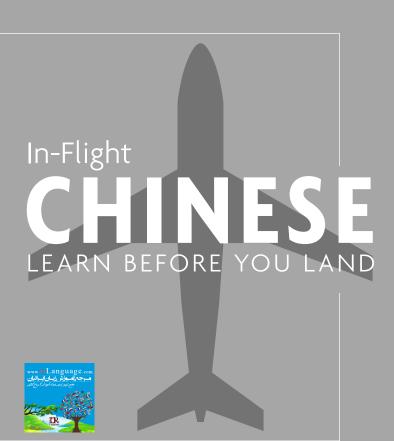
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Huanyíng! Welcome to Living Language In-Flight Chinese. This short and simple program is designed to give you just enough of the basics that you'll need to get by in Chinese. Just listen to the native speakers of Chinese and repeat in the pauses. Once you've completed the program, you'll be able to speak and understand basic Chinese. Let's get started.

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Chinese Sound	English Equivalent	Example from Lessons
Consonants		
\overline{c}	as in i <u>ts</u>	cài
ch	as in church	chuāng
sh	as in <u>sh</u> ip	shì
S	as in <u>s</u> it	sì
x	as in shine	xiàn
z	as in cards	zài
zh	as in fudge	zhè
q	as in cherry	qĭng
<u>Vowels</u>		
a	as in father	mā
ai	as in my	kai
an	as in on	sān
ang	as in young	yàng
ao	as in how	hǎo
e	as in earth	kě
ei	as in hay	sheí
en vww.irLanguage.co	as in <u>un</u> der	rèn

eng	as in hung	féng
er	as in her	èr
i	as in see	chi
ie	as in yeh	xiè
in	as in tin	jìn
iu	as in <u>yo</u> lk	liù
0	as in saw	wŏ
ong	as in won't + rang	dōng
ou	as in oh	yŏu
u	as in flu	bu
ù	as in see + mule	lŭ
ue	as in too + yeh	yuè
ui	as in wait	huì
un	as in went	chūn
ио	as in won't	guó

Each word in Chinese is pronounced with one of four tones:

- a High and neutral (no accent)
- á From middle to high pitch (as in asking a question, e.g., Yes?)
- From high to low (as in making an exclamatory remark, e.g., Yes!)

Lesson 1: Saying Hello

Ní hǎo! Wǎn shàng hǎo!

Hello! Good evening!

Zǎo an! Ní hǎo ma?

Good morning! How are you?

Ní hǎo! Hǎo, xiè xie.

Good day! Fine, thanks.

Wǒ hěn hǎo xiè xie. Very well, thanks.

Hái kě yǐ. So so.

Qǐng wèn nǐ jiào shén me míng zì?

What's your name?

Wǒ jiào Wáng Míng. My name is Mr. Wang Ming.

Wǒ jiào Zhāng Lán. My name is Mrs. Zhang Lan. Wǒ hěn gāo xìng rèn shí nǐ. *It's nice to meet you.*

Zài jiàn. *Good-bye*.

Dāi huǐ-er jiàn. See you later.

Zài huì. See you soon.

Wăn-ān.

Good night.

Lesson 2: Basic Expressions

Xiè xie nǐ. Thank you.

Fēi cháng gắn xiè. Thank you very much.

Bù yòng kè qì. You're welcome.

Qing. Please.

Shì. Yes.

Bú shi. No.

Duì bù qǐ. Excuse me.

Duì bù qǐ.

Pardon me.

Hěn bào qiàn. I'm sorry.

Wŏ tīng bù dŏng. *I don't understand*.

Wǒ bú huì jiǎng zhōng wén. *I don't speak Chinese*.

Nǐ huì shuō yīng yǔ ma? Do you speak English?

Wǒ de zhōng wén jiǎng de bù hǎo. *I don't speak Chinese very well.*

Qǐng nǐ shuō màn yi diǎn-er. *Speak slowly, please.*

Qǐng nǐ zài shuō yí biàn.

Repeat, please.

