

# nǐ hǎo 你好

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# Chinese for Absolute Beginners I

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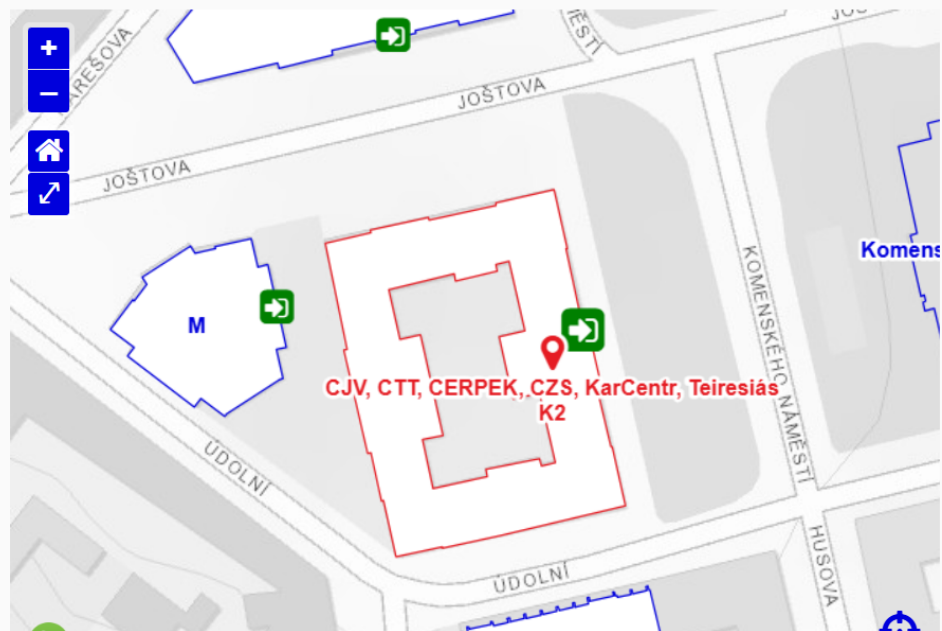
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This is a course for absolute beginners of Chinese. No prior knowledge of the language is required. The course is taught in English.

## TEXTBOOK

Lesson 1-3 in Let's Learn Mandarin (Level 1).





zì wǒ jiè shào  
自我介绍



- ① Who are you?
- ② Why do you want to learn Chinese?



# Chinese for Absolute Beginners I

Beginners?

① pinyin

② Four Tones

③ nǐ hǎo  
你好



kè běn  
课本

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學華語 1  
第一冊

Let's Learn Mandarin

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nǐ hǎo  
你好

**in Brno**

**Dobrý den**  
**Dobrý den**



**in Praha**

**Dobrý den**  
**Hello**





nǐ hǎo  
你好

nǐ hǎo  
你好



More normal

nínhǎo  
您好

nínhǎo  
您好



More formal



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NIHAO ČINSKI 你好餐馆 SUSHI

RESTAURACE



Google

# Types of Characters and Phonetic Symbols

# 課文 Text



您<sup>ㄓㄨㄣˋ ㄋㄧㄣˊ</sup>好<sup>ㄏㄠˇ</sup>。○  
Nín hǎo.



您<sup>ㄓㄨㄣˋ ㄋㄧㄣˊ</sup>好<sup>ㄏㄠˇ</sup>。○  
Nín hǎo.

pīn

拼

yīn

音

注

音

shēng

聲

zhí

直

fán

繁

jiǎn

簡

zì

字

xíng

型

diào

調

shū

書

pò

破

yīn

音

jiào

校

zhèng

正

zhuó

著

héng

橫

cǎi

彩

shū

書

Character

Simplified  
Chinese

Traditional  
Chinese

phonetic

Pinyin

Zhuyin

yīn  
ㄩㄣ  
ㄩㄣ



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Nín hǎo.



