



XIAN CHIN 200 Intermediate Chinese I

The Alliance for Global Education Xi'an: Art, History and the Silk

Road Program, Fall 2009

General Information

This class is designed for foreign students. On average, the students have previously studied Chinese for 3 semesters before taking this course and have already learned some intermediate Chinese grammar patterns, with necessary language skills to survive in China. It is a regular course, with 12.5 hours weekly scheduled for 14 weeks, meeting 5 days a week. Students are expected to spend 2-3 hours every day beyond class time preparing for class, previewing for daily dictation, and completing homework. Only Chinese is allowed in the class. Students will mainly focus on improving their Chinese pronunciation and tones, learning new grammar patterns and practicing the new grammar and vocabulary during the class hours. Organized in-class activities include daily dictation, memorizing dialogue, bi-weekly tests, and oral exercises such as retelling stories, making up dialogues, skit performances and role playing.

Objectives

This class helps students strengthen their skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing, through the in classroom language instruction and after class self-practice. The topics in the textbook cover most commonly used daily conversations. The class is designed for 14 weeks and mainly focuses on improving students' listening and speaking abilities. Students are expected to learn at least 25 new Chinese words every class. Students are expected to master approximately 650 new characters, to recognize and write 1030 new words, as well as 140 new grammar patterns. Students should be able to function in Chinese in their daily life with good confidence. They will learn to hold conversations with local Chinese people on most common topics, such as talking about Chinese culture, food, Chinese customs and local arts in China. In addition, with using some high level vocabularies, students can also talk about some social issues happened in China, such as birth control in China and women's social status in Chinese society, etc.

Students are required to take four Chinese courses; these courses are the Grammar class, Drill 1 & 2, One-on-one. Before class, you should prepare the new words for every lesson. During class, your teacher will introduce to you the new grammar patterns and use of new vocabulary. After the grammar class, you will be able to practice the grammar that you have learned in the Drill 1& 2 classes. One-On-One class, which you are only required to attend once a week, will give you an opportunity to chat with your teacher and work on any particular problems you might have.

Textbook

New Practical Chinese Reader Volumes 2 &3, Lesson 21-40, Professor Liu Xun

Classroom and Hours

1. From Monday to Friday
Section 1: 8:40-9:40
Section 2: 9:55-10:40
Section 3: 10:50-11:35
2. One on One: Wednesday 13:30-15:55
3. Friday: weekly composition and Bi-weekly Test

Pre-Class Preparation

Before the Chinese class, students are expected to:

- Listen to the CDs included with the textbook regularly and frequently
- Be familiar with new vocabulary from the dialogues
- Be able to read and write the new words correctly
- Preview and try to understand the grammar patterns from the related chapters
- Memorize the dialogue/chapter assigned by the class instructors
- Complete homework assignments

In Class

- It is most important that students pay attention and listen to the teachers.
- There is a daily dictation in the first hour session with vocabulary and key sentences. Students are required to review what they have learned the day before and preview the new lesson. The dictation will start at the beginning of each class. Students are expected to learn how to write both in pinyin and characters.
- Retelling of the dialogue, Students should try to memorize the text and learn to retell it with accurate and natural pronunciation.

After Class

- Review the recently learned lessons and preview new vocabulary, grammar patterns, and dialogues for next day's class.
- Finish the homework in the workbook assigned by the professors.
- If you have enough time, practice with language partners: Role-play, culture experience and practical daily conversations.

Attendance Requirements

Class attendance is mandatory. It is essential that students come to the class on time and attend class regularly. Students are allowed to miss class only if it is approved by the Program Director. Make-up exams, homework will be offered to students who have program director's approval. It

should be done as soon as the student is available for class. Students who miss class for any other reasons will receive zero score for any exams, homework given during missed class time.

During the semester, there will be the following tests:

Bi- Weekly quiz

Mid-Term exam

Final exam

Evaluation Methods

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| Attendance | 15% |
| Daily performance | 10% |
| Dictation | 10% |
| Homework | 10% |
| Quizzes | 15% |
| Mid-Term Exam | 20% |
| Final Exam | 20% |