Lesson 3: Numbers

líng	0	èr-shí-sì	24
yi	1	èr-shí-wǔ	25
èr	2	èr-shí-liù	26
sān	3	èr-shí-qī	27
sì	4	èr-shí-bā	28
wŭ	5	èr-shí-jiǔ	29
liù	6	san-shí	30
qī	7	sì-shí	40
bá	8	wŭ-shí	50
jiŭ	9	liù-shí	60
shí	10	qī-shí	70
shí-yi	11	ba-shí	80
shí-èr	12	jĭu-shí	90
shí-sān	13	yì-bǎi	100
shí-sì	14	yi-bǎi-líng-yī	101
shí-wǔ	15	yi-bǎi-líng-èr	102
shí-liù	16	yi-bǎi-líng-sān	103
shí-qī	17	liăng-băi	200
shí-bà	18	sān-bǎi	300
shí-jiǔ	19	sì-bǎi	400
èr-shí	20	wŭ-băi	500
èr-shí-yi	21	yì-qiān	1,000
èr-shí-èr	22	yì-bǎi-wàn	1,000,000
èr-shí-sān	23	-	

Lesson 4: At the Airport

Nă lǐ?/ ...zài nă-er? Where?

Qǐng wèn nă lǐ shì hǎi guān?*

Where is customs?

Qǐng wèn hù zhào guǎn lǐ chù zài nǎ-er? Where is passport control?

Nǐ yǒu shén me dōng xi yào shēn bào? Do you have anything to declare?

Wǒ méi yǒu shén me dong xi yào shěn bào.

I have nothing to declare.

Wǒ yǒu xie dōng xi yào shěn bào. I have something to declare.

Qǐng wèn* chữ xíng li de dì fang zài nă-er?

Where is the baggage claim area?

^{*}When asking a question, it is polite to start with Qing wèn, "May I ask..?"

Qǐng wèn guó jì chū rù jìng zài nă-er? Where are the international departures?

Qǐng wèn dào dá diǎn zài nǎ-er? Where are the arrivals?

Qǐng wèn yī-sān-èr dēng jī kǒu zài nǎ-er?
Where is gate 132?

Qǐng wèn xún wèn chù zài nă-er? Where is information?

Wŏ xĭ huān...

I would like...

Wǒ xǐ huān kào chuāng kǒu de zuò weì.

I would like a window seat.

Wǒ xǐ huān kào zǒu dào de zuò weì. I would like an aisle seat.

Zhè shì nǐ de dēng jì zhèng. Here is your boarding pass.

Lǚ tú yú kuài! Have a good trip!

Lesson 5: Getting Around

Qǐng wèn zài nă-er kě yǐ zhǎo dào chū zū chē?

Where are the taxis?

Qǐng wèn gōng gòng chì chē zhàn zài nă-er?

Where is the bus?

Qǐng wèn dì tiè zhàn zài nă-er? Where is the subway?

Qǐng wèn nă lǐ shì chū kǒu? Where is the exit?

Qǐng ní bă wǒ sòng dào zhè gè dì diǎn.

Take me to this address, please.

Che fèi yào duo shǎo chián? What is the fare?

Chǐng ní tíng zài zhè-er. Stop here, please.

Zhè liàng gong gòng chì che dào Nănjing lù chù ma? Does the bus go to Nanjing Road?

Qǐng gĕi wǒ yi zhang shì chū dì tú. A map of this city, please.

Qǐng gĕi wǒ yi zhāng dì tié xiàn lù tú. *A subway map, please*.

Lesson 6: Asking Directions

Ching wèn... zài nă-er? Excuse me, where is...? WWW.irLanguage.com ...zŏu *Go*... Yì zhí wăng qián zǒu. Go straight ahead.

Wăng nèi biān zǒu.

Go that way.

Wăng huí chù.

Go back.

Zhuǎn...
Turn...

Wăng yòu zhuăn. Turn right.

Wăng zuŏ zhuăn. Turn left.

Zhuǎn wān.
Turn around.

Zǒu dào tóu. At the end of the street.

Dào jiē jiǎo. *On the corner*.

Dì yī gè lù kǒu xiàng zuǒ zhuǎn. *The first left.*

Dì èr gè lù kǒu xiàng yòu zhuǎn. *The second right*.

