

ELEMENTARY CHINESE

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Course Description:

It is a full-year course in modern Chinese, designed for students with some language background, namely the listening and speaking abilities of daily Chinese, acquired at home or after taking L170AB. We place emphasis on all four skills (listening, speaking, reading and writing). The goal is to lay a good foundation for Chinese further study and strive for an all-round development of communicative skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing Mandarin Chinese.

Textbooks

Required: *Integrated Chinese* (Textbook, Workbook) Level 1 Part 2

Recommended: *Integrated Chinese* (Character Workbook) Level 1 Part 2

Audio recording of the Texts and Exercises is available at:

<http://languages.caltech.edu/chinese/>

Recommended on-line resources:

For Chinese character learning and practicing:

<http://www.usc.edu/dept/ealc/chinese/character/>

<http://trc.ucdavis.edu/msjacob/gamelist.htm>

On-line dictionaries:

<http://www.zhongwen.com>

<http://cjedictionary.com>

<http://www.chinese-tools.com/tools/>

Requirements:

Attendance and class participation:

Attendance is mandatory. Absences without valid reasons will affect your grade.

All students are expected to participate actively in the day's language practice.

Homework:

--Listen to the audio materials available in the assignments page.

--Finish the exercises (except the speaking part) of each lesson in your workbook and turn in your homework on the due date.

Quizzes:

Take a vocabulary quiz (pinyin/ character/ meaning) after each chapter. The lowest score will be dropped.

Orals: Skit preparation and presentation. Group studies are encouraged.

Tests: There are 7 take-home tests this term, neither books nor discussions allowed.

Extension on request can be one week at most, and 5~10% deduction will apply.

<u>Course Grading</u>	Class participation	10%
	Homework	20%
	Quizzes	20%
	Tests	25%
	Final (oral & written)	25%
		100 %

SCHEDULE (subject to change)			
Week	M.	T.	W.
I	1/5 L 12- dialog I	1/6 L 12- dialog II	1/7 L 12- Exercises
II	1/12 <i>quiz (L12)</i> <i>Test (L12) due</i> L 13- Grammar exercises	1/13 L 14- dialog I	1/14 L14-dialog II
III	1/19 Holiday	1/20 <i>quiz (L14)</i> L 14- Exercises	1/21 L 15- dialog I
IV	1/26 <i>Test (L14) due</i> L15-dialog II	1/27 L 15- Exercises	1/28 L 16- dialog I
V	2/2 <i>quiz (L15)</i> <i>Test (L15) due</i> L16-dialog II	2/3 L16-Exercises	2/4 Oral preparation L17- dialog I
VI	2/9 L 17- dialog II	2/10 L 17- Exercises	2/11 L18- dialog I
VII	2/16 Holiday	2/17 <i>quiz (L17)</i> <i>Test (L17) due</i> L 18- dialog II	2/18 L 18- Exercises
VIII	2/23 <i>quiz (L18)</i> <i>Test (L18) due</i> L20- dialog I	2/24 L 20- dialog II	2/25 L 20- Exercises
IX	3/2 <i>quiz (L20)</i> <i>Test (L20) due</i> L 21-dialog I	3/3 L21- dialogue II	3/4 L21- Exercises
X	3/9 <i>quiz (L20)</i> Skit preparation	3/10 Skit presentation	3/11

