

Fun With Chinese Characters 1 Straits Times Collection Vol 1 English And Mandarin Chinese Edition

The elegant pen-strokes and visual harmony of Chinese writing, known as *hànzì*, have long been admired in the west. Classical Chinese calligraphy is a popular and valuable art form, and with the increasing economic and cultural power of China, its writing is becoming more widely appreciated and understood. In particular, the deep layers of history and symbolism which exist behind even the most everyday character have a strong appeal to those seeking understanding from an alternative philosophy. Chinese Characters: The Art of Hànzì features the most interesting of the three to four thousand characters are needed to write modern Chinese. Characters expressing concepts such as love, peace, respect and happiness are reproduced in a large format, enabling the reader to trace, scan or photocopy them for transfer to any other medium. Alongside the character is an accessible and inspiring explanation of how the character developed, what the particular strokes symbolize, and its various different meanings.

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The Chinese script, with its many complex strokes, can often prove to be a formidable challenge especially for the young learner of Chinese and even adult learners of the language. In this new volume, over 100 essential Chinese characters that every beginning learner should know have been carefully selected and compiled. Humorous illustrations, clear explanations and plenty of examples all help to demystify the Chinese language by deconstructing the Chinese characters and showing how they evolved from ancient pictographs and ideographs to their modern form. Each character is given a stroke-by-stroke breakdown of how it is to be written. Peng's Fun with Chinese Characters for Children is based on the highly popular Fun With Chinese Characters series."

"Easy Learning: Chinese Characters" is designed for English speakers or anyone who has a good command of the English language. Unlike Chinese speakers, English speakers are used to a phonetic writing system, that is—"what they read is what they hear". When they see an English word, they expect its letters to tell them the pronunciation and recognize its meaning. Thus English speakers find Chinese characters to be too complicated and confusing because they cannot pronounce them easily. Without a phonetic system, they have to find the pronunciations through pinyin and then find the meaning. Therefore, English speakers think they need extra time to learn to connect the graphic shapes of Chinese characters with their pronunciation. So learning the Chinese language can seem like learning two different languages: one for listening and speaking, and the other for reading and writing. However, if you can master the methods of learning Chinese characters in this book, you will get twice the results with half the effort! "Easy Learning: Chinese Characters" can make your Chinese character learning process easy and fun! It is intended to be an intensive course book for English speakers who have just started to learn Chinese writing. Anyone who has pinyin as a foundation can study this book by themselves. This book has 86 lessons in total with detailed explanations of 550 basic Chinese characters and over 2400 Chinese words and phrases. This gives learners the foundation from which they can expand to read the 4000 basic Chinese characters. With basic knowledge of the evolutionary history of Chinese characters, learners will gain a brand new perspective and profound understanding during the learning process. Over 90% of the characters in "Easy Learning: Chinese Characters" are accompanied with pictures showing how the character evolved from its original shape to its current simplified form. Only less than 1% of the characters in this book may need to be memorized mechanically but even they are provided with vivid pictures to help remember them. All of the characters, words and phrases are provided with detailed pronunciation in pinyin. So all the lessons taught in this book should be easily mastered by new learners. All languages are connected. Chinese is similar to English in numerous ways. Pictophonetic characters make up over 90% of all Chinese characters. By mastering the rules of pictophonetic characters, one can read most of the characters. Chinese radicals (the part of a Chinese character which represents its meaning) are like English monograms. Monograms represent the meaning of words, for example, words containing "astro" are mostly related to stars. "Easy Learning: Chinese Characters" focuses on teaching you to master basic character forms including pictographic characters, self-explanatory characters and ideographic characters. These make up the foundation of all characters. This book references several Chinese language sources in order to provide precise and detailed explanations of each character. These sources include: The Contemporary Chinese Dictionary, Advanced Chinese Characters Dictionary, Kangxi Dictionary and Shuowen Jiezi-Explaining Simple and Analyzing Compound Characters. With the help of "Easy Learning: Chinese Characters", learners will have the confidence to master Chinese reading and writing in a relatively short period of time.

Chinese Short Stories For Beginners is an excellent resource for Chinese (Mandarin) learners in the HSK1 to HSK 3 range. The book provides the student with 20 short stories in Chinese along with English and Pinyin parallel text.