Lí de jìn ma? Is it near?

Lí de yuǎn ma? Is it far?

Zài... páng bian

jiāo tōng dēng the traffic light

mă lù the street

shí zì lù kǒu the intersection

gōng yuán the park

gōng gòng qì chē zhàn the bus stop

dì tiě zhàn the subway station

lŭ guăn the hotel

Lesson 7: At the Hotel

Wǒ yào dēng jì zhù sù. *I'd like to check in.*

Wǒ yào yí gè fáng jiān. I'd like a room. Yí gè rén. For one person.

Liǎng gè rén. For two people.



Wǒ yǐ jīng dìng le fáng jiān. I have a reservation.

Nǐ dǎ suàn zhù ji tiān? For how many nights?

Yi tian. For one night.

Liǎng tian. For two nights.

Yí ge xīng qī. For one week.

Zhè shì nǐ de yào shi. Here is your key.

Zhè shì nǐ de yào shi kǎ. *Here is your keycard.*

Nǐ hái yǒu bié de fáng jiān ma? Do yo have another room?

Shì fǒu dài sī rén xǐ zao jian? With a private bathroom?

Dài shù jù jiē kǒu ma? With a dataport?

Qǐng wèn yǒu ān jìng yi diǎn-er de fáng jiān ma?

Is there a quieter room?

Qĭng wèn yǒu dà yi diǎn-er de fáng jiān ma?

Is there a larger room?

Zhè yǒu jiàn shēn fáng ma? Is there an exercise room?

Zhè yǒu yóu yǒng chǐ ma? Is there a pool?

Qǐng wèn huì yì shi zài nă-er? Where is the conference room?

Qǐng wèn chuán zhēn jī zài nă-er? Where is the fax machine?

Qǐng wèn mèn fáng guăn lǐ bù zài nă-er?
Where is the concierge?

Wǒ yào tuì fáng jié zhàng. *I'd like to check out*.

Lesson 8: Making Friends

Ní hǎo! Nǐ jiào shén me míng zì? *Hello, what's your name?*

Wǒ kě yǐ zuò zài zhè lǐ ma? May I sit here?

Nǐ zhù zài nă-er? Where do you live?

Wǒ zhù zài Běijīng. *I live in Beijing*.

Zhè shì wǒ de péng yǒu. *This is my friend*.

Zhè shì wǒ de nán péng yǒu. *This is my boyfriend*.

Zhè shì wǒ de nǔ péng yǒu. *This is my girlfriend*.

Zhè shì wǒ de tài tai. *This is my wife*.

Zhè shì wǒ de zhàng fu. *This is my husband*.

Nǐ de guó jiā hěn měi. Your country is beautiful.

Nǐ qù guò Měiguó ma? Have you been to the U.S.?

Wǒ hěn xǐ huān chi zhè lǐ de dōng xi. I like the food here very much.

Wǒ shì shāng wù fǎng wèn. *I'm here on a business trip.*

Wǒ mén quán jia rén yī qǐ lǚ yóu. *I'm traveling with my family*.

Wǒ mén shì yóu kè. We are tourists.

Ní xǐ huān kàn diàn yǐng ma? Do you like to go to the movies?

Ní xǐ huan tiào wǔ ma? Do you like to dance?

Wǒ mén zǒu ba! Let's go!

Wǒ néng jiàn jiàn nǐ de péng yǒu ma?

Can I meet your friend?

Ní de diàn huà hào mǎ shì duō shǎo? What is your telephone number?

Qǐng dào wǒ zhè lǐ lái kàn kan! *Please visit me*.

Wǒ zhēn shì tài gāo xìng le. *I had a wonderful time*.

Lesson 9: At the Restaurant

Něi yì jiā cān guǎn bǐ jiào hǎo? Where is a good restaurant?

Liǎng wèi.

A table for two, please.

Xī yān hái shì bù xī yān? Smoking or non-smoking? Qǐng gěi wǒ cài dān. The menu, please.

