# BBC LEARNING ENGLISH Authentic Real English 地道英语 Vanilla

普通,无趣

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## Feifei

大家好,欢迎收听 BBC 英语教学的"地道英语"节目。我是冯菲菲。

#### Rob

...and hello, I'm Rob.

#### Feifei

It's very hot today, Rob. What a good idea to present this programme outside in the lovely sunny weather!

#### Rob

Oh! Yes, it is - and what a great suggestion that I buy you an ice cream!

#### Feifei

Thanks, Rob!

#### Rob

Ah... so, come on then. What flavour do you want? Chocolate, strawberry, salted caramel?

#### Feifei

Oh, vanilla for me, please. 我最喜欢的冰淇淋口味就是"vanilla"!

#### Rob

Vanilla! Oh, Feifei, that's a bit boring... a bit ordinary!

#### Feifei

It's just ice cream, Rob. 单词"vanilla"不仅可以指"香草味的食品",它还可以用 来描述一个产品或服务是普通的、基本的。So, vanilla ice cream is very popular because it is delicious, but your taste in clothes is just....

#### Rob

...vanilla? Oh, thanks! I think we should hear some examples...

## Examples

I thought his performance in the movie was very vanilla. He's normally amazing.

I'm just looking to buy a vanilla car. Nothing fancy, no extras – just something to drive to the shops in.

I wanted to go skydiving with my friend, but he's so vanilla he'd never do anything risky!

## Feifei

这里是 BBC英语教学的"地道英语"。以上我们给大家举例讲解了如何用"vanilla"来描述某个产品、服务或事情是"普通的、基本的"。我们还可以用"vanilla"来形 容人是"乏味的,无趣的"。So, come on then, Rob. If my vanilla ice cream is so 'vanilla', what flavour are you going for?

## Rob

It's got to be salted caramel.

## Feifei

That's so vanilla! Everyone's eating salted caramel flavoured things these days.

#### Rob

Well, luckily for you, I've forgotten to bring any money! So, no ice cream for either of us.

#### Feifei

Oh, well, back to work then.

#### Rob

That's vanilla too. It's such a lovely day! Shall we stay in the park a little longer?

#### Feifei

Yeah, good idea! See you, everyone.

#### Rob

Bye-bye!