Whether your child already speaks Chinese or is learning Chinese as a second language, these simple Chinese characters will help set down the foundation for learning to write in Chinese. The earlier children are introduced to a second language, the more likely they will find ease and develop fluency in their non-native language. This notebook is made for beginners or kids who want to learn Chinese. It offers a complete Chinese course based on Level 1 of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK). There are totally 150 Simplified Chinese words with pinyin and translation in English with strokes order for every word.

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The current book volume is Part 1 (???, dì y? cè) of the 6 parts of "3000 Must-know Chinese Characters". The book provides you about 500 frequently used simplified Chinese characters with corresponding pinyin, and multiple meanings in English. All the characters are organized in different chapters based on the associated radicals (??, Bù sh?u). In particular, characters with multiple sounds have been clearly highlighted in the book. Mandarin Chinese is a pictographic language. The Chinese characters correspond to pictograms. Each and everything in the Chinese language can be represented (interpreted) in the form of characters. Although it's complicated to estimate the total number of Chinese characters, it's worth mentioning that the native Chinese people are proficient in over 5,000 characters. In particular, they use about 3,000 characters in their day-to-day life. If you wish to learn Chinese properly, you'll need to learn those 3,000 characters.:) Free online Mandarin Chinese lessons (Ming Mandarin):

www.MingMandarin.com -Jia Ming

The heart of this book is a series of etymological lessons, in which approximately 2300 Chinese characters are classified according to 224 'primitives' upon which they are based. For each character Father Wieger gives the modern form, its archaic form, literary pronunciation (Wade system), explanations of origin, semantic content of component parts, related characters, variants forms, quotations of classical usage, and similar material. To make his book more useful Father Wieger has also incorporated a tremendous number of reading aids for the student - listings of the primitives; an index of the characters analyzed, arranged by number of strokes; a listing of 858 phonetic elements, arranged by number of strokes; a listing of about 10,000 characters by phonetic element; a lexicon by transliteration, comprising about 7,000 characters; and a lexicon of about 10,000 characters according to the customary modern system of 214 radicals devised by K'ang-hsi.

From the author of the popular Chinese For Kids First 50 Characters. Get your child excited about learning Chinese with fun writing activities. Introduce and reinforce Chinese language skills with the kid-friendly layout. Build your child's confidence in learning Chinese with easy to follow concept maps. Encourage children to trace and practice writing Chinese characters with large diagrams. Help your child set positive goals with the progress checklist. Easy to understand instructions and explanations in English. Written to help parents and children learn Chinese together. Great for beginner Chinese self study, kindergarten, homeschool and Mandarin immersion programs. Chinese For Kids Workbook: Kindergarten is recommended for children ages 5-6. Start learning Chinese today!

The book introduces Chinese characters through both illustrations and the reasons behind them. It's a "must have" for learners of Chinese everywhere!

This book is a quick and easy way to learn basic Chinese Characters. All beginning Chinese language learners struggle to memorize and learn to write Chinese characters. The First 100 Chinese Characters adopts a structural approach which helps students to quickly master the basic characters that are fundamental to this language. Intended for beginning Chinese students, this character book presents characters that have been carefully selected for rapid and effective learning. The English meanings, pronunciations in hanyu pinyin and alternate forms (if any) for each Chinese character are presented along with a stroke order guide and spaces for writing practice. Printed with gray guidelines, the stroke order guides are designed to be traced over to teach students the standard sequence of strokes used to write the character. Related compounds and phrases are given to assist in vocabulary building. Three indexes at the back allow the characters to be looked up by their English meanings, hanyu pinyin pronunciations, or radicals. Extra practice sheets are also provided. This Chinese character book contains: Step-by-step stroke order diagrams show you how to write each character. Special boxes with grid lines help you practice writing them correctly. Compounds and sample sentences provide easy vocabulary building. Hanyu pinyin romanizations identify and help you pronounce every word.