Chǐng gĕi wǒ yi fèn jiǔshǔidānzi. *The wine list, please.*

xiǎo chī appetizers

zhǔ cài Màn màn chi! Enjoy the meal! main course tián diǎn Zhù nǐ jiàn kāng! To your health! dessert Wǒ xiǎng yào diǎn-er hē de. Hěn hǎo chi! I would like something to drink. This is delicious! Qǐng gěi wǒ yī bēi shǔi. pánzi A glass of water, please. plate Qǐng gĕi wǒ yī bēi chá. chāzi A cup of tea, please. fork kā fēi jiā niú nǎi dāo coffee with milk knife pí jiů tiáo gēng beer spoon Zhè lǐ yǒu shén me yàng de shū cài? kuài zi Do you have a vegetarian dish? chopsticks Jiù zhè yàng. cān jīn That's all. napkin Qǐng jié zhàng. yī bēi The check, please. сир Zhè lǐ miàn bāo kuò xiǎo fèi ma? vi bei Is the tip included? glass yi píng jiǔ zǎo cān breakfast bottle of wine bìng kuài-er wǔ cān ice cubes lunch

yán

salt

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wăn can

dinner

hú jiāo *pepper*

táng sugar

soup sè lā salad

tāng

miàn bāo bread

huáng yóu butter

miàn tiáo noodles

mĭ fàn *rice*

rŭ lào

cheese shū cài vegetables

ji *chicken*

zhū ròu *pork*

niú ròu *beef*

Wǒ de niú pái yào shēng yi diǎn-er. I like my steak rare.

Wǒ de niú pái yào zhōng shú. I like my steak medium.

Wǒ de niú pái yào shú yi diǎn-er. *I like my steak well done*.

guŏ zhī *juice*

xiàn-er bǐng *pie*

bīng qí lín

ice cream

Qĭng zài lái yí ge.

Another please.

Qĭng zài jiā yī xiē. More please.

Qǐng bă... gěi wŏ...

Please pass the...

spicy tián sweet

suan sour

Lesson 10: Telling Time

Xiàn zài jǐ diǎn le? What time is it?

wăn shàng evening

zhōng wǔ

wăn shàng night

wǔ yè
midnight

jīn tiān today

Xiàn zài shì yī diǎn. *It's 1:00*.

míng tiān tomorrow

Xiàn zài shì liăng diăn. *It's 2:00*.

zuó tiān yesterday

Xiàn zài shì sān diǎn bàn.

xiàn zài now

It's 3:30.

yi huì-er *later*

Xiàn zài shì sì diăn. It's 4:00.

> mă shàng right away

Xiàn zài shì wǔ diǎn sì-shí-wǔ fen. *It's 5:45*.

Xiàn zài shì qi-diǎn líng-sān fēn. *It's* 7:03

Diàn yǐng jiǔ-diǎn bàn kāi shǐ. *The movie starts at 9:30.*

Huǒ chē shí yi-diǎn shí-qī fēn chū fā. *The train leaves at 11:17*.

zǎo shàng morning

xià wǔ afternoon

Lesson 11: Money

qián money Wǒ xiǎng huàn diǎn-er qián. *I'd like to change some money.*

unit of currency: Renminbi Duì huàn lù shì duō shǎo? What is the exchange rate?

yín háng the bank Wǒ xǐ huān yào xiǎo diǎn-er de piào zī.

Qǐng wèn yín háng zài nǎ-er? Where is the bank?

Duì huàn fèi shì duo shǎo? What is the commission?

I would like that in small hills.

Lesson 12: Shopping

Zhè shì duō shǎo qián? How much does that cost? Wǒ xiǎng yào yi juǎn jiāo juǎn. I would like a roll of film.

Qǐng nǐ bǎ jià gé xiě xià lái. *Please write that*.

Wǒ xiǎng yào yi zhāng shì chu dì tú. I would like a map of the city.

Shāng diàn jǐ diǎn kāi mén? At what time does the store open?

Gěi ní zhè ge. *Here it is*.

Shāng diàn jǐ diǎn guān mén? At what time does the store close?

Jiù zhè xie le ma? Is that all?

Ní xǐ huān shén me? What would you like?

