



běn mò dào zhì

本末倒置

idiom · to put the cart before the horse; to confuse the relative importance of things

Example Sentences

xué xí shí zhī bèi dá àn ér bù lǐ jiě yuán lǐ jiù shì běn mò dǎo zhì
学习时只背答案而不理解原理，就是本末倒置。

Memorizing answers without understanding the principles when studying is putting the cart before the horse.

gōng sī bǎ dà liàng zī jīn tóu rù guǎng gào què hū shì chǎn pǐn yán fā zhēn shì běn mò dǎo zhì
公司把大量资金投入广告，却忽视产品研发，真是本末倒置。

The company poured huge sums into advertising while neglecting product development—that's really putting the cart before the horse.

Trace each character, then write the word on your own.

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continued practice

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