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Wǒ xìng Wáng, qǐng wèn nín guì xìng?

qǐng wèn

请问

請問

Character

Simplified  
Chinese

Traditional  
Chinese

phonetic

Pinyin

Zhuyin

qǐng wèn

请问

Simplified Chinese,  
for use in China

請問

Traditional Chinese,  
for use in Hong Kong, Taiwan

pīn  
拼

yīn  
音

注  
音

音

Character

Simplified  
Chinese

Traditional  
Chinese

phonetic

Pinyin

Zhuyin

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Wǒ xìng Wáng, qǐng wèn nín guì xìng?

## 生詞 Vocabulary

- |    |                       |     |    |                   |
|----|-----------------------|-----|----|-------------------|
| 1. | 您 <small>ㄋㄧㄣˊ</small> | nín | N  | you (p<br>elders) |
| 2. | 好 <small>ㄏㄠˇ</small>  | hǎo | Vs | good, f           |
| 3. | 我 <small>ㄨㄛˇ</small>  | wǒ  | N  | I, me             |

sì shēng  
四声

Chinese tones

nínhǎo  
您好

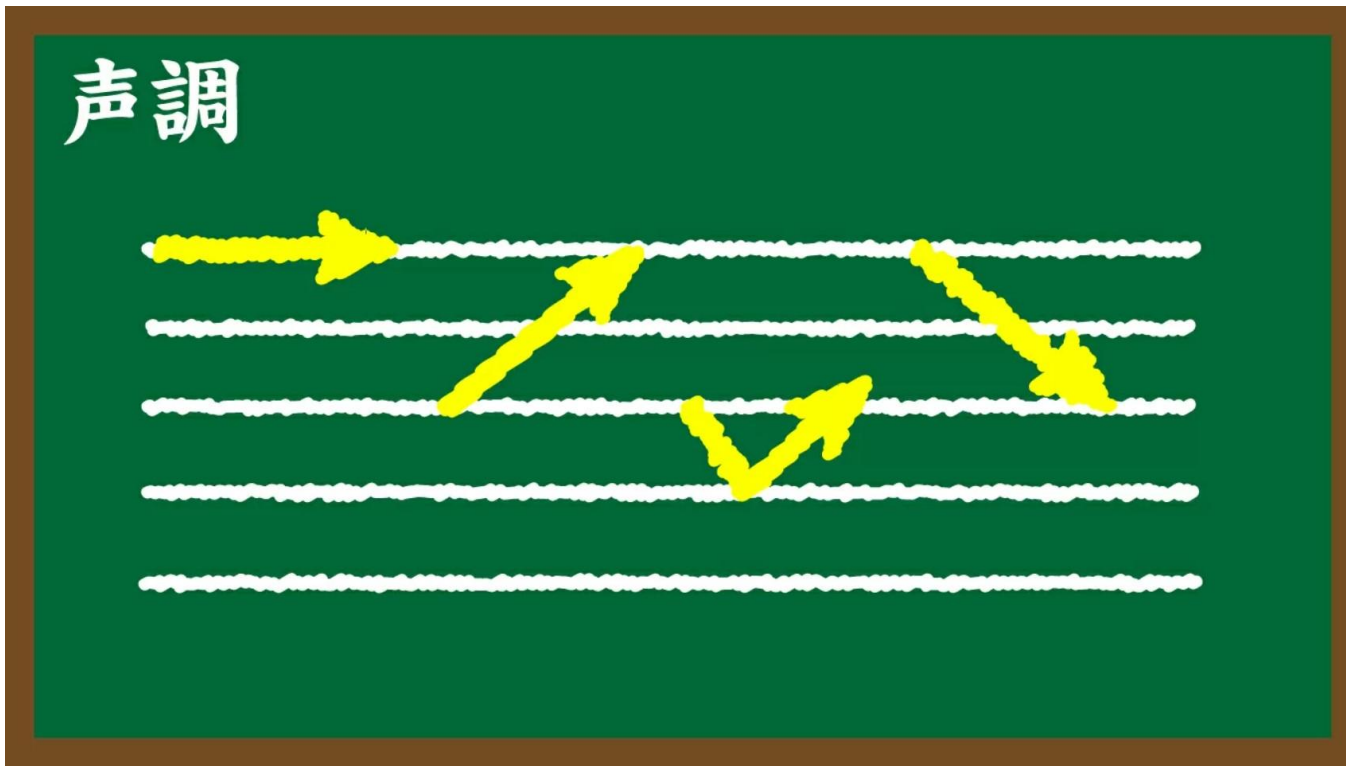
nínhǎo  
您好



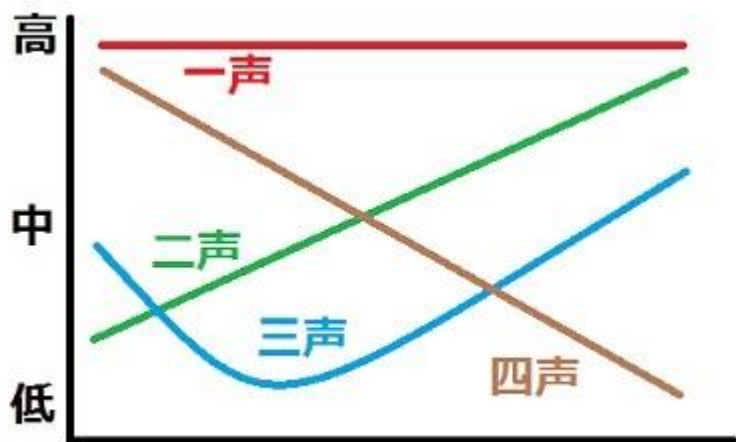


sì shēng  
四声

The four tones



## 1. Tones: The four tones



First tone:

—

bā

Second tone:

/

bá

Third tone:

∨

bǎ

Fourth tone:

\

bà

(1) Read the following syllables

bā

bá

bǎ

bà

pō

pó

pǒ

pò

mī

mí

mǐ

mì

fā

fá

fǎ

fà

衣 -

yī

Clothes

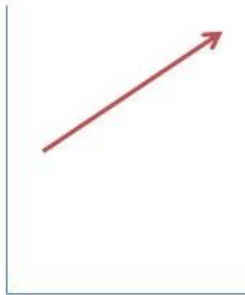


1st tone

姨 -

yí

Aunt

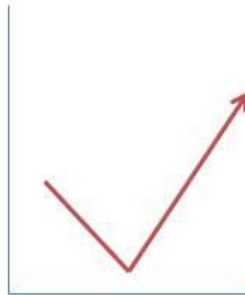


2nd tone

蟻 -

yǐ

Ant

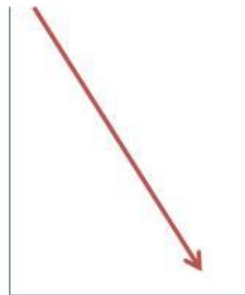


3rd tone

意 -

yì

Meaning



4th tone

## Tone Graphs

第一声

第二声

第三声

第四声

轻声

mā

má

mǎ

mà

ma

妈

麻

马

骂

吗

Mother

Cannabis

Horse

Curse

(question  
particle)

