

CHIN 111

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Week 02 Overview

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Agenda of Day 4

- Review
- Quiz 1
- Pinyin spelling rules
- Character sheet-3

Review

复习

Quiz 1

Pinyin Spelling Rules

Pinyin Spelling Rules

- i-row: i → y
- u-row: u → w
- ü-row: ü → yu
- j/q/x, y + ü: ü → u
- o/uo
- *ui/un/iu
- neutral tones
- er
- -r sound

i-row: i -> y

- i ia iao ie **iu** ian in iang ing iong
- yi ya yao ye **you** yan yin yang ying yong

yáchǐ, yàoshì, yètǐ, yǒuqián;

yánsè, hǎiyáng, yóuyǒng;

yìjiàn, yīnwéi, lǜyīn, yīngyǒng, yīngwǔ

u-row: u -> w

- ua uo uai ui uan **un** uang ueng
- wa wo wai **wei** wan **wen** wang weng

wà.zi, wǒmén, wàiguó,
wānqū, wǎngqiú, yúwēng,
wūzi, wéichéng, wénhuà, wèntí

ü-row: ü -> yu

• üe üan ün

• yue yuan yun

j/q/x + ü, y + ü

- j/q/x + ü: **ü → u**
- jùliè, jūnduì, jūnxiào, juéding
- qūchú, quēshǎo, qúnkù;
- xūyào, xúnzhǎo, xuéxiào, xūqiú
- y + ü: **ü → u → yu**
- yū, yú, yǔ, yù, yùndòng, yūnxuán

-o VS -uo

b/p/m/f + o

- bōcài, pòshǐ, mófǎng, fóguāng

d/t/n/l, g/k/h, zh/ch/sh/r,
z/c/s + uo

- duōshǎo, tuōlā, nuóyòng, luóguō
- zhōngguó, kuòdà, huópō
- zhuōyuè, chuōchuān, shuōhuà, ruòxiǎo,
- zuó.mo, cuōhé, suǒpéi

ui, un, iu

- **ui:** wěidà, wèile, wèishēng, wèidào; guǐdào, méiguì, kuīsǔn; huǐguò
- **un:** wèntí; wénhuì; wénjiàn; wényán; dūnwèi; tūntǔ; lúnhuái, gùnbàng; kūnlún; hūncài
- **iu:** yóuyǒng, yǒuqián, yōuhuì; diūshī, niúròu, liúshuǐ, jiǔbié, qiūqiān, xiū.xi

Neutral Tone

轻声

Neutral tone

- bàba māma
- gēge dìdi
- jiějie mèimei
- gūgu nǎi nai

Neutral tone: some suffixes

- - zǐ → -zi
- jiǎozi zhuōzi
- yǐzi dízi
- háizi qiézi
- -biān → -bian
- wàibian lǐbian
- shàngbianxiàbian

Neutral tone: some suffixes

- -zhe 着

- zhànzhe kūzhe xiàozhe tǎngzhe

- -de 的

- wǒde nǐde tāde shuíde

Neutral tone: random words

- xiānsheng
- xuésheng
- chūqu

er

- érzǐ érqiě
- ěrduo mù'ěr
- shí'èr èrshí
- ěrmài ěrmù
- ěrzhēn ěrzhùi
- ěrshùn ěrwén
- éryǔ ěrxuè

-r sound

- huǒxīng huǒxīngr;
- tóu tóur
- xìn xìn



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-r sound



- yǒushìr méikònggr qìshuǐr méifār
- miàntiáor hónghuār lùyèr xiédàir
- sháor shūběnr dòufugānr
- yīfujiàr yìhuǐr yáshuār
- liǎnpénr gōngyuánr

Chinese Characters

汉字

Character Sheet-3

- 马
- 佳
- 中
- 艮
- 青
- 古
- 巴
- 正
- 长
- 门

Character sheet-3: Phonetic Component



• 马

• 妈

• 吗

• 骂

妈妈

吗?