Learning Chinese can be frustrating and difficult, partly because it's very different from European languages. Following a teacher, textbook or language course is not enough. They show you the characters, words and grammar you need to become proficient in Chinese, but they don't teach you how to learn them! Regardless of what program you're in (if any), you need to take responsibility for your own learning. If you don't, you will miss many important things that aren't included in the course you're taking. If you study on your own, you need to be even more aware of what you need to do, what you're doing at the moment and the difference between them. Here are some of the questions I have asked and have since been asked many times by students: How do I learn characters efficiently? How do I get the most out of my course or teacher? Which are the best learning tools and resources? How can I become fluent in Mandarin? How can I improve my pronunciation? How do I learn successfully on my own? How can I motivate myself to study more? How can I fit learning Chinese into a busy schedule? The answers I've found to these questions and many others form the core of this book. It took eight years of learning, researching, teaching and writing to figure these things out. Not everybody has the time to do that! I can't go back in time and help myself learn in a better way, but I can help you! This book is meant for normal students and independent language learners alike. While it covers all major areas of learning, you won't learn Chinese just by reading this book. It's like when someone on TV teaches you how to cook: you won't get to eat the delicious dish just by watching the program; you have to do the cooking yourself. That's true for this book as well. When you apply what you learn, it will boost your learning, making every hour you spend count for more, but you still have to do the learning yourself. This is what a few readers have said about the book: "The book had me nodding at a heap of things I'd learnt the hard way, wishing I knew them when I started, as well as highlighting areas that I'm currently missing in my study." - Geoff van der Meer, VP engineering "This publication is like a bible for anyone serious about Chinese proficiency. It's easy for anyone to read and written with scientific precision." - Zachary Danz, foreign teacher, children's theatre artist About me I started learning Chinese when I was 23 (that's more than eight years ago now) and have since studied in many different situations, including serious immersion programs abroad, high-intensity programs in Sweden, online courses, as well as on the side

while working or studying other things. I have also successfully used my Chinese in a graduate program for teaching Chinese as a second language, taught entirely in Chinese mostly for native speakers (the Graduate Institute for Teaching Chinese as a Second Language at National Taiwan Normal University). All these parts have contributed to my website, Hacking Chinese, where I write regularly about how to learn Mandarin.

The radicals in a Chinese character serve to categorize words according to their meaning and act as common denominators which the mind commits to memory when sizing up the character. There are altogether 214 radicals in the Chinese language and every Chinese character is composed of one or more radicals. In this book, the more fundamental radicals are analysed and explained with carefully chosen examples. Having a sound knowledge of these radicals will help you master the basic concepts of Chinese language. Essential tool for learning fundamental concepts for the building blocks of Chinese language An easy and fun way to learn Chinese radicals Many useful examples of characters in which the radicals appear Entertaining cartoons by famous cartoonist Tan Huay Peng help make the explanations clear Tan Huay Peng, a well-known Singaporean cartoonist, always delighted in making his readers see the funnier side of life. He died in November 1990. His works include: Fun with Chinese Characters Vol 1, 2 & 3, Fun with Chinese Festivals, Chinese Radicals Vol. 1 & 2, Hanyu Pinyin, Simplified Chinese Characters and What's in a Chinese Character.

"DeFrancis's book is first rate. It entertains. It teaches. It demystifies. It counteracts popular ignorance as well as sophisticated (cocktail party) ignorance. Who could ask for anything more? There is no other book like it. ... It is one of a kind, a first, and I would not only buy it but I would recommend it to friends and colleagues, many of whom are visiting China now and are adding 'two-week-expert' ignorance to the two kinds that existed before. This is a book for everyone." --Joshua A. Fishman, research professor of social sciences, Yeshiva University, New York

"Professor De Francis has produced a work of great effectiveness that should appeal to a wide-ranging audience. It is at once instructive and entertaining. While being delighted by the flair of his novel approach, the reader will also be led to ponder on some of the most fundamental problems concerning the relations between written languages and spoken languages. Specifically, he will be served a variety of information on the languages of East Asia, not as dry pedantic facts, but as appealing tidbits that whet the intellectual appetite. The expert will find much to reflect on in this book, for Professor DeFrancis takes nothing for granted." --William S.Y. Wang, professor of linguistics, University of California at Berkeley

Chinese is considered one of the most difficult languages to master. However, using the Chineseasy system, anyone can begin to understand and read Chinese. It works by transforming Chinese characters into illustrations to make them easy to remember. This book teaches the key characters on which the language is built and how these characters can be combined to form more complex words and phrases. Learning Chinese has never been this simple or more fun!

This book, "My Fun Chinese Book: Animals Level 1" includes 36 DailyDumpling(tm) FUN-Sheets--discrete projects that cover the 12 Chinese zodiac animals. We utilize American-style games like dot-to-dot, matching, pattern recognition, and coloring along with 3D paper crafts to make simplified Chinese characters familiar. Paper crafts, for example, are highlighted by each animal's name in Chinese characters. By showcasing Chinese in context, young learners readily recognize Chinese characters over time. Page-per-day DailyDumpling(tm) projects cultivate kids' problem solving, fine-motor skills, pattern recognition, and persistence. Daily progress can be tracked on our star chart; completing each book culminates with a certificate of achievement. To be comprehensive, we offer free videos at DailyNoodles.com/workbooks that help kids hear proper pronunciation of all the featured vocabulary words from each book. The progressive nature of our DailyDumpling(tm) FUN-Sheets and FUN-Books builds your child's confidence learning Chinese. We want kids to 'noodle' in Chinese every day and extend kids' language learning beyond the classroom.