Only  
Character

pin yin

zhu yin

您好

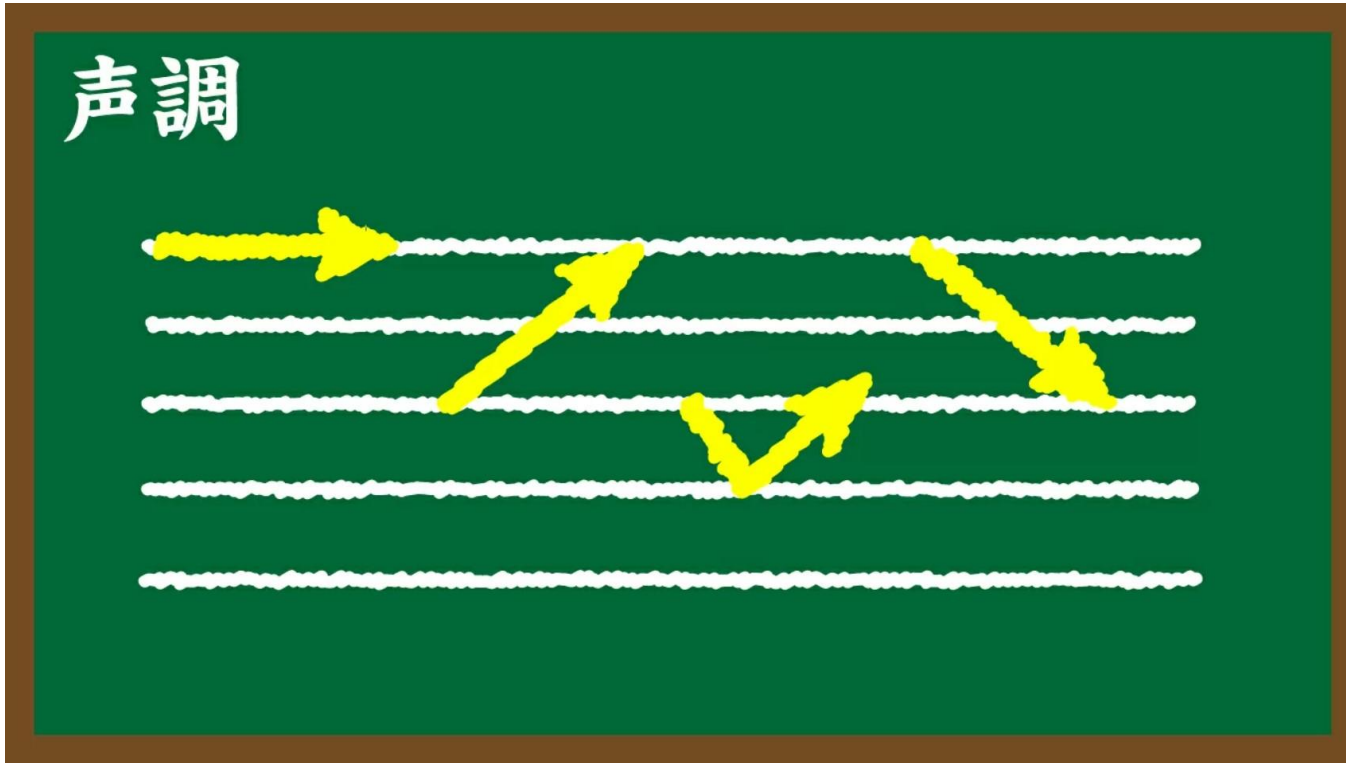
nín hǎo  
您好

您<sup>3</sup><sub>4</sub>好<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>



sì shēng  
四声

The four tones



## 1. Tones: The four tones

yì shēng

一声

èr shēng

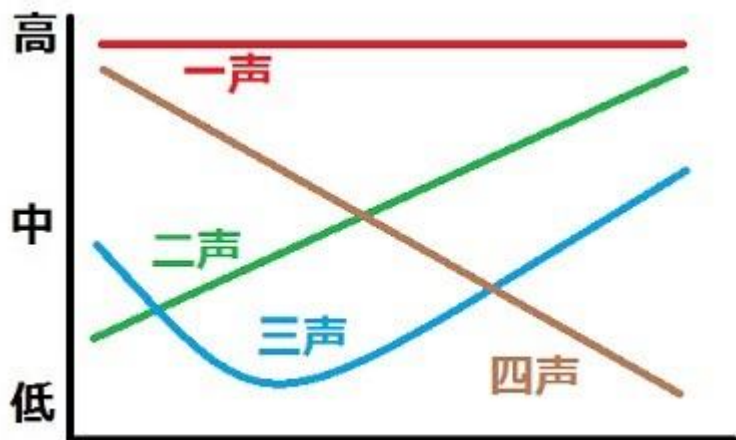
二声

sānshēng

三声

sì shēng

四声



First tone:

