

Intermediate Mandarin Conversation – IMC01 Syllabus

- Week 1 – 你是哪里人？
Nǐ shì nǎlǐ rén?
Where are you from?
· Introductions.
· Getting to know each other.
· Talking about work, family, etc.
- Week 2 – 为什么你的中文那么好？
Wèishénme nǐde Zhōngwén nàme hǎo?
Why is your Chinese so good?
· Responding to compliments
· Talking about interests, studies etc
- Week 3 – 是“老师说”不是“老实说”
Shì "lǎoshī shuō", búshì "lǎoshí shuō"
It's "teacher said" not "honestly speaking"
· Focus on tones and pronunciation.
· Learn to notice mistakes, self-correct, and be understood.
- Week 4 – 你们吃什么？
Nimen chī shénme?
What would you like to eat?
· Talking about food.
· Ordering at a restaurant.
· Asking about location.
- Week 5 – 我不喜欢这个颜色
Wǒ bù xǐhuan zhè ge yánsè
I don't like this colour
· Going shopping and buying things.
· Visiting the Richmond night market.
- Week 6 – 你们打算住多久？
Nimen dāsuan zhù duōjiǔ?
How long do you plan to stay?
· Talking about dates, times and places.
· Actions at a specific location.
· Actions at a specific time.
- Week 7 – 你现在在哪里？
Nǐ xiànzài zài nǎlǐ?
Where are you right now?
· Talking on the phone.
· Leaving a recorded message.
· Basics of SMS in Chinese.
- Week 8 – 我想到中国去
Wǒ xiǎng dào Zhōngguó qù
I want to go to China
· Talking about plans, wishes, intentions
· Places you have been / places you want to go
- Week 9 – 他的表情很严肃
Tā de biǎoqíng hěn yánsù
His expression is very serious
· Describing people.
· Using the topic/comment structure in Chinese.
- Week 10 – 解开汉字之谜
Jiěkāi Hànzì zhī mí
Unlocking the mystery of Chinese characters
· Introduction to *hanzi*.
· Strategies for mastering Chinese characters.