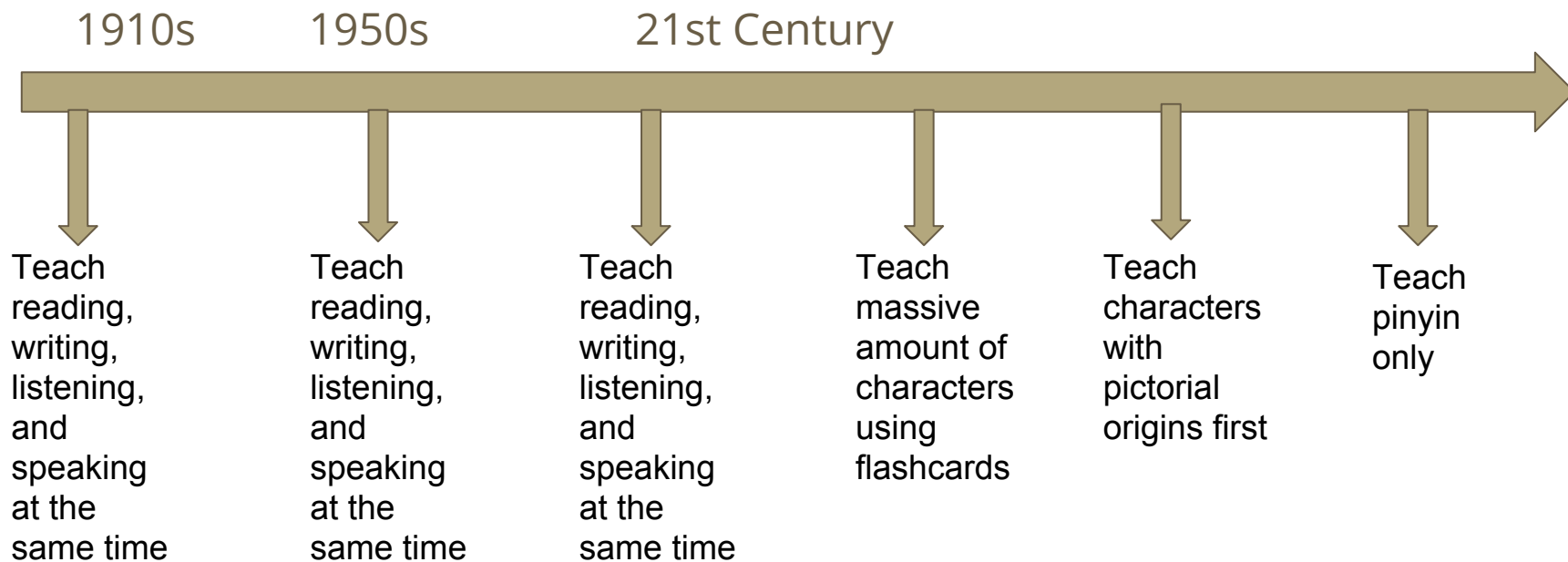
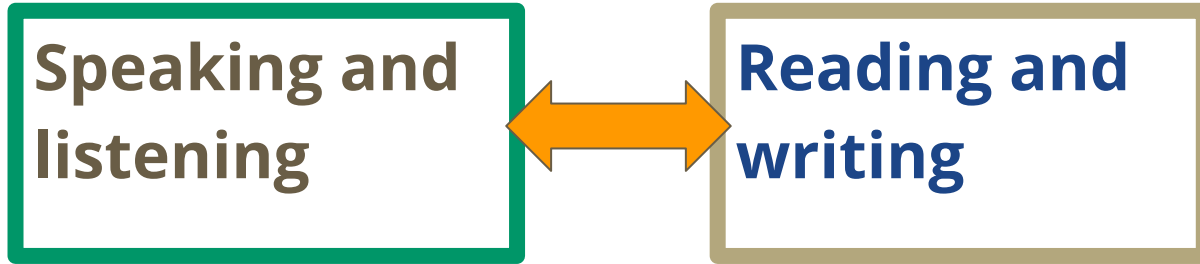

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Teaching methods analysis



The re-enforcing method



Teach pinyin only

nǐ → you

hǎo → good

ma → question
word



nǐ hǎo ma?

