

Must Haves, Must Dos 潮人潮语

Swipe cards

磁卡



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Chris: Hey, have you got any money for the train?

Li: Money? I don't use money – I've got a swipe card. 我有磁卡。

Chris: Oh yes, a swipe card. I don't have one of those.

Li: I go everywhere with mine – I just touch in and touch out. 进站时刷一次, 出站时再刷一次。

Chris: You haven't got any cash then?

Li: No, this is less hassle. 省了好多事。

Chris: Hmm... less hassle.

Li: Everyone has one of these now – you need to jump on the bandwagon. 你应该跟上潮流!

A week later...

Li: Quick – have you got any cash? I need to pay for my sandwich. Please... cash?

Chris: Cash? No. But maybe I can pay... with my new swipe card!

Li: Ah-ha, you've jumped on the bandwagon!

Chris: Yes – this one is better than yours though. I just wave my card at the reader and there, it's paid! No need to enter my PIN number. It's done in a flash!

Li: In a flash? 刹那之间?

Chris: Yes, 'in a flash' means instantly – right away. Here's how you use it:

Li: *I left my purse on the table and in a flash it was gone.*

Chris: *I asked Laith a question and he answered in a flash.*

Li: OK, I understand. Come on, I have to be at an important meeting in five minutes! Come on!

Chris: Alright, alright.

Li: Come on, let's go! Pay for me! Hurry up!

Chris: There, I've paid. Hmm, I thought these swipe cards were supposed to be less hassle? You owe me £3 by the way!

Vocabulary:

Touch in, touch out	进站刷出站刷
Less hassle	省了很多事
Jump on the bandwagon	跟上潮流
In a flash	刹那之间