骂人

隹



• 隹

• 唯

• 谁

• 推

唯一

推荐

中



• 中

• 忠

• 种

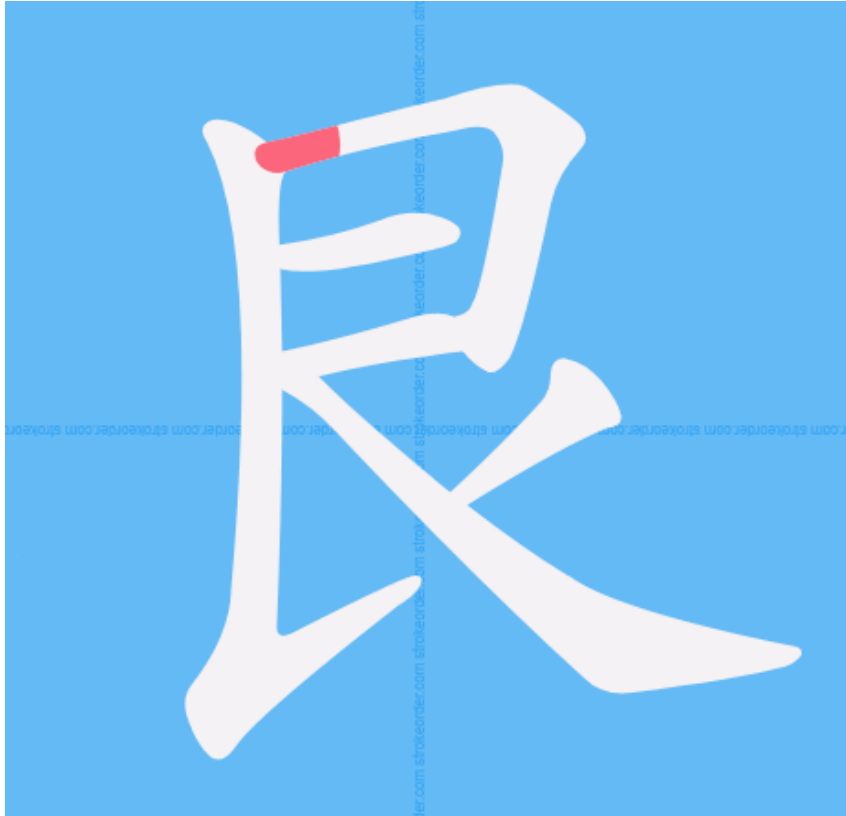
• 肿

忠诚

种子

肿块

艮



• 艮

• 跟

• 根

• 很

跟踪

根据

很+adj

青



- 青
- 清
- 情
- 请

清楚
情感
请客

古



• 古

• 姑

• 咕

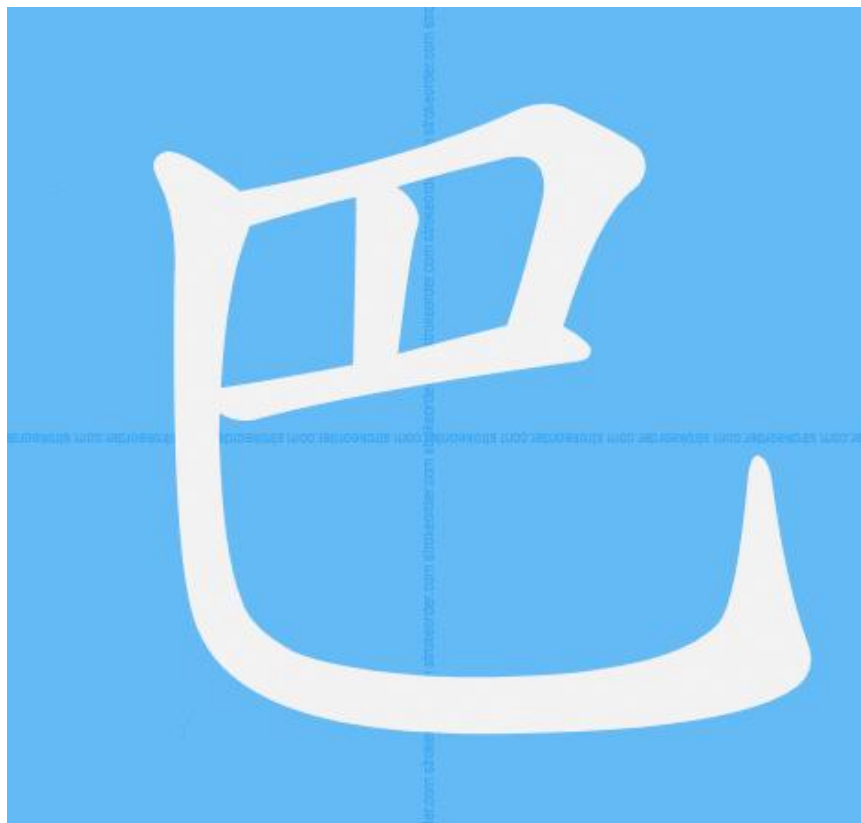
• 沽

姑姑

嘀咕

咕咕

巴



- 巴
- 吧
- 把
- 爸

正



• 正

• 证

• 症

• 征

证据

症状

征服

长



• 长

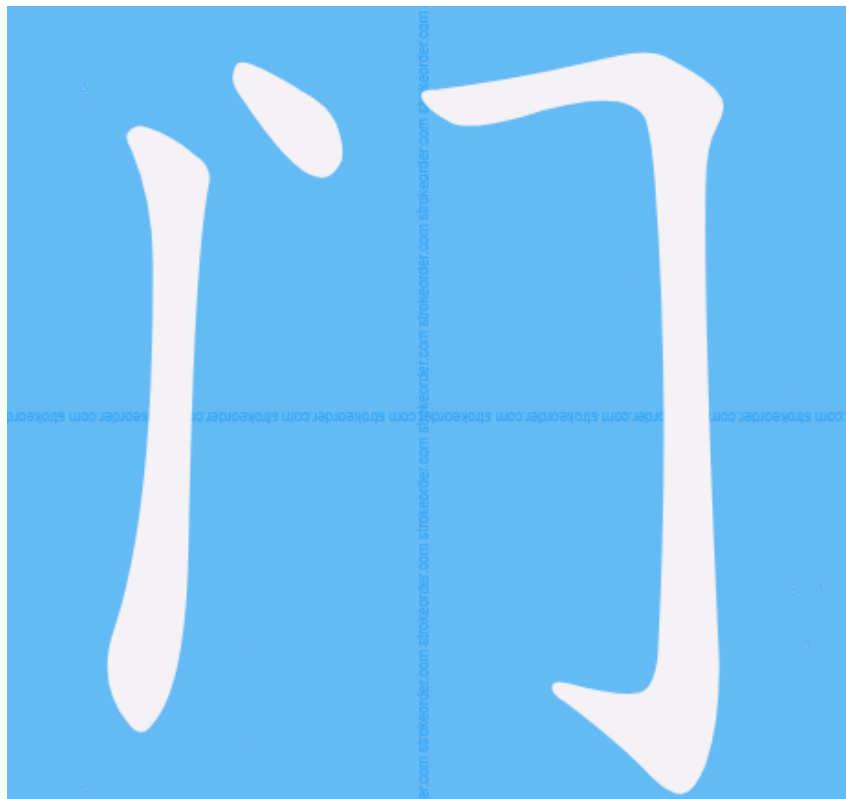
• 胀

• 账

膨胀

账单

门



- 门
- 们
- 闷

Summary of Day 04

- **Review**
- **Quiz 1**
- **Pinyin Spelling rules**
- **Character sheet-3**

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Agenda of Day 05

- Quiz 1 Review
- Review: Pinyin Spelling Rules & Character Sheet 3
- Pinyin: Tone Sandhi Rules
- Character Sheet-4A

Quiz 1 Review

- **Pinyin**
- en-eng in-ing an/ang?
- ong/ang?
- ai/ei/ou (not i/a/o as in English)
- uo/ou
- zhi/chi/shi/ri
- ji/qi/xi

- **Where to put the tone marks?**
- Follow the sequence a/o/e/i/u/ü

Review

复习

Dictation

- yá chǐ
- wǎng qiú
- wén jiàn
- yòu huò
- yuán huá
- wēn zhōu

Tone Sandhi

变调

3+3→2+3

- | | | |
|-----------|-----------|----------|
| • jǔzhǐ | jǔshǒu | yǐnǐ |
| • yǔnxǔ | jiǎgǔ | jiǎshǐ |
| • jiǔyǎng | liǎngshǒu | qiǎnxiǎn |

$3 + 1/2/4 \rightarrow 1/2 \text{ 3}^{\text{rd}} \text{ tone}$

- $3+1 \rightarrow 1/2 \text{ 3}^{\text{rd}} + 1$

- zǔ zhī lǐ kē huǐ yuē
- pǎo chē rěnxīn shǎn guāng
- shǔ biāo

$\frac{1}{2}$ 3rd tone

- $3 + 2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} 3^{\text{rd}} + 2$

