

Young Learners 2B + 2A

This course is suitable for students who have completed Young Learner Level 1, or older primary school students with some Mandarin.

YL 2B:

The core vocabulary and sentence topics are similar to the ones taught at Young Learner 1B, but a lot richer in terms of content and depth.

At this stage, learners will develop the following five key skills:

1. Essential **vocabulary** for important topics such as “All about myself”, “Home & family”, “Colors & numbers”, “Shopping for food & money”, “Actions & hobbies”, and “My school bag”, “Going to places”, “Likes & dislikes”, and “What I can do”.
2. **Listening** for simple Mandarin phrases and being able to understand the meanings; listening to longer Mandarin sentences and being able to grasp the key ideas.
3. **Speaking**: being able to pronounce and say the words and phrases in Mandarin when looking at the pictures or texts; being able to answer in simple Mandarin phrases when listening to the questions or instructions.
4. **Reading**: being able to recognize **100-150** Chinese characters and important radicals.
5. **Writing**: learning the correct stroke orders of **80-100** Chinese characters and important radicals.

Pinyin, the Chinese Mandarin phonetics, will be taught at this stage to help learners deal with more complicate vocabulary.

YL 2A:

This is the extension of YL 2B. More topics will be taught at this stage:

Talking about the weather / countries & nationalities / sports & hobbies / transport / talking about meals/ days of a week / clothing items / describing people/comparatives/time & daily routine

The objective of this course is to help students build up more complicate Mandarin sentences when they deal with passage reading and daily conversations. Students should be able to construct sentences and understand daily exchanges in more complex Mandarin.

Students should be able to recognize **150-200** Chinese characters and important radicals.

Students should be able to write **100-150** Chinese characters and important radicals.

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