

Qianziwen (Thousand Character Classic) — Print Pack

A quick guide for families: one page for kids, one for parents. Keep it short, friendly, and consistent.

Kids' Guide — How to Read

- **Look** at the Chinese line and try the pinyin slowly.
- **Listen** to the meaning in simple English.
- **Spot** one picture in your mind (sky, river, seasons, heroes...).
- **Do one thing** from the Parent Note (moon phase journal, kindness action, “soar time”).
- **Ask** one question: “What does this look like in my life?”
- **Two lines a day** is plenty — small steps make big learning.

Parents' Guide — How to Lead

- **Keep it short.** 5–10 minutes wins consistency.
- **Connect to today.** Nature patterns, chores, friendships, gratitude, calm.
- **Reflect, don't lecture.** Ask open questions; let kids notice.
- **Model virtues.** Fair sharing, careful words, quiet starts, finishing well.
- **Celebrate small wins.** Keep a simple “family wins” list on the fridge.
- **Routine:** Mon–Fri read 2 lines · Sat do 1 activity · Sun tell 1 story matching a verse.

Favorite Mini Activities

- **Moon Journal (Ch.1):** draw the moon for 7 nights.
- **Focus Bell (Ch.7 & 13):** 15 minute quiet reading/drawing.
- **Values Poster (Ch.1):** pick 3 family words and decorate.
- **Kindness in Secret (Ch.5):** do one hidden good deed.
- **Soar Time (Ch.7):** screens off, wonder on.
- **Posture Practice (Ch.15–16):** walk like in a library.

Helpful Terms (for Western readers)

- **Dao / Way:** a path of right living.
- **Virtue:** inner strength for doing good.
- **Filial piety:** kind respect for parents & elders.
- **Rites:** thoughtful habits that keep peace at home.

More online: Children's Corner → Qianziwen Index → Chapter pages with pinyin, English meaning, and Parent notes.