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阿富汗女出租司机

Transcript 文字稿

Like most women in Afghanistan, Sara Bahayi does all the **housework** and brings up the children. She also **looks after** her mother.

But that's where the similarities end. Sara is single and the family's **breadwinner**. She works as a taxi driver in Mazar-e-Sharif – a job almost always done by men.

Sara breaks a cultural **taboo** behind the wheel but otherwise follows the tradition of taxi drivers around the world: she loves a good **chat**.

Vocabulary 词汇

housework	家务活儿
looks after	照料
breadwinner	养家糊口的人
taboo	禁忌
chat	聊天

中文文字稿

像阿富汗大多数女性一样,莎拉·巴哈伊操持所有家务,养育孩子,同时还照顾她的母亲。

不过她和其她人的相似之处也就这么多了。莎拉是位单身母亲,要养家糊口,因此她在马扎 里沙里夫开出租车,这可是一个几乎全部由男人干的工作。

莎拉除打破了一项文化禁忌之外同世界各地的出租车司机没有任何两样:她喜欢聊天。

Watch this video online: Driving change in Afghanistan <u>http://bbc.in/1xcBSJ0</u>

Exercise 练习

以下练习中的语句全部选自于其他网页。 请从下面的词汇表里选择答案来完成句子。 注意:你可能需要改变单词的时态来完成句子。

housework / looks after / breadwinner / taboo / chat

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5. Prof Marie Murphy, from the University of Ulster, who led the study, said: "Housework is physical activity and any physical activity should theoretically increase the amount of calories expended".