

Mizzou Mandarin – Chinese Level 1

1. Brief Introduction to China

- a. China geography and population
- b. Contemporary China
- c. Q&A about China

2. Daily Conversations

- a. Greetings
- b. Scene dialogues
- c. Chinese phonetic symbol (pin yin)
- d. Tongue twisters

3. Chinese Food

- a. Introduction to Chinese eight cuisines (highlight Sichuan cuisine with videos)
- b. Food habits
- c. learn to say Chinese food (rice , vegetables, soup)
- d. dialogue: order food

4. Chinese Festivals

- a. Spring Festival
- b. Ching Ming Festival
- c. Dragon Boat Festival
- d. Mid-Autumn Festival

5. Chinese traditional clothing

- a. Han Chinese clothing
- b. Tang clothing
- c. Chinese tunic suit and Qipao

6. Chinese Zodiac

- a. The story of 12 zodiacs
- b. The meanings of each zodiac
- c. Find your own zodiac
- d. Learn a dialogue about zodiac

7. Traveling in China

- a. How to travel in China
- b. City Introduction (Beijing , Shanghai , Xi'an , Hong Kong)
- c. learn to read Chinese guide signs
- d. learn to ask for directions

8. Chinese handcrafts

- a. Chinese origami

- b. Chinese paper-cut
- c. Chinese knot

9. Chinese folk music and folk dance

- a. Introduction to 56 Chinese nationalities
- b. Listen to and enjoy some classic Chinese folk music (*Aobaoxianghui* , *Kangding Love Song* , *Alishan girl*)
- c. Enjoy some classic dance (Uygur, Dai, Tibetan dance)
- d. learn to sing folk song *Jasmine flower*

10. Chinese Families

- a. Conception of Chinese family
- b. The one-child policy V.S. two-child policy
- c. Comparison between Chinese & American family