

# **CHIN 111**

# **First-year Chinese for**

# **Heritage Learners**

**Autumn 2025**

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# Week 02 Overview

	Monday 星期一	Tuesday 星期二	Wednesday 星期三	Thursday 星期四	Friday 星期五
<b>Week 1</b> 9/24-9/26			<b>SEPT 24</b> Course Orientation & Basic strokes	<b>25</b> Pinyin & Basic Characters	<b>26</b> Pinyin & Basic Characters
<b>Week 2</b> 9/29-10/3	<b>29</b> Pinyin & Basic Characters	<b>30</b> Pinyin & Basic Characters	<b>OCT 1</b> Pinyin Review & Basic Characters	<b>2</b> Basic Characters Review	<b>3</b> Oral Test 1
<b>Week 3</b> 10/6-10	<b>6</b> Written Test 1	<b>7</b> Lesson 1	<b>8</b> Lesson 1	<b>9</b> Lesson 1	<b>10</b> Dictation 1 Lesson 2-Vocab
<b>Week 4</b> 10/13-17	<b>13</b> Lesson 2	<b>14</b> Lesson 2	<b>15</b> Lesson 2	<b>16</b> Lesson 2	<b>17</b> Dictation 2 Lesson 3-Vocab

# 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, lùyīn, yīngyǒng, yīngwǔ

## u-row: u -> w

- ua uo uai ui uan un uang ueung
- 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, juédìng
- 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; lúnhuí, 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

# • wőde

něde

# Neutral tone: random words

- xiānsheng
- xuésheng
- chūqu

# er

- érzi            érqiě
- ěrduo          mù'ěr
- shí'èr        èrshí
- ěrmài          ěrmù
- ěrzhēn        ěrzhuì
- ěrshùn        ěrwén
- éryü          ěrxuè

# -r sound

- huǒxīng      huǒxīngr;
- tóu                tóur
- xìn                xìnr



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# -r sound



- |             |           |           |         |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| • yǒushìr   | méikòngr  | qìshuǐr   | méifār  |
| • miàntiáor | hónghuār  | lùyèr     | xiédàir |
| • sháor     | shūběnr   | dòufugānr |         |
| • yīfujíàr  | yìhuǐr    | yáshuār   |         |
| • liǎnpénr  | gōngyuánr |           |         |

