

Chinese 30×30 Challenge

You want to learn Chinese, but...

- 🕒 you don't have time
- 😓 you think it's too hard
- 🧠 you've learned before but now you're too rusty

All of those problems: not a problem!

Join the Chinese 30×30 Challenge

The goal of the challenge: make Mandarin manageable.

In just 30 minutes per day for 30 days, you'll be able to:

- Identify 40 common **radicals** so you can read Chinese characters
- Recognize all 400+ **pinyin** syllables so you can refine your pronunciation & type and text in Chinese characters
- Decipher the 5 Chinese **tones** so you'll never mistake mā (mother) for mǎ (horse)

What even are radicals, tones, and pinyin? So glad you asked.

Our Chinese course designer Lei Zeng gave a 30-minute crash course. Be sure to watch to get her top tips from more than a decade of teaching Chinese to adult professionals. 🙌

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8EV9rdBf6Bc>

How to take on the challenge

The 30×30 Challenge is self-guided, so you can start any time. All learning materials are in the CL-150 Platform, so you only need two things to join the challenge:

1. **An active CL-150 account:** The three beginner courses assigned in the guide can be found in the "Browse" tab of the CL-150 learning portal.
2. **A copy of the 30×30 Guide:** Request a copy of the 30×30 Guide using the form below. It lays out the learning plan for each day. Print it out and mark off days as you go to stay accountable!