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[00:00:00] What's up, everyone? I'm Teacher Mike. I heard Liu YiFei has a real talent at languages. Let's check it out. Do you know what it's like being a woman in this world? ????

[00:00:18] I quit. Liu YiFei is your new foreign language teacher.

[00:00:28] One thousand girls auditioned for this, and you got it. What was that moment like for you?

[00:00:34] You must think I'm so lucky, right? I am.

[00:00:36] So the movie Mulan is out. I haven't seen it yet because it costs like \$30 on Disney plus. But since it came out, there has been all kinds of controversy over this movie from many different people for many different reasons. However, that is a topic for a different video. So if you want to see my thoughts on that, please leave a like below. If we can get out of know ten thousand, twenty thousand likes, then maybe I'll make another video about it. Today we're just going to learn some English with Liu YiFei, so everyone can relax. She's obviously talented in many ways, including learning languages. As far as I know, she learned her English when she and her mom moved from Wuhan to New York City at the age of 10, where she then became a US citizen. So she was in school in New York City from the ages of 10 to 15, and at 15, she moved to Beijing to pursue a career in acting. Let's take a look at this clip from about 12 years ago. She would have been about 21 years old. Let's see how good her English got from those five years of being in the US.

[00:01:40] And we have Crystal Li Fei who plays Golden Sparrow. Liu YiFei. Ok, ok.

[00:01:49] The interviewer can't even say her name right. So awkward.

[00:01:53] She can fight, but she also looking for love, which, you know, every teenage girl will have, you know, looking for love.

[00:02:01] You can clearly see her English is at an extremely high level. Going from zero to full fluency, almost native level in five years? I mean, it's... Well done! The only way I could tell she's not a native speaker was just a few tiny grammar errors.

[00:02:14] But she also looking for love.

[00:02:16] Should be 'she's' or 'she is' also looking for love, not 'she also looking for love.' All right. Let's continue on to the next clip.

[00:02:23] So I have a question, what's the most popular dessert? Which one do you recommend?

[00:02:29] Ok, cool.

[00:02:30] Cool, cool. Cool, cool, cool, cool, cool, cool.

[00:02:37] Brit invited me. Is that cool?

[00:02:38] Cool. Cool, cool, cool. Cool, cool, cool. Cool. Cool, cool, cool.

[00:02:43] Cool. This is a great word. We use it all the time in English in so many different situations. And to help me explain this word, I'm going to give my friend teacher Dave a call on the Cambly app.

[00:02:58] Dave, hey how's it going? How's it going Mike? How are you? Good. Long time now see. You know what that means?

[00:03:04] No. I know 'nice to meet you.'

[00:03:08] Yeah, not bad. It's not great, it's pretty bad. What does that mean? Hao jiu bu jian means long time no see. Long time no see. I think nearly a year? It was in December the last time. I'm not bad. I'm pretty cool. Cool. Cool. Yeah. You know what else is cool? What's cool? The Cambly app. Definitely cool, because if you put in code: mike12345, you could possibly get a discount, I don't know Mike. It sounds pretty cool. Tell me more.

[00:03:35] You get fifteen minutes for free. You can download the app. I'll put the code in the description as well. And I love this app. You can talk to teachers like Dave any time. Twenty four hours a day. You can make appointments, you can talk for fifteen minutes, you can talk for forty five minutes. It's really up to you. There's no pressure. Just chatting about whatever you want to chat about.

[00:03:58] You've got people, native speakers from the UK like from Scotland, Wales, England, Ireland as well as all over the world.

[00:04:07] Yeah. Let's talk about cool. So in what situations can we use 'cool.' Obviously in this situation she's using it to replace 'thanks.' OK, cool.

[00:04:17] I think maybe 'good' is another way. Good. Yeah. How are you doing? How are you? Cool. Pretty cool. Pretty cool. You can also use it to agree with somebody like: Let's meet at five. Cool.

[00:04:31] Cool. And there's a little change, isn't it? In the intonation. When you use cool like that, when you use it to agree with something or like in that way, we kind of go down don't we? Kind of go "cool." Cool. Yeah. It also replaces like 'OK'. Just say cool a lot and you'll be good. Yeah, you'll be cool. Pretty clever, so that was cool. Cool. Cool. What's next? Yeah that's cool. Let's, let's have a look here.

