

Mastering Chinese The Complete Course For Beginners Palgrave Master Series Languages

To help with the process of identifying those new and untested strategic concepts that merit further examination, the Strategic Studies Institute is publishing a special series called "Advancing Strategic Thought." This provides a venue--a safe haven--for creative, innovative, and experimental thinking about national security policy and military strategy. In this monograph, the author uses the ancient game of Go as a metaphor for the Chinese approach to strategy. He shows that this is very different than the linear method that underlies American strategy. By better understanding Go, he argues, American strategies could better understand Chinese strategy.

Mastering Chinese is a modern, engaging, highly illustrated course in Mandarin Chinese, teaching conversational skills, good pronunciation and the beginnings of reading and writing the intriguing Chinese script. Based on the author's 10 years of experience teaching Chinese in the UK and in China, this carefully structured and well-paced course will soon give you the confidence to communicate well in Chinese in both social and business settings. - Designed for complete beginners, with a wealth of interactive practice to build your confidence. - Teaches Mandarin Chinese which is spoken by over one billion people, and is the official language of mainland China, Taiwan and Singapore. - Suitable for study at home or in the classroom - learn at your own pace with this friendly, fun and fascinating introduction. - Covers a variety of everyday situations you will encounter in China, on holiday or travelling for business. - Full of cultural insights to help you understand the customs and practices of modern China. Additional material is available to accompany this book at www.palgrave.com/modernlanguages/xiang This product is the book only. Mastering Chinese is also available in a complete pack with 2 CDs (ask for ISBN 978-0-230-20055-5). The CDs can be purchased separately (ISBN 978-0-230-20054-8).

Chinese is a fascinating language that can seem impossibly difficult to learn at first but is relatively easy if you focus on the spoken language. This user-friendly guide to the basics helps you learn how to speak Chinese quickly and easily by drawing parallels with something you already know—English. The revised edition contains new dialogues, cultural notes, IT, smartphone and social media vocabulary and new manga illustrations. This book is designed for everyone who wants to learn to speak and understand colloquial spoken Chinese whether it is for business, for pleasure, or for travel in China—and it allows you to enjoy the process of learning the language! A lighthearted guide that brings Chinese to life in a down-to-earth fashion Real-life dialogues and situations help you to converse with confidence Sentence pattern exercises and drills help to reinforce what you are learning Native-speaker audio recordings teach you to pronounce Chinese accurately Interesting notes, idioms, sayings, and poems introduce you to Chinese culture Mandarin Chinese for Beginners contains lots of extra hints and tips drawn from the authors' many years of experience in teaching the language in adult evening classes. Answer Keys to the exercise questions are provided, and an "Extend Your Vocabulary" section in each chapter helps you to remember and understand more words that you'd think possible. Photos and insider tips about China's culture and its many unique places, add spice to the adventure! Mandarin Chinese for Beginners focuses on real-life situations that you'll encounter in China. New words are explained regarding how you'll use them to communicate with friends in real-life. The audio recordings allow you listen, repeat and remember the sentences with ease. These will help you to declare with pride, "I can say that in Chinese!"

Tools to make hard problems easier to solve. In this book, Sanjoy Mahajan shows us that the way to master complexity is through insight rather than precision. Precision can overwhelm us

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with information, whereas insight connects seemingly disparate pieces of information into a simple picture. Unlike computers, humans depend on insight. Based on the author's fifteen years of teaching at MIT, Cambridge University, and Olin College, *The Art of Insight in Science and Engineering* shows us how to build insight and find understanding, giving readers tools to help them solve any problem in science and engineering. To master complexity, we can organize it or discard it. *The Art of Insight in Science and Engineering* first teaches the tools for organizing complexity, then distinguishes the two paths for discarding complexity: with and without loss of information. Questions and problems throughout the text help readers master and apply these groups of tools. Armed with this three-part toolchest, and without complicated mathematics, readers can estimate the flight range of birds and planes and the strength of chemical bonds, understand the physics of pianos and xylophones, and explain why skies are blue and sunsets are red. *The Art of Insight in Science and Engineering* will appear in print and online under a Creative Commons Noncommercial Share Alike license.

