricycle will take you to surrounding beaches. Hermit crabs trail designs in the sand, but sandflies are also present and will bite, so wear insect repellent to ward them off. The water around El Nido is mostly calm with small waves or swells. For someone whose roots are firmly in the Appalachian Mountains, even I felt comfortable walking out into the ocean with the water so clear.



Although every day in El Nido was akin to paradise, the best may have been spent touring lagoons inside the limestone islands.

At a price of 700 pesos, the tour included a six-hour trip, a seafood lunch, and enough freedom to do some exploring of our own.

During the day we stopped near a coral reef, leapt off the boat, and snorkeled above a vibrant underwater world, where scattered sunlight lit up bizarre sea life and thick blue starfish. The guides; fun and knowledgeable natives, dove from a rock and swam among the tropical fish, as if one with them, to grin and wave up at us.

These moments made Palawan a place to remember and return to. In just a few days, I had fallen in love with the amazing people and the untamed yet simplistic environment. Five months later, pictures I snapped still send me reeling back to the taste of mango juice, the heartbeat of waterfalls, and the true blue of El Nido waters. 



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MANAGEMENT WITH FEEDBACK SYSTEMS

With Jochen Schultz

- **Feedback** is essentially just information that if used within a structured system can improve performance or process and increase awareness. It can concern individuals, small groups or even entire departments and companies.

It is important to distinguish between positive and negative feedback. While positive feedback reinforces existing patterns of desirable behavior and habits, negative feedback can be very risky. It can lead to unpredictable changes of behaviour and even a worsening of the original problem.

Where can feedback systems help?

Feedback systems enable a manager to recognise signals at an early stage and allow leaders to develop scenarios for dealing with problems. Feedback can help to design both goals and measures so that development with regular and continuous assessment of the current position can be implemented in a team environment.

Feedback Tools for Soft Skills

The wide range of tools that can be used to measure soft skills include customer surveys, employee surveys, analysis of management and employee potential, assessments, management style analyses, team feedback plus individual development and goal setting interviews. The quality management system should also be prepared for systematic troubleshooting as well as corresponding corrections and improvements from the perspective of a Continuous Improvement Process.


Structuring of Data

In most cases, the chosen tools produce a large quantity of data that requires handling before it can be used. A key requirement is the implementation of a management information system to structure the data. This involves the translation and standardisation of the data that should preferably contain as few variables as possible; it is important for a company to focus on specific information in an employee survey, such as detailed analysis of management style or targeting a specific feedback group. Any system must be tailored to fit the company that is using it.

Dealing with Data

The information produced by feedback systems is only useful if shared with employees. Results that are only seen and interpreted by managers are entirely useless. Measured data needs to be reviewed by the team. Transparency is the only way optimisation is possible. It is best if every manager compiles an overview of performance data for his/her own area of responsibility that is then discussed on a monthly basis with the entire team. It should be routine to analyse potential errors and discuss preventive and protective measures. These meetings should also be used to review and measure specific issues, e.g. the processing of errors, individual development and goal setting interviews.

It is highly recommended that a company also holds an annual conference to evaluate the cumulative results from all feedback tools for each manager's own area. Following the annual meeting, measures can be formulated and their implementation can be planned. The results of this conference can again be used by smaller teams to compare with their interim development. An additional quarterly reflection on the state of development is also advisable.

Any feedback system implemented can be further enhanced with the aid of an Information Technology tool that systematically records the activities and tracks planned and adopted measures, possibly listed according to fields of action, person responsible and measured results of feedback. 

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■ Grape vs. grape is, sometimes, an interesting discussion but these arguments are made much more heated by an average alcohol level pointing north of 14%, I discovered. Is the alcohol hit an essential part of the wine experience, or an inconvenience? Whatever your aesthetic philosophy, and certainly a cold February day in Nanjing can influence one's gustatory motivations, it is clear that alcohol levels in wine are on the rise; whites up from 12 to 13.5% and reds judged to have jumped from 12 to 14% on average over the last twenty years.

There are various schools of thought as to why the trend towards higher alcohol in wine has happened, some blame climate change leading to higher sugar levels, but others say it lies more at the door of the producers themselves, catering to a perceived consumer vogue for rounder, and softer styles. This fuller style is more easily captured by a higher alcohol content, and so the grapes are left longer on the vine to achieve this; in the hands of a master winemaker high levels of alcohol won't necessarily imbalance the wine. All too often, however, a high ABV is immediately noticeable; it generally leads to a fuller-bodied and less acidic wine, but the wine's structure is rendered incoherent, not unlike an unsuspecting recipient (marked ABV levels generally go unnoticed and are frequently understated in any case).

This quartet of Aussie bruisers, set to spar at an all-in very attractive price for the Middle Kingdom at Times Grocery Store, Yunnan Lu, are certainly not pretending to be ballerinas of the wine stage, but they do make for a well-muscled performing troupe with enough definition, and delivering fruit with enough polish and clarity, to be a notch or two above alcohol bomb student party status.

Warming up with The Big Red Shiraz 2011, which surprises straightaway with a sharp bite and a light flyaway-fruit feel, which all makes for a pleasing, slightly peppery, quaffer overall that, for some, would represent great value simply for supplying 14.5% alcohol and asking only ¥60 (14.5 points).

In the deeper shade of red corner is the 1882 Knuckle Buckle Shiraz (1882 is the date the cornerstone wine property was built in the Clare Valley, not the year of vintage; 2010 in this case) and although named after the last bare knuckle world champ, it is, ironically, a bit of a smoothie - silken even - yielding a little chocolate as it slips richly by; a powerful wolf of a Shiraz in sheep's clothing (Merino) and weighing in at 14.5% ABV and ¥80, garnering 16 points.

Next up, we have Jumbo Dynamo, a name and liquid that rolls right off the tongue (and I'm sure you would remember it also as the name of the US's first electric power station), and another product from the 1882 wine company. This is a juicy, fleshy and plummy 2009 Merlot, making for a great roundly-fruited glugger, with a solid 14.5% ABV thump for ¥80, and judged the overall winner on a unanimous Corker verdict of 16.5 points.

We finish with the softer, but still authoritative, 14% goodnight cuff from the aptly named Sleepy Red Cabernet Sauvignon 2011; drink after the other three as it is a bit lean on the fruit with a slightly oily finish, but blackcurrant juiciness is there if you can concentrate, though that won't matter so much at this stage and you may at least find the price tag a tasty digestif in itself at just ¥60 (13.5 points). **NU**



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When feeling unwell one goes to the doctor and will likely follow their instructions, having trust in their expertise and professionalism, but what happens if the doctor is unqualified or even worse; they are not even a doctor? There is no way to know until... well, until the damage is done.

5 SIGNS That your designer is not good

By Ronald Paredes

In fields such as graphic design, visual communication and brand development the same is true, except that nobody will die or get seriously ill, but nevertheless your brand is at risk of getting defaced, crippled and unable to communicate effectively. Fortunately any damage can be reversed but not without cost; to avoid the risks and inconvenience of brand butchery there are five ways to spot a bad designer and stay away from hacks.

1- They promised the project would be delivered within hours.

Never trust a designer who offers you over-night delivery. There is always a process to follow in order to create an effective design; a project delivered strikingly soon probably did not go through this process. You might very well be getting something that is not designed at all; there is a good chance it is a ripoff of another design or merely not very well finished. However, there are cases when the process of creation and delivery can be shortened considerably. This would be the case with a very experienced designer or a natural genius, in which case you would be paying a great amount of money for that privilege.

2- The design fee is surprisingly cheap.

Professional designers who know and understand the implications of a work well done would never undervalue their work; good design does not need to be expensive in order to be good but there is always something fishy about a 20 dollar logo. It is always hard to price creative work for there are many influencing factors. However, there is often a market rate for graphic work and creativity that should be identified in order to set a fair price.

3- No questions asked.

The brief is the cornerstone of every design project and will determine the effectiveness of the final product. Not asking the right questions when the brief is delivered is a sign of unprofessionalism and a lack of interest in the client, brand and project in question. Professionals will not limit themselves to only the project requirements, but will also ask questions about its context, implementation and objectives.