[00:04:54] Maybe I'll do a beach house cuz I like scuba diving.

[00:04:58] I like this word. Another word I say every day a million times: cuz. What does that mean? Cuz, for me it's not cuz, it's cos. But it sounds the same. In English, we're often lazy so we just take the 'be' off of because and we just say cuz. I like ice cream cuz it's tasty. It sounds nicer. Let's look at this next clip here together.

[00:05:27] I think acting totally changed my life. Not just a career, but I really felt the passion, you know, when you have passion about something, you could really overcome the nervousness and the worries. So when I'm shooting, we just have to be super focused.

[00:05:43] Super focused. That's a little strange when you first hear it. But what is it replacing? What is Superman. Superman is super strong. He's super fast. He's super amazing. Super nice. So it's just a better way to say 'very.' If you're sick of saying very all the time, just say something is 'super.' 'Super' is there to really emphasize the adjective. Super cool. That's a super cool way to say it. Super good. All right, let's see this next clip.

[00:06:17] I remember that scene she taught me. I said, why are we using this color? It's kind of cold blue-ish purple-ish outfit/costume. What the heck does that mean? -Ish? It's my favorite word. My favorite word in the English language. And it's what we... We use this word because in a British English a lot, and I think maybe it's the same for you, we love to be vague. Yeah. Really vague. We don't like to be exact about things. It just means like more or less, or in Chinese we say 'cha bu duo.' Cha bu duo. Like that, more or less. We can add it after everything. Like...what's Dave like? He's cool-ish. When we go to the pub, Mike? How about 3:00-ish? 3:00-ish? Not cool. Not cool. How about 5:00-ish? I'm mostly free-ish then. Hey Mike, on your head, just at the top there. It's a little red-ish. Ya, it is red-ish isn't it? Did you bump your head? I hope not. I better go to the doctor soon-ish. Maybe there's an appointment about 2:00 or 3:00-ish. Yeah, so we use it for adjectives and time. Everything. Or we could say... We could use it, again like 'sort of' or 'kind of.' If I said we're meeting at 3:00-ish, what's an acceptable time frame to meet? I reckon about 4:00-ish. 3:30-ish or 4:00-ish maybe? So it's usually never earlier. It's always later. All right, we've got one more clip here with teacher Dave. Cool.

[00:07:48] I don't know if she agrees, but I think that really...the small details, even a breathe, even a blink, it means something, especially on the big screen. So she made a small, tiny mistake here. She said "a breathe." What's wrong with that? It's a verb. It's a verb. Breathe, breathe with a long 'i:'. Ya, a long 'i:'. And a voiced 'ð.' Breathe. Breathe. Didn't she mean to say "a breath?" Correct. Yeah, breath. Which is a short vowel, the 'ɛ' an unvoiced 'θ', breath. English is...I don't know why they do that in English. Why do they make it so complicated? It is what it is. 'ɛ','ɛ','ɛ'. I can feel my breath. I can feel my breath. Or you know, but then imagine a big deep, a deep breath and then you breathe. So a short one on the way out and a long 'i:' on the way in. That's a good way to remember. That's the way I remember. Sometimes I get it wrong. It's a very common mistake that I hear. I'm sure you hear it all the time as well.

[00:09:04] Well, Dave, thanks for joining me on this lesson. It was cool, cool, cool! No worries. Cool man, no worries. Cool, cool, cool. It was cool-ish. Remember to check out my discount code below and get the Cambly app. You can have access to hundreds of great teachers, just like teacher Dave here. Yeah, I have a terrible memory. Mike, what was that code again? mike12345. And have a good one. Stay safe. It was a pleasure. Take care Mike. Zai jian? How do I say that? Zai jian. You got it. Bye bye.

[00:09:36] That's all for today. What do you think of Liu YiFei's English? And who do you want to see a video of next? Leave me a message below. Don't forget to subscribe to my channel. Leave that like and share this video around. I'm Teacher Mike, see you next time!