Mastering Arabic Script: A Guide to Handwriting teaches Arabic handwriting in the form universally used by adult native speakers (riq'a) and compares it with naskh, the usual printed form. There are three parts to the book covering: the basic letter shapes, combinations of letters and an additional extended writing section. Clear examples, a wealth of practice material, insider tips from a leading expert, and lively activities and photos make the book easy to follow and enjoyable to work through. The book can be used to supplement the popular *Mastering Arabic* course or independently from it.

China Ready! prepares students and independent learners to work in the hospitality and tourism industry for high-value tourism business coming from China to English-speaking countries. The book focuses on listening and speaking skills – essential skills for learners. This book's features include the following: • Important cultural and social awareness factors for interacting with clients from China • Vocabulary • Real-life scenarios • Situational role playing and interactive listening • Experiential exercises to encourage learning outside the classroom The book is aimed at students who have attained the Common European Framework Reference (CEFR) A2 level and will bring them up to the CEFR B2/C1 level or ????? ?? (HSK) 4/5.

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.

? 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. ???

Imagine you have found your dream job at a company that is located in a different country, but you don't speak the language of that country. This is the case for An An, the narrator of this textbook. An An is a brave panda from Washington, D.C. who

learned Mandarin and traveled across the world to Beijing for his dream job interview. In this book, you will join An An for 10 hours (chapters) for his first day in Beijing going to his job interview and learning to speak Chinese in a variety of settings. An An will teach you everything you need to know to master basic conversational Mandarin. Follow along as he introduces himself to the job interviewer, describes his favorite pastimes, and as he meets his dream significant other, panda Ping Ping. Ranging from asking for directions, to communicating with the taxi driver in Mandarin while learning how to count, each lesson combines cultural insights about Chinese traditions and customs alongside basic language instruction. Free audio and flashcards are downloadable from www.inspiralang.com/resource.

Technology has permanently altered and optimized the field of education. With the assistance of innovative tools, such as multimedia technology, instructors can create a positive impact on students' learning experience. *Cases on Audio-Visual Media in Language Education* includes comprehensive coverage and scholarly insights on the latest trends in technology-assisted language learning techniques. Highlighting a range of perspectives on topics such as intercultural competence, student engagement, and online learning, this case book is ideally designed for educators, researchers, academics, practitioners, and professionals interested in the application of audio-visual media in contemporary teaching practices.

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transition from academic study to employment. Each lesson includes a wide range of language drills and exercises designed to quickly improve learners' oral expression and conceptual understanding through group discussions, essays, presentations, bidirectional translation and critical reflection. Online resources such as audio recordings, dictation exercises and supplementary reading material are also included. Written by a team of highly experienced teachers, *???? Social Perspective* is the ideal course to progress intermediate students to an advanced level. Academics and researchers with an interest in Chinese contemporary social issues will also find this a useful tool for further language study.

If you want to learn Chinese in less time, then keep reading... Are you sick and tired of not being able to learn Chinese fast? Have you tried endless other ways of learning Chinese but nothing seems to stick? Do you finally want to say goodbye to your tendency to 'forget most of what you've studied' and discover something which works for you? If so, then you've come to the right place. You see, Chinese is easier than it seems. Not only will this book give you the basic grammar rules, but also many fun phrases for you to practice. If you've never studied Chinese before or if you've studied it but you need to go back to the basics to get better, this handbook will provide you with what you need, especially if you are planning on traveling to China! Here's just a tiny fraction of what you'll discover: Chinese Tones Basic Chinese Grammar How to Count How to be polite when speaking Chinese Greeting and Introduction Daily Life and Social Activity And much, much more So if you want to learn the Chinese language fast, scroll up and click the "add to cart" button!

