

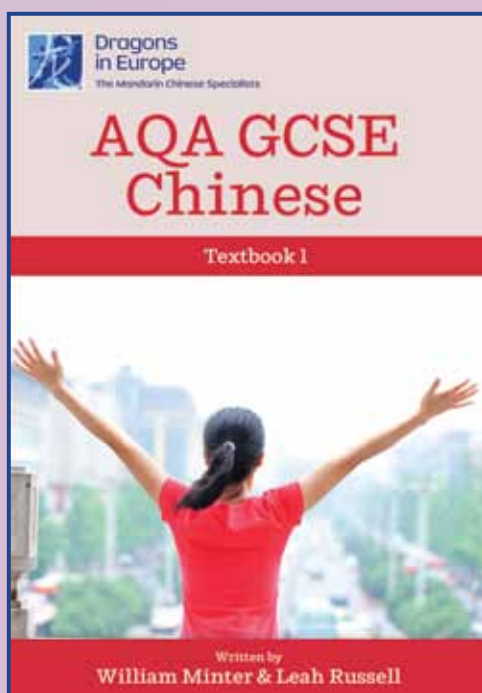


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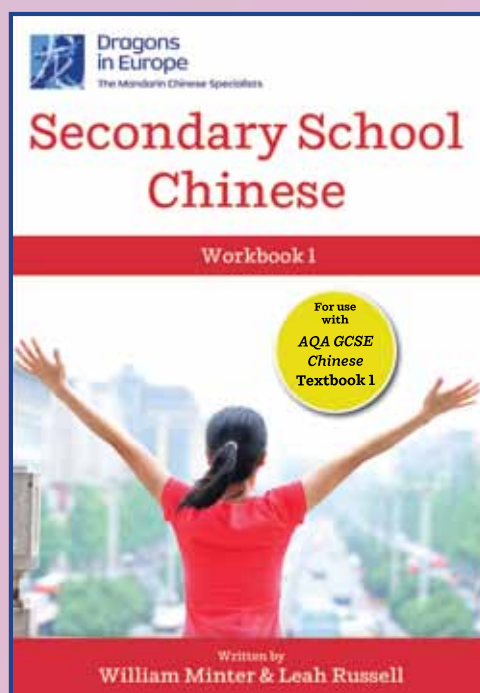
GCSE Mandarin Chinese Resources *for New Specification 2017*

Textbook



The textbook has entered an AQA approval process.

Workbook



The workbook can be used in conjunction with the textbook.

Online



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(going live in June 2017)

The textbook has entered an AQA approval process for the new GCSE specification. Other resources are beyond the scope of an AQA approval process and have not been entered for approval.

AQA GCSE Chinese - Textbook 1

Overview

AQA GCSE Chinese - Textbook 1 has entered an AQA approval process for the new GCSE specification. It is the first part of a new two-part series and is aimed at students with some prior knowledge of Chinese: in order to begin this book, students should have a knowledge of about 200 words, and should be able to write 50-100 characters. This course is aligned to the new specification of Mandarin Chinese GCSE and is written with the requirements of non-heritage learners in mind. The course covers all four skills, and is designed to increase the confidence and skills of learners. This course aims to provide everything students need to master the language; it is complete with interactive activities, cultural insight and detailed grammar explanations. A workbook and online portal accompany the textbook, giving opportunity for extra practice and enabling teachers to track students' progress.



Everything you need in one course

AQA GCSE Chinese - Textbook 1 combines a modern communicative pedagogy with thorough grammatical explanations. It includes activities which cover all four skills, as well as activities which focus on study skills. Topics are revisited throughout the book, making sure that students have many opportunities to consolidate their learning. Wherever possible, activities are grounded in real-life situations which students are likely to encounter when they interact with other Chinese speakers.



Did you know?



Pinyin supporting text

Pinyin supporting text is written underneath characters to aid the student with pronunciation. Pinyin is gradually removed throughout the book, as the student's knowledge of vocabulary increases. This ensures that the student is supported at all stages and is encouraged to focus on characters when reading. Rarer characters, such as names, are always supported with pinyin.

6.9 Reading activity — What I ate today

Read what Wang Chun and her mum Li Mei ate today and answer the questions below.

