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Authentic Real English: Buzz 打电话

- Yang Li:** Welcome to Authentic Real English from the BBC.
- Diarmuid:** Yes, and hi from me, Diarmuid, and my colleague Yang Li.
- Yang Li:** 今天的新词儿是...
(buzzing sound)
- Yang Li:** 什么声音, 录音室里好像有蜜蜂?
- Diarmuid:** Eh? I don't think there's a bee in here. Anyway, shall we tell everyone our word for the day, Li?
- Yang Li:** Our word for the day is...
(buzzing sound)
- Yang Li:** I'm sure there's a bee in here! 这里明明有嗡嗡的叫声嘛! How do you describe that sound in English?
- Diarmuid:** We say it's a buzzing sound. Buzz is spelled B.U.Z.Z. And it's our word for the day.
- Yang Li:** Buzz 这个词字面意思是嗡嗡的声音, 不过也可以用来表示打电话, 拨个电话。
- Diarmuid:** Yes, I'm sure people know phrases like 'give me a call' or 'I'll give you a ring.' Well, you'll often hear this word buzz instead of call or ring, when talking about making a quick phone call.
- Yang Li:** 请听例句。

Examples

A: When are you going to arrive?

B: Not sure exactly, I'll give you a buzz when I come out of the station.

A: We really should meet up soon!

B: Yes, give me a buzz when you're next in town and we'll go for a drink.

Diarmuid: As we heard in the examples, this phrase is often used when making an arrangement to meet someone, not for when talking about making long telephone calls.

Yang Li: 是的, 简短快速地给某人打个电话就是 **give me a buzz**, 汉语就是来个电话说一声。

Diarmuid: So that's our Authentic Real English word for the day, try using it next time you are talking about phone calls.

Yang Li: Or, next time you see a bee.
(buzzing sound)

Diarmuid: That's all for today. For more programmes visit www.bbcukchina.com.

Yang Li: Bye for now.

Diarmuid: Bye.