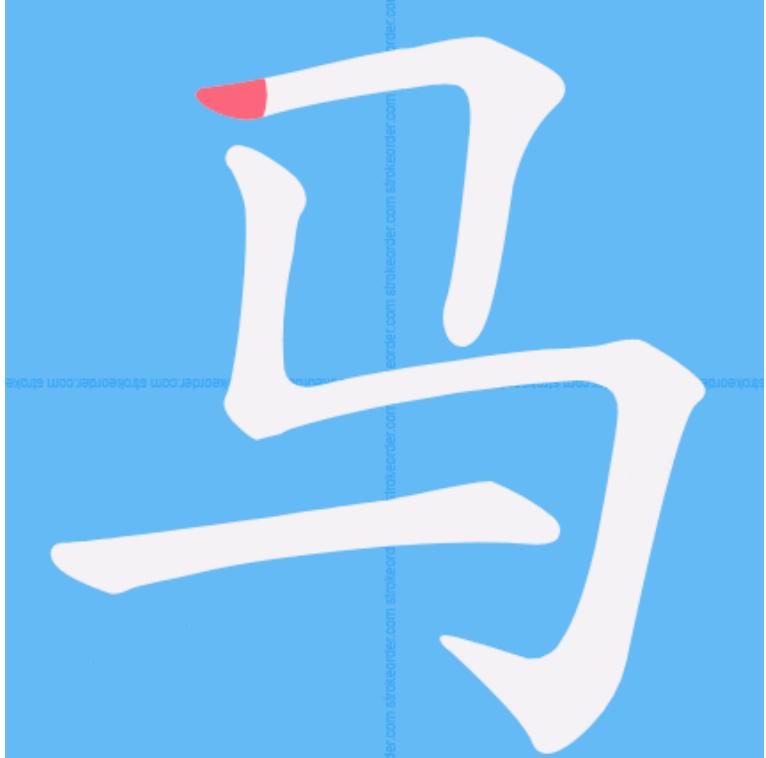
# Chinese Characters

汉字

# Character Sheet-3

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

# Character sheet-3: Phonetic Component



- 马
- 妈 妈妈
- 吗 吗？
- 骂 骂人

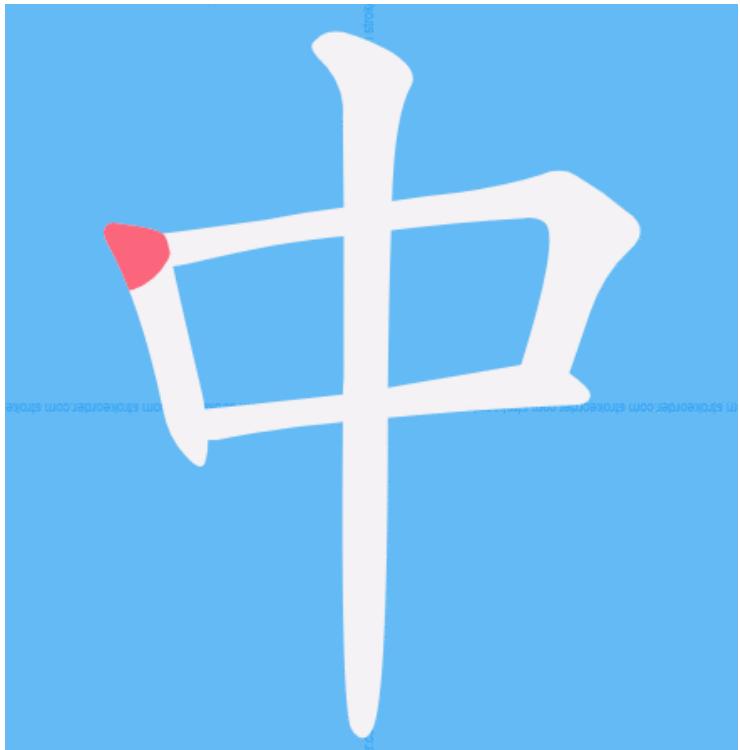
佳



• 佳  
• 唯  
• 谁  
• 推

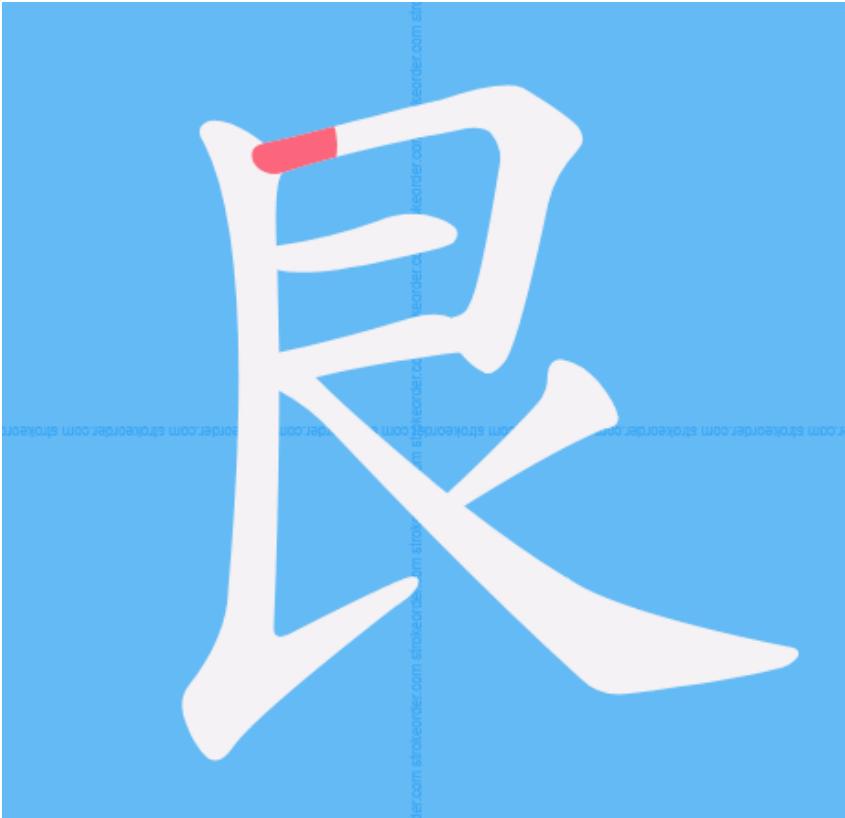
唯一  
推荐

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

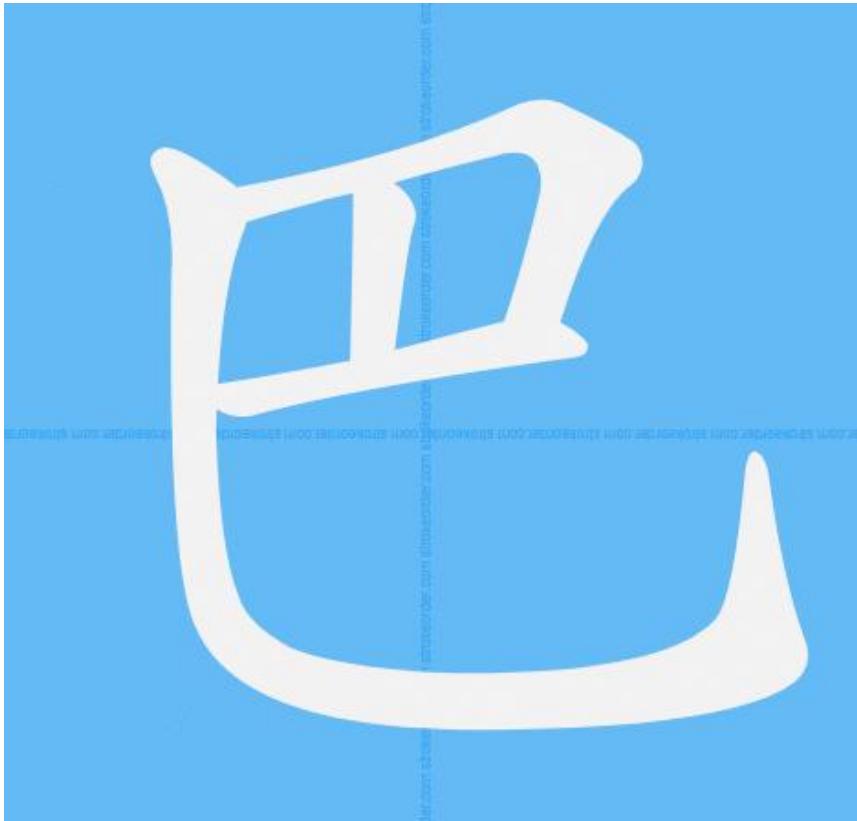


- 古
- 姑
- 咕
- 沽

姑 姑  
嘀 咕

咕 咕

巴



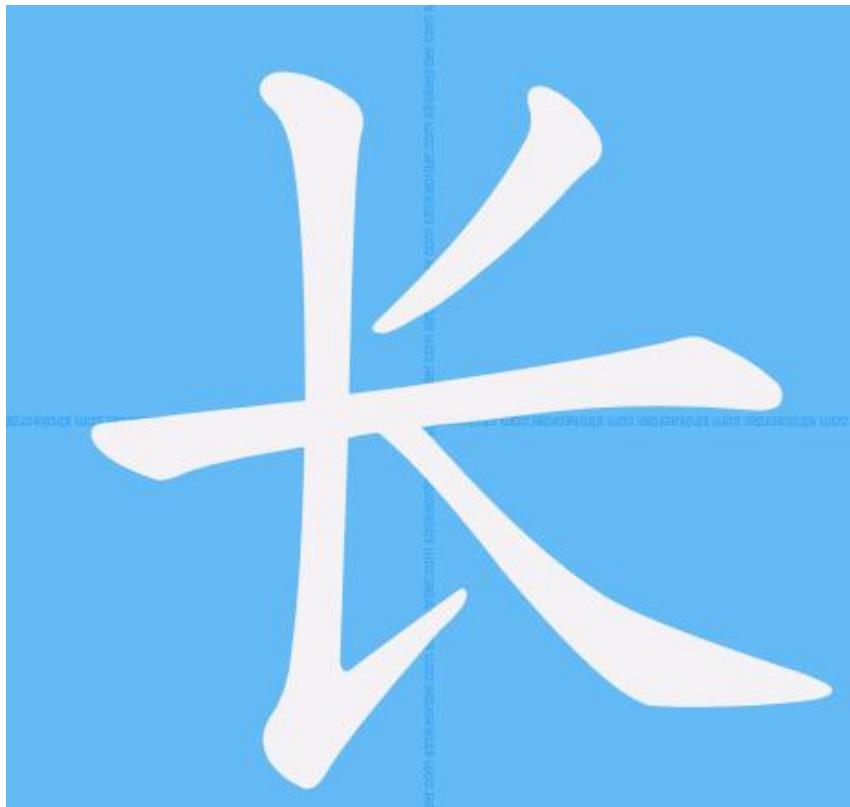
- 巴
- 吧
- 把
- 爸

正



- 正
  - 证
  - 症
  - 征
- 证据  
症状  
征服

长