- pǔ jí zhǔxí jǔ rén

- jǔ guó piǎo bái shuǐ wén

- shuǐ shé tǒng chóu

bù

bù + 1/2/3 , **bú + 4**

bù	ān	dān	fādá	gōng	guāng
	xué	xíng	xiá	shí	zhé
	zhǐ	zhǔn	qiǎo	xiǎng	shěng
bú	xiù	xùn	yàn	xiàng	wài

yī + 1/2/3 → yì

yī + 4 → yí

yì	bān	biān	xīn	duān	shēn
	yán	wú	tóu	tiáo	qián
	xiǎng	wǎng	tǒng	biǎo	bǐ
yí	zhì	yuè	zài	wù	yàng

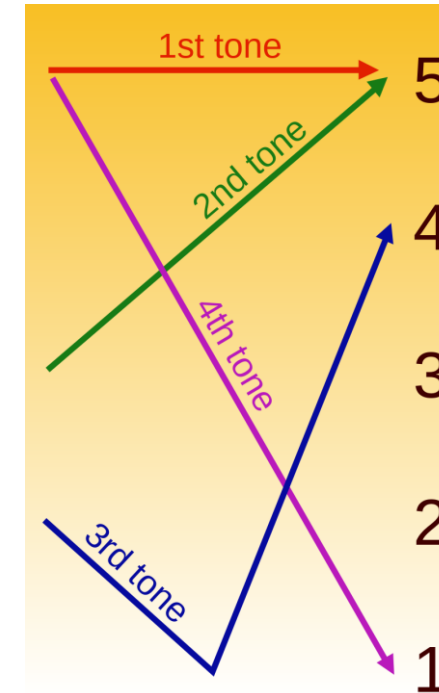
Neutral Tone

qīng shēng 轻声

Tones

- Four tones and Neutral Tone

Tone	Pitch Value	Tone Mark	Example
1 st tone	55	—	妈 mā
2 nd tone	35	ˊ	麻 má
3 rd tone	214	ˇ	马 mǎ
4 th tone	51	ˋ	骂 mà
Neutral tone	0		嘛 ma



Neutral Tones (qīng shēng 轻声)

- neutral tones: the 2nd word of the duplicates, or some noun suffix like 子, 的, 边, 头, 着 or some other words

- gēge dìdi jiějie mèimei
- jiǎozi kuàizi zhuōzi yǐzi
- wàibian lǐbian dàde xiǎode nǐde wǒde
- shàngtou xiàtou
- kūzhe xiàozhe
- xiānsheng

er

er

- érzǐ érqiě
- ěrduo mù'ěr
- shí'èr èrshí
- ěrmài ěrmù
- ěrzhēn ěrzhùi
- ěrshùn ěrwén
- éryǔ ěrxuè

-r Sound

儿化音

-r sound

• huǒxīng huǒxīng^r;

• tóu tóu^r

• duì duì^r

• xìn xìn^r



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-r sound



• yǒushìr méikòng r qìshuǐr méifār

• miàntiáor hóng huār lùyèr xiédàir

• sháor shūběn r dòufugān r

• yáshuār liǎnpén r gōngyuán r

Chinese Characters

Hàn Zì 汉字

Character Sheet 4A

• 女 nǚ woman

• 人 rén person

• 刀 dāo knife

• 口 kǒu mouth

• 手 shǒu hand

• 心 xīn heart

• 水 shuǐ water

• 火 huǒ fire

• 木 mù tree, wood

• 衣 yī cloth

• 女 nǚ zì páng 女字旁

• 人 → 亻 dān rén pang 单人旁

• 刀 → 刂 lì dāo pang 立刀旁

• 口 kǒu zì pang 口字旁

• 手 → 扌 tí shǒu páng 提手旁

• 心 → 忄 shù xīn páng 竖心旁

• 水 → 氵 sān diǎn shuǐ 三点水

• 火 huǒ zì páng 火字旁

• 木 mù zì páng 木字旁

• 衣 → 衤 yī zì páng 衣字旁

Summary of Day 05

- Tone Sandhi Rules
- Special Tone Sandhi for **yi** and **bu**
- er
- -r sound
- Character Sheet-4A

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Agenda of Day 06

- Review: Tone Sandhi Rules & Character Sheet 4A
- Pinyin Review
- Character Sheet-4B