Wǒ xiǎng fù xiàn jin. I'd like to pay in cash.

Ní xũ yào bāng máng ma? Can I help you? Wǒ xiǎng yòng xìn yòng kǎ fù. *I'd like to pay by credit card.*

Wǒ xiǎng yào zhè ge. *I would like this*.

Wǒ kě yǐ zài wǎng shàng dìng ma? Can I order this on-line?

Wǒ xiǎng yào diàn chí. I would like batteries. băi huò gōng sī department store

nů zhuāng women's clothes

chèn yi, qún zi, fú zhuāng blouse, skirt, dress

nán zhuang men's clothes

kù zi, chèn shān, lǐng dài pants, shirts, tie

xié hé wà zi shoes and socks

niú zǎi kù *jeans* shū diàn bookstore

bĭng diàn bakery

chāo jí shì chẳng supermarket

ròu diàn butcher shop

shì chẳng market

Lesson 13: Staying in Touch

diàn huà telephone

Wǒ bì xü dǎ gè diàn huà. I have to make a phone call.

Zhè lǐ yǒu gōng yòng diàn huà ma? *Is there a public phone here?*

Wǒ kě yǐ yòng ní de shǒu ji ma? May I use your cell phone?

Qǐng wèn hào mǎ shì duō shǎo? What number please?

Zhàn xiàn. The line is busy.

chuán zhēn *fax* vww.irLanguage.com Wǒ xū yào fā gè chuán zhēn. I need to send a fax.

Yǒu gèi wǒ de chuán zhēn ma? *Is there a fax for me?*

diàn yóu e-mail

Diàn não zài nă-er? Where is the computer?

Wǒ xũ yào jì fēng diàn yóu. I need to send an e-mail.

Wǒ kě yǐ shàng wǎng ma? Can I get on the Internet?

Ní yǒu wǎng yè ma? Do you have a Web site? Qǐng wèn yóu jú zài nă-er? Where is the post office?

Qǐng gĕi wǒ yi xiē yóu piào. *I'd like some stamps, please.*

Jì yi fēng xìng. For a letter.

Jì míng xìn piàn. For a postcard.

Yóu fèi shì duo shǎo? How much is the postage?

Jì dào Měiguó.

To the United States.

háng kōng airmail

èr-shí-sì xiao shí kuài jiàn overnight delivery

Lesson 14: At the Train Station

Qǐng gĕi wǒ yi zhang che piào. I would like a ticket please.

Dào Shànghai.

To Shanghai.

Dan chéng che piào. One way.

Lái huí che piào. Round-trip.

Tóu děng cāng hái shì èr děng cāng? First class or second class?

Qǐng gĕi wǒ yi zhāng shí jiān biǎo?

May I have a schedule?

Zài něi gè zhàn tái? Which platform?

Huŏ che jǐ diǎn kāi chē? When does the train leave?

Huŏ che jĭ diǎn dǐ dá?

When does the train arrive?

Gai cì liè che àn shí dǐ dá ma? Is the train on time?

Gai cì liè che yǒu can che ma? *Is there a dining car?*

Gai cì liè che yǒu wò pù ma? Is there a sleeping car?

Lesson 15: Getting Help

Nǐ néng bāng bāng máng ma? Can you help me?

Wǒ dē xíng lǐ dīu le. *I've lost my baggage*.

Wǒ de qián bāo dīu le. *I've lost my wallet*.

Wǒ de hù zhào dīu le. *I've lost my passport*.

Wǒ gắn bú shàng wǒ de huǒ chē le. *I've missed my train*.

Wǒ mí lù le. *I'm lost*.

Jiù mìng! *Help!*

Jĭng chá! Police!

Wǒ bèi rén qiǎng le. *I've been robbed*.

Wǒ zhǎo bú dào wǒ de tài tai le. I don't know where my wife is.

Wǒ zhǎo bú dào wǒ de zhàng fu le. *I don't know where my husband is.*

Wǒ zhǎo bú dào wǒ de hái zi le. I don't know where my child is.

Wǒ shòu shāng le. I'm hurt. Wǒ xū yào qù kàn yī shēng. I need a doctor.