It's easy to teach yourself Mandarin Chinese! *Complete Mandarin Chinese: A Teach Yourself Guide* provides you with a clear and comprehensive approach to Mandarin Chinese, so you can progress quickly from the basics to understanding, speaking, and writing Mandarin Chinese with confidence. Within each of the thematic chapters, important language structures are introduced through life-like dialogues. You'll learn grammar in a gradual manner so you won't be overwhelmed by this tricky subject. Exercises accompany the texts and reinforce learning in listening, speaking, reading, and writing. This program also features current cultural information boxes that reflect recent changes in society. The accompanying audio CDs include audio exercises--performed by native speakers--that reinforce communicative skills.

"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.

Audio mastering is the final step in the audio production process, polishing the recording's final mix and prepping it for release and distribution. This fourth edition of Bobby Owsinski's classic *The Mastering Engineer's Handbook* is a thoroughly updated and comprehensive manual on the art and science of creating well-mastered recordings. Today's musicians and engineers have many high quality and low cost software-based mastering tools available to them, but the challenge is to understand those tools and learn to use them wisely. Redesigned and updated to reflect both the latest in technology and recent changes in the marketplace, this new edition shows you both the fundamentals, and the advanced aspects of both self-mastering, and prepping your mix for mastering by a pro. Topics covered include: Techniques for making a hot-level master A comprehensive look at mastering for vinyl including the format's latest technology improvements Mastering techniques for the best sounding online streams An overview of the tools required for successful self-mastering The book also features interviews with a number of legendary mastering engineers discussing their techniques and tips that will help you master your own music with style and technical know-how. Give your music the benefit of the expertise you'll find with *The Mastering Engineer's Handbook, Fourth Edition*.

"A must-read for anyone interested in incorporating meditation into their lifestyle."

—Sanjay Gupta, MD, chief medical correspondent for CNN Heartfulness is an ideal, a spiritual way of living by and from the heart that is inclusive of all ideologies, beliefs, and religions. In this heart-centered book, a student in conversation with his teacher, Kamlesh D. Patel—affectionately known as Daaji, the fourth and current spiritual guide of the century-old Heartfulness tradition—present a unique method of meditation with the power to facilitate an immediate, tangible spiritual experience, irrespective of a person's faith. Our modern, fast-paced world can be an overwhelming place. Every day, we're bombarded with messages telling us that in order to be happy, fulfilled, and worthy, we must be better, do more, and accumulate as much material wealth as possible. Most of us move through our busy lives with our minds full of these ideas, multitasking as we strive to navigate the responsibilities and expectations we must meet just to make it through the day. But what if there is another way? What if, rather than letting the busyness of life overtake our minds, we learn to be heartfelt instead? Based on Daaji's own combination of approaches and practices for the modern seeker—which draws from the teachings of Sahaj Marg, meaning "Natural Path"—Heartfulness is a contemporized version of the ancient Indian practice of Raja Yoga, a tradition that enables the practitioner to realize the higher Self within. While many books describe refined states of being, The Heartfulness Way goes further, providing a pragmatic course to experience those states for oneself, which, per the book's guiding principle, is "greater than knowledge." Heartfulness meditation consists of four elements—relaxation, meditation, cleaning, and prayer—and illuminates the ancient, defining feature of yogic transmission (or pranahuti), the utilization of divine energy for spiritual growth and transformation. Using the method, detailed practices, tips, and practical philosophy offered in this book, you'll reach new levels of attainment and learn to live a life more deeply connected to the values of the Heartfulness way—with acceptance, humility, compassion, empathy, and love.

