



Transcript 文字稿:

Where to turn to in an economic crisis?

Philosophy. This Italian town set up a trail to encourage people to **ponder** life.

It includes a chair that **utters** words of wisdom.

This bar owner in Corigliano d'Otranto serves up drinks and cards with questions like: "Why have I been born?"

The local philosopher's helping hand is very much **in demand**.

Corigliano's seminars attracted some 1,000 people. The idea might **catch on** in other towns.

Vocabulary 词汇:

philosophy	哲学
ponder	思考
utters	说话
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中文文字稿:

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回答是哲学。这个意大利城镇试着让人们来思索人生的意义。其中包括一把能说话的智慧椅子。

Corigliano d'Otranto 镇一家酒吧的主人在出售饮料的同时也用卡片来回答有关人生意义的提问，比如“我为什么要来到这个世界上”。

当地哲学家伸出的援助之手大有供不应求之势。

Corigliano 的哲学讲座吸引了 1000 多人。这一做法很可能在其他地方也将流行起来。

Watch this video online: Life's big questions? <http://bbc.in/SAk70p>

Exercise 练习:

以下练习中的语句全部选自于 BBC 其他网页。

请从下面的词汇表里选择答案来完成句子。

注意：你可能需要改变单词的时态来完成句子。

philosophy/ ponder/ utters/ in demand/ catch on

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