How to Practice After Class

- Pinyin

<https://pinyinpractice.com>

<https://chinese.yabla.com/chinese-pinyin-chart.php>

- Characters

<https://www.strokeorder.com>

Review

复习

Chinese Characters

•日 rì
•月 yuè
•水 shuǐ
•火 huǒ
•山 shān

•人 rén
•田 tián
•刀 dāo
•木 mù
•竹 zhú

•大 dà
•小 xiǎo
•女 nǚ
•子 zǐ
•手 shǒu

•目 mù
•口 kǒu
•心 xīn
•足 zú
•贝 bèi

Chinese Characters

• 马
• 佳
• 中
• 艮
• 青

mǎ

zhuī

zhōng

gěn

qīng

• 古
• 巴
• 正
• 长
• 门

gǔ

bā

zhèng

cháng

mén

Review: Initials

复习声母

zh/ch/sh vs j/q/x

- zhī jī chī qī shī xī
- zhōu jiū chōu qiū shōu xiū
- zhāo jiāo chāo qiāo shāo xiāo
- zhān jiān chān qiān shān xiān
- zhāng jiāng chāng qiāng shāng xiāng

zh/ch/sh vs j/q/x

- zhǐ jīn jié chū zhì jìng shí qī
- zhì xī jī sù chū jí jījīzhāzhā

zh/ch/sh vs z/c/s

• zhī	zī	chī	cī	shī	sī
• zhè	zè	chè	cè	shè	sè
• zhú	zú	chú	cú	shú	sú
• zhǎn	zǎn	chǎn	cǎn	shǎn	sǎn
• zhēn	zēn	chēn	cēn	shēn	sēn
• zhǔn	zǔn	chǔn	cǔn	shǔn	sǔn
• zhǒu	zōu	chōu	cōu	shōu	sōu

zh/ch/sh vs z/c/s

• zī shì sù chéng cǐ shí zhì cí

z/c/s vs j/q/x

• zī	jī	cī	qī	sī	xī
• zá	jiá	cá	qiá	sá	xiá
• zūn	jūn	cūn	qūn	sūn	xūn
• zǎn	jiǎn	cǎn	qiǎn	sǎn	xiǎn

z/c/s vs j/q/x

• zū qī qǐ sù qì sè cí qì

Review: Finals

复习韵母

ie vs üe

• liè	lǜè	niè	nüè		
• jiē	juē	qié	qué	xiě	xuě

è liè	shèliè	jiéhūn
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ia, ie, üe

- | | | |
|-------|-----|-----|
| • jiā | jiē | juē |
| • qiā | qiē | quē |
| • xiā | xiē | xuē |

jié jù

què qiè

jié chū

un, ün, uan, üan

- zūn xún jūn quán yūn xuán

eng vs ong

• téng tòng ménglóng héng kōng

Character Sheet-4B

- 金 jīn → 钅 jīn zì páng 金字旁 'metal'
- 言 yán → 讠 yán zì páng 言字旁 'speech'
- 宝 bǎo → 宀 bǎo gài tóu 宝盖头 'roof'
- 足 zú → 足 zú zì páng 足字旁 'foot'
- 竹 zhú → 竹 zhú zì tóu 竹字头 'bamboo'

Character Sheet-4B

- 丝 sī → 纟 jiǎo sī páng 绞丝旁 'silk'
- 食 shí → 饣 shí zì páng 食字旁 'food'
- 禾 hé → 禾 hé zì páng 禾字旁 'crop'
- 狗 gǒu → 犴 fǎn quǎn páng 反犬旁 'animal'
- 道 dào → 辶 zǒu zhī páng 走之旁 'walking'

Summary of Day 06

- Review: Tone Sandhi Rules & Character Sheet 4A
- Pinyin Review
- Character Sheet-4B

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Agenda of Day 07

- Review:
- Pinyin
 - Initials
 - Finals
 - Tones
- Characters

Oral Test 1 (30% of Test 1)

- **Components:**
 - 1) Pinyin minimal pairs (without tones)
 - 2) Pinyin with tones (Four tones and Neutral tone)
 - 3) Chinese Characters
- **Expectation**
 - Read out the pinyin and characters correctly & **without ambiguity**
 - You should finish **within 2.5 min.**

Written Test 1 (70% of Test 1)

- **Components**

- **1. Dictation for Pinyin**

- 1) circle the correct pinyin
- 2) fill out the blank with correct initial, final, tone mark ...
- 3) write down the pinyin you hear