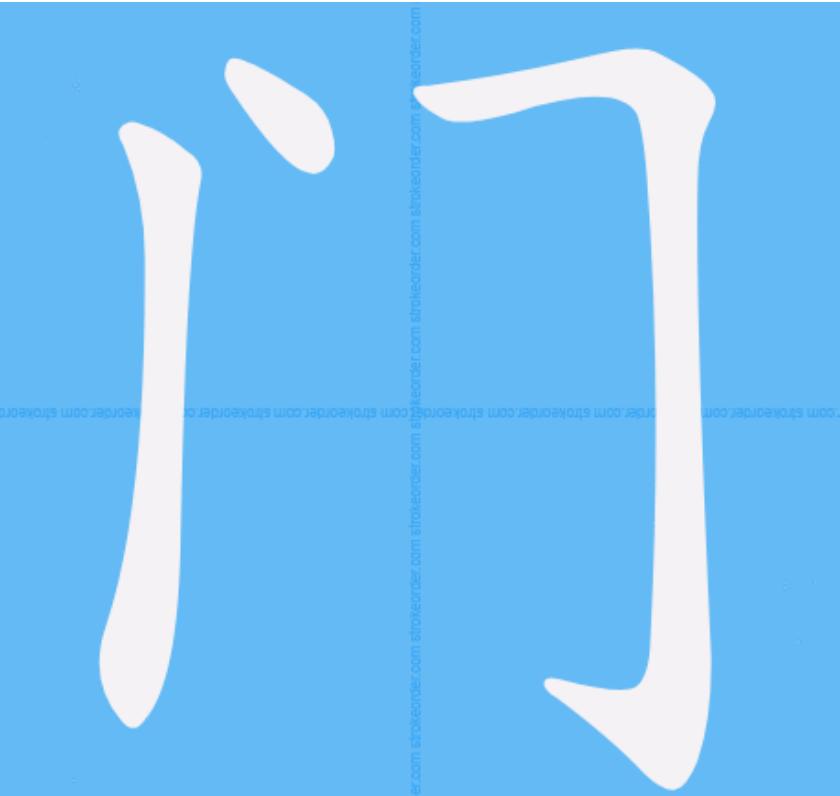


• 长

- 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 → ½ 3<sup>rd</sup> tone**

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

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

# $\frac{1}{2}$ 3<sup>rd</sup> tone

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

- pǔ jí zhǔxí jǚ rén
- jǚ guó piǎo bái shuǐ wén
- shuǐ shé tǒng chóu

# $\frac{1}{2}$ 3<sup>rd</sup> tone

- 3+4 →  $\frac{1}{2}$  3<sup>rd+</sup> 4

- lǚ kè                    gǔ lì                    huǐ guò

- jiǎ shè                    huǐ huài                    huǐ miè