They will like to come to a concise understanding of your brand, product or company, and they will know how to use this information to benefit the project. In many cases designers will also come up with questions that will raise issues the client did not realize needed considering.

4- Over complacency.

As a client one might think that this is a good thing, especially if one is a firm believer in the premise, "the customer is always right", but when it comes to design this is in most cases invalid (for reasons to be revealed in another article). An overly complacent designer who gives in too easily to client opinion may also be willing to compromise on the quality and integrity of their work; this is also indicative that the work presented does not have a concept or argument to support it. Good designers defend their creations and they will have all the right arguments to do so. Regardless of how proud, annoying and even disrespectful one might think this is, a designer who argues and stands for their work shows nothing but passion and commitment for the success of your project, and that is exactly the kind of professional you want working for your brand.

5- They are not even a designer!

Before you even bother giving away your brief it would be good practice to do some background checks on your potential designers. Nowadays, (and for very little money) literally anybody can have a fairly-presentable website and easily-printed business cards. Do not ever fall for a website and a fancy title on a business card; there are now staggering numbers of people who call themselves designers, art directors, creative directors, marketing strategists, branding gurus and so on. Some wrongfully assume that skills with design software and notions about programming or website "construction" are qualifications to label themselves professionals; these self-proclaimed designers make a mockery of this noble practice and a fool of those who decide to put their projects into their unskilled hands.

If you are in any way serious about your company and your brand you will want to make sure that the person who is handling your communication material is fully qualified to do so.

After all, it is your face and the face of your brand that is at stake. **NU**

World Class Manufacturing: The Five "S"

■ It is often said that if you can master 5S then anything is possible in business. This Japanese system developed to bring discipline and order to the workplace provides an early opportunity to empower the workforce. Sometimes referred to as "Housekeeping", it is in fact much more and is as applicable to the office as it is a factory.

SEIRI – SORT: CLEAR UNNECESSARY ITEMS

In order to restore order, we need to identify what is needed for an efficient operation and then clear out everything else. We therefore need rules to establish what should be there and in what quantity, e.g. a minimum and a maximum, with replenishment signals. Demarcation is used to identify storage or equipment areas and safety rules, for instance places where you cannot store anything to allow access to fire equipment.

SEISO – SHINE: CLEAN TO THE CORRECT STANDARD

Once unnecessary items are removed, we then need to clean the workplace to standards relevant to what you do, using the correct cleaning method, materials and a visual standard. If it needs to be hygienic, then we must measure how clean it is. The purpose behind cleaning is to identify problems and thus we inspect while we clean to see if there are any problems that need fixing. We want all we use to look "as new". If we can identify the root cause of any dirt and eliminate it, then it follows that we reduce cleaning time.

SEITON – SET IN ORDER: A PLACE FOR EVERYTHING

If all stock, tools, machinery, documents etc. are in their place, work becomes more efficient as one knows where they are, which eliminates time wasted through searching. In the office, this would apply to filing systems and of course servers and computers. Again we need rules to determine what is where and how much and when to replenish, if necessary.

SEIKETSU – STANDARDISE: SELF-EXPLANATORY!

Here we set standards for the first 3 S's; visuals that tell us what acceptable practice is and help to identify when and where things are incorrect. Using "Before and After" images assists here in the continuous improvement process as the "After" becomes the next "Before", helping to raise standards.

SHITSUKE – SUSTAIN: DISCIPLINES NEEDED HERE

To sustain the gains already achieved and to continuously improve, we need a culture where order, cleanliness, discipline, ownership, responsibility and pride are valued. This then helps us to lay the foundations for other Best Practices.

6S

Sometimes these programmes are referred to as 6S, as the business has included Safety into 5S. There is a close link between them, as keeping things clean and in order will enable higher safety standards to be kept. There are many links to other practices in the business, for instance quality, maintenance, changeovers, problem solving, operator ownership and pride.

Get the 5S right and you start off on the right step towards World Class. 

Trailing Spouse

The High Street

■ **H**igh streets in many shapes and forms can be found in any sizeable city all over the world, being usually a long stretch of shops offering the average Joe a reasonable price tag for fashion and quality that is not extortion.

Since arriving in Nanjing six years ago I have often struggled to find this kind of retail shopping and it was only a few years ago when we first saw the H&M and Zara signs go up, that I finally cried a sigh of relief. We can probably all agree that trying to find the right size trousers without random sequins or a t-shirt without English quotes scribbled all over it is often hard to seek out through the rubble. But after several shopping runs in these European high street stores I often left with a niggling feeling of been ripped off knowing that the price would be half that for the same product from exactly the same brand outside of China. Therefore I was left with a huge shopping haul when I went back home, and back to square one.

I have recently browsed the shops along one of Nanjing's famed shopping streets, namely Hunan Lu, mainly for local street food and flashing lights, but I am now greeted with many interesting looking apparel that is without doubt worth a second glance, for this may just be the answer to Nanjing's long awaited high street.

One of my most beloved shops is a brand that seems to be on every block; Sanfu into which I had often wandered look-

ing for some cheap tat, but it was not until last year that I bought my first piece of clothing. I was so chuffed with myself, for here was a fleeced lined jacket and it actually fit me! After finding my bargain of the year, I decided I would try my luck again. Next time I came out with two good quality knitted sweaters for around ¥100!



Since then I have become a regular shopper at Sanfu; even the girls at work giggle about my love for the place and as a loyal customer, I once had to prove its worth by taking a colleague in there, who was adamant that it was full of trash. Sure enough after a few minutes of scouring the rails, we soon landed on some cheap knitwear and since then she has been a committed Sanfu punter. Granted the place will certainly not answer all of your shopping woes, but it will help. The initial greeting and impression it will give you may make you look twice at the sign to ensure you have the right place; the colour choices in store will bedazzle you! Be prepared to look past the dodgy sequined leggings and fish net

vest tops, because it is worth doing to find that sparkling one off that the buyers have obviously let slip through the net. While it is great for sweaters, bags, shoes and even some underwear, stay away from cheap cosmetics that are liable to burn your face off and cheap nightwear where the quality is almost certain to bring you out in a rash!



Another hidden gem I've recently grown a love/hate relationship with is Kawaii; the term interestingly enough meaning cute and adorable in Japanese, which I think says it all, since Kawaii is likely to be the answer to all your seasonal accessory needs. Herein find stacks of half decent gloves, mittens, hats and of course the most important fashion accessory in Asia, lensless glasses! Make sure you take a peek at the back of the store, where hoards of fashionable handbags lurk at phenomenal prices, and you can also amuse yourself with some of the other hideous over cutesy designs on offer! This should be on your checklist before leaving China as it is a great place for picking up nic nac gifts for friends and family

back home, such as pretty little key rings, teddy's and funky mouse mats.



The last place to visit during your shop along Nanjing's high street visit has to be Muniton, otherwise known to the locals as Wanli. This place will undeniably give you a fright; the store has little organisation, with stock strung up all over the place. Despite not being as thoughtfully planned as the other shops, you may just stumble upon some rather nice outerwear and the occasional knitted sweaters for both men and ladies. The quality of some styles is actually better than the likes of Zara and I can assure you that wool content is higher in certain cases, which should certainly leave the Spanish outfitter feeling ashamed of themselves.



To all Taobao junkies, what I can tell you is these places offer a similar price, but the great thing about the high street is that you can actually see and feel the quality and even try things on before you purchase. It's also more fun digging through all the piles of junk whilst listening to some K pop and Gangnam style on loop!

Let's hope that the design and branding for these little retail stores develops even further; I am sure as times change and the average money spent on shopping increases, so will the demand for high street shops alike. **NU**

previews & reviews



Restaurant Review Gourmet Village

By Frank Hossack

■ The Nanjing international dining scene currently suffers from growing pains. While we may now have the hardware; really good western food is seemingly popping up on every block, the software department has still quite some way to go. This is often manifested by slow service, inconsistency, virtually across the board, ill-informed staff and/or all three.

Into this hazardous Human Resources maze has recently stepped Gourmet Village, hailing from the same culinary heritage that brought us Pisa Pizza, lying through a few walls to the north on Shanghai Lu. For chef turned entrepreneur Maric, it has been a road with many unexpected twists and turns.