Why pinyin alone won't work

shìshi, shìshì, shìshí, shíshì, shíshí,

shíshī, shíshī, shīshì, shǐshí, shǐshī

Why pinyin alone won't work

shìshi, shìshì, shìshí, shíshì, shíshí,

试试, 事事, 事实, 实事, 时时,

shíshī, shíshī, shīshì, shǐshí, shǐshī

石狮, 实施, 失逝, 史实, 史诗

Before 1910s

子曰：學而不思
則罔，思而不學
則殆。

子, 曰, 學, 而, 不, 思, 則, 罔, 殆

孔子說：“只是讀書，卻不動腦筋思考，就會受蒙蔽；只是冥思苦想卻不認真讀書，就會疑惑而無所得。”

Before 1910s

the sound of a character

how to write a character

the formation

the meaning

different combination
of characters

Grammar of written
text

Daily
conversation

After 1950s

the sound of a ~~character~~ ^{pinyin}

how to write a ~~character~~ ^{simplified character}

the formation

the meaning

different combination
of characters

Daily
conversation

In the 21st century

pinyin

the sound of a ~~character~~

simplified character

how to write a ~~character~~

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Daily conversation

你好吗？
我很好。

5 characters

你叫什么名字？
我叫大卫。

7 characters

In the 21st century - pictorial origin

pinyin

the sound of a ~~character~~

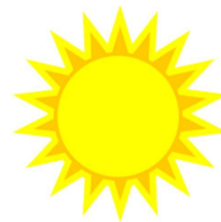
simplified ~~character~~

how to write a ~~character~~

the meaning



木



日

川



水

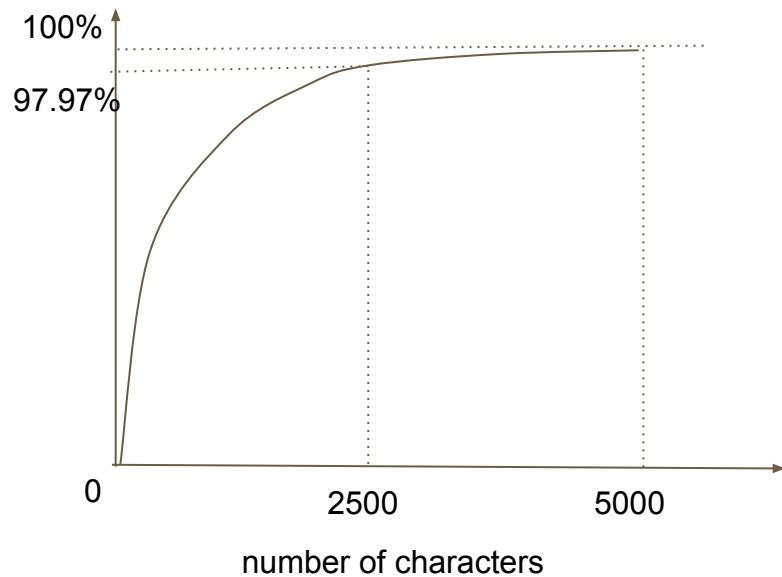
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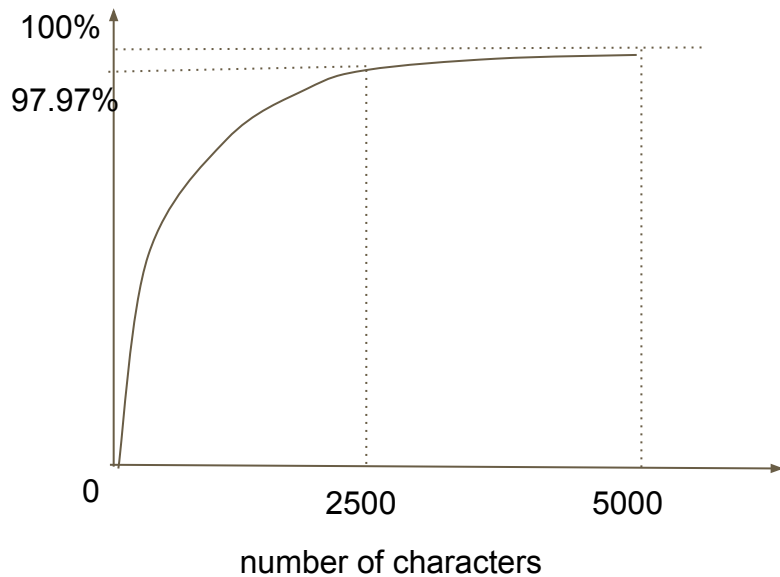
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In the 21st century - learn many characters



