

IGCSE Chinese as First Language

Subject content

International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) Chinese as First Language syllabuses are designed as two-year course for examination at age 16-plus.

The aims of Chinese as First Language are to:

- enable students to communicate accurately, appropriately and effectively in writing.
- enable students to understand and respond appropriately to what they read.
- encourage students to enjoy and appreciate the variety of language.
- complement the student's other areas of study by developing skills of a more general application (e.g. analysis, synthesis, drawing of inferences)
- promote the student's personal development and an understanding of themselves and others.

Curriculum Content

Students should be able to:

- show a more precise understanding of extended texts
- recognise the relationship of ideas
- evaluate effectiveness, draw inferences, compare, analyse, synthesise
- recognise and respond to more sophisticated linguistic devices
- demonstrate a sophisticated use of vocabulary, grammar, structure and punctuation.
- write accurate complex sentences in well-constructed paragraphs.

Assessment in IGCSE Chinese as First Language

All candidates take components 1 and 2 are eligible for the award of grades A* to G

Candidates will take:

| | Duration of Examination | Weighting |
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| Component 1 Reading | 2 hours | 60% |

and:

| | Duration of Examination | Weighting |
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| Component 2 Writing | 1 hour 15 minutes | 40% |

School assessment

- Classroom participation
- Class work
- Unit tests
- Presentation
- Project work
- Lesson quizzes
- Home work
- Formal assessment, etc.

Teaching resource

Essential of HSK-Comprehensive Exercise

HSK- Brushing Up Your Grammar for HSK

China education website for Chinese as First Language