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一、日常修

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Helpful Instructions for Daily Life



1. 作为女子真庆幸! 快慰之 处不胜枚举。

Celebrate being a woman! You have so much to cheer.

2. 抽烟会使嘴唇上方出现细小皱纹,令人看去显老。即使不是为了健康,也应为保持容颜而戒烟。

Smoking causes little lines above your top lip that make you look older. If you won't give it up for health, give it up for vanity.

3. 展示自然美,但该染发还 是要染发。

To thine own self be true—but still color your hair.

4. 每日步行三英里。

Walk three miles every day.

5. 别让您的物质财富把您诱禁在聚敛财物、掸扫积尘的沉闷生活中。

Don't let your material possessions trap you in a dull life of hoarding and dusting.

6. 每日扩充词汇,认真择词以表达自己的情感。

Expand your vocabulary daily. Choose the words to describe your emotions carefully.

7. 排除偏见。

Banish your prejudices.

8. 别总盯着自己, 从帮助他

人之中寻找快乐。

Find happiness in helping others. Take your eyes off yourself.

9. 别买廉价卫生纸。其实白色的卫生纸比有颜色的要好。

Don't by cheap toilet paper.

White is better than colored.

10. 学会如何理财,这事可得 学习、学习、再学习。

Learn how to invest your money. Study, study, study,

11. 多吃面食和蒸熟的蔬菜。

Eat pasta and steam your veggies.

12. 闻闻小狗的味儿也是生活

中的一大乐趣儿。

Smell puppy breath-one of life's greatest pleasures.

13. 肥胖与女权问题无关。

Fat is not a feminist issue.

14. 假如您只是一块屋门口的 擦鞋垫,别人把您的感情践踏的一 蹋糊涂时,您又怎么能感受到呢?

How to tell if you're a doormat? His footprints are smashing your feelings.

15. 绝不要相信那些说您再婚 比遭雷击的可能性还要小的传言。

Absolutely do not believe the reports that you are more likely to get struck by lightning than to remarry.

16. 教育儿子尊重妇女。

Teach your son to respect women.

17. 教育女儿自尊自爱。

Teach your daughters to love and respect themselves.

18. 学一点关于人工呼吸的课程。

Take a CPR class.

19. 女子有时确实需要像男人一样思考。

Sometimes women do need to think like a man.

20. 举报性虐待, 挺身而出保护自己的权益。

Report sexual abuse. Stand

up for your rights.

21. 昂起头,您就会停止哭泣。

Hold up your head and you'll stop crying.

22. 假如您必须使用信用卡购物时,您可能并不需要这物品。何不查看一下利率?

If you have to put it on a credit card, you probably don't need it. Check the interest rate.

23. 在求职面谈时绝不要承认您会打字。

Never admit you can type in a job interview.

24. 不要因懒于工作而与一个

您所厌恶的男人维持婚姻关系。

Don't stay married to a man you hate because you're too lazy to work.

25. 放一些蜂鸟爱吃的食物在您的屋外,蜂鸟可是唯一能朝后倒着飞行的鸟儿。

Put out hummingbird feeders. They're the only birds that can fly backwards.

26. 学会像蜂鸟一样机动灵活。

Learn to be <u>flexible</u> like hummingbirds.

27. 搞清楚是否指定了由谁来 开车,如果没有,就自告奋勇当司 机。 Make sure there is a designated driver or volunteer to be one.

28. 至少拥有一张铺有裙边桌 布的圆桌,这种桌子极具女性气 息。

Have at least one skirted table. They're so feminine.

29. 发扬自己的着装风格。观 看奥斯卡颁奖会,可以使您确信花 钱买不到高雅的品味。

Develop your own taste in dressing. Viewing the dresses at the Oscars confirms that you can't buy good taste.

30. 要朝气蓬勃地生活。踏过成堆的落叶奔跑、跳入水中溅起巨

大的浪花、象奥林匹克运动员那样 飞行滑雪,顺坡而下。

Live passionately. Run through piles of leaves, make huge cannonball splashes in the pool, and hit the slopes like an Olympian.

31. 吃爆玉米花,它既能充饥,含热量又低。

Eat popcorn. It's filling and low calorie.

32. 邀请一伙男子汉中的头目 外出,以向他们显示您的能量。

Show your power in a group of men by taking out the leader.

33. 要加倍注意细节问题。

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