

2020 Enlighten Heart CSL Class Proposal

Introduction

I have been teaching Chinese Mandarin in a hybrid classroom setting. Some students were proficient in speaking and listening to Mandarin, whereas some other students were new to the language. Therefore, I have been thinking about having a Chinese class dedicated to students who are new but highly motivated in learning the Chinese language. With schools starting with distance learning mode, it is an excellent time to start an online Chinese As A Second Language (CSL) class. Through fun and practical daily scenarios, students will learn and gain the foundation of Chinese Mandarin language.

Teacher's Bio

I am Ms. Janet Shyr. In my class, students often call me 石老師 Shi Laoshi. I have taught Chinese Mandarin for twelve years, previously in Palo Alto High School, Stanford Online High School, and now here in Enlighten Heart. Teaching has been my calling and passion. I love teaching and learning in the classroom. When not teaching, I enjoy vegetarian cooking and food, gardening, and spending time in nature.

Brief Class Description

Over the course of 16 weeks, students will learn and practice listening, speaking, reading, and writing of beginning Chinese Mandarin. I will teach the traditional font of Chinese characters, using the simplified font as an aid. The main textbook used in the class is “[快樂學華語](#) Happy Chinese”. An example of weekly lessons topics is stated in below:

- Week 1 生日派對 Birthday party
- Week 2 我有一隻狗 I have a dog.
- Week 3 一張照片 A photograph

- Week 4 三輪車 Tricycle
- Week 5 你喜歡吃什麼 What do you like to eat?
- Week 6 你明天有空嗎? Are you free tomorrow?

Proposed number of lessons: 3 lessons a week (T/W/Th), for 16 weeks

Proposed time per lesson: 45~60 min

Level: Beginner-Intermediate

(some previous exposure of Chinese instruction may be needed. Teacher will give assessment prior to first class)

Age range of students: Ages 8-14

Minimum number of students: 5

Maximum number of students: 15

Bonus Class

By enrolling in the Enliven Heart CSL Class, each student will also receive 1 session of one-on-one School HW Help for free per week. Students can also participate in school-wide fun Friday online activity.