

101 Course Syllabus

Course Description:

Elementary Mandarin Chinese for beginners. Starting from phonetic foundations (Pinyin), Term 1 covers 5 essential topics: greetings, self-introduction, family, dates & time. Upon completion, learners will be able to express themselves and engage in simple dialogues related to these topics, equivalent to half of HSK Level 1 proficiency.

Text Book:

Chinese for Diplomats (Elementary 1)



https://item.m.jd.com/product/10161280468282.html?utm_campaign=t_1001328990

Certificate Award Policy:

Certificates will not be issued to students who:

- Miss 5 or more classes, OR
- Score below 60% on the final exam.

Class Schedule – 101A			
Week	Date	Lesson	Content
1	Aug.29 th	Lesson 1: Pinyin (1)	- Introduction to Mandarin
			- Phonetics: Initials, finals, tones, spelling rules (Part 1)
			- Daily & classroom expressions (Part 1)
2	Sep.5 th	Lesson 2: Pinyin (2)	- Phonetics: Initials, finals, tones, spelling rules (Part 2)
			- Daily & classroom expressions (Part 2)
3	Sep.12 th	Lesson 3: Greetings	- Pinyin review drills
			- Greeting expressions
			- Basic vocabulary & grammar
4	Sep.19 th	Lesson 4: Self-introduction (1)	- Pinyin review drills
			- Self-introduction: Name & nationality
			- Basic vocabulary & grammar
5	Oct.17 th	Lesson 5: Self-introduction (2)	- Dialogues: Name & nationality
			- Basic vocabulary & grammar
6	Oct.24 th	Lesson 6: Family (1)	- Family members: Simple introduction
			- Basic vocabulary & grammar
7	Oct.31 st	Lesson 7: Family (2)	- Dialogues: Family & ages
			- Basic vocabulary & grammar
8	Nov.7 th	Lesson 8: Date (1)	- Dialogues: Dates
			- Basic vocabulary & grammar
9	Nov.14 th	Lesson 9: Date (2)	- Weeks & simple scheduling
			- Making suggestions
			- Basic vocabulary & grammar
10	Nov.21 st	Lesson 10: Time (1)	- Dialogues: Specific times & simple schedules
			- Basic vocabulary & grammar
11	Nov.28 th	Lesson 11: Time (2)	- Daily routines
			- Basic vocabulary & grammar

12	Dec.5 th	Lesson 12: Review	- Comprehensive review
13	Dec.12 th	Lesson 13: Final Exam & Ceremony	- Final exam
			- Closing ceremony
			- Certificate awarding
14	Dec.19 th	HSK Test Session	<i>(Optional external exam)</i>