From being a chef at the first Hilton in Nanjing (now the Grand Metropark), and after a stint at InterContinental Dubai, Maric found himself working as chef on a 95 metre yacht of which the elderly British tycoon owner was tragically soon to be gunned down by terrorists during the 2008 attacks on the Taj hotel.

Bringing with him the tools of such high level hospitality back to Nanjing, Maric set up shop in Pisa Pizza.

In August last year Maric brought himself and his obvious affinity to all things Italian into a partnership to open Gourmet Village.

Such an affinity reveals itself through also the choice of menu items, that represent solid, simple sophistication. We enjoyed Greek salad (¥48) and sausage platter (¥58) as very hearty appetizers, followed by grilled salmon (¥66) and a herb-infused chicken breast (¥88) accompanied by roast herb potatoes.

For the moment, Gourmet Village is open for dinner only, but also offers a deli side that is another good option for picking up the likes of real imported crisps one rarely sees in Nanjing as well as a good range of spices and herbs, mustard and pasta plus jams, marmalades, cheeses, sausages, wine and of course the wonderful salami that graces the dishes in Pisa Pizza.

While not immune to the challenges posed by the immaturity of the human resources market in China, Gourmet Village has one major thing going for it; the legacy that lies in its all-but-next-door predecessor. If they can hang around for a bit, Gourmet Village's international aspirations are sure to pay off.

Drinks Review Nanjing's Margaritas

By Rachel Skeels

■ Margarita the world renowned cocktail is famous for its sharp signature taste and fancy glass. It is said that the finest drink should be made from quality tequila and only the freshest ingredients, so let us see how some of Nanjing's bars score on these pointers, reviewed by a frequent margarita swigger.



Solar - 14/20

- How it Tastes 4/5

Made using fresh lemon juice, it had a gorgeous zesty tang, but not too tart.

- How it looks 3/5

Loved the glass, but disappointed with the measures

- How easy on the Wallet 3/5

At ¥35 I would expect a wee bit more source

- Bar environment 4/5

A great bar to unwind in, whilst sipping a cocktail or two!

Myth Bar - 16/20

- How it Tastes 5/5

Made with fresh ingredients, giving it a sweet and sour combo, this was my top taster.

- How it looks 4/5

Presented quickly and professionally by an Italian barman the salt was perfectly rimmed & it even had a small mouth space for those who might wince at the salt.

- How easy on the Wallet 4/5

At ¥30 this has to be the best deal, just make sure you get the right cocktail maker.

- Bar environment 3/5

Not one of my favourite spots, despite good events, could be the trusty cocktail bar with cheesy music to get feet tapping.



Villa - 14/20

- How it Tastes 2/5

Extensive cocktail menu that didn't live up to expectation and far too strong to enjoy.

- How it looks 3/5

I didn't feel very glam holding this with random salt lashings, but the glass was perfect and the colour inviting.

- How easy on the Wallet 4/5

At ¥30 this is another winner, but a case of you pay for what you get, better to play it safe with a bottle of beer.

- Bar environment 5/5

With rustic decor and regular live music venues, this place has a fun and chilled atmosphere.





Tribeca - 13/20

- How it Tastes 3/5

A good sipping margarita, but needed more fresh juice and Cointreau adding to it.

- How it looks 4/5

One of my favourites and liked the additional lime slice.

- How easy on the Wallet 3/5

At ¥45 I think it was a little overpriced especially after a few rounds.

- Bar environment 3/5

Not a favourite, it seemed rather claustrophobic and cluttered but a great place to chat with friends.

Sky Bar - 13/20

- How it Tastes 4/5

Pretty nice, however not nice enough to order a second round.

- How it looks 4/5

Neatly presented, however the glass was not easy to hold and I got rather nervous about slopping it on the floor.

- How easy on the Wallet 2/5

¥58 on Wednesday's aperitivo nights, it is the most expensive, but comes with quiche and other mini snacks.

- Bar Environment 3/5

Relaxed and chilled with friendly bar staff and other regular customers.



Restaurant Review

Ms Bon Bon

By Rachel Skeels

■ Ms Bon Bon is a trendy little café that suddenly dropped out of no-where, finally offering us a proper brunch and afternoon tea, with excellent service and proper English tea. The décor is clean and cosy and you may indeed feel like you've switched cities.

At first glance the menu may seem a little expensive, but once you clap eyes on portion sizes and taste the quality it suddenly makes sense. Make sure you go with friends to share a few of the delightful treats on offer otherwise it could be a case of food envy.

Brunch is served between 10am – 2pm: includes eggs benedict, focaccia sandwiches and mini sausages wrapped in bacon, which are heaven on a stick with a surprising spicy twang. You can also choose one little extra with your brunch such as yoghurt, fruit or a refillable cup of coffee.

Afternoon Tea is served between 2 and 4pm: it includes 2 and 3 tiered cake stands, with little club sandwiches, scones, mini waffles and topped off with classy little macaroons that will more than likely need to be taken away. Just a shame about the take away bags, a box would have been much more suitable.

And if all that doesn't tickle your taste buds then why not opt for scarily large waffles with huge scoops of ice-cream or one of the other gigantic luxury treats that will send the best of us into a diabetic coma. Evening dining is also an option as they have a small selection of pasta dishes and yummy side orders.

This place has already become popular amongst young groups of Chinese couples and friends hanging out for a spot of afternoon tea, so don't be surprised to find hoards of people queuing outside the doors. Make sure you leave plenty of time for brunch; otherwise you may just miss out.

Movie Review

Les Misérables

Oh, what a joy!

By Laura Helen Schmitt



■ After waiting for over half a year, I finally got to see the highly anticipated film adaptation of the longest running musical of all time. First off, a small warning, unlike most other musical adaptations *Les Miz* has gone with a non-stop singing policy, so if you want to watch this movie with non-native speakers, try and find a screening with subtitles.

Watching the bombastic cast sing their way through one classic after the other, I was surprised to find my initial perceptions turned upside down. While Hugh Jackman's acting as lead Jean Valjean was as spot on as to be expected from the man who gave us *Wolverine* and *Australia*, his vocals are less convincing. I was even more surprised by the crystal clear tones emanating from Russel Crowe's vocal chords. Didn't see that one coming. The highlight, however, was undoubtedly Anne Hathaway.

I never thought I would call the former princess and Meryl Streep door mat the next Judy Garland, but by God, or Hammerstein, I am! We have seen her grow as an actress in her "purr-fect" rendition of cat woman, but her performance in *Les Miz* is anything but miserable. Even Mamma Mia musical mistress Amanda Seyfried looks and sounds very pale against her movie mother.



Another personal favourite of mine were Team Cohen – Carter. Who would have thought that Borat and Bellatrix Lestrange would be the ones to make us laugh throughout this dramatic story? Certainly not me.

Most interestingly, the real highlight of the movie is not the big names, but rather the unknown and new talent, who turned out to be far more impressive

in their singing and acting than any of their famous colleagues. Be they child actors Isabelle Allen (young Cosette) and Daniel Huttlestone (Gavroche) or Eddie Redmayne (Marius) and Samantha Barks (Éponine); all undoubtedly the best voices of the film. It was refreshing to see that *Les Miz* did not just go for names at the cost of talent, unlike *Mamma Mia*, some may say. We have not heard the last of these four.

Apart from the obvious great songs, *Les Miz* sparkled through grandiose camera work that enhanced the "Vive La Revolution" feeling of the movie so much. For non-musical fans the 2 ½ hours singathon might be a bit much to handle, but if it is great music, great acting, great shots you are after, *Les Miz* may leave you with a tear in your eye, but far from miserable.



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30F, 1 Zhujiang Lu 珠江路1号30层
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Extensive experience in teaching Chinese to locally-based foreigners employed in international companies.

Clubs & Charities

Nanjing International Club

南京国际俱乐部

www.nanjinginternationalclub.com
A club 500 plus strong in membership and with events take place weekly, monthly and annually.

Nanjing Toastmasters

南京第一家英语演讲会俱乐部

www.nanjingtoastmasters.com
Weekly meetings at Hohai University.

Hopeful Hearts

www.hopefulhearts.info

Raises funds for medical treatment of children with heart conditions.

