



COURSE CONTENT – M S CHINESE (MANDARIN) LEVEL 5

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TOPIC	LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS	LANGUAGE STRUCTURES
College courses and requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asking for and giving advice • Understanding feelings and concerns • Writing an email asking for or giving information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Result-complements • 会/将for future tense • 再说/而且for giving extra information • 还是...吧for expressing preferences
Books, libraries and book reviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifying directions and locations • Asking for and giving opinions about books and libraries • Understanding and writing a simple book review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 对...来说for limiting the range of statements • 不是...而是...for emphasizing facts and negating assumptions • 没想到for expressing surprise • 给...推荐for making recommendations
Assignments, quizzes and deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asking for and giving clarification through repetition • Stating and ending a conversation politely • Understanding simple formal instructions for exam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 什么...都...for expressing “any” • 不如...怎么样/吧for making suggestions • Vocabulary for expressing formality • 根据for stating a rationale

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Life stories	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asking and giving opinions through reasoning • Expressing consent and disagreement • Writing a simple life story 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 甚至for expressing “even” • 值得for expressing “be worth” • 为了for expressing purpose • 由于for stating causes • Expressions for agreeing and disagreeing
Air travel and extreme weather	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asking for and checking information • Giving reasons and expressing regret • Understanding a news report about weather • Writing a short report about an event involving weather 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 受...影响for expressing influence • Noun phrases with 以 • 受不了for expressing unbearableness • 造成for expressing undesirable consequences
Meeting a host family	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expressing hospitality and appreciation • Understanding cultural differences • Writing an informal diary entry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 好像for describing impressions • 让for expressing causal relations • 不是...就是...for expressing limited choices • Sentence-initial adverbs: 幸好, 可惜, 其实