

Introduction to Chinese

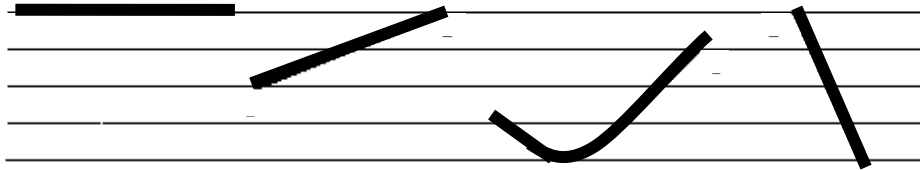
*Understand the difficulties of learning another language and
master a Chinese introduction speech.*

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Tones

Pitch Contours of Mandarin Tones



<http://web.mit.edu/jinzhang/www/pinyin/tones/images/4tones2.jpg>

There are four tones in Modern Standard Chinese. The first tone is a high-level tone; its tone mark is “ā”. The second tone is a rising tone; its tone mark is “á”. The third tone is a falling then rising tone; its tone mark is “ǎ”. The fourth tone is a falling tone; its tone mark is “à”. The fifth tone has no mark.

Example:

1	2	3	4	5
妈/媽	麻	马/馬	骂/罵	吗/嗎
mā	má	mǎ	mà	ma
mother	hemp	horse	scold	question particle

Practice:

<u>Characters</u> Simplified/ Traditional	<u>Pīnyīn</u>	<u>Translation</u>
你好	Ní hǎo!	Hello!
谢谢/謝謝	Xièxie.	Thank you.
再见/再見	Zàijiàn!	Good bye!
好久不见/好久不見	Hǎojiǔbùjiàn.	Long time no see.

Vocabulary

<u>Part of Speech</u>	<u>Characters</u> Simplified/ Traditional	<u>Pīnyīn</u>	<u>Translation</u>
greeting	你好!		Hello!
pronoun	我		I/ me
verb	叫		to be called
verb	是		to be
noun	人	*	person
number	一		one
counter	个/個		general classifier for people/objects
adjective	高中		high school
noun	老师/老師		teacher
verb	认识/認識	*	to recognize
pronoun	你		you
adverb	很		very
adjective	高兴/高興		pleased/ happy

*Remember the tone difference between 人 (rén) and 认识 (rènshi).

Introduction Speech

Simplified

你好!

我叫宜 时珍. 我是美国人. 我是一个高中 老师.

认识你很高兴.

Traditional

你好!

我叫宜 時珍. 我是美國人. 我是一個高中 老師.

認識你很高興.

Pīnyīn

Ní hǎo!

Wǒ jiào Yí Shízhēn. Wǒ shì Měiguó rén. Wǒ shì yī gè gāozhōng lǎoshī.

Rènshi nǐ hén gāoxing.

Translation

Hello!

My name is Shízhēn Yí. I'm American. I'm a high school teacher.

Pleased to meet you. (Literal translation: To recognize you, I'm very pleased to do.)

Practice

你好!

Ní hǎo!

我叫_____.

Wǒ jiào _____.

我是_____人.

Wǒ shì _____ rén.

我是一个/個_____.

Wǒ shì yī gè _____.

认识你很高兴/認識你很高興.

Rènshi nǐ hén gāoxing.

Country List

英国/英國	Yīngguó	Britain; England	墨西哥	Mòxīgē	Mexico
加拿大	Jiā'nádà	Canada	南非	Nánfēi	South Africa
法国/法國	Fǎguó	France	新加坡	Xīnjiāpō	Singapore
印度	Yīndù	India	韩国/韓國	Hánguó	South Korea
		千里達及托巴哥	Qiānlǐdájí Tuōbāgē	Trinidad and Tobago	
牙买加/牙買加	Yámǎijiā	Jamaica	美国/美國	Měiguó	U.S.A.
日本	Rìběn	Japan	越南	Yuènnán	Vietnam
爱尔兰/愛爾蘭	Ài'ěrlán	Ireland			