? Learn Mandarin Chinese Workbook for Beginners: ? When you are learning Mandarin, you can learn all the rules, but you need to practice. But where do you go to find the best resources? You do not need to look any further because we are here to help! With this workbook, you can expect to make great strides in your journey toward becoming proficient in Mandarin. You will be learning how to read and write basic Mandarin words and phrases. Upon completing this workbook, you will be able to converse with a native Mandarin-speaking individual. You will learn about the weather, how to tell time, how to count, how to order a meal, and even how to ask about another person's occupation. You cannot learn Mandarin without ensuring there is a degree of culture embedded into your work. This is why we have included some Chinese idioms for you to practice reading. According to history, the use of these specific idioms is to inspire you to continue on your journey to becoming fluent in Mandarin. As you start to immerse yourself in this book's content, you will begin to feel the joy of correctly translating your first pinyin word into Chinese characters. It is when you can shuffle your knowledge between English, pinyin, and Chinese characters that you will be ready to tackle the next hurdle of Mandarin. For now, remember how you felt when you started learning Mandarin. Keep that passion burning, as it is going to make the process of learning Mandarin that much easier! ??? ? Learn Mandarin Chinese for Beginners: ? Have you ever had an urge to learn Mandarin but have been put off by other people saying it looks too difficult? Trust me, it is not as difficult as other people say it is. We agree that learning Mandarin can be seen as quite a daunting experience, but that is why books like this one exist. As soon as you know what to expect, as well as some rules regarding how to read and write Mandarin as a beginner, you will be well on your way to mastering the language. What's great about "Learn Mandarin Chinese for Beginners" is that it comes with a composite workbook that you can use to really hone your Mandarin skills. With this book, we will be explaining everything about Mandarin to you. This will include some history and help you understand your personal learning style. This will ensure that you will perfect Mandarin in the quickest amount of time possible! You will find yourself understanding the four different Mandarin tones, the different ways to master pinyin, as well as even learning some personal life lessons along the way. We have tailored this book to be unique for each student and not by using a one-size-fits-all approach. It does not matter why you are learning Mandarin. As long as you have the passion and dedication to put time aside every single day and commit to learning the language, we will have you conversing with native Mandarin speakers in no time at all. This book is your best guide! By picking it up, you have taken the very first step in learning Mandarin, and we are so excited to be on this unique, fun, and exciting journey with you. ???

My First Book of Chinese Words introduces young children to basic words and concepts in the Chinese language through colorful rhymes and beautiful imagery. It is a book that parents and young children will enjoy reading together. The Chinese words in the book are all common, everyday items, and the rhymes are informative and fun for children. The goal of My First Book of

Chinese Words is to familiarize children with the basic sounds and written characters of Chinese, to introduce core concepts of Chinese culture and to illustrate the ways in which Chinese sounds differ from English ones. Teachers and parents will welcome the cultural notes at the back of the book and appreciate how the book is organized using a familiar ABC structure. Each word is presented in Chinese characters (both Simplified and Traditional) as well as Romanized Pinyin for easy pronunciation. With the help of this book, we hope more children (and adults) will soon join the more than one billion people worldwide who speak Chinese!

Chinese characters interpreted humorously.

This user-friendly book is aimed at helping students of Mandarin Chinese learn and remember Chinese characters. At last—there is a truly effective and enjoyable way to learn Chinese characters! This book helps students to learn and remember both the meanings and the pronunciations of over 800 characters. This otherwise daunting task is made easier by the use of techniques based on the psychology of learning and memory. Key principles include the use of visual imagery, the visualization of short "stories," and the systematic building up of more complicated characters from basic building blocks. Although Learning Chinese Characters is primarily a book for serious learners of Mandarin Chinese, it can be used by anyone with an interest in Chinese characters, without any prior knowledge of Chinese. It can be used alongside (or after, or even before) a course in the Chinese language. All characters are simplified (as in mainland China) but traditional characters are also given, when available. Key features: Specially designed pictures and stories are used in a structured way to make the learning process more enjoyable and effective, reducing the need for rote learning to the absolute minimum. The emphasis throughout is on learning and remembering the meanings and pronunciations of the characters. Tips are also included on learning techniques and how to avoid common problems. Characters are introduced in a logical sequence, which also gives priority to learning the most common characters first. Modern simplified characters are used, with pronunciations given in pinyin. Key information is given for each character, including radical, stroke-count, traditional form, compounds, and guidance on writing the character. This is a practical guide with a clear, concise and appealing layout, and it is well-indexed with easy look-up methods. The 800 Chinese characters and 1,033 compounds specified for the original HSK Level A proficiency test are covered.