Pfrang Association

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7-3 Dabai Xiang Meiyuan Xin Cun
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www.pfrang-association.org
Helps sponsor the education of children in poor regions of Jiangsu province.

Shopping

For the Home

B&Q 百安居

90 Kazimen Da Jie (beside Metro)
南京卡子门大街90号麦德龙旁
52450077

IKEA 宜家家居

99 Mingchi Lu (East side of Kazimen Plaza)
南京市秦淮区明匙路99号(卡子门广场东侧)
4008002345

Working House

生活工场

4F, Zifeng Tower, Zhongshan Bei Lu
中山北路紫峰大厦购物广场4F
52360109

Stylish kitchenware in dark tones, candles and colourful vases or even camera cases; just a few of the fascinating products that await in every corner of this shop with two other branches in Nanjing.

Hongxing Furniture

红星国际家具广场

224 Zhongyang Lu 中央路224号
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Large furniture mall with many shops. Large range of prices, styles, etc.

Jinsheng Market 金盛百货大市场

2 Jianning Lu

下关区建宁路2号(南京南湾对面)
9 Wangjinshi (off Changjiang Lu)
玄武区长江路网市市9号
Daqiao Bei Lu (beside North bus station)
江苏省南京市浦口区大桥北路(长途北站旁)
58507000

Large indoor market with everything from home décor to wires, Christmas trinkets and electronics. Cheap but be prepared to bargain.

Jinling Decoration Market

金陵装饰城

88 Jiangdong Zhong Lu
江东中路88
86511888

Everything needed for a new home.

Longjiang Flower Market

龙江花卉市场

78 Qingliangmen Da Jie
清凉门大街78号

Huge flower market with plants, cut flowers, fish tanks and fish, plus a selection of gardening tools.

Modern House NJ (Remo) 摩登舍

Ground Floor, Lan of mercy and Social Hall, off Huaqiao Lu
慈悲社兰之堂5-2号
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www.amodernhouse.com.cn
Copied designer furniture & décor.

Art

Jiangsu Art Gallery 江苏省美术馆

266 Changjiang Lu 长江路266号
84506789
Local artists' work, changed frequently.

ART 国艺堂

D-1 Shuimuqinhui, 99 Shitoucheng Lu 石头城路99号水木秦淮D-1号
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Stone City Modern Art Creation Gallery

石城现代艺术创意园

72 Beijing Xi Lu 北京西路72号
Exhibition of modern Chinese art.
55583708

Shenghua Art Center

南京圣划艺术中心

2 Zhoutai Lu, on Jiangxin Zhou (Grape Island)
江心洲民俗街洲泰路2号(原乡土乐园)
86333097 86333100
Exhibition of Chinese contemporary art.

Nanjing Drug Art Museum

Building 22, 12 Dinghuai Men Jie
定淮门12号(世界之窗软件园) 22号房
83752646

Social experiments between local and foreign artists.

Malls

Deji Plaza 德基广场

18 Zhongshan Lu 中山路18号
84788066

A premier mall with wide variety of high class shops such as Louis Vuitton and Burberry. Includes also a movie theatre.

Nanjing Aqua City 南京水游城

1 Jiankang Lu 健康路1号
52233999

Home to many restaurants and western brand name shops as well as a cinema and the BHG import supermarket.

Golden Eagle Shopping Center

金鹰国际商城
89 Hanzhong Lu 汉中中路89号
84708899

Offers a wide selection of clothing, homeware, and a foreign food supermarket on the upper floor.

Wanda Plaza 万达广场

88 Hongwu Lu
白下区洪武路88号(近淮海路)
84783706

98 Jiangdong Zhong Lu
江东中路98号
86805588 / 86805577
Largely occupied by Chinese brands but with an increasing number of well known foreign retailers in the process of moving in. Includes Walmart outlets and large cinema (IMAX in the Hexi location).

Golden Wheel In-Citi 金轮新天地

8 Hanzhong Lu 汉中中路8号
84773788

Many restaurants plus brands such as Sephora, H&M, and Timberland, plus the ubiquitous Costa Coffee.

New City Mall 新城市广场

99 Caochangmen Da Jie 草场门大街99号
86210888

Many brand name shops, restaurants, a yoga studio, and a movie theatre.

Orient Department Store 东方商城

2 Zhongshan Nan Lu 中山南路2号
Gucci, Celine and other designer brands.

Electronics

Professional Photography Equipment Market

照相器材专业市场
3F, Binjiang Friendship Shopping Center, 301
Jiangdong Bei Lu
江东北路301号滨江友好商城三楼
Specialists in wedding photography plus equipment and lighting, flash etc.

Camera & photography equipment Market

东鼎照相市场
Dongding Plaza, 699 Zhujiang Lu
珠江路699号东鼎照相市场
Widely regarded as the best camera and equipment market in Nanjing.

Mobile phone shops on Danfeng Jie

丹凤街-手机
Indoor markets specialized in new and second-hand mobile phones and repairs.

IT products on Zhujiang Lu

珠江路-IT产品
A multitude of stores that selling everything you

can imagine and more; computers, cameras, MP3 and MP4 players, iPad, webcams, hard drives, and portable flash drives.

Video games on Zhongyang Lu

中央路-电子游戏
Any type of video game for all video game systems. Also do minor repairs.

Suning Electronics 苏宁电器

Local firm that is now one of China's largest retailers for electrical household appliances. Branches all over Nanjing.

Sports

Decathlon 迪卡侬

286 Ningli Lu (next to Metro)
宁漂路286号(麦德龙对面)
Sport Megastore, 9am-9pm

Giant 捷安特

178 Zhongshan Bei Lu, opposite the fabric market
"Bu Bu Bu"
中山北路178号
83611227
Largest branch of the popular bike manufacturer.

Jinxianghe Rd 进香河路

The outdoor store street in Nanjing; shops for biking, hiking, backpacks, equipment and apparel for outdoors.

Groceries

Fields

www.fieldschina.com
Shanghai's premier online grocery store for safe, high quality, delicious food delivery to your door. Delivering to Nanjing residents every Wednesday with free delivery for all orders over ¥500.

Nanjing Bakery

www.nanjingbakery.com
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Metro 麦德龙

288 Ningli Lu 宁漂路288号
300 Jianning Lu 下关区建宁路300号
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Carrefour 家乐福

235 Zhongshan Dong Lu
中山东路235号
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RT Mart 金润发

39 Danfeng Jie
玄武区丹凤街39号(近北京东路)
83358788 / 83356077
Chinese supermarket with a decent foreign food section and three outlets in Nanjing

Auchan 欧尚

151 Hanzhongmen Da Jie
汉中门大街151号(近纪念馆东路)
86555568
Another French hypermarket with three stores in Nanjing.

BHG Market

B2 Floor, Aqua City, 1 Jiankang Lu 健康路1号水游城地下2层
66985066 / 66985068
91 Matai Jie
马台街91号
68675666 / 68675699
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Yaohan City Market

南京八佰伴
Phoenix International Bookmall, 1 Hunan Lu
湖南路1号凤凰国际
Foreign food supermarket.

Times Grocery

泰晤士
48 Yunnan Lu 云南路48号
83685530
Compact yet its location close to the home of many expats, especially students make this a very popular foreign food store with a wide selection of imported yet pricy food.

GSAB 新源宝

6-1C16 Block 6 Taiwan Product City, Hexi Dajie
河西大街台湾名品城6馆6-1C16号
52360050
Limited selection of imported items from Taiwan difficult to find elsewhere.

Organic Food 有机食品

Available in many supermarkets and big Chinese food markets, but need to ask staff. Organic foods can be ordered online from <http://shop.njaf.gov.cn>.

Wine Outlets

Aussino Cellar 富隆酒窖

Room 109, 198 Zhongshan Dong Lu
隆酒窖 南京市中山东路198号109室
84679799
www.aussino.net

Ziyo Wines 南京紫元酒窖

18 Mochou Dong Lu 南京市建邺区莫愁东路18号
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中山东路218号长安国际(太平南路口)
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新街口店白下区中山东路56号(近洪武路)
86645151
54 Hunan Lu (near Matai Jie)
鼓楼店湖南路54号(马台街口)
83374645

Phoenix International Book Mall
凤凰国际书城
1 Hunan Lu
鼓楼区湖南路1号八佰伴旁(近中央路)
83657000 / 83657111

Online Shopping

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nanjing_lufthansa@dlh.de
Lukou Airport Int'l Check-in Service - Room 417

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Nanjing Train Station
南京火车站
141 Longpan Lu
新庄龙蟠路141号
85822222 (enquiry)
85824224 (tickets)
www.njstation.com
Online train timetable and booking, but only in Chinese.

