

Man buys 5,000 people noodles for finding engagement ring

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A Chinese businessman treated 5,000 people to a free bowl of noodles because he found his lost \$45,000 engagement ring. The man's name is Mr Wang. He was going to ask his girlfriend to marry him last Sunday. However, he lost the engagement ring. He told reporters that he visited a noodle restaurant in the Chinese city of Chongqing and left the ring there in his bag. Mr Wang was very lucky because a customer in the restaurant found the bag and gave it to the manager. The manager found Mr Wang's contact details in the bag and telephoned him. Mr Wang was very happy to get the ring back. He then went to his girlfriend and proposed to her. She accepted his proposal.

Mr Wang proposed to his girlfriend and she accepted his proposal. He was very happy and wanted to say thank you to the restaurant. On Tuesday, he bought 5,000 bowls of spicy noodles for the customers of the restaurant. This is the average daily sales of the shop. There was a 100-metre-long queue outside the shop. Many people wanted a free bowl of noodles. Mr Wang told reporters: "Chongqing has the woman I love....I feel very honoured and happy." He also posted a thank-you letter outside the restaurant with a picture of his fiancée wearing the engagement ring. A local man said: "I think the story is really moving. Love is beautiful and people's hearts are more beautiful."

Sources: [scmp.com](http://www.scmp.com) / [standard.co.uk](http://www.standard.co.uk) / [nypost.com](http://www.nypost.com)

Writing

We should always reward people for returning lost property. Discuss.

Chat

Talk about these words from the article.

businessman / noodles / marry / engagement ring / lucky / customer / proposal / happy / spicy / average / queue / honoured / thank you / fiancée / beautiful / love

True / False

- A Chinese businessman paid for noodles for 5,000 people. T / F
- The engagement ring the man lost cost \$45,000. T / F
- A customer found the man's ring on a subway train. T / F
- The man asked his girlfriend to marry him. T / F
- The noodles were not spicy. T / F
- People stood in a line that stretched for 10 metres outside the restaurant. T / F
- The man put a photo of his fiancée outside the restaurant. T / F
- A local man said love is more beautiful than people's hearts. T / F

Synonym Match

(The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

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| 1. free | a. cheerful |
| 2. visited | b. heartwarming |
| 3. lucky | c. hot |
| 4. details | d. dropped by |
| 5. happy | e. fastened |
| 6. spicy | f. information |
| 7. queue | g. complimentary |
| 8. posted | h. lovely |
| 9. moving | i. fortunate |
| 10. beautiful | j. line |

Discussion – Student A

- What do you think of the businessman's actions?
- What do you think of noodles?
- What do you think of \$45,000 engagement rings?
- What important things have you lost in life?
- What important things have you found in life?
- How do you think Mr Wang felt when he lost the ring?
- Should Mr Wang have given the restaurant owner a reward?
- What is the best way to propose to someone?

Phrase Match

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| 1. a free bowl | a. queue |
| 2. ask his girlfriend to | b. details |
| 3. a customer | c. to his girlfriend |
| 4. The manager found Mr Wang's contact | d. of noodles |
| 5. She accepted | e. moving |
| 6. Mr Wang proposed | f. in the restaurant |
| 7. average daily | g. fiancée |
| 8. a 100-metre-long | h. his proposal |
| 9. a picture of his | i. sales |
| 10. I think the story is really | j. marry him |

Discussion – Student B

- What do you think about what you read?
- How easy is it to leave an expensive ring in a restaurant?
- Would you queue outside a restaurant for free noodles?
- What kind of engagement ring would you want or buy?
- How beautiful is love?
- What advice would you give to Mr Wang?
- How moving do you think this story is?
- What questions would you like to ask the businessman?

Spelling

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Answers – Synonym Match

1. g	2. d	3. i	4. f	5. a
6. c	7. j	8. e	9. b	10. h

Role Play

Role A – Diamond Ring

You think a diamond ring is the most important thing about a proposal. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): a proposal selfie, a romantic dinner or getting down on one knee.

Role B – Proposal Selfie

You think a proposal selfie is the most important thing about a proposal. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): a diamond ring, a romantic dinner or getting down on one knee.

Role C – Romantic Dinner

You think a romantic dinner is the most important thing about a proposal. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): a proposal selfie, a diamond ring or getting down on one knee.

Role D – Getting Down On One Knee

You think getting down on one knee is the most important thing about a proposal. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): a proposal selfie, a romantic dinner or a diamond ring.

Speaking – Engagement

Rank these with your partner. Put the most important things for an engagement at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

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| • "Will you marry me?" | • ring |
| • the proposal place | • present |
| • romantic dinner | • party |
| • on one knee selfie | • selfie |

Answers – True False

a	T	b	T	c	F	d	T	e	F	f	F	g	T	h	F
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Answers to Phrase Match and Spelling are in the text.