



Lesson 29 Characters 85-87 平 半 来

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
平	píng	even/level/ flat	平不平	píng bù píng	Is it level/even?
		equal	平等	píng děng	equality
			男女平等	nán nǚ píng děng	gender equality
		uneventful	和平	hé píng	peace
		even/level	水平	shuǐ píng	level standard
			中文水平	zhōng wén shuǐ píng	Chinese level
半	bàn	half	六点半 (六點半)	liù diǎn bàn	6:30 (half past six)
			一天半	yì tiān bàn	a day and a half
			半天	bàn tiān	half day or a long time



Characters Review

Character	Pinyin	Meaning	Words / Phrases that Contain this Character		
			Character	Pinyin	Meaning
来 (來)	lái	to come	回来 (回來)	huí lái	come back
			上来 (上來)	shàng lái	come up
			下来 (下來)	xià lái	come down

Bonus Time

Supplementary words that contain the characters covered in this lesson		
Word	Pinyin	Meaning
从来 (從來)	cóng lái	never
本来 (本來)	běn lái	originally



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
平	平	平	平
半	半	半	半
来	来	来	来

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.)

- 明天六 diǎn 半我们 zuò 火车 qù 北 jīng。
- 你如果十 diǎn 半 néng 来，我 jiù děng 你。
- A: 你的中文水平 zěn me yàng? B: 我的中文不太好!



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.

平	一 ㇇ ㇇ ㇇ 平	平	平	平					
平	平	平							
半	㇇ ㇇ ㇇ ㇇ 半	半	半	半					
半	半	半							
来	一 ㇇ ㇇ ㇇ ㇇ 来 来	来	来	来					
来	来	来							



Real life reading practice

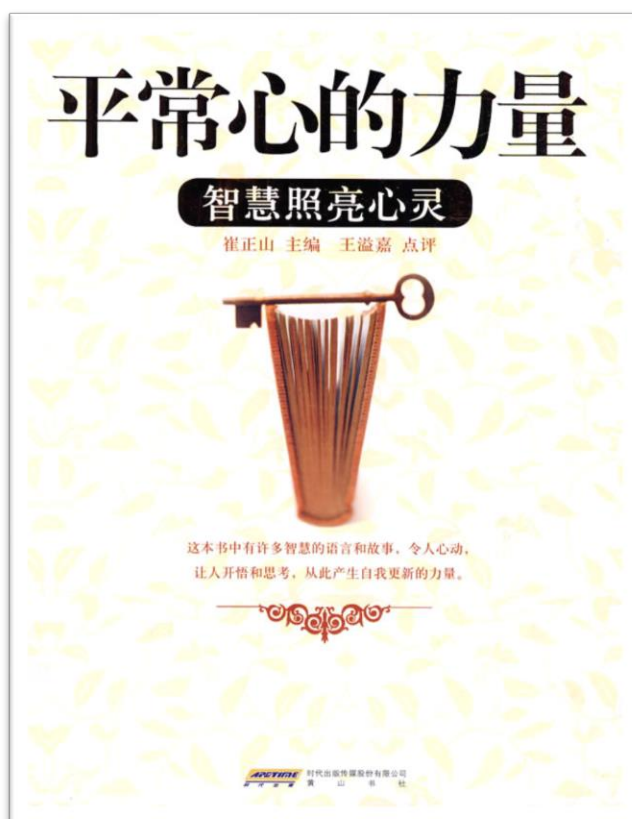
1. Look at the picture and circle or write down the character(s) you recognize. You should be able to type the characters you recognize directly onto the pdf file below the image if you prefer not to print.
2. Write down the character's pinyin above it.
3. Check your answer against the Answer Key on 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. 明天六 diǎn 半我们 zuò 火车 qù 北 jīng。

We are going to take the train to Beijing at 6:30 tomorrow.

(Lit. "Tomorrow 6:30 we ride train go Beijing.)

2. 你如果十 diǎn 半 néng 来，我 jiù děng 你。

If you can come at 10:30, I will wait for you.

(Lit. You if 10:30 can come, I then wait you.)

3. A: 你的中文水平 zěn me yàng? B: 我的中文不太好!

A: How's your Chinese level? B: My Chinese isn't too good.

(Lit. A: Your Chinese level how? B: My Chinese not too good.)

Answer Key for Real Life Reading Practice

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

Picture 1



huí lái wǒ de ài

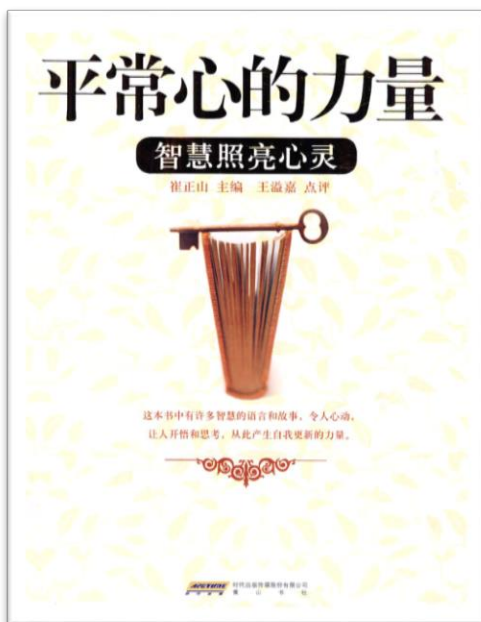
回 来 我 的 爱

Come Back My Love

(This an old pop music album featuring artists from Hong Kong and Taiwan, which were popular in China at the time.)



Picture 2



píng cháng xīn de lì liàng

平 常 心 的 力 量

The Strength of the Normal Heart

(This is a “Chicken Soup for the Soul” type book that talks about the importance of one’s mentality.)

Picture 3



shàng bàn nián guǎng zhōu lóu shì bàn nián bào

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The Guangzhou Property market in first half of 2011 Mid-Year Report

(Guangzhou is one of the most expensive real estate markets in China, along with Beijing, Shanghai, and Shenzhen.)