今天我吃了很多好吃的菜。我在家里吃了早饭，我吃了
饺子，喝了一杯豆浆。我在学校吃了午饭。羊肉、猪
肉、牛肉，我都喜欢吃。今天午饭我只吃了猪肉包子和
一碗米饭。今天是我朋友的生日，他和我一起去了饭馆
吃晚饭。我们吃了面条，喝了珍珠奶茶，也吃了蛋糕。

我是经理，每天都很忙。今天我没有在家吃早
去小商店买了三个包子，在公共汽车上吃。我
司吃了午饭。我吃了米饭和菜。我最喜欢吃鸡
晚上六点回家，给我家人做了一碗虾和两个菜
都喜欢吃西瓜。

1) What did Wang Chun have for breakfast?
2) What did she have for lunch?
3) Why didn't she eat at home for dinner?

4) Where does Li Mei normally eat breakfast?
5) What is her favourite food?
6) What did she make for dinner tonight?

This reading activity does not include pinyin support for already-learnt characters such as 吃, but rarer characters such as 珍珠 are supported with pinyin.

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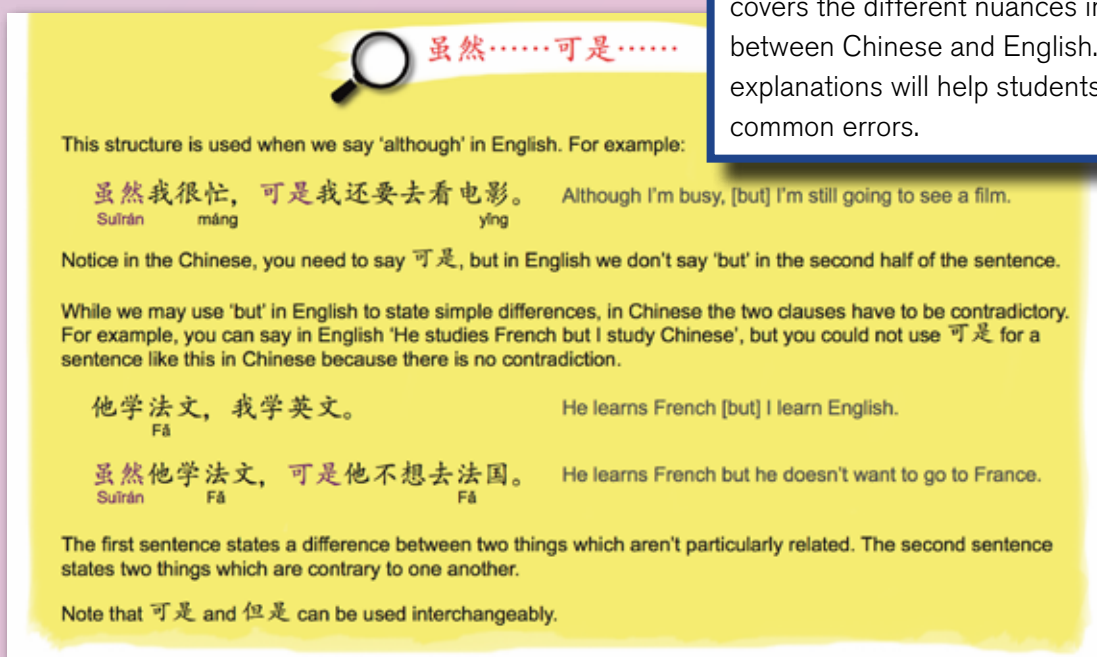
Writing characters

AQA GCSE Chinese - Textbook 1 systematically introduces students to 176 common Chinese characters. After completing this book, students will be able to write between 225-300 characters from memory and recognise 450-500 characters, depending on the students' initial knowledge. Extra character practice is provided in the workbook. Special sections are also devoted to improving handwriting and study skills for memorising characters.



In-depth explanations on grammar and word use

Chinese grammar is thoroughly explained using non-technical language. The book introduces important grammar points such as modal verbs, conjunctions and verbal complements; the book also includes notes on details of word usage, such as knowing when to use 老 and 旧. Common phrases in everyday conversation are introduced in two sections in each unit, entitled 'Language in Action.'



This explanation both gives an introduction to the grammar point and covers the different nuances in meaning between Chinese and English. In-depth explanations will help students avoid common errors.