- pǎo dào                    qǐ sù                    qǐ shì

**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

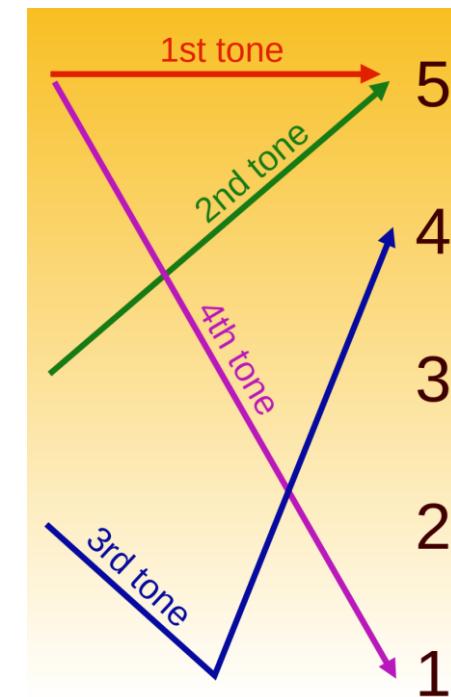
# Neutral Tone

qīng shēng 轻声

# Tones

- Four tones and Neutral Tone

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



# Neural Tones (qīng shēng轻声)

- neutral tones: the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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     | xiào zhe |        |        |           |
| • xiānsheng |          |        |        |           |

