

 李娜 is a Chinese professional tennis player, born 26 February 1982. As of January 31, 2011, she is ranked as No. 7 in the world according to the Women's Tennis Association singles rankings, her career high. She has won four WTA and nineteen ITF titles. She was runner-up at the 2011 Australian Open 澳网Àowǎng, becoming the first Chinese player to reach a Grand Slam final.

2. Watch the short news report on李娜 and answer the questions over the page on a separate sheet of paper. Refer to the list of New Words before you watch the report. In the report the mother of李娜 is interviewed. Mandarin is not her native language so you may notice that her tones are a little different from native Mandarin speakers.

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Questions:

- 1. How old was 李娜 when her father died?
- 2. Does her mother like to watch 李娜 competing live on television?
- Complete the sentence that 李娜的妈妈 says about watching her daughter – 我完全_____. Then translate the sentence. (This is the first sentence she says when interviewed. She says it twice and there are Chinese subtitles of what she says.)
- The very first sentence the news reporter says is about a tennis competition that has just finished. ____的比赛呢,已经 结束了。(See the new words list to translate this sentence.) Which competition has just finished?
- The reporter also asks her mother whether she thinks it is an easy achievement for 李娜 to be competing in this match today? Her mother replies by saying: 太难,太难tàinán, tàinán
 She also says: 我都哭了 wǒ dōu kūle
 Using a dictionary, translate these two sentences into English.
- The mother of李娜 was watching the match in her hometown. What province was this? Was it 湖北 Húběi or 河北 Héběi?

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生词shēngcí New Words

澳网	Àowǎng	Australian Open tennis championship
温网	Wēnwǎng	Wimbledon lawn tennis championship
父亲	fùqīn	father
去世	qùshì	to die
重播	chóngbō	rebroadcast/replay
完全	wánquán	completely/totally
不敢	bùgǎn	not dare to
比赛	bľsài	competition/sports match
湖北	Húběi	Hubei – province in China
河北	Héběi	Hebei – province in China
已经	yĭjīng alre	ady
结束	jiéshù	to finish/ to conclude



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Answer sheet:

Questions:

- How old was 李娜 when her father died?
 14 years old
- 2. Does her mother like to watch 李娜 competing live on television?

No she only likes to watch the replays.

- Complete the sentence that 李娜的妈妈 says about watching her daughter – 我完全_____. Then translate the sentence. (This is the first sentence she says when interviewed. She says it twice and there are Chinese subtitles of what she says.) 我完全不敢看。Wǒ wánquán bùgǎn kàn。 I totally do not dare to watch.
- The very first sentence the news reporter says that a competition has just finished. ____的比赛呢已经结束了。
 Which competition has just finished?
 The Australian Open. 澳网Àowǎng
- 5. The reporter also asks her mother whether she thinks it is easy for 李娜 to be competing in this match today? Her mother replies by saying:

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我都哭了 wǒ dōu kūle

Using a dictionary, translate these two sentences into English.

Too difficult or so difficult.

I cried. Or literally, I entirely cried.

6. The mother of李娜 was watching the match in her hometown. What province was this? Was it 湖北 Húběi or 河北 Héběi?

The province was湖北 Húběi.