AQA GCSE Chinese - Textbook 1

Cultural knowledge

Going beyond well-known cultural icons such as pandas and chopsticks, *AQA GCSE Chinese - Textbook 1* contains a wealth of information on Chinese culture, both ancient and modern. Our approach helps the student appreciate the diversity of the Chinese speaking world. Cultural sections include both famous masterpieces such as Journey to the West and lesser-known culture such as the 'guess fingers' game.

Did you know?

炕 (kàng) — Bed-stoves

How would you like to sleep on a heated brick oven bed? The *kang* is just that: a brilliant, 3-in-1 solution to heat the home, cook your meals, and provide a cosy space to work and relax. Made of bricks or clay, a *kang* is a platform, usually about waist height, which is often wall-to-wall and takes up less than half of the room. People can sit on it during the day and sleep on it at night. Beneath it, the smoke from the cooking fire (usually in the kitchen, adjacent) circulates and keeps it warm. *Kangs* have been an essential element of traditional Chinese homes, especially in the North.

觉 and 床

- Notice that 觉 in 觉得 (juéde) also appears in the word 睡觉 (shuìjiào). This is another case of a character that has multiple readings.
- 床 (chuáng) on its own is 张 (zhāng).

Cultural elements are introduced alongside new topics and vocabulary. The authors' objective is to help students understand the Chinese cultural connotations of words they are learning.



A global perspective


Students get good exposure to a variety of places where Chinese is spoken. Local elements from Shanghai, Xi'an and Taipei are integrated into the background of each activity to help students understand the diversity and different perspectives of the Chinese speaking world. A brief section introduces students to tips for recognising traditional characters that they may encounter outside of Mainland China.



AQA GCSE Chinese - Textbook 1

Differentiated approach











This course facilitates a differentiated classroom by presenting a wide range of activity types, from word recognition to creative writing. Activities are categorised into three levels, marked by an icon (see below). The first level of activity introduces a new topic or structure, allowing for plenty of repetition; the second level encourages fluency and flexibility with the language; the third level helps students work on either creative or analytical skills while learning Chinese. Each unit's 'Putting it together' section contains the most challenging activities: these require students to combine their new knowledge from this unit with previous knowledge. For students who require extra practice, the workbook has plenty of opportunity for consolidating knowledge in a less challenging way.




4.9 Speaking activity – Easy to please

You are with your Chinese host family and want to make a good impression. When given two options, you always respond that you like both.

Now continue the conversation with the following:

- where to go today 我们去  还是  ?
- 我们  还是  ?
- 我们  还是  去?
- 你喜欢在  还是  吃饭?
- 你想吃  还是  ?

Ask the same questions (but giving the prompts above).



7.25 Writing activity – School brochure

Create a brochure for your school. Include the following information:


- The name of the school (学校的名字叫……) xiào
- The number of classrooms, teachers and students (学校有……个老师) xiào
- The courses offered (学校有……、……、……课) xiào
- Which meals are provided, and at what times (学生可以在学校吃……和……) xiào
- The dress code (学生应该穿……)
- When school starts and finishes (学生……点上学, ……点放学)
- Activities offered after class (下课以后, 学生可以……)
- How you can get to school (学生能……, 也能……来学校) xiào

These icons show the challenge level of each activity; the first activity is less challenging and the second activity is most challenging.

Written for the new GCSE specification and entered in an AQA approval process

Subject content under the new GCSE specification is categorised into topics which fall across three broader themes. In order for teachers and students to ensure that they have covered these themes successfully, we have provided a GCSE Themes Finder section which shows the relevant units that cover each theme. Some themes will be further covered in the forthcoming AQA GCSE Chinese - Textbook 2.

GCSE Themes Finder					Use this page to find which units in the series of books covers the themes set out by the AQA GCSE exam specification.	
Theme 1: Identity and culture						
Topic 1: Me, my family and friends:					1.5	2.16 2.18 2.19
> Relationships with family and friends:					1.1	1.3 2.16 2.18
> Marriage / partnership:					1.3	2.16 2.18
Topic 2: Technology in every day life:					2.14	2.18 2.19
> Social Media:					2.14	2.18
> Mobile technology:					2.14	2.19
Topic 3: Free-time activities:					1.1	2.10 2.18 2.19
> Music:					1.1	2.19
> Cinema and TV:					2.18	2.19
> Food and eating out:					1.6	1.18
> Sport:					1.1	2.10 2.19
Topic 4: Customs and festivals in						