Nanjing South Train Station
南京南站
Shuanglong Dadao / Yunan Lu
雨花台区双龙大道玉兰路
52414183
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Nanjing Lukou International Airport
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Lukou Town, Jiangning District
江宁区禄口镇
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2. Nanjing Zhonghua Men Station, 508 Yingtian Da Jie 南京中华门车站 应天大街508号 6am-9.00pm, leaving every 20mins

Nanjing Coach Terminals
南京长途汽车站
Coach timetable/ticket enquiry 96196

Nanjing Zhonghuamen Coach Terminal
南京中华门长途汽车总站
508 Yingtian Da Jie
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52418504

Nanjing North-Central Coach Terminal
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160 Huahongcun
秦淮区红花村160号

Nanjing Zhongyongmen Coach Terminal
南京中央门长途汽车总站
1 Jianning Lu
建宁路1号
85531288

Healthcare

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319 East Zhongshan Lu
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Health Examination Center
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Gulou Hospital 鼓楼医院
321 Zhongshan Lu 中山路321号
83304616
The major trauma hospital (24 hr).

Nanjing Children's Hospital
南京市儿童医院
72 Guangzhou Lu 广州路72号
83117500

People's Hospital 人民医院
300 Guangzhou Lu 广州路300号
83718836
The major western medicine hospital.

Yifeng Super Drugstore 益丰大药房
159 Hanzhong Lu (west of JS hospital of TCM)
汉中中路159号(省中医院往西30米)
86795111-825 8am-9pm
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Jiangsu Provincial Hospital of TCM
江苏省中医院
155 Hanzhong Lu 汉中中路155号
86617141
The major Chinese medicine hospital.

Jiangsu People's Hospital
江苏省人民医院
300 Guangzhou Lu 广州路300号
83718836
The major western medicine hospital.

Nanjing Maternity and Child Healthcare Hospital
南京市妇幼保健院
123 Tianfei Xiang 天妃巷123号
84460777
The major maternity hospital in Nanjing.

BEN-Q Hospital 明基医院
71 Hexi Da Jie 河西大街71号
58807810
Another popular choice for expats, BENQ is staffed by local specialists, with occasional visits from Taiwanese doctors.

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112 Shigu Lu 石鼓路112号

84706863

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84540166

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Lifestyle club consisting of a dedicated spa area with private treatment rooms, Thai Massage room and Foot Massage room. Other facilities include yoga and meditation rooms, sky garden lounge and private function rooms.

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46 Xijia Datang, Ming Cheng Hui (200m north of

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136 Changjiang Lu 长江路136号

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28-1 Dashiqiao, Danfeng Jie 丹凤街大石桥28-1号

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400 Zhongshan Nan Lu 中山南路400号

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Qinhua Sports Center,
20 Pingjiang Lu
秦淮区平江府路20号
52200031

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1912 District, 52 Taiping Bei Lu
太平北路52号1912街区
84504303
1pm till late. ¥15/hr in the afternoon.

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Wutaishan Sport Center Tennis Stadium
南京市五台山体育中心网球馆
84458450 / 15335179782

Klein Billiards 克莱恩台球

135 Hongwu Lu 洪武路135号
51587158

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12 Lifu Jie
白下区李府街12号
84615141
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145 Zhongshan Dong Lu
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96 Yushi Jie 鱼市街96号
52989189

Pisarev Ballet 比萨列夫芭蕾舞学校

B901 Junlin International Mansion, 5 Guangzhou Lu
广州路5号君临国际B901室
86975095

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176 Zhenzhu Jie, Pukou
南京市浦口区珍珠街176号
58853333

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1 Gulü Yinxing Hu 江宁区谷里银杏湖1号
86139988

Art & Culture

Nanjing Art and Cultural Center

南京文化艺术中心
101 Changjiang Lu 长江路101号
84797920
Regular large-scale shows by professional Chinese and foreign performers.

Jiangnan 631 Niuda Theatre

江南631牛达剧场
5 Yanling Xiang 延龄巷5号
84419786
Weekend Chinese modern small theater shows.

Nanjing Art Academy Concert Hall

南京艺术学院音乐厅
15 Huju Lu 虎踞北路15号
83498249
Irregular performances by Chinese and overseas students and faculty.

Jiangsu Kunqu Theatre 兰苑剧场

4 Chaotian Gong 朝天宫4号
84469284
Live performance of Kunqu opera.

Beauty

NU Wan Yan Shi Beauty Salon

完颜氏美容沙龙
Room 108, Building 2, 9 Wenfan Lu
文范路9号2幢108室
85791042

VS Philosophy Hair Salon

沙宣理念美发
6F, Deji Plaza 德基广场6楼
84763486

Nail Bar 指爱你美甲

44 Wangfu Da Jie
王府大街44号
84209596

Sweet Love in Nails 指间密语

89 Shanghai Lu
上海路89号

Food & Drinks

Asian Cuisine

NU The Lobby Restaurant at Fraser Suites

仁恒辉盛阁国际公寓大堂餐厅
116 Lushan Lu
建邺区庐山路116号
86268888 Ext. 643
Mouth-watering delights such as tender-grilled rib-eye steak, roasted chicken, or the seafood linguine cooked in spicy tomato sauce. Asian must-tries also include Hainanese chicken rice and laksa.

Keziguli Muslim Restaurant

克兹古丽餐厅
53 Wangfu Da Jie
王府大街53号
85981468
A delicious change from the standard Chinese cuisine: spicy noodles, potatoes, chicken and lamb dishes. Xinjiang performance.

Silk Road Moslem Restaurant

丝绸之路穆斯林餐厅
260 Guangzhou Lu
广州路260号
83705680
Some stay away, since it is not obvious that Silk Road has an English menu, with photos to boot. Signature dish boiled lamb chop and homemade yoghurt with

raisins are among the must-tries in a colourfully decorated environment accompanied by Uigur music.

Istanbul Turkish Cafe

食正坊咖啡店
209 Shanghai Lu
上海路209号
83309030
A range of Turkish and Vietnamese food, including Turkish "pizza", kebabs, wraps, freshly made yoghurt, and some desserts. All food is halal. No smoking section available.

Pho Saigon

金禾泰餐厅
2F, Huanya Plaza, 33 Shigu Lu
白下区石鼓路33号环亚广场2楼
84465722
Popular fare includes Vietnamese style noodles (pho) and others such as vegetarian dishes and seafood as well as the standard beef, pork, chicken and duck selections. Mains range from ¥26-50.

Indian Cuisine

NU Masala Kitchen

玛莎拉印度餐厅·酒吧
A05, No 12 Xian Yin Bei Lu, Xianlin
南京市栖霞区仙隐北路12号亚东商业广场A05
84448858
masala_kitchen@live.com
Offers vegetarian and meat dishes plus savory Tandoori oven dishes and exotic curries cooked fresh by a chef with over 20 years of experience in his hometown of Hyderabad. Also offers a fine selection of imported wines and beers.

NU Taj Mahal

泰姬玛哈印度料理
117 Fengtu Lu
丰富路117号
84214123
189 Shanghai Lu 上海路189号
83350491
Established in 2003, the Taj Mahal Indian Restaurant made a name for itself by offering a great variety and exotic blend of high quality authentic Indian cuisine that it continues to this day, making it forever popular with the foreign community.

Kohinoor Restaurant

科伊诺尔餐厅
2F, Ramada Hotel, 45 Zhongshan Bei Lu
中山北路45号华美达怡华酒店2楼
83122522
Vegetarian and non-vegetarian curries made in the original unimitable style of Indian and Pakistani cuisine prepared by chefs brought especially from the mystery lands.

