



Lesson 13 Characters 37-39 小 少 文

Review Sheet

Note 1: Read the following material as review for this lesson.

Note 2: Traditional characters are shown in parentheses.

Note 3: Characters that are also components are listed both in the "Basic Components Review" section and again in the "Characters Review" section.

Characters Review

Character	Pinyin	Meaning	Words / Phrases that Contain this Character		
			Character	Pinyin	Meaning
小	xiǎo	small/ little/ young	小心	xiǎo xīn	(be) careful
			大小	dà xiǎo	size
			从小 (從小)	cóng xiǎo	since childhood
少	shǎo	few (quantity)/ lacking	太少了	tài shǎo le	too few
文	wén	writing/ culture	中文	zhōng wén	Chinese (language)
			文化	wén huà	culture

Bonus Time

Supplementary words that contain the characters covered in this lesson		
Word	Pinyin	Meaning
文明	wén míng	civilization



Font Comparison

Here is how the characters look in various commonly used fonts. You will notice some subtle differences. Your computer will probably already contain some of these fonts, so try them out for yourself as you type!

Note: "ti" as in "Kai ti" means "style" or "font." Among these fonts, "Song" is the most commonly used printing font. Almost all Chinese books printed in Mainland China use "Song ti."

Kai ti	Song ti	Hei ti	Handwriting
小	小	小	小
少	少	少	少
文	文	文	文

Worksheet

Note: Please feel free to print the next few pages if you want (especially if you're doing the handwriting practice). Otherwise, answer the questions directly in this PDF.

Reading Comprehension

Without looking at the material above, please translate the following phrases and sentences into English. You can type directly onto the PDF file below the Chinese. (You will find the answer key below the "real life reading practice" section.)

1. wǒ 从小 jiù xué 中文, xué 了六 nián 了, xiàn zài rèn shi bù 少 hàn 字了!
2. 大小 zěn me yàng?



Handwriting Practice (optional)

After you print this page, please follow these steps to learn to handwrite the characters from this lesson.

1. Trace the character in the first box following the stroke order demonstrated in the box to the right.
2. Repeat the step for the rest of the boxes, tracing over the grey lines when provided.

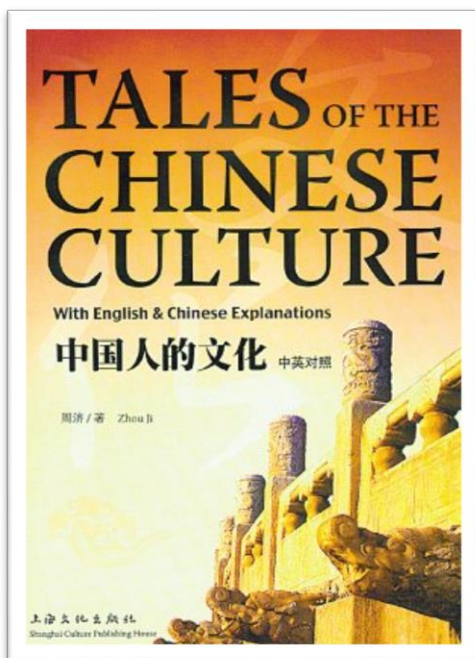
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小	小	小							
少	少	少	少	少	少				
少	少	少							
文	文	文	文	文	文				
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Real life reading practice

1. Look at the picture and circle or write down the character(s) you recognize. You should be able to type the characters you recognize directly onto the pdf file below the image if you prefer not to print.
2. Write down the character's pinyin above it.
3. Check your answer against the Answer Key on the next page.

Picture 1:



Picture 2:





Picture 3:



When You've Finished Reviewing...

Please go back to the webpage for this lesson to DOWNLOAD and take the self-quiz so you can make sure you've really mastered the material from this lesson!



Answer Key for Reading Comprehension

1. wǒ 从小 jiù xué 中文, xué 了六 nián 了, xiàn zài rèn shi bù 少 hàn 字了!
I've been learning Chinese since I was little, and have been learning for six years. I know many characters now. (Lit. "I from small already study/learn Chinese, learned six years now, now know not few characters now!")

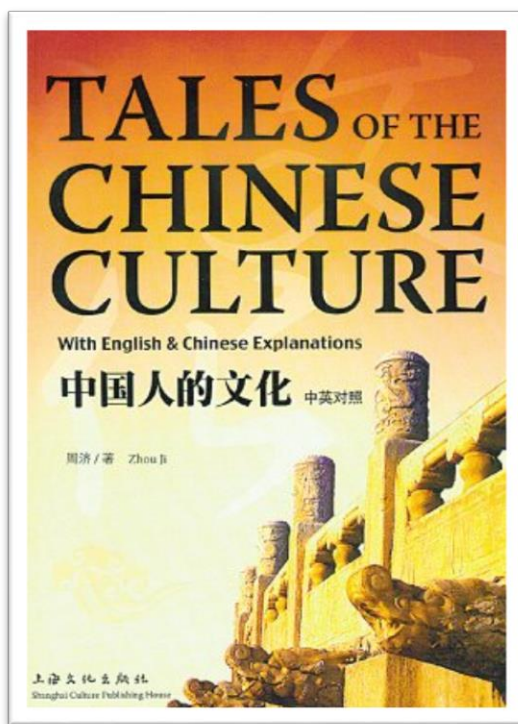
2. 大小 zěn me yàng?

How is the size? (Lit. "Size how is it?")

Answer Key for Real Life Reading Practice

The **RED** character(s) are the ones you should recognize.

Picture 1



zhōng guó **rén de wén** huà

中 国 人 的 文 化

Chinese people's culture

(A book written by Zhou Ji introducing Chinese culture.)



Picture 2



xiǎo xīn dì huá

小 心 地 滑

Caution wet floor (Lit., “Caution floor slippery.”)

Picture 3



duō qí chē shǎo kāi chē

多 骑 车 少 开 车

More bike riding, less driving

(This was part of the 2007 “Green Transport and Health Week” campaign.)