

IB MANDARIN CHINESE

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AB INITIO LANGUAGE

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

No previous knowledge of the language is required, however, a grade A or A* in a European language is an advantage.

THE COURSE CONTENT

The *Ab initio* course level is equivalent to the level that students reach at AS. You will be covering the following topics:

- Personal information
- At school
- Work
- Shopping
- Going out
- Problems
- Future jobs and careers

STANDARD LEVEL LANGUAGE

THE COURSE CONTENT

- Health and food
- Travel, commuting and holidays
- Education and Employment
- Free time, hobbies and Chinese festivals

IB Standard (Higher) will not be offered this year.

RESOURCES

Ab initio: Chinese made Easy I – III
GCSE Edexcel

Standard: Edexcel Chinese for AS
Chinese for AS (Cypress Books)

ASSESSMENT

There is both external and internal assessment for both courses.

AB INITIO

External: 75% Paper 1 Reading
Paper 2 Writing

Internal: 25% Individual oral

There is also a guided writing task in class

IB STANDARD

External: 70% Paper 1 Reading
Paper 2 Writing

Internal: 30% Individual oral
Interactive oral

There is also a guided writing task based on intertextual reading.

For both *Ab Initio* and Standard, you will have five hours of lessons per fortnight. All lessons will normally be conducted in the target language.