GCSE 1

1.2 refers to Unit Two in the AQA GCSE Chinese Book 1 (this book)

GCSE 2

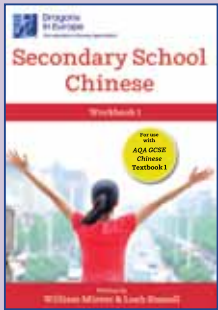
2.13 refers to Unit Thirteen in the AQA GCSE Chinese Book 2

Secondary School Chinese for GCSE

Workbook 1

Overview

Workbook 1 accompanies *AQA GCSE Chinese - Textbook 1*, with further activities that align to the textbook contents. The activities provide practice on character writing, tones, language structure and vocabulary, as well as extra reading passages. The workbook provides excellent resources for student consolidation during homework, allowing teachers to track student progress constantly.



Activity 1.1 Practise writing the Chinese characters below. Trace over the grey strokes and then complete the lines in your own writing.

做 zuò	做	做	做				音乐 yīn yuè	音	音	音			
打 dǎ	打	打	打				乐 lè	乐	乐	乐			
跟 gēn	跟	跟	跟				最 zuì	最	最	最			
一起 yì qǐ	起	起	起				爱好 ài hào	爱	爱	爱			
玩儿 wán er	玩	玩	玩				上海 shàng hǎi	海	海	海			
听 tīng	听	听	听				意思 yì si	意	意	意			

Students practise each core character from the textbook through tracing and writing exercises.

Activity 1.2 Match the following verbs with their objects.

1) 画	a. 照片
2) 跳	b. 电话
3) 玩儿	c. 舞
4) 打	d. 吉他
5) 弹	e. 游戏
6) 拍	f. 画

Activity 1.4 Match the Chinese words with the English.

1) to sing	a. 上网
2) to go online	b. 唱歌
3) photo	c. 表演
4) to listen to	d. 照片
5) to perform, a performance	e. 音乐
6) music	f. 听

Workbook 1 contains a wide range of activities, ranging from simple linking exercises and translations to more challenging reading and writing activities.

Activity 1.3 Split up the following words and write each character under the correct heading according to its tone. We have completed 表 for you.

First tone	Second tone	Third tone	Fourth tone
		表	

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Activity 1.5 Write the pinyin and tones of these sentences.

- 1) 他姓马，叫马文。
- 2) 你跟我去吧！
- 3) 我天天都上学。
- 4) 艺术很好玩。
- 5) 我有很多爱好。
- 6) 她拍照片。
- 7) 我天天都跑步。

Activity 1.6 Fill in the appropriate words in this dialogue.

- A: 你去哪儿？
B: 我 商店。
A: 你和谁 去？
B: 我和妈妈 去。
A: 我也要 你们一起 。

Each activity in the workbook is targeted at helping students with specific skills. Activity 1.5 helps students develop accurate knowledge of tones and pinyin for new vocabulary. Activity 1.6 helps students with a new grammar point from Unit 1 (using 一起). Activity 3.10 helps students with longer reading, and combines topics from Unit 3 (family members and jobs) with older topics, such as hobbies.

Activity 3.10 Read these self-introductions and answer the questions below.

A. 你好！我叫李美。我是中国人。我住在四川省。我家有五口人：爸爸、妈妈、妹妹、弟弟和我。我没有宠物。我18岁。我喜欢弹吉他，我每天都练习。

B. 你好！我叫芳芳。我是美国人。我很喜欢艺术。我每天上午画画。我在家工作。我爸爸、妈妈在中国北京。我老公是工程师。我们有一个女儿，她三岁。

C. 你好！我姓 Legrand，名字叫 Stephen。我是法国人。我家在巴黎。我家只有我一个人。我有三只猫。我的爱好是运动。我每天跟朋友打球。

- 1) Who lives in France?
- 2) Who has the largest family?
- 3) Who is married?
- 4) Who loves art?
- 5) Who has the most pets?
- 6) Who lives in China?

Secondary School Chinese for GCSE *Online*

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For students and teachers

Our online portal, accessible through most internet browsers, contains a wealth of resources for both student and teacher. Through interactive activities, students are encouraged to spend more time in language practice outside of school time. Below are some of the key features.

1. AQA GCSE Chinese e-Book 1



This e-Book is an electronic version of the textbook. It is quick to load and easy to navigate, and can be accessed both on computers and mobile devices such as iPad.