HSK 1 + 2 Chinese Character Book covers the most basic 300 words in the Chinese language, which are based on the Chinese level 1 proficiency exam (HSK 1) and the Chinese level 2 proficiency exam (HSK 2). This book supports both simplified and traditional Chinese characters. + 150 (HSK level 1) words + 150 (HSK level 2) words + 110 pages + Printed on bright white smooth paper + Premium matte cover finish + Large format 8.5" x 11.0" (215mm x 280mm) pages

Chinese for Kids First Practice Strokes Ages 4+ Simplified is for children ages 5 and older to practice 29 common writing strokes and 29 characters. Practice writing Chinese strokes and words with pre-writing activities as well as character exercises. This workbook is best used for young children who are beginning to write Chinese. Join a curious panda on a fun journey to learn how to write basic Chinese strokes and characters. Each simplified Chinese character and writing stroke has a picture, English translation and Mandarin Chinese pinyin. Introduce written Chinese into your self-study, homeschool, Montessori and Mandarin language immersion program. Practice Chinese writing strokes with pre-writing exercises. Recognize and color Chinese characters. Trace Chinese words by following stroke order diagrams. Kid-friendly layout with extra large grids. Easy to carry size with glossy cover is great for kids.

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Aimed at helping students of Chinese learn and remember Chinese characters including the pronunciation of characters fast and effectively, Learning Chinese Characters Volume 1 is a systematic study aid to this difficult language

"A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step" - an ancient Chinese proverb. This book is designed to be that first step, and to give you a way of thinking about the Chinese written language that not only makes memorization easier, but makes learning the language both more fun and more interesting. Along the way, you'll learn certain aspects of Chinese culture and tradition which serve to illuminate the meanings of the words and characters, thereby making it much easier to remember them. Expanded 2nd edition featuring 71 characters.

Fun with Chinese is a character recognition curriculum designed for ages three to five. Using a systematic process, it teaches the most commonly used characters first, allowing your child to start reading confidently after just the first lesson. Each workbook will teach you 25 characters completed in 25 lessons. Each lesson uses pictures and games to help your child memorize a new character, but also systematically reviews characters from previous lessons. After finishing each lesson there is a stamp collection system you can use to motivate your child to learn more, making learning Chinese a fun and easy process.

The principal unit of a Chinese character, called the Radical (RADIX-root), gives the general meaning of the character. Most of the time, it is placed on the left-hand side of the character. The 5,000 characters are arranged ALPHABETICALLY according to the English names of their Radicals. Mr. Go (author of "Understanding Chinese Characters by Their Ancestral Forms") found that over 3,000 characters (about 60%) can be found knowing only 27 simple, easy-to-recognize Radicals (such as Man, Hand, Mouth, Water, Tree). A Rapid Access Index allows the user to have immediate access to the character by recognizing a second writing-unit. There are 214 writing-units in total & their English meanings are explained on the basis of their ancestral forms. The dictionary also contains the SIMPLIFIED & ROMANIZED

(so called "PINYIN") forms of the characters now officially being used in the People's Republic of China. This is certainly a book that should be on the shelf of the reference section of all libraries. Phone orders accepted: (415) 564-5494.

Learn Chinese characters by associating them with memorable images.

Is Nick Allen a troublemaker? He really just likes to liven things up at school -- and he's always had plenty of great ideas. When Nick learns some interesting information about how words are created, suddenly he's got the inspiration for his best plan ever...the frindle. Who says a pen has to be called a pen? Why not call it a frindle? Things begin innocently enough as Nick gets his friends to use the new word. Then other people in town start saying frindle. Soon the school is in an uproar, and Nick has become a local hero. His teacher wants Nick to put an end to all this nonsense, but the funny thing is frindle doesn't belong to Nick anymore. The new word is spreading across the country, and there's nothing Nick can do to stop it.

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