Punjabi Restaurant

本杰比印度餐厅
2 Shizi Qiao, Hunan Lu
湖南路狮子桥2号
83245421
A well-established Indian restaurant in Nanjing offering traditional Kadhais, Murghas, Masalas and Vindaloos in addition to more familiar Chinese dishes. Free delivery within 3 kilometres.

NU Himalaya-Nepalese & Indian Restaurant

喜马拉雅尼泊尔印度餐厅
193 Shigu Lu (behind the Sheraton)
石鼓路193号
8666 1828
Himalaya is a very popular restaurant serving a variety of Nepali and Indian foods in a setting as authentic and inspired as the dishes themselves. English menu, English speaking staff, free delivery within 1 kilometre. Wifi available.

Japanese Cuisine

Wadouraku

和道乐日本居酒屋

121 Shigu Lu

石鼓路121号

84465760

Patronised by many from Nanjing's Japanese community, and largely thought of as the genuine Japanese experience in Nanjing.

Taiwan Teppan Corner

南京市建邺区三铁餐厅

LB148, Jinyuan Hexi Commercial Plaza, 341

Jiangdong Zhong Lu

南京市建邺区江东中路341号南京金源河西商业广场LB148

13770325443

Quality and affordable Teppanyaki experience aimed at office workers for lunch and dinner.

Taiyo Teppanyaki 大渔铁板

57 Zhongshan Lu

中山路57号

84729518

54 Taiping Bei Lu (in 1912)

太平北路54号, 在1912里

84458310

3 Kunlun Lu

昆仑路3号

58850588

All you can eat and drink special offer includes sushi, sashimi, sake, beer, and everything on the menu.

Korean Cuisine

Fudefang 福德坊

6 Taoguxincun, Hankou Lu

汉口路陶谷新村6号

83312091

Ke Jia Fu 可家福

38 Nanyinyangying (near Ninghai Lu)

鼓楼区南阴阳营38号(近宁海路)

83314283

Vegetarian

The Green Field – Vegetarian Restaurant

绿野香踪素食馆

1F Zhengyang Building, 56 Yudao Jie

御道街56号正阳大厦一楼

6661 9222

A wide selection of creative dishes and plenty of fresh vegetables along with special drinks and teas.

Pure Lotus 静心莲

1 Section C, Shuimuqinhuai, 99 Shitoucheng Lu

石头城路99号水木秦淮C区1号

83752306

LvLiuJv (Living by Green Willow) 绿柳居素食馆

248 Taiping Nan Lu (near Changfu Jie)

太平南路248号1-2楼(近常府街)

86643644

Western Bars & Restaurants

Studio 21 Grill Restaurant

藤美

193 Shigu Lu (behind the Sheraton)

石鼓路193号(石鼓湾美食休闲街区)

86795269 / 13072525212

With genuine European flavours, grilled meat and seafood specialties, Studio 21 also offers renowned home made desserts, all in an elegant and relaxing atmosphere. Special Set Lunch Menu with prices from ¥38 and specials for student and teachers, plus live music every Friday and Saturday during dinner.

Myth Bar 谜吧

60-6 Jiangsu Lu

江苏路60-6

83307877

Up-scale drinking and entertainment centre. Featuring live music, an Italian DJ, pool table and draught beers, Myth also features regular parties that draw large numbers of foreign patrons.

Danny's Irish Restaurant & Pub 丹尼·爱尔兰餐厅&酒吧

4F, Sheraton Nanjing, 169 Hangzhong Lu

汉中中路169号金凯利酒店4楼

8666 8888 7775

Quality hotel dinners plus the usual selection of beer and liquor in addition to being a good place to sit and chat. Live performances and TV sport. Open from 6 pm.

C-Lounge 玺酒廊

237 Zhongshan Dong Lu (back of the Central Hotel)

中山东路237号(中央饭店后门)

An altogether more ambient vibe from the people who brought us Castle Bar, differentiating itself with Chinese nostalgia themed events and parties. Open from 6pm - 2am on weekdays and often later at weekends. Free wifi.

La Cantina 南京米凯列酒业有限公司

#2-7 East Nantai Xiang (off Wangfu Da Jie)

南台巷东2-7号

58787665 / 13813842543

A small wine bar of appreciation and plain old relaxation with a considerable selection of wine (largely Italian) complimented by snacks and friendly Italian/Chinese service.

Tony Music Bar

南京托尼酒吧

6 Jinxianghe Lu

进香河路6号

84068176

Hangout that captures an elusive quality in the often indefinable persona that makes one feel immediately at home amid new surroundings and completely as one with total strangers.

Nail Jazz Bar

钉子吧

10 Luolang Xiang (200m south of the Sheraton)

罗廊巷10号, 立金凯利酒店200米

8653 2244

A relaxed bar that offers a wide variety of imported beers, stage and foosball table.

Blue Marlin 蓝枪鱼音乐餐厅

8 Changjiang Hou Jie, 1912

南京市玄武区长江路8号1912酒吧街

84537376

Liyuan Zhong Lu, Jiangning (near Baijia Lake)

利源中路(百家湖附近)

523932890

Yadong Plaza, 12 Xianyin Bei Lu

仙隐北路12号 亚东广场

One of the more established hangouts in Nanjing that with new locations make it still popular with expats. Offers quality drinks plus German and European dishes. Happy hour from 4-7pm.

Medi Mediterranean Bar & Food 地中海餐厅酒吧

Jinyin Jie, 158 Shanghai Lu

上海路58号--金银街

13584006102

Outdoor seating and signature cocktails, made utilizing specially imported ingredients. Small bar inside makes for a good location for a "rendezvous".

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法越年代

7F, Nanjing International Center, 201

Zhongyang Lu

中央路201号南京国际广场7楼

87785177

Nanjing's French-Vietnamese restaurant offers exquisitely presented dishes amid somewhat garish decor, prepared by a local chef with many years of experience abroad. Worth visiting for the lemongrass noodles alone.

Bebbis

百比思

1F, Orient Department Store, 2 Zhongshan Nan Lu

中山南路2号东方商城1楼

84730121

Interesting Fondue experience.

Cosima 可西玛

120 Shanghai Lu (near to Hankou Lu)

上海路120号

83337576

Famous for being the smallest restaurant in the city, serving a variety of Spanish food. Good tapas, pizza and a nice variety of wine. Outdoor seating expands the capacity of the restaurant considerably!

Secco Restaurant and Bar

喜客西餐厅

132 Changhong Lu

长虹路132号, 在玄武湖公园正门的南边

83370679

In its reincarnation, Secco is back in a new location sited in a former warehouse.

Talking, Talking 2, Talking 3, Talking 5 对话西餐厅

Room 101, 9 Pei De Li,

Ninghai Lu

宁海路培德里9号栋101室

83200844

Jinyin Street

金银街

83323969

Offers a surprisingly large variety of beers and liquors, as well as a good selection of food.

Don Quixote

堂吉珂德餐厅与酒吧

39 Chengxian Street,

off Zhujiang Lu

珠江路成贤街39号

83359517

This pub doubles as a Spanish restaurant offering a variety of cuisines. However, after the kitchen closes, a live band comes on upstairs. Downstairs, there is a large screen plasma TV and video games.

Sancho Panza 到堂吉珂德

173 Guangzhou Lu, Wutaishan Stadium North gate (take the stairs to the right)

广州路173号, 五台山体育场北大门内

(无为高尔夫球场西侧台阶上)

A 2-floor bar featuring live music, pool, food and quality eats plus a fully-stocked bar.

Ciao Italia 你好意大利

193-2 Shigu Lu (outside Sunglow Bay near the Sheraton) 石鼓路193-2号

86608807

Ciao Italia's master chef Giuseppe serves over 140 authentic Italian specialties, including 30 varieties of pizza that are considered some of Nanjing's best. Free delivery is available.

NJ Pisa Pizza

比萨科塔意式西餐厅

81-8 Shanghai Road
上海路81-8号
1580 517 7575

Pisa Pizza has a reputation for serving up the finest pizza in the city, straight from the wood fired oven.

NJ Country Road

约翰·丹佛

20-1 Nanxiucun
南秀村20-1号
87776422

With pasta, pizza, steak, coffee, wine, music and books, Country Road is both popular and elegant.