2. Sound Zone



The Sound Zone contains the recordings and transcripts for all the listening exercises from *AQA GCSE Chinese - Textbook 1*.

3. Homework Zone



Students and teachers can login and view auto-marking homework exercises. Teachers track the results of the students through the Review Zone (see next page).

4. Culture Zone



Users can find an engaging range of videos relating to key Chinese cultural topics that are covered in the textbook series.

For teachers

The teachers' section of the online portal allows teachers a simple way to login and track the progress of their students over the course of an academic year. Teachers have access to the resources listed below. The publishers are keen that the portal addresses teachers' needs, and we welcome feedback and dialogue for further improvements.

5. Whiteboard slides



These slides contain the teachable content of *AQA GCSE Chinese - Textbook 1*, broken up into individual learning points. These slides are ideal for presentation of new material and whole-class speaking activities. All slides have page references to the textbook.

6. Schemes of Work



Each unit is accompanied by a Scheme of Work written by the authors and publishers. The Schemes of Work aid teachers in lesson plans and long term curriculum planning. Schemes of Work are available in both English and Chinese.

7. Review Zone



Teachers can connect with their students' homework results and comment on their individual performance. The comments appear back in the students' Homework Zone. The Review Zone is detailed and supports exporting to Microsoft Excel.

8. Score Zone

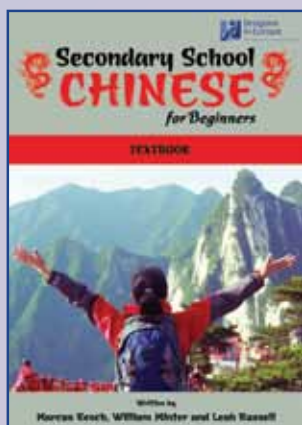


Student performance is tracked in a teacher's Score Zone. Student scores are factored by online homework and additional points awarded by the teacher in class. Teachers may also add comments.

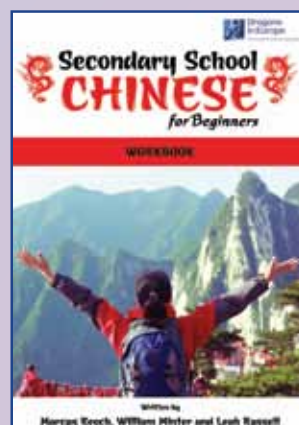
Other books in the series

Secondary School Chinese for Beginners is a textbook, workbook and online portal aimed at beginner students in Key Stage 3. It aims to provide an accessible and comprehensive introduction to Chinese. Students cover basic topics such as greetings, family members, common objects, food and time words; students gain a reading knowledge of over 200 words, and learn to write 100 characters. Extra practice on fundamentals such as tones and radicals ensures a solid foundation for further study. This course is the ideal preparation for *AQA GCSE Chinese - Textbook 1* and was written by the same team.

Secondary School Chinese for
Beginners - Textbook



Secondary School Chinese for
Beginners - Workbook



Future publications

AQA GCSE Chinese - Textbook 2 will be published in time for the 18-19 academic year. This will complete the series to equip students to enter the GCSE with confidence and a good degree of mastery of Key Stage 4 level Chinese.

The authors

William Minter and Leah Russell met studying Chinese Studies at the University of Oxford in 2004. They lived in China for over two years and have since worked at Brighton College, UK and Choate Rosemary Hall, USA, teaching Mandarin and working in admissions. William gained an MA in East Asian Studies from Yale, focusing on Classical Chinese. Leah practises Chinese papercutting art, which she researched while living in Beijing. Their ambition is to make learning Chinese accessible and enjoyable for all students.

The publishers

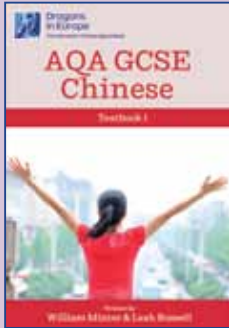
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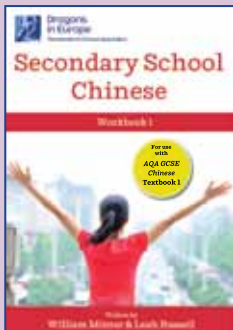


Textbook

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- Includes 1 free teacher account** if a full class set (more than 10) is purchased



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