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# BBC LEARNING ENGLISH

## Authentic Real English 地道英语

### Thingy 忘了名称的物或人

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**Feifei**

Hello Finn. Looking forward to another Authentic Real English?

**Finn**

Hi, Feifei! Oh yes, always...

**Feifei**

Actually, before we begin, could you pass me the thingy?

**Finn**

Which thingy? The script?

**Feifei**

No, not the script. The thingy behind you...

**Finn**

Ah, a pen. Do you need a pen? Here you go.

**Feifei**

No. I've got a pen actually. Two pens. I mean that thingy over there...

**Finn**

Which thingy, Feifei? Look, the studio is a bit of a mess, so if you keep just saying 'thingy' we could be here all day!

**Feifei**

Sorry, Finn. 我突然忘了那个东西用英语怎么说，所以我用了 **thingy** 这个单词。**Thingy** 来自“**thing** 东西”；它可以用来表示“不知道名字或忘记名字的小东西”。也可以在非正式的语境中来指“某某人”。

**Finn**

That's right – when you can't remember the name of a particular person...

**Feifei**

是的，如果你一时记不起某人的名字，就可以用“thingy”。下面请听几个例句。

**Examples**

You want a recipe for stew? Ask... thingy. She was talking about a lovely one the other day.

Sorry, I'm late for a meeting. Could you just pass me the thingy for my report... I mean... the stapler?

**Feifei**

That's it! I was asking for the... stopwatch 秒表! 我本想在录节目的时候计时来着。

**Finn**

No, you don't, Feifei. The programme is over. And this stopwatch shouldn't really be here. It belongs to... to... well, he was looking for it the other day.

**Feifei**

Belongs to...?

**Finn**

It belongs to... thingy.

**Feifei**

Come one, Finn. It belongs to Rob. I'll return it to him!

**Both**

Bye!