- **2. Chinese Characters**

Chinese Characters

•日 rì
•月 yuè
•水 shuǐ
•火 huǒ
•山 shān

•人 rén
•田 tián
•刀 dāo
•木 mù
•竹 zhú

•大 dà
•小 xiǎo
•女 nǚ
•子 zǐ
•手 shǒu

•目 mù
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Chinese Characters

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zhuī

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qīng

• 古
• 巴
• 正
• 长
• 门

gǔ

bā

zhèng

cháng

mén

Character Sheet-4B

• 金	jīn	→	钅	jīn zì páng	金字旁
• 言	yán	→	讠	yán zì páng	言字旁
• 宝	bǎo	→	宀	bǎo gài tóu	宝盖头
• 足	zú	→	足	zú zì páng	足字旁
• 竹	zhú	→	𪔐	zhú zì tóu	竹字头

Character Sheet-4B

- 丝 sī → 纟 jiǎo sī páng 绞丝旁
- 食 shí → 饣 shí zì páng 食字旁
- 禾 hé → 禾 hé zì páng 禾字旁
- 犬 quǎn → 犴 fǎn quǎn páng 反犬旁
- 走 zǒu → 辶 zǒu zhī páng 走之旁

Review: Tones

复习声调

Tone Marks

- Where to put tone marks?
- Follow the sequence: a o e i u ü
- Special Rule: for **-iu**, tone mark is placed on **u**
 - e.g. diū xiū qiú liù

Neutral Tone (qīng shēng 轻声)

xiǎo

xīn

dì

huá

小

心

地

滑

xiǎo

xīn

de

huá



Review: Initials

复习声母

Minimal Pairs

- da-ta ni-li shi-xi zi-qi
- ca-qia lai-lei tui-dui nong-
long
- ke-he sun-xun chuan-quan xian-qian
- zhen-zeng shang-xiang

Read: z/c/s vs j/q/x

• zī	jī	cī	qī	sī	xī
• zá	jiá	cá	qiá	sá	xiá
• zūn	jūn	cūn	qūn	sūn	xūn
• zǎn	jiǎn	cǎn	qiǎn	sǎn	xiǎn

Dictation

- | | | | |
|--------------|---------|--------|----------|
| • chuàng zào | zòu zhé | cù shǐ | cí chǎng |
| • xí qì | cì jī | zī sè | cù xīn |

Review: Finals

复习韵母

Read

- | | |
|--------|-------|
| • zhēn | zhèng |
| • zhēn | chéng |
| • rèn | zhèng |
| • dēng | zhèng |
| • zēng | zōng |
| • dōng | zhòng |
| • wēn | wān |
| • kūn | kuān |
| • hūn | huān |

Read: un, ün, uan, üan

- | | | |
|--------|------|------|
| • zūn | cūn | sūn |
| • jūn | qūn | xūn |
| • zuān | cuān | suān |
| • juān | quān | xuān |

Dictation

• è liè	shè liè	jié hūn	
• jué jù	qiè qiè	jué chù	
• mǎn miàn	fàn diàn	tán tiān	sān xiān
• qiǎn sǎn	piān tǎn	liàn zhàn	jiàn tán
• pàn wàng	rǎn gāng	chǎn fang	nán fang
• jiǎng jià	jiǎng zhāng	cháng xiàng	shàngxiàng
• yuán quán	xuānyuán	cūnzhuāng	

in vs ing

- yīn yīng
- mín bīng
- qīn qíng
- pīn mìng

Dictation: ou vs iu

- zhōu xiū
- jiǔ zhōu
- qiū shōu

Dictation Practice

- | | | | |
|------------|----------|---------|-----------|
| • xì jūn | wǎng qiú | xián qì | jì xù |
| • zǒu lù | zì jǐ | zhǐ dé | jiǎng gǎo |
| • méi shìr | wēn zhōu | | |

Dictation Practice

- zhào jí zhāo qì zhāo xī chūn jì
- shuāi jié shù qín xiāo shī xì shù

Review: Chinese Characters

复习汉字

Phonetic Symbols

- | | | | | | | | | |
|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| •妈 | 推 | 谁 | 淮 | 钟 | 种 | 仲 | 肿 | 跟 |
| •根 | 狠 | 恨 | 请 | 清 | 情 | 晴 | 姑 | 估 |
| •把 | 笆 | 证 | 账 | 胀 | 们 | 钊 | 焖 | 剖 |
| •叫 | 烹 | 裙 | 深 | 恍 | 织 | 退 | 笔 | 家 |
| •字 | 狼 | 钱 | 秋 | 跳 | 怅 | 饼 | 绣 | 溪 |

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- Review:
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