

## CHAPTER 18

守株待兔 sau2 zyu1 doi6 tou3

Guarding a tree stump, waiting for a rabbit  
(trusting to luck, waiting for a windfall)

Here is a cartoon version of this story:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mw4BJsLrGJE>

Quizlet Flashcards for the vocabulary in this chapter can be found here:

[https://quizlet.com/\\_7v1goe?x=1qq&i=2f4qkn](https://quizlet.com/_7v1goe?x=1qq&i=2f4qkn)

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守	shǒu	keep watch over, observe
株	zhū	tree stump
待	dài	wait for
兔	tù	rabbit
守株待兔	shǒu zhū dài tù	Set phrase : wait around for opportunities to happen- not making things happen for yourself
從前	cóng qián	Once upon a time

農夫	nóng fū	farmer
在	zài	shows location : in
田	tián	the fields
辛勤地	xīn qín dì	working hard
耕作	gēng zuò	farming
忽然	hū rán	suddenly
看見	kàn jiàn	saw
一隻	yī zhī	one/ a Measure word used with animals
飛快地	fēi kuài dì	very fast (as if flying)
跑	pǎo	to run
跑過來	pǎo guò lái	it ran over
一頭	yī tóu	headfirst
撞	zhuàng	bumped into... crashed into...
向	xiàng	against
田邊	tián biān	at the edge of the field
一棵	yī kē	one/a Measure word for trees
樹樁	shù zhuāng	tree stump
撞死了	zhuàng sǐ liǎo	crashed – and died
放下	fàng xià	put down his...
鋤頭	chú tóu	axe
撿起	jiǎn qǐ	picked up
高高興興地	gāo gāo xīng xīng dì	happily
回家	huí jiā	went home

P.16 Paragraph 2		
開心地	kāi xīn dì	happily
想	xiǎng	thought
事	shì	thing
多好的事	duō hǎo dí shì	what a good thing
完全	wán quán	completely
不費	bù fèi	did not spend any...
力氣	lì qì	strength, effort
能	néng	could
撿到	jiǎn dào	pick up
死兔子	sǐ tù zǐ	dead rabbit

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第二天	dì èr tiān	the next day
沒有	méi yǒu	did not
下田	xià tián	go down to the fields
坐	zuò	sat
緊緊	jǐn jǐn	closely
盯着	dīng zhuó	watching, staring at
一心	yī xīn	whole heartedly
等待	děng dài	waiting
再有	zài yǒu	again another
Paragraph 2		
一直	yī zhí	still

等到	děng dào	waiting for
農作物	nóng zuò wù	crops
全	quán	all
枯死	kū sǐ	withered and died
却	què	and yet, but...
出現	chū xiàn	appear
<b>Paragraph 3</b>		
希望	xī wàng	hope
不勞而獲 勞 獲	bù láo ér huò láo huò	get gain without effort labour get, receive
不會	bù huì	will not have
好結果	hǎo jié guǒ	good result