**er**

# er

- érzi            érqiě
- ěrduo          mù'ěr
- shí'èr        èrshí
- ěrmài          ěrmù
- ěrzhēn        ěrzhuì
- ěrshùn        ěrwén
- éryü          ěrxuè

# **-r Sound**

儿化音

# -r sound

- huǒxīng      huǒxīng**r**;



- tóu                tóu**r**

- duì                duì**r**

- xìn                xìn**r**

# -r sound



- yǒushìr      méikòngr      qìshuǐr      méifār
- miàntiáo r      hónghuār      lùyèr      xiédài r
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- yáshuār      liǎnpénr      gōngyuánr

# 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 → 亼	dān rén pang	单人旁
• 刀 → 刂	lì dāo pang	立刀旁
• 口	kou 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	• 人 rén	• 大 dà	• 目 mù
• 月 yuè	• 田 tián	• 小 xiǎo	• 口 kǒu
• 水 shuǐ	• 刀 dāo	• 女 nǚ	• 心 xīn
• 火 huǒ	• 木 mù	• 子 zǐ	• 足 zú
• 山 shān	• 竹 zhú	• 手 shǒu	• 贝 bèi

# Chinese Characters

• 马	mǎ	• 古	gǔ
• 隹	zhuī	• 巴	bā
• 中	zhōng	• 正	zhèng
• 艮	gěn	• 长	cháng
• 青	qīng	• 门	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

- zhě 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              lüè              niè              nüè  
• jiē              juē              qié      qué              xiě      xuě

è liè              shèliè              jiéhūn

# 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 → 金	jīn zì páng	金字旁	‘metal’
• 言 yán → 言	yán zì páng	言字旁	‘speech’
• 宝 bǎo → 宝	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 → 飮 shí zì páng 食字旁 ‘food’
- 禾 hé → 禾 hé zì páng 禾字旁 ‘crop’
- 狗 gǒu → 犭 fǎn quǎn páng 反犬旁 ‘animal’
- 道 dào → 走 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	• 人 rén	• 大 dà	• 目 mù
• 月 yuè	• 田 tián	• 小 xiǎo	• 口 kǒu
• 水 shuǐ	• 刀 dāo	• 女 nǚ	• 心 xīn
• 火 huǒ	• 木 mù	• 子 zǐ	• 足 zú
• 山 shān	• 竹 zhú	• 手 shǒu	• 贝 bèi

# Chinese Characters

• 马	mǎ	• 古	gǔ
• 隹	zhuī	• 巴	bā
• 中	zhōng	• 正	zhèng
• 艮	gěn	• 长	cháng
• 青	qīng	• 门	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	→	竹 zhú zì tóu	竹字头

# Character Sheet-4B

- 丝 sī → 纟 jiǎo sī páng 绞丝旁
- 食 shí → 倂 shí zì páng 食字旁
- 禾 hé → 禾 hé zì páng 禾字旁
- 犬 quǎn → 犭 fǎn quǎn páng 反犬旁
- 走 zǒu → 走 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  
long                    lai-lei                    tui-dui                    nong-
- 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 jíá cá qíá 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 sàν	piān tǎn	liàn zhàn	jiàn tán
• pàn wàng	rǎn gāng	chǎn fang	nán fang
• jiǎng jià	jiǎng zhāng	cháng xiàng	shàngxiàng
• yuán quán	xuānyuán	cūnzhūāng	

# in vs ing

- yīn              yīng
- míν              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 篓 证 账 胀 们 钔 焉 剖  
• 叫 烹 裙 深 忪 织 退 笔 家  
• 字 狼 钱 秋 跳 怅 饼 绣 溪

# **Summary of Day 07**

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