Colloquial Chinese: The Complete Course for Beginners has been carefully developed by an experienced teacher to provide a step-by-step course to Chinese as it is written and spoken today. Combining a clear, practical and accessible style with a methodical and thorough treatment of the language, it equips learners with the essential skills needed to communicate confidently and effectively in Chinese in a broad range of situations. No prior knowledge of the language is required. Colloquial Chinese is exceptional; each unit presents a wealth of grammatical points that are reinforced with a wide range of exercises for regular practice. A full answer key, a grammar summary, bilingual glossaries and English translations of dialogues can be found at the back as well as useful vocabulary lists throughout. Key features include: A clear, user-friendly format designed to help learners progressively build up their speaking, listening, reading and writing skills Jargon-free, succinct and clearly structured explanations of grammar An extensive range of focused and dynamic supportive exercises Realistic and entertaining dialogues covering a broad variety of narrative situations Helpful cultural points explaining the customs and features of life in China An overview of the sounds of Chinese Balanced, comprehensive and rewarding, Colloquial Chinese is an indispensable resource both for independent learners and students taking courses in Chinese. Audio material to accompany the course is available to download free in MP3 format from www.routledge.com/cw/colloquials. Recorded by native speakers, the audio material features the dialogues and texts from the book and will help develop your

listening and pronunciation skills.

This new masterwork of Chinese cuisine showcases acclaimed chef Eileen Yin-Fei Lo's decades of culinary virtuosity. A series of lessons build skill, knowledge, and confidence as Lo guides the home cook step by step through the techniques, ingredients, and equipment that define Chinese cuisine. With more than 100 classic recipes and technique illustrations throughout, *Mastering the Art of Chinese Cooking* makes the glories of this ancient cuisine utterly accessible. Stunning color photography reveals the treasures of old and new China, from the zigzagging alleys of historical Guangzhou to the bustle of city centers and faraway Chinatowns, as well as wonderful ingredients and gorgeous finished dishes. Step-by-step brush drawings illustrate Chinese cooking techniques. This lavish volume takes its place as the Chinese cookbook of choice in the cook's library.

"The approach that has helped thousands of learners memorize Japanese kanji has been adapted to help students with Chinese characters. *Remembering Simplified Hanzi* covers the writing and meaning of the 1,000 most commonly used characters in the traditional Chinese writing system, plus another 500 that are best learned at an early stage." "Of critical importance to the approach found in these pages is the systematic arranging of characters in an order best suited to memory. In the Chinese writing system, strokes and simple components are nested within relatively simple characters, which can, in turn, serve as parts of more complicated characters and so on. Taking advantage of this allows a logical ordering, making it possible for students to approach most new characters with prior knowledge that can greatly facilitate the learning process."--BOOK JACKET.

Educational technologies continue to advance the ways in which we teach and learn. As these technologies continue to improve our communication with one another, computer-assisted foreign language learning has provided a more efficient way of communication between different languages. *Computer-Assisted Foreign Language Teaching and Learning: Technological Advances* highlights new research and an original framework that brings together foreign language teaching, experiments and testing practices that utilize the most recent and widely used e-learning resources. This comprehensive collection of research will offer linguistic scholars, language teachers, students, and policymakers a better understanding of the importance and influence of e-learning in second language acquisition.

If you are looking for an efficient way to learn the Chinese language without any previous knowledge, then keep reading... Two manuscripts in one book: *Chinese for Beginners: A Comprehensive Guide for Learning the Chinese Language Quickly* *Mastering Chinese Words: Expanding Your Vocabulary with 2500 of the Most Common Chinese Words* Many language learning textbooks for the Chinese language are designed for full-time training over a long time; this book will help you start communicating as soon as possible! By using many words and dialogues concerning daily life, you will quickly be confident to start speaking in Chinese. The content is both practical and fun, making you eager to continue expanding your knowledge. Numerous examples are included, which will help you find the right phrases during conversations. Here's just a fraction of what you'll learn in part 1 of this book: The basics, such as the Chinese alphabet, nouns, and verbs. The grammar of phrases and sentence elements. The grammar of simple and complex sentences. How to converse around many

different topics. Many common Chinese words and phrases And much, much more!
Part 2 of this book contains 2500 of the most common Chinese words so you can get a head start Usually, Chinese textbooks rely on learners to learn the characters. But here, Pinyin is introduced, allowing learners to quickly remember every word. As you will discover, these words will be more than enough for your travels, and you'll start to be able to have conversations in Chinese So, what are you waiting for? Grab this book, and start the journey today!

