

# Centre for Continuing Education

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## Beginning Mandarin 1

Shao-hua Que

This course offers a practical opportunity for people to learn and practise spoken Chinese/Mandarin. The class activities focus on daily life situations and cultural settings. Audio and videotapes of conversation scripts are also used in class.

Students are advised to purchase the following textbook from Shao-hua at the first class:

Chen Ru, *New Chinese Situational Dialogue, Book 1*, Peking University Press, Beijing, 2005 (Approx. \$45)

**Session 1:** Introduction of the Chinese language and Pinyin  
(the phonetic system of Mandarin)

**Session 2:** Greetings, farewell and basic numbers in Chinese

**Session 3:** Thanks and asking about family members

**Session 4:** Asking the way and asking about age

**Session 5:** Taking a taxi and Chinese zodiac signs

**Session 6:** Introducing people to each other and asking about nationality

**Session 7:** Chinese currency and shopping

**Session 8:** Going to a restaurant

Shao-hua has a PhD and MA in Linguistics and is an experienced Chinese teacher. She has taught and translated Mandarin in tertiary institutions and the Australian Public Service.

DATES/TIMES: 7-9pm on 8 Mondays from 1 February **(NB no class 8 March)**  
**OR**  
7-9pm on 8 Mondays from 3 May **(NB no class 14 June)**

FEE: \$249

COURSE LOCATION: The venue for this course can be found on your tax invoice/receipt under "Course Information". Please allow enough time to locate your course venue on the first evening.

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