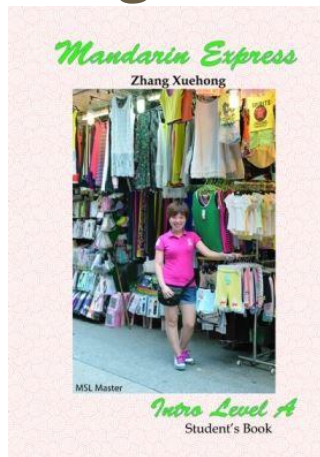
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小 + 说 → 小说
本 + 事 → 本事
个 + 子 → 个子
活 + 该 → 活该
欢 + 喜 → 欢喜
喜 + 欢 → 喜欢

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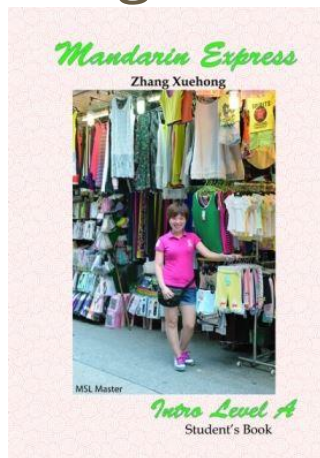
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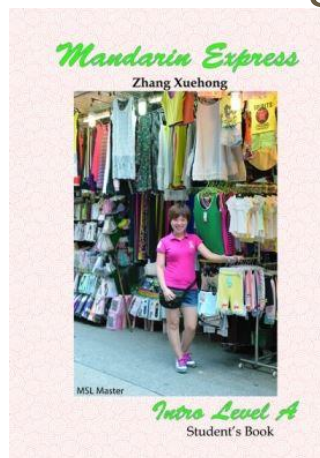
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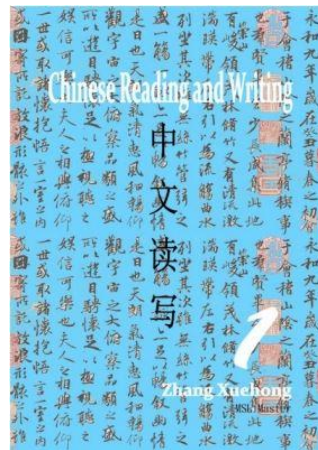


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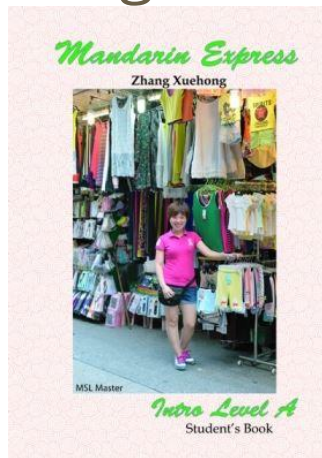
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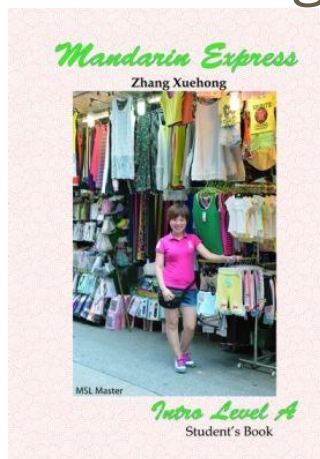
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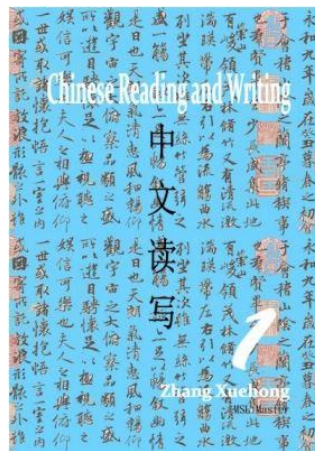


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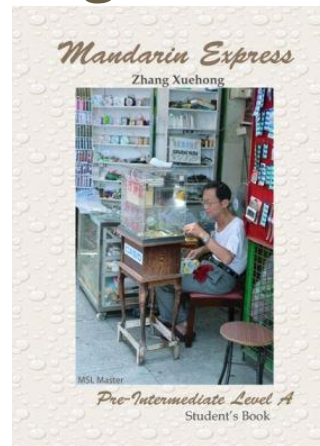


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Stage three



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