Cheng & Tsui's best-loved Chinese textbook series is new, revised, and better than ever!

Elementary Mandarin Chinese Textbook is a new beginner Mandarin Chinese course which enables you to quickly learn the basics of the language. The 24 lessons in this book are meant to be used in 3 hours per week of class instruction over one academic year. Students will need another 2–3 hours of outside practice and review for every hour of class time, using the materials in the accompanying Elementary Mandarin Chinese Workbook. These books can also be used by self-study learners due to the extensive explanations and free supplementary materials available — including online audio and video recordings and flash cards. The entire course can be completed in 25 to 35 weeks and teaches you the basic skills of speaking, reading and writing Mandarin Chinese at a conversational level. Each lesson starts with a dialogue and includes a list of new and supplementary Chinese vocabulary along with questions and grammar notes about the dialogue, a reading section and extensive exercises (that are in the Workbook). Elementary Mandarin Chinese Textbook offers the following significant advantages over other similar textbooks: Common, everyday Chinese dialogues are used—complete with vocabulary lists and questions and storylines based on actual everyday experiences in China Chinese grammar is explained in simple, non-technical terms with useful notes and tips given Reading exercises are provided for all new words and phrases in each lesson Free online audio recordings by native speakers from different regions of China help you not only acquire correct pronunciation, but also to understand Chinese speakers who have different accents Illustrations and supplementary video clips add authenticity to the materials in the book A Chinese-English dictionary, downloadable flash cards and supplementary exercises are all provided Both Chinese characters and Pinyin Romanized forms are given throughout the book (except for the reading exercises), so this book can be used by students who wish to focus on learning the spoken language, as well as those who are learning to read and write the Chinese characters simultaneously. This textbook should be used in conjunction with Elementary Mandarin Chinese Workbook and the included audio files, which can be downloaded free directly from the Tuttle website.

It is not easy to leave one's comfort zone to learn a new language and adapt to a new culture, as you might have learned from Gabriel in Book 1. In Book 2 of the Learn to Speak Cantonese series, meet Ben, a polar bear, who's starting an adventure with his best friend, Stormy, a Pomeranian dog. Together, the two are traveling to Hong Kong to advocate for green living! In this book, you will join Ben and Stormy as they spend twelve months living in Hong Kong and learning how to use Cantonese in everyday life. These two characters will take you around the city and cover practical skills, such as bargaining, acing a job interview, advocating for environmental sustainability, and more! Follow Ben and Stormy as they teach you about Hong Kong's culture and everything you need to communicate in Cantonese.

A guide to learning Chinese calligraphy quickly shows readers how to learn the characters,

presenting brush stroke technique in an accessible format while offering exercises and advice on how to stay motivated while learning this ancient art. Original.

Mastering Advanced Modern Chinese through the Classics is a textbook to teach those who wish to achieve an advanced or native proficiency and cultural competence in modern Chinese, as well as to experience the beauty of Classical Chinese literature. Collecting representative works containing vibrant views of Chinese culture from different dynasties, this book is focused on how the grammatical patterns, vocabulary, and idioms that are found in Classical Chinese are relevant in the modern adaptation of the language, and how the accumulated traditional values and beliefs found there still shape the thinking and lifestyle of modern society. Online resources including audio, answer keys, and instructor aids will be part of the teaching package.