Occupation

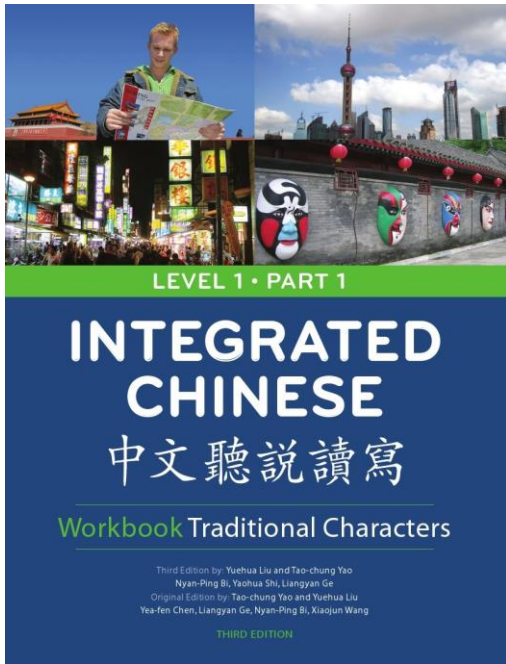
小学老师/小學老師	xiǎoxué lǎoshī	elementary school teacher
中学老师/中學老師	zhōngxué lǎoshī	junior high school teacher
国际关系协调员/國際關係協調員	guójìguānxìxiétiáoyuán	CIR
地区管理员/地區管理員	dìqūguǎnlǐyuán	PA
独角兽/獨角獸	dújiǎoshòu	unicorn

Japanese Surnames in Chinese

<u>Characters</u> Simplified/Traditional	<u>Pinyin</u>	<u>Translation</u>	<u>Characters</u> Simplified/Traditional	<u>Pinyin</u>	<u>Translation</u>
本	bēn	measure word for books	柰	nài	crabapple
滨/濱	bīn	shore, coast	内	nèi	inside
长/長	cháng	long	片	piān	measure word for flat objects
池	chí	pond	浦	pǔ	river mouth
川	chuān	river	崎	qí	mountainous
串	chuàn	string together	青	qīng	green or blue
村	cūn	village	桥/橋	qiáo	bridge
岛/島	dǎo	island	桑	sāng	mulberry tree
福	fú	good fortune	森	sēn	forest
富	fù	wealthy	山	shān	mountain
冈/岡	gāng	ridge	上	shàng	top
葛	gē	hemp cloth	石	shí	stone
宫/宮	gōng	temple, palace	松/鬆	sōng	pine
管	guǎn	manage	太	tài	too much
国/國	guó	country	田	tián	field
谷	gǔ	valley	榭	tǒng	tree name
合	gě	measure word for grain	尾	wěi	horse tail
户/戶/户	hù	door	武	wǔ	military
吉	jí	lucky	下	xià	below
井	jǐng	well	小	xiǎo	small
口	kǒu	mouth	岩	yán	cliff
棕	liáng	aphananthe (plant)	野	yě	field
落	luò	settlement	永	yǒng	forever
末	mò	end	早	zǎo	morning
木	mù	tree	志/誌	zhì	aspiration

Sources

All materials used in today's lesson have been modified from the following textbook:



Level 1 Part 1 Integrated Chinese Textbook Simplified Characters

Pages 1, 8, 19-22, 27- 28, 122-125

Link:

[http://www.clarkchargers.org/ourpages/auto/2014/9/8/50436811/Integrated Chinese S Level1 P1 1 .pdf](http://www.clarkchargers.org/ourpages/auto/2014/9/8/50436811/Integrated%20Chinese%20S%20Level1%20P1%201.pdf)

Presenter Biographies:



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In 2015, Hannah had the honor of participating in the Fulbright-Hays Group Project Abroad in Xi'an, China. She and her colleague researched how gender roles and losing face affected suicide in China.

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Hailing from a small town known for wine and drunk students, Flipi is a man who still cries at the end of Last Samurai [Perfect blossoms!! :') and then lies and says he played video games that night. Through the luck of the draw he got to set off from his South African roots and worked in China, Singapore and Indonesia; before finally setting foot on Japanese soil with something more substantial than a 2 week tourist visa. He loves traveling, meeting new people and telling others about those two loves.