NJ Blue Sky Expat Bar & Grill

蓝澳西餐厅

77 Shanghai Lu
上海路77号
86639197

www.the-bluesky.com

One of the original expat bars to open in Nanjing, serving burgers, pizzas, plus Aussie meat pies and more. A wide range of beers and spirits are available, including several Australian brands; it is the only bar in Nanjing to serve Bundaburg Rum (Bundy). There are also weekly and monthly pool competitions, music you thought you had forgotten about and weekend openings at 10.30am.

NJ Ellens Bar

艾伦酒吧

132-3 Guangzhou Lu
广州路132-3号
83641119
丁家桥75号
58825052

75 Dingjia Qiao

Laid back and relaxed atmosphere plus food & drinks at great value prices make this a favourite amongst the student crowd.

NJ Swede and Kraut

云中餐厅

12 Nanxiucun 南秀村12号
86638798

Features an impressive beer list, including German and Belgian labels, alongside a menu of traditional European foods and desserts. Take out and special holiday dinners are available.

NJ Eminence Cellar

香松酒窖

Inside Wutaishan (opposite to Jin Inn),
Guangzhou Lu 广州路, 五台山体育场
66012088

High quality western restaurant offering organic food, breads baked on-site; a full cigar bar, private meeting rooms and a huge wine cellar.

NJ Soul Mate

索味法式休闲餐厅

15-1 Nanxiucun,
off Hankou Lu
南秀村15-1, 靠近汉口路
83328418

Located in an old house very close to Nanjing University, Soul Mate serves French style pizzas, omelettes, mixed drinks, wines, and beers. Open from 11:30 am to 10 pm.

NJ Les 5 Sens

乐尚西餐厅

52-1 Hankou Lu
汉口路52-1, 靠近南京大学
83595859

A surprisingly inexpensive French restaurant. Homemade traditional French dishes (set menu and à la carte available) for lunch and dinner in a friendly atmosphere. Many dishes cost less than ¥50. Open 11:30 am to 10 pm, with take away service. Free WiFi.

NJ Jimmy's

吉米索吧

193 Shigu Road (inside Sunglow Bay
near the Sheraton)
石鼓路193号
86792599
209 Shanghai Lu (across from Skyways)
上海路209号
83318085

www.jimmysnj.com

A popular American-owned sports bar offering satellite sports, a very well stocked bar that includes a large variety of whisky, plus simple American, most famously, pizza. From the tiny other location, Another Jimmy's serves up specials to the Shanghai Lu student community.

NJ 61 House

陆拾壹号餐厅

61 Hankou Xi Lu
汉口路61号
83205979 / 13851434386

Former bomb shelter that is now a significant stop on the live music circuit in China for international unsigned bands.

NJ Behind the Wall

答案墨西哥餐厅

150 Shanghai Road (in Nanxiu Cun)
上海路150号, 在南秀村
83915630

One of the oldest bars in Nanjing serving drinks and food in a relaxed atmosphere, with one of the finest terraces in the city. Live musical performances go well with strong sangria and beer.

NJ Jack's Place

杰克地方西餐厅

35 Wang Fu Da Jie
王府大街35号
84206485
160 Shanghai Lu
南京上海路160号
83323616

Humble yet honest, Jack's Place has tellingly been around Nanjing for around 15 years, serving up Italian favourites popular with expats and locals alike.

NJ La Table de Mr. Eiffel

巴黎盛宴

83 Guangzhou Lu, near Qingliangshan Park
广州路83号, 靠近清凉山公园
83711900

Offers authentic French cuisine and carries an extensive list of French wines by the glass. Located in an old Chinese garden house with an entrance on Qingliang Shan Park and an outside terrace.

NJ Potato Bistro

马铃薯

5*301 Kangqiao Sheng Fei, 9 Wenfan Road,
Xianlin University Area
仙林大学城文苑路9号
85791293

A bistro based on green, organic, fresh foods and authentic tastes within a quiet environment. A 150 square metre outdoor BBQ balcony is also available.

NJ Vanilla Sky

香草天空

4-4 Taoguxincun, off Shanghai Road
上海路陶谷新村4-4号
83202884

Vanilla Sky serves up a variety of Western foods, including pizzas, pastas, steaks and salads. Prices are reasonable, and a cozy atmosphere keeps many customers coming back.

NJ Bellini Italian Bar & Restaurant

贝丽妮意式餐厅

1-106, 9 Wenfan Lu, Xianlin
大学城文苑路9号1-106室
85791577

Stylish and elegant yet easy in which to relax. Utilising ingredients specially sourced, many dishes and drinks are unique in Nanjing. Reservations are advised.

Boston Chips

波士顿炸番天

New City Mall, Hexi
河西新城市广场

An array of boardwalk food, such as hotdogs, tater tots, mashed potatoes, onion rings, and chicken fillets, including BBQ and Cajun styles. Two other locations in Nanjing.

Bakery & Café

NJ Skyways

云中食品店

160 Shanghai Road 上海路160号
83317103

A18, Yadong Commercial Plaza, 12 Xianyin Bei Lu
仙隐北路12号 亚东广场A18室
85791391

Breads, made-to-order sandwiches, cakes, chocolates, desserts, plus a fair selection of imported deli items such as cheese and salami. Large cakes and pies can also be pre-ordered.

NJ Sculpting in Time Café

雕刻时光咖啡馆

2F, 47 Hankou Lu 汉口路47号2楼
83597180

32 Dashiba Jie (Confucius Temple East Gate)
秦淮区大石坝街32号 (夫子庙东门)

A pleasant coffee house atmosphere, along with brunch, cocktail hours, film screenings, a variety of Western food, plus widely known brownies. Balcony at the Confucius temple branch offers romantic night time views over the Qinhuai river.

NJ 3 Coffee

3号咖啡馆

82-1 Shanghai Lu
上海路82-1号
83244617 / 83311505

An upper floor library has art, design and photography books and magazines. Balcony affords a nice view of Shanghai Lu.

NJ Godot's Home

戈多的店咖啡馆

23 Nanxiucun, off Shanghai Lu
南秀村23号
86637484

A beautifully designed, relaxed café off Hankou Lu serving a great range of coffee, tea and food in a cozy atmosphere. Opening hours/days are somewhat haphazard.

NJ Fish Tank Coffee

鱼缸咖啡小馆

Cinna Lane, 400 Zhongshan Nan Lu
中山南路400号 熙南里街区
52204469

High-quality coffee beans, freshly sterilized milk, as well as a variety of delicately created special drinks.

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■ Director of Foreign Recruitment

Ameson Academy of International Education is looking for a full time Director of Foreign Recruitment to work out of their Nanjing office. A small amount of travel is expected. This position must be filled with a Westerner who has outstanding writing and speaking skills in the English Language. Good technical and people skills are a must.

The position is a combination of Human Resources and Education. You will be responsible for hiring all international teachers for our American High School Program. The candidate should have either a background in HR or Education. Ideally they will have been an administrator for an American educational program or an HR administrator for a medium to large size company. The position will require you to work closely with the academic team, forecasting the needs for the company for the upcoming academic school year. The candidate will have a good understanding of American teacher certification, college programs for education, and a good knowledge of accredited institutions throughout the world. You should be able to conduct meaningful interviews with candidates and ascertain a candidate's ability to successfully perform in an AP program in China for Chinese students. You will also be responsible for making sure candidates are adapting to China once they arrive as well as deal with a multitude of personal and professional issues for a staff of nearly one hundred international teachers across China.

Salary and benefits are competitive and will be discussed with candidates who qualify for the position during the interview process. Interviews will be conducted in-person and via Skype.

Please send your resume and picture for consideration.

Email: nicholas@ameson.org

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■ *** Natural English *** Teachers Needed!!

We are an English language training centre looking to hire English teachers (full time / part time) for our newly opened Nanjing Branch.

We are conveniently located seconds away from Jiqingmendajie Metro Station, near Hexi Wanda shopping mall.

Our school provides one to one and group classes to students of all ages, and levels of English proficiency.

The salary we offered is among the highest in the similar industries in Nanjing.

