Middlebury Chinese Language School
Level 2.5

Textbook, Dictionaries


Recommended Dictionaries:

◊ Please have a 3-inch binder to *keep all* your daily quizzes, written and oral tests, essays and homework assignments in this folder. You will need to show your portfolio to your teachers when you meet with them to review your progress and improvement.

◊ Please check Level 2.5 Website EVERYDAY! We will post weekly homework schedules, classroom schedules, one-on-one schedules, daily lecture notes, daily grammar preview handouts (語法預習講義/语法预习讲义), review handouts for mid-term and final exam, etc. on our website. You will need to print out the daily grammar preview handouts yourself *before class* for preview. Please remember to bring your 语法预习讲义 to class *every day*.

Course Description

This course is designed for students who have completed Intermediate Chinese or the equivalent. While many of the linguistic tasks students learn to handle are similar to those of Intermediate Chinese, the level of language required to carry out these tasks is more advanced. Students are introduced to the written Chinese (书面语 shū miànyǔ) and taught how to make the transition from reading pedagogically prepared materials to more authentic materials. Rigorous practice of spoken and written Chinese in complex communicative activities will be complemented by intensive practice sessions to fine-tune pronunciation, expand vocabulary, and internalize more complex grammatical constructions. Students will also do intensive reading of expository writings on a variety of cultural topics. This course is conducted in Mandarin Chinese.
Daily Schedule

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<td>8:00 am - 8:50 am</td>
<td>Lecture 1 (Vocab, Grammar, and Text) Daily quiz starts at 8:00</td>
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<td>9:00 am - 9:50 am</td>
<td>Lecture 2 (Vocab, Grammar, and Text) Listening Comprehension/</td>
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<td>Newspaper Reading starts 2nd week</td>
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<td>10:10 am - 11:00 am</td>
<td>Drill 1 (Vocab and Grammar) Homework due at 10:10</td>
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<td>11:10 am - 12:00 noon</td>
<td>Drill 2 (Text and Discussion)</td>
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<td>2:00 pm - 3:30 pm</td>
<td>One-on-One (20 minutes each, T – Th)</td>
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<td>4:00 pm - 6:30 pm</td>
<td>Co-Curriculum Activities</td>
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Grades

Please make sure you are familiar with the rules and practices outlined here. Your final grade will be made up of the following:

Homework and Essays (15%)
Daily Quizzes (20%)
Weekly Written Tests (35%)
Weekly Oral Tests (15%)
Oral Presentations for Midterm and Final Exam (10%)
Attendance, Preparation and Participation (5%)

Punctual attendance at every single class (lecture and drill) is required.

Absences will be excused if accompanied by a doctor’s note or permission from the Chinese School Director, Bai Laoshi. Please tell both the lead instructor and the teacher of the class in advance you will miss the class. We understand that on rare occasions you may not wish to share or may not be able to share your reason for missing class.

Honor the Language Pledge

The language pledge is essential for the success of the program. Please honor your pledge at all times! The violation of the language pledge adversely affects your grade. The following grading policy will be strictly enforced: first violation = 4 points deducted; second violation = 6 points deducted.