Class Schedule

| Week 1 | | | | | |
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| 8/31 – 9/4 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L21(I) Grammar | L21(II) Grammar | | L22(I) Grammar | L22(II) Grammar |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | Drill 1 | Drill 1 |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | Drill 2 | Drill 2 |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
| 13:30-14:15 | | | One on One | | |
| 14:25-15:10 | | | | | |
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| Week 2 | | | | | |
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| 9/7– 9/11 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L23(I) Grammar | L23(II) Grammar | | Review | Bi-weekly Quiz |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | | |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | | |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
| 13:30-14:15 | | | One on One | | |
| 14:25-15:10 | | | | | |
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| Week 3 | | | | | |
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| 9/14 – 9/18 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L24(I) Grammar | L24(II) Grammar | | L25(I) Grammar | L25(II) Grammar |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | Drill 1 | Drill 1 |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | Drill 2 | Drill 2 |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
| 13:30-14:15 | | | One on One | | |
| 14:25-15:10 | | | | | |
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| Week 4 – Study Tour | | | | | |
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| 9/21 – 9/25 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | Silk Road Study Trip | Silk Road Study Trip | Silk Road Study Trip | Silk Road Study Trip | Silk Road Study Trip |
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| 10:50-11:35 | | | | | |
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| 14:25-15:10 | | | | | |
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| Week 5 – Study Tour | | | | | |
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| 9/28 – 10/2 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | Silk Road Study Trip | Silk Road Study Trip | Silk Road Study Trip | Silk Road Study Trip | Silk Road Study Trip |
| 9:50-10:35 | | | | | |
| 10:50-11:35 | | | | | |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
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| Week 6 | | | | | |
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| 10/5 – 10/9 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L26(I) Grammar | L26(II) Grammar | | Review | Bi-Weekly Quiz |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | | |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | | |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
| 13:30-14:15 | | | One on One | | |
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| Week 7 | | | | | |
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| 10/12 – 10/16 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L27(I) Grammar | L27(II) Grammar | | L28(I) Grammar | L28(II) Grammar |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | Drill 1 | Drill 1 |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | Drill 2 | Drill 2 |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
| 13:30-14:15 | | | One on One | | |
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| Week 8 | | | | | |
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| 10/19 – 10/23 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L29(I) Grammar | L29(II) Grammar | | Review | Bi-Weekly Quiz |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | | |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | | |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
| 13:30-14:15 | | | One on One | | |
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| Week 9 | | | | | |
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| 10/26 – 10/30 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L30(I) Grammar | L30(II) Grammar | | L31(I) Grammar | L31(II) Grammar |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | Drill 1 | Drill 1 |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | Drill 2 | Drill 2 |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
| 13:30-14:15 | | | One on One | | |
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| Week 10 | | | | | |
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| 11/2 – 11/6 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L32(I) Grammar | L32(II) Grammar | | Review | Bi-weekly Quiz |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | | |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | | |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
| 13:30-14:15 | | | One on One | | |
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| Week 11 | | | | | |
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| 11/9 – 11/13 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L33(I) Grammar | L33(II) Grammar | | L34(I) Grammar | L34(II) Grammar |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | Drill 1 | Drill 1 |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | Drill 2 | Drill 2 |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
| 13:30-14:15 | | | One on One | | |
| 14:25-15:10 | | | | | |
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| Week 12 | | | | | |
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| 11/16 – 11/20 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L35(I) Grammar | L35(II) Grammar | | Review | Bi-weekly Quiz |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | | |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | | |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
| 13:30-14:15 | | | One on One | | |
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| Week 13 | | | | | |
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| 11/23 – 11/27 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L36(I) Grammar | L36(II) Grammar | | Thanksgiving Long Weekend | Thanksgiving Long Weekend |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | | |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | | |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
| 13:30-14:15 | | | One on One | | |
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| Week 14 | | | | | |
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| 11/30 – 12/4 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L37(I) Grammar | L37(II) Grammar | | Review | Bi-weekly Quiz |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | | |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | | |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
| 13:30-14:15 | | | One on One | | |
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| Week 15 | | | | | |
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| 12/7 – 12/11 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L38(I) Grammar | L38(II) Grammar | | L39(I) Grammar | L39(II) Grammar |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | Drill 1 | Drill 1 |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | Drill 2 | Drill 2 |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
| 13:30-14:15 | | | One on One | | |
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| Week 16 | | | | | |
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| 12/14 – 12/18 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 8:40-9:40 | L40(I) Grammar | L40(II) Grammar | Office Hours 9:00am -12:00pm 6:00pm -9:00pm | Review | Final Exam |
| 9:50-10:35 | Drill 1 | Drill 1 | | | |
| 10:50-11:35 | Drill 2 | Drill 2 | | | |
| 11:45-12:35 | | | | | |
| 12:35-13:20 | | | | | |
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