For centuries, experts have argued that learning was about memorizing information: You're supposed to study facts, dates, and details; burn them into your memory; and then apply that knowledge at opportune times. But this approach to learning isn't nearly enough for the world that we live in today, and in *Learn Better* journalist and education researcher Ulrich Boser demonstrates that how we learn can matter just as much as what we learn. In this brilliantly researched book, Boser maps out the new science of learning, showing how simple techniques like comprehension check-ins and making material personally relatable can help people gain expertise in dramatically better ways. He covers six key steps to help you "learn how to learn," all illuminated with fascinating stories like how Jackson Pollock developed his unique painting style and why an ancient Japanese counting device allows kids to do math at superhuman speeds. Boser's witty, engaging writing makes this book feel like a guilty pleasure, not homework. *Learn Better* will revolutionize the way students and society alike approach learning and makes the case that being smart is not an innate ability--learning is a skill everyone can master. With Boser as your guide, you will be able to fully capitalize on your brain's remarkable ability to gain new skills and open up a whole new world of possibilities.

Language students and international travelers are introduced to Mandarin Chinese in the course of this book's "guided tour" of various regions throughout China. Instruction in Mandarin Chinese is presented in words, phrases, and reading passages as follows: First, the passage is printed in Chinese characters. Next, the passage is given phonetic pronunciation, using the Western alphabet (Pinyin). What follows next is a literal, word-for-word English translation of the Chinese. Concluding is an English translation that presents the passage's general sense and intended meaning. Two bilingual audio CDs are enclosed with the book. They present the text's dialogues and teach correct Mandarin pronunciation while also giving students practice in listening comprehension.

A surprisingly simple way for students to master any subject--based on one of the world's most popular online courses and the bestselling book *A Mind for Numbers* and its wildly popular online companion course "Learning How to Learn" have empowered more than two million learners of all ages from around the world to master subjects that they once struggled with. Fans often wish they'd discovered these learning strategies earlier and ask how they can help their kids master these skills as well. Now in this new book for kids and teens, the authors reveal how to make the most of time spent studying. We all have the tools to learn what might not seem to come naturally to us at first--the secret is to understand how the brain works so we can unlock its power. This book explains:

- Why sometimes letting your mind wander is an important part of the learning process
- How to avoid "rut think" in order to think outside the box
- Why having a poor memory can be a good thing
- The value of metaphors in developing understanding
- A simple, yet powerful, way to stop procrastinating

Filled with illustrations, application questions, and exercises, this book makes learning easy and fun. There are many books for learning Chinese. There are books that can teach you survival phrases or the first 300 characters, but I have yet to come across a book that teaches you

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for all the book's dialogues and exercises Special software allowing you to interact with the recordings. This Mandarin textbook is designed to be used with its separately available workbook, Basic Mandarin Chinese—Speaking & Listening Practice Book which provides a range of drills and exercises designed to dramatically enhance your spoken proficiency and improve your Chinese language skills.

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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.

Learning Chinese teaches basic conversational and literary skills in Mandarin. It is

designed to build language ability while stimulating learners' curiosity about the linguistic structures of the language as well as the geography, history, and culture of China. Conversational lessons are separated from lessons on reading and writing characters, allowing instructors to adapt the book to their students and to their course goals.

Chinese for Working Professionals is for learners who intend to use Chinese in a multinational global workplace. It has eight thematic units focusing on developing learners' transferrable skills in addition to expanding the cross-cultural competences required in a real-world work-place. Key features: Topical themes expose the ongoing changes in China for working professionals such as career preparation, economic development, business etiquette, the working environment, and overall lifestyle. Authentic reading materials and live videos on a companion website to incorporate understandings of the norm and expectations of the workplace and society at large, and also prepare learners for a quick transition from classroom to targeted scenarios. Abundant simulated real-life collaborative tasks, case studies, and projects enhance learners' problem-solving skills in Chinese, in addition to work strategies in different scenarios such as communication for work and leisure, and teamwork projects necessary and crucial for professions in multilingual and cross-cultural global settings. This textbook is a key resource for learners of Chinese at an ACTFL Intermediate-High proficiency level and above, or CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference for Language) B1.2 to B2.1 level in terms of language control, extensive and applicable vocabulary and expressions, communication strategies, as well as cultural awareness.

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