

Upcoming Mandarin IV Summer Assignment

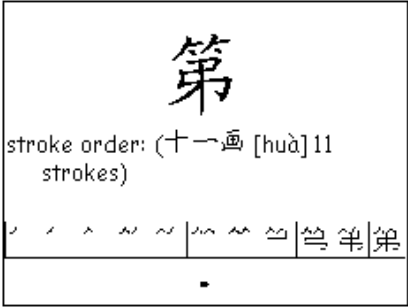
You may not know for sure whether you will have Mandarin IV or not next academic year, we do not have the answer either. For your own benefit I will suggest you to do the summer assignment in order to keep what you have learned. Please bear in mind that it doesn't guarantee if you do the assignment you will get the class. Use your best judgment and determine to do or not to do.

All of you should have total 85 character flashcards. These 85 character flashcards will be checked again when you come back in September if you have Mandarin IV.

You need to apply one compound on the back of each character flashcard and build one sentence in Chinese characters everyday on a new composition notebook. We will keep using the notebook next academic year. You need to start from #1 until finishing all of the character flashcards. You are encouraged to write the whole sentence in characters, but if you don't know how to write a term in Chinese character, you are allowed to have one term in pinyin in each sentence you'll build.

For examples:

#1 character flashcard:

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You only need to choose one compound out of two, and build one sentence a day.
 The compounds are 第一次 & 第一夫人
第一夫人都很漂亮。
 if you don't know how to write **pretty** in Chinese characters, you can write
第一夫人都很 piàoliang.

If you still have questions about your summer homework, you may email Ms. Chau at <ammychau@gmail.com> any time.

You may want to purchase the following materials in the summer when they are on sale:

- 300 index cards (3" x 5") for making Chinese character flashcards [It will be better if you could purchase a different color than the index cards you had for Mandarin III to separate the levels, but not required.]**
- one composition notebook**
- a lot of loose-leaf paper**
- one 2 pocket folder**
- one 1 inch or 1.5 inches three ring binder [larger than 1.5 inches won't be accepted]**
- dividers**

☺ Have a happy & safe summer ☺