Qǐng jiào jiù hù chē. Call an ambulance.

Wǒ duì pénníxilín guò mǐn. *I'm allergic to penicillin.*

Wŏ tóu yūn. *I'm dizzy*.

Wǒ gǎn jué ě xin. I feel nauseous.

Wǒ de bì tòng. *My arm hurts*.

Wŏ de jiǎo tòng. *My leg hurts*.

Wǒ de tóu tòng. *My head hurts*.



Lesson 16: Days and Months

xīng qī yī *Monday*

xīng qī èr Tuesday xīng qī sān Wednesday

xīng qī sì Thursday

xīng qī wǔ Friday

xīng qī liù Saturday

xīng qī tiān Sunday

yī yuè *January*

èr yuè February

sān yuè *March*

sì yuè *April*

wǔ yuè May

liù yuè *June*

qī yuè *July*

bā yuè August jiǔ yuè

September

shí yuè *October*

> shí-yī yuè November

shí-èr yuè December

zhè gè xīng qī yī this Monday

shàng gè xīng qī last week

xià gè yuè next month

sān yuè èr-shí hào on March 20th

Jīn tīan shì jǐ hào?

What is the date today?

Jīn tīan shì sì yuè èr-shí-wǔ hào. *It is April 25th*.

Lesson 17: Going Out

Ní néng gào sù wǒ něi gè cān guǎn hǎo ma?

Can you recommend a restaurant?

Ní néng gào sù wǒ něi gè kā fēi guǎn hǎo ma? Can you recommend a café?

Fù jìn yǒu diàn yǐng yuàn ma? Is there a movie theatre nearby?

Fù jìn yǒu bó wù guǎn ma? *Is there a museum nearby?*

Fù jìn yǒu hǎo de jiǔ bā ma? Is there a good bar nearby?

Nă lì shì lù you de jing diăn? What are the tourist attractions?

Nă lǐ kě yǐ yóu yŏng? Where can I go for a swim? Nă lǐ kě yǐ qí zì xíng chē? Where can I go to bike?

Nă lǐ kě yǐ liàn xí pǎo bù? Where can I go to jog?

Nă lǐ wǒ néng qù tiào wǔ? Where can I go to dance?

Lesson 18: Asking Questions and Describing Things

... zài nă-er? Where?

Chū kǒu zài nǎ-er? Where is the exit?

Shén me? What?

Ní de diàn yóu dì zhǐ shì shén me? What is your e-mail address?

...sheí? Who?

Tā shì sheí? Who is that?

Shén me shí hou? When?

Fēi jī shén me shí hòu dǐ dá? When does the flight arrive?

Zěn yàng? How?

Zén yàng dá diàn huà gĕi Mĕiguó? How do I dial the U.S.?

Duō shǎo? How much?

Zhè shì duō shǎo chián? How much does this cost?

dà / xiǎo big / small

hǎo / huài good / bad

měi lì / chǒu beautiful / ugly

rè / lěng hot / cold

gāo / ǎi tall / short pàng / shòu fat / thin jiù / xīn old / new lǎo / nián qīng old / young gāo xìng / bēi-āi happy / sad kuài / màn fast / slow jìn / yuǎn near / far hóng sè red lán sè blue

bái sè white zōng sè brown Nà tài hǎo le! That's great! Nà tài zão gão le! That's terrible! Hǎo. Okay. Wǒ bù zhī dào. I don't know. Zhè shì hěn zhòng yào de. It's important. Xiǎo xīn! Be careful! Zhù ní wán-er de kāi xīn! Have fun! Zhù ní hǎo yùn! Good luck!

huáng sè yellow

chéng huáng sè orange zĭ sè purple

lù sè green That brings us to the end of Living Language In-Flight Chinese. If you master just the words and expressions you've heard in this short survival course, you'll be able to get by in Chinese. Of course, you may decide that you had a great time learning just a little bit, and now you'd like to learn more. If that's the case, Living Language offers great complete courses in a variety of languages, too. For now, though, we wish you the best of luck using all the Chinese that you've learned with us so far. Zài jiàn!

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