Requirements:

1. Native Speakers
2. Bachelor degree or above preferred
3. Teaching experience, or teaching qualification preferred E.g TEFL, TESOL, or CELTA
4. Professional, responsible, punctual, Enthusiastic, and patient candidates
5. Chinese ability is an advantage

Please send your CV and a picture of yourself.

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Phone: 86663658

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■ English teachers needed

Part-time English teachers needed for two locations. Only two positions available. One per location.

Kids MBA is looking for part-time English teachers for our Nanjing and Ma Anshan locations. Interested parties with some teaching experience teaching should apply however we do offer training so this is not a requirement. We offer a competitive per hour rate which ranges between 150 - 200 RMB per hour. In addition we offer bonuses for retaining students as well as signing students from demo classes. The duties will encompass the teaching of regular English classes, activity classes as well as demo classes. The work hours will be minimal and no office hours are required. It is imperative that only native English speakers apply for these positions.

Please feel free to email the principal.

Email: jeff@4006530560.com

Phone: 13482525728

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Jobseekers

■ Teaching Spanish in Nanjing

My name is Sergio from Salamanca (Spain) i'm 24 years old, i have 2 years of experience teaching Spanish. Now i'm History PhD student and chinese language student. I have Chinese HSK level 4, so its perfect if your spanish level it's no so high.

Are you preparing your DELE exam? Do you want to improve your oral spanish? Do you love spanish culture and want to know more? I can help you! I can also teach history.

Enjoy learning spanish!

Email: klasfelber@gmail.com

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■ Learn English

Would you like to learn English during the Spring Festival holidays? You will be taught by an experienced and highly qualified teacher.

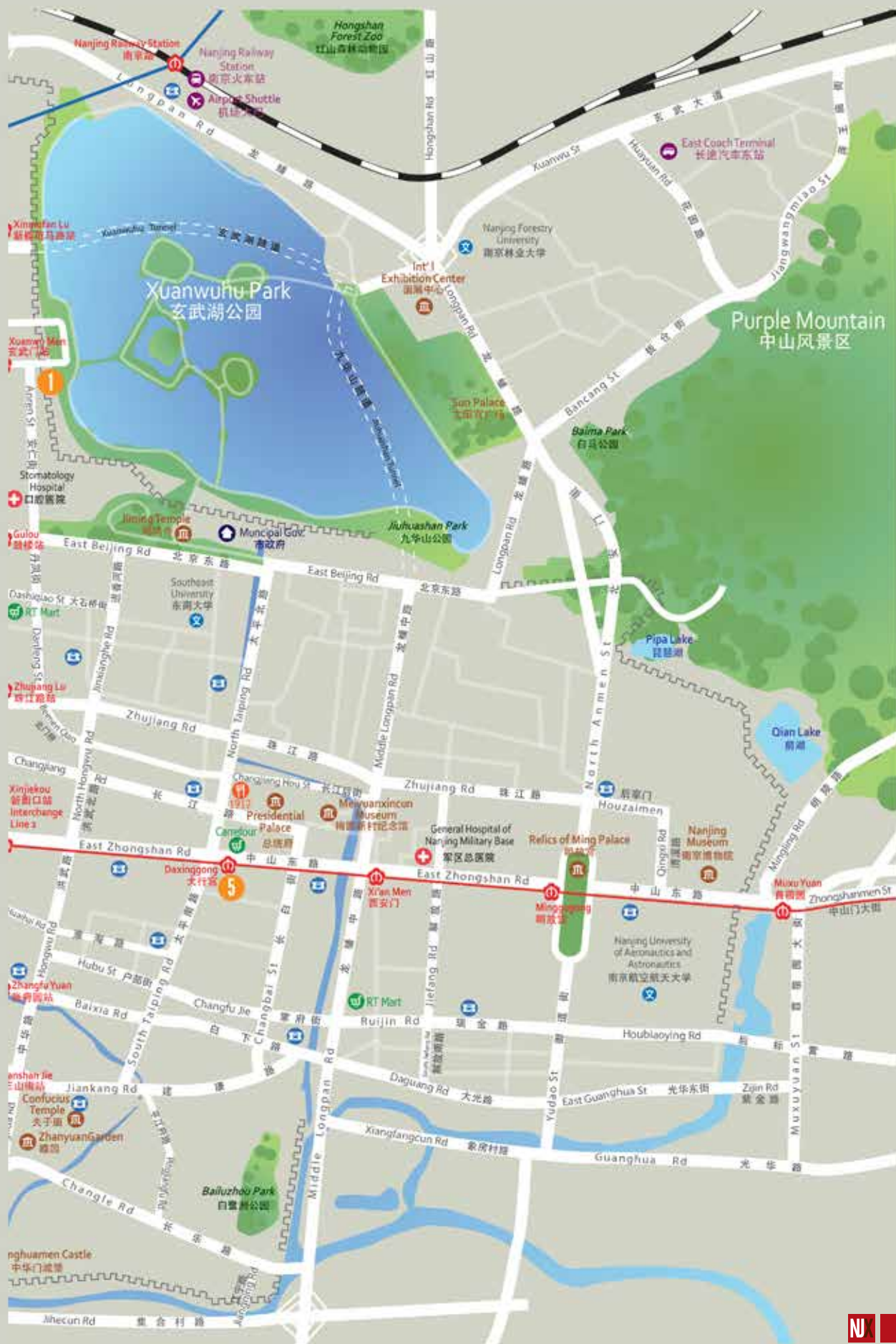
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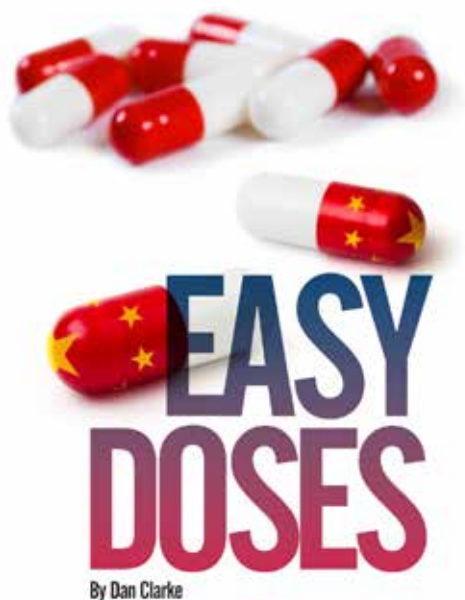




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Punish Yourself

■ ***M**any of you have probably made some resolution this year, just like last year, and many of you will unfortunately forget about them or fail very soon. Most people do.*

***Now why do you fail?
Because you do not have
any tangible reason to succeed.***

When you make a resolution or a deadline, do you give yourself some reward? "If I party only once a week I will have more time to get work done," "If I lose 4kg, I'll buy myself a new outfit," "If I get a new job, I'll make more money."

You see there is a potential reward, but it's not very exact. Even if you make it more specific, "If I do this, I will go to the party on Friday," it can fail. It's still too abstract, and if you don't go, you'll just be a little disappointed.

When you really want to get something done, punish yourself for failing.

Your friends are planning to go to a concert or movie in two weeks, you will be going with them, but you need to work on a project for school or work first. Give yourself a deadline, that project has to be done before you go. You want to go see it, you have plans to see it, and have agreed to go. But unless that project is done and handed in by the deadline, you're going to have to cancel.

You want to buy something, say a new computer. You've saved up the money, and you can feel it in your hands. Now you want to start exercising more. A month before you buy it, you join a gym and dedicate yourself to going twice a week. If you miss a day, you don't buy the computer for another week, and you have to make up the missed session.

You see, you don't simply say I want this, if I do something I'll get it. In many cases it's not real enough for you to REALLY want it. Yes, it may be nice, but if you don't get it, it's not the end of the world. But if you have planned for something, if you truly want it, then putting that on the line will provide the necessary motivation to get the work done.

When you've spent a month or more saving up the money to buy something, putting it on the line suddenly matters more than simply promising yourself something nice. Having to cancel something with friends or worse your boyfriend or girlfriend, is embarrassing. In both cases you'll work very hard to make sure you can do what you want.

***So make resolutions, and then put something valuable on the line.
Not just a dream, but something tangible that you truly want.***

Have a happy Chinese new year! 



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Hopeful Hearts assists in funding life-saving heart operations for local children.

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