

STARTALK - Concordia Language Villages Chinese Language Lessons from Sen Lin Hu
Overview

Theme and question	Learning Outcomes (for Novice-mid learners)	Language structures	Lexis
Geography How is my experience in China influenced by where I am?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify and locate 9 main geographical features of China, Compare the shape of China to a rooster, Form sentences describing the location of landforms Recognize 10 free time activities done in China, say what activities one can do, identify where these activities can be done in different geographical areas of China Express preferences, Read itineraries of trips to China, Write a paragraph about planning a trip to China 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify 3 radicals in characters related to Geography (water, wood, grass) Sentence structure: At +Place + subject+ verb Verbs to be able to: 能 vs. 会 A 比 B + adj. A compared to B, adj. First, Second; 第一, 第二。。 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Desert, farmland, plateau, river, ocean, mountains, hills, grasslands, forest, rooster Swimming, paddling, sailing, mtn. climbing, camel riding, horse riding, rafting, hiking, rock climbing, play chess, to be able to do something (2 verbs),
Train Transportation What is traveling by train like in China?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Read and be able to explain the information given on a Chinese train ticket Understand train conversations Plan a train trip in China: setting the itinerary, estimating the costs, and choosing from among various cities and tourist sites 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 什么样的。。。? = What kind of . . . ? “Which number train or car?” using 多少 准备 + verb = to get ready to + verb 让不让+ person + verb = to make or allow to + verb 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> train, train station, train ticket, hard seat, hard sleeper, soft seat, number, yuan, arrival station, train number, departure station, seat compartment, passenger, prepare, turn off, turn on, bed lamp, influence, bright, allow, pass, trouble price, how much time?, destination, seats
Environment: Renewable Energy What is renewable energy and how do the Chinese use it?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask and answer questions about renewable energy Express opinions regarding renewable energy Compare use of renewables in the USA and China Understand a dialog regarding renewable energy Identify different sources of renewable energy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 比: A compared to(比) B + adj (review) 百分之 + number = % double adjectives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> use, resources, renewable, solar, wind power, water power, coal resources, natural gas, percentage, agree, completely, extremely don't panic, natural phenomenon, vicious, generate electricity, correct, everyday, disappear, renewable resources, waterfall, impact, power, windmill, currently
Food: Min Nong Poem What is the significance of rice for Chinese people?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> List in order the 6 steps for growing rice Demonstrate understanding of vocabulary in the poem Min Nong Explain the cultural significance of the poem Min Nong Understand a mealtime conversation Identify characteristics of Tang poetry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Efficiency of poetic language Measure words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hoeing, seedlings, sun, midday, sweat, drips, earth, below, know, plate, food, each and every, hard work, grain, to sow, transplant seedlings, irrigate, maintain water level, drain water, harvest rice Measure Words: 位 (for people), 碗 (bowl), 把 (for utensils), 双 (pair), 个 (for things)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recite poetry with correct tones Perform a poem recitation 		generally), 道 (courses in a meal), 种 (kinds)
Modernization: Fast Food What kind of fast foods do you find in China?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the names of 5 foreign fast food chains in China Explain the meaning of one of these names Understand the meanings of these fast food chain names Understand how names are formed in Chinese from English Understand a dialog about McDonalds in China Identify differences between McDonalds in China and in the U.S. Invent a name for a fast food restaurant in China 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 除了。。以外, 还有 = in addition to . . , also . . 而且 = furthermore 不过 = however 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> fast food, McDonalds, Starbucks, Subway, KFC, Pizza Hut hamburger, shrimp, fish, chicken, young people, old, children, furthermore, however menu, symbol
Health: Chinese Medicine What is healthy living according to Chinese culture?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify different treatments used in Chinese medicine Understand the main principals of Chinese medicine Do simple moves in Taichi and Qigong Understand a dialog about Chinese medicine Identify differences between Western and Chinese Medicine Work with other students to create a poster describing a Chinese medical treatment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 用 = to use 没有那么 + adj = not so 没(有)什么 + noun = there aren't any 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chinese Medicine, Qi, energy channels, acupuncture point, obstruction of Qi, illness, healthy, acupuncture, Qigong, Taiji, acupressure, treatment, use, face, foot, hand, arm, leg x-ray, aspirin, result, not have any, not so, moxibustion, cupping glass, get sick, yin-yang, balance, bitter, massage
Leisure Activities: Chinese Sports What are traditional Chinese sports?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify sports that originated in China Follow and give commands for playing jianzi and Chinese jump rope Ask and answer questions orally and in written form about personal exercise routines using verbs used with sports Describe the sports routines of different individuals Record data related to practicing different Chinese sports Write a paragraph about practicing these sports and expressing preferences. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commands Radicals: foot, hand, bamboo Use of also (也) in sentences when listing multiple activities, not using 'and' Describing frequency of activities Ordinal numbers using 第一个, 第二个 . . . 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ping pong, badminton, high jump, martial arts, kite flying Playing Jianzi: kick, jianzi, use foot, knee, chest, jump, throw Jumping rope: jump, cord, left, right, inside, outside, step on, high, low Hit, kick, practice, do, jump, kick, often, sometimes, rarely, everyday, once a week, each month
Home Life: Appellations How do Chinese people use greetings and names to indicate relationships?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify and use appropriate forms of address for different members of the community Understand the cultural and social implications of how we address others Understand a dialog about forms of address Identify differences between Western and Chinese forms of address 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 应该 – should 因为。。。所以 – because . . . therefore 有一点 – a little bit 一下 – a little, a moment 当然 – of course 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> father's elder brother, wife of father's elder brother, courteous, custom, friend, school headmaster, doctor uncle, auntie, relatives, to be called

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make a comic book about proper forms of address • Write sentences using the sentence structures introduced in this unit 		
Chinese Perspectives: Five Elements What are the 5 elements and how are they related to each other?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name the five elements • Arrange elements in a cycle of destruction and building up • Identify objects in everyday life that represent the five elements • Understand a dialog discussing the five elements • Create a visual, using shapes and seasons, that expresses the two cycles related to the five elements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verbs: 剋, 生 • 在 + verb = verb with -ing • Multiple meanings and uses of 关系 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • water, fire, earth, metal, wood, five elements, mutual destruction, mutual building up • regarding, connection, article, [MW for articles], year, between, represent, season, summer, winter, spring, autumn • triangle, square, pillar, circle
Chinese Arts: Paper Cutting What is paper cutting and their different styles?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify 4 main facts about paper cutting • Follow directions to make a paper cut • Identify common themes found in paper cutting • Use new vocabulary to describe a story painting • Draw pictures based on passages of a story • Match pictures with themes • Create unique paper cut with elements found in Chinese paper cuts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measure words: 棵, 片, 条, 匹 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • paper cutting, scissors, paper, double happiness, design, straight line, curve, cut, fold • herbal medicine, look for, tree, leaves, shape, realize, turn into, desire, butterfly, window decoration, green, red, brown, purple, fish, horse • represent