—

bā

Second tone:

/

bá

Third tone:

∨

bǎ

Fourth tone:

\

bà

(1) Read the following syllables

bā

bá

bǎ

bà

pō

pó

pǒ

pò

mī

mí

mǐ

mì

fā

fá

fǎ

fà

1

2

3

4

rén  
人

hǎo  
好

shì  
是

wǒ  
我

tā  
他









Pinyin list

<https://chinese.yabla.com/chinese-pinyin-chart.php>





Pinyin Practice

<https://pinyinpractice.com/>

# Děkuju?

de	 dē
te	 dé
ne	
le	
ge	 dě
ke	
he	 dè
ze	zi

# Děkuju?

de	 dē
te	 dé
ne	
le	
ge	 dě
ke	
he	 dè
ze	zi

X

德

X

X

moral character  
of a person

nǐ 、 wǒ 、 tā  
你 、 我 、 他



nǐ      wǒ      tā  
你   、   我   、   他



**Sentence**

# Sentence

## Subject (主语, zhǔyǔ)

- The topic of the sentence; who or what the sentence is about.
- Usually a noun, pronoun, or noun phrase.
- Appears at the beginning of the sentence.

## Predicate (谓语, wèiyǔ)

- Describes the subject's action or state.
- Usually a verb phrase or an adjective phrase.
- Follows the subject.



# Sentence

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Subject (S.)

你 (nǐ) / 我 (wǒ) / 他 (tā)

## Predicate (谓语, wèiyǔ)

- Describes the subject's action or state.
- Usually a **verb phrase** or an adjective phrase.

Verb (V.)

是 (shì) am / is / are

S-V-O

S

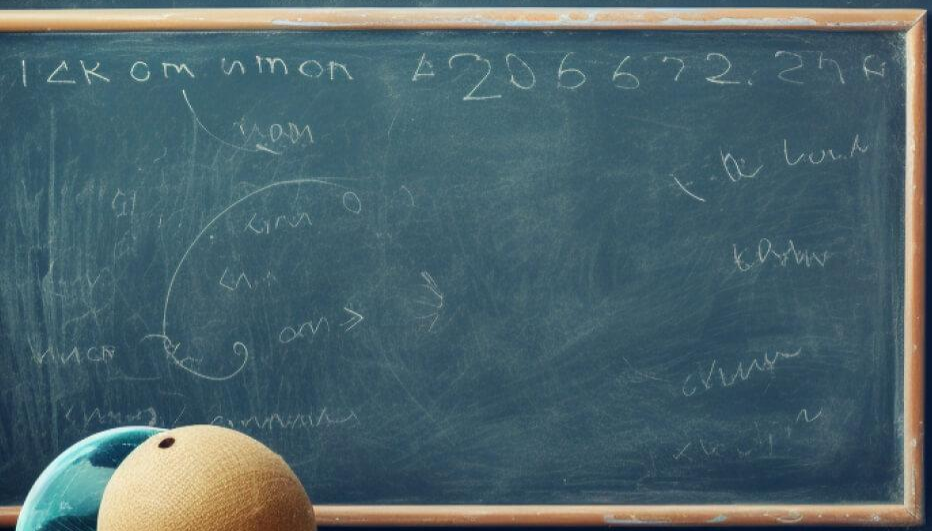
nǐ 你  
wǒ 我  
tā 他  
zhè 这  
nà 那

V

shì 是  
...

O

...



THE END  
THANKS