



## Intermediate - Making Dumplings (C1083)

A: 馅儿调好了，你们俩快来包饺子啊。

xiànr tiáo hǎo le, nǐmen liǎ kuài lái bāo jiǎozi a.

*The filling is all ready. Quick, you two, come make dumplings!*

B: 好，我来擀皮儿吧。

hǎo, wǒ lái gǎn pí ba.

*OK, I'll roll the wrappers.*

C: 我从来没包过，你们要教我啊！

wǒ cónglái méi bāo guo, nǐmen yào jiāo wǒ a!

*I've never made dumplings. You guys will need to teach me!*

A: 没问题。看，先把皮儿摊在手上，然后放馅儿，再把边儿捏紧。

méiwèntí. kàn, xiān bǎ pí tān zài shǒu shàng, ránhòu fàng xiànr, zài bǎ biānr niē jǐn.

*No problem. Look, first spread out the wrapper on your hand. Then put on the filling, and then pinch the edges tightly.*

B: 馅儿不要放太多，馅儿太多下的时候容易开。

xiànr bù yào fàng tài duō, xiànr tài duō xià de shíhou róngyì kāi.



*You shouldn't use too much filling, or it will be easy for the dumplings to come open when they're cooking.*

C: 好。你们看怎么样？

hǎo. nǐmen kàn zěnmeyàng?

*OK. Look, you guys— how's this?*

A: 嗯，不错不错，你满有天赋的嘛！

ng, bùcuò bùcuò, nǐ mǎn yǒu tiānfù de ma!

*Hmm, pretty good, pretty good! You have a real knack for this!*

B: 哎，你们过年吃什么啊？

āi, nǐmen guònián chī shénme a?

*Ah, what do you guys eat on Chinese New Year?*

C: 我们吃年糕。一年比一年“高”，就是一年比一年好。

wǒmen chī niángāo. yī nián bǐ yī nián “gāo”, jiùshì yī nián bǐ yī nián hǎo.

*We eat sticky rice cakes. We get taller every year, and so every year is better than the last.*

A: 哦，这样啊！对了，我们包几个硬币吧。谁吃到谁就新年有好运！



o, zhèyàng a! duì le, wǒmen bāo jǐ ge yìngbì ba. shéi chī-dào shéi jiù xīnnián yǒu hǎoyùn!

*Oh, so that's how it is! Oh, by the way, let's stick in a few coins. Whoever gets one will have good luck in the new year!*

B: 好，我去拿。

hǎo, wǒ qù ná.

*OK, I'll go get them.*

C: 快看，小品开始了！

kuài kàn, xiǎopǐn kāishǐ le!

*Quick, look— the skits are starting!*

### Key Vocabulary

馅儿	xiànr	stuffing
皮儿	pír	skin or wrapper
边儿	biānr	side
包饺子	bāo jiǎozi	to wrap dumplings
摊	tān	to spread out
捏	niē	to pinch
下	xià	to boil



有天赋                      yǒu tiānfù                      *to have a knack*

年糕                          niángāo                          *sticky rice cakes*

好运                          hǎoyùn                          *good luck*

小品                          xiǎopǐn                          *skit*

### Supplementary Vocabulary

擀面                          gǎnmiàn                          *to roll dough*

擀面杖                      gǎnmiànzhàng                      *rolling pin*

春节联欢  
晚会                      chūnjié liánhuān-  
wǎnhuì                      *Chinese New Year va-  
riety show*

脚底按摩                      jiǎodǐ ànmó                      *massage for the soles  
of the feet*

春卷                          chūnjuǎn                          *spring rolls*

大年夜                      dàniányè                      *lunar New Year's eve*

年夜饭                      niányèfàn                      *family dinner on Chi-  
nese New Year's eve*