

Your assignment is to write these characters 12 times each. These characters are characters that will help you recognize what does the word relates to even without knowing what it means. These characters are called 部首 (bù shǒu) . I will put the Chinese name, how it is pronounced, and the meaning of it. Don' t worry about pronouncing it now. I will quiz you by asking the meaning in English and you writing down the character. But as we go on, I will ask its Chinese name when you get familiar with pronunciation.

冫

- Name: 两点水
- Pinyin (sound): liǎng diǎn shuǐ
- Meaning: something is frozen or froze

宀

- Name: 秃宝盖
- Pinyin (sound): tū bǎo gài
- Meaning: cover over something

十

- Name: 十字儿/ 十
- Pinyin: shí zǐ er/ shí
- Meaning: ten/ perfect (when used as 部首)/ complete (when used as 部首)

八

- Name: 八字旁
- Pinyin: bā zǐ pang
- Meaning: eight/ separate (when used as 部首)

讠

- Name: 言字旁
- Pinyin: yán zǐ pang
- Meaning: this character is related to speaking, talking.
Words that have this character are usually related to speaking.