

Lotus Chinese Classes

2021 Spring

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Class Format: Zoom Meeting

Chinese Pinyin and Characters

Grades: 1-3

Class Day/Time: Friday, 12:00PM-1:00PM Or contact the instructor for other arrangement

Start Date: the week of January 10

End Date: the week of May 2

weeks:16

#Hours: 16

Materials Needed for Class: A binder to hold class handouts and homework sheets, pencil and notebook

Course Description:

This course is designed for young students who wish to learn Chinese Pinyin and Characters. For Pinyin, we will start from the basics, such as tones, finals, initials, and spelling rules, etc. For Chinese characters, We will start with the basic elements of Chinese characters, strokes. Then we will learn Chinese characters, combine those characters into words and phrases, and learn to read. Our classes use a creative way to teach the characters, telling a story for each character by looking at the origins of Chinese characters. Each character is shown in the form of a picture which matches the structure of the character. Students will further master those characters through Chinese songs, engaging games and authentic Chinese stories. Our course specifically teaches simplified characters.

Chinese as a Foreign Language

Grades: 4-8

Class Day/Time: Thursday, 12:00PM-1:00PM, 1:00PM-2:00PM

Or contact the instructor for other arrangement

Start Date: the week of January 10

End Date: the week of May 2

weeks:16

#Hours: 16

Materials Needed for Class: A binder to hold class handouts and homework sheets, pencil and notebook

Course Description:

This course is designed for both upper elementary students and secondary school students who have had no or little prior experience to Chinese language and are interested in learning basic Chinese language as well as culture. Students will be exposed to the phonetic symbols and tones from the very beginning. Radicals and simple grammar will be introduced. Chinese characters are taught according to the character formation system. Students will learn topics related to their daily lives. They will learn the expressions of the year, month, day and dates. They will make simple conversations of how to ask and answer birthdays and age. The primary goal is to help students establish a solid foundation of vocabulary, knowledge of Chinese and communication skills through the integration of language, content and cultural elements.