

## The Chinese Sayings Podcast

## Putting Out The Fire With Gasoline

## **抱薪救火** S6E10

PINYIN / TERM	CHINESE	ENGLISH / MEANING
Bào xīn jìu hu <b>ŏ</b>	抱薪救火	To carry firewood to put out a fire, to make matters worse
Hán Fēizĭ	韩非子	c. 280-233 BC, Chinese Legalist philosopher and statesman during the Warring States period, and a prince of the state of Han
Bào	抱	to hold or carry in your armsto embrace or hug
Xīn	薪	firewood or fuel
Jiù	救	to rescue or save
huŏ	火	Fire
Kingdom of Qín	秦国	Ancient Zhou Era state that lasted from around 897 to 221 BC, afterwhich it became an empire that lasted till 207 BC
yu <b>ă</b> n jiāo jìn gōng	远交近攻	attacking its near neighbors while making alliances with those further away. This strategy was introduced to the pugnacious Qin King Zhāoxiāng by his loyal and wise minister Fàn Jū 范雎
Qin King Zhāoxiāng	秦昭襄王	King of Qin from 306-251 BC
Fàn Jū	范雎	Special advisor to King Zhaoxiang
Kingdom of Wèi	魏国	One of the major states of the Eastern Zhou. Wei lasted from 403-225 BC
Duàngān Zĭ	段干子	An advisor to the King of Wei
Nányáng	南阳	City in Henan
Sũ Dài	苏代	Another advisor to the King of Wei
Dàliáng	大梁	Former name of the city of Kāifēng in Hénán province.