



Lesson 37 Characters 109-111 马 吗 妈

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
马 (馬)	mǎ	horse	骑马 (騎馬)	qí mǎ	ride a horse
			马力 (馬力)	mǎ lì	horsepower
			马上 (馬上)	mǎ shàng	immediately/ right away
			马上来 (馬上來)	mǎ shàng lái	(I'll) be right there!
吗 (嗎)	ma	question particle ma	好吗? (好嗎)	hǎo ma	Okay?
			有人吗? (有人嗎)	yǒu rén ma	Is anybody there?
妈 (媽)	mā	mom	妈妈 (媽媽)	mā ma	mom



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
马	马	马	马
吗	吗	吗	吗
妈	妈	妈	妈

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. 大马力的车 fēi cháng guì!
2. 你 hé 你的妈妈 zuó 天去哪儿了?
3. 这 shì 你的手机吗?



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.

马	㇀ 马 马	马	马	马					
马	马	马							
吗	丿 ㇀ ㇀ ㇀ 吗 吗	吗	吗	吗					
吗	吗	吗							
妈	㇀ ㇀ 女 女 妈 妈	妈	妈	妈					
妈	妈	妈							



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:

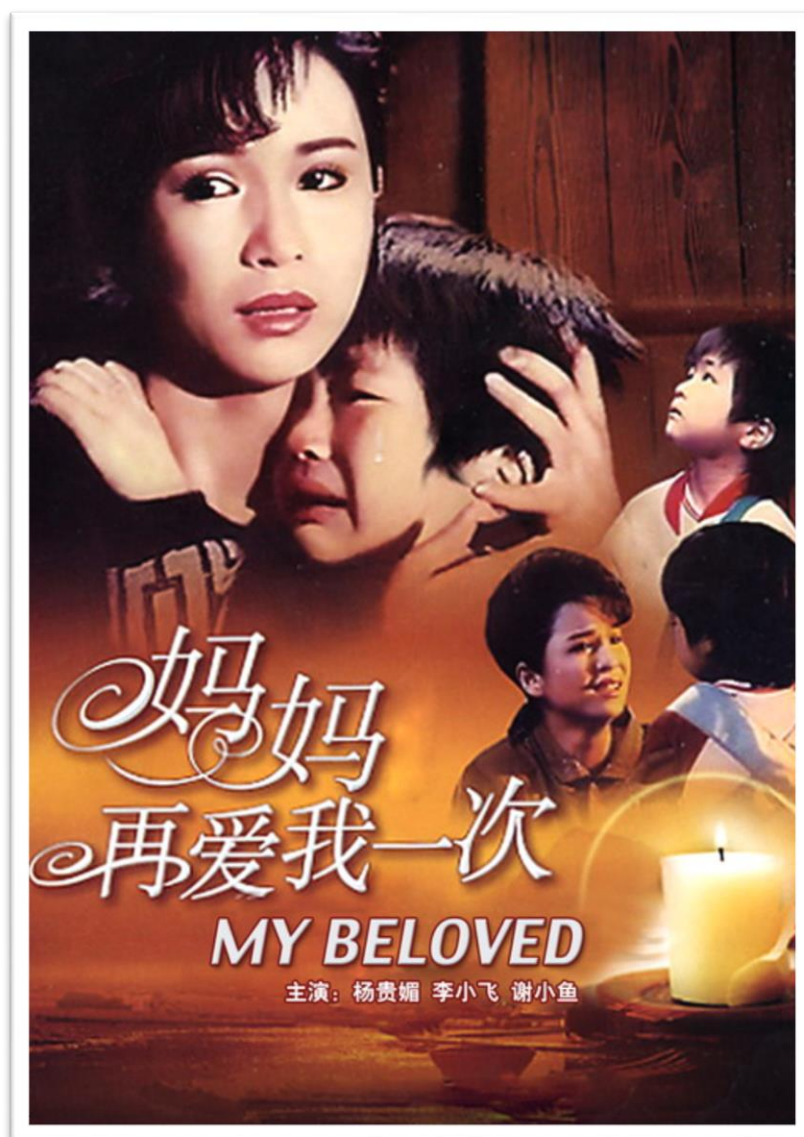


Picture 2:





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. 大马力的车 fēi cháng guì!

Cars with big horsepower are extremely expensive!
(Lit. "Big horsepower (de) cars extremely expensive!")

2. 你 hé 你的妈妈 zuó 天去哪儿了?

Where did you and your mom go yesterday?
(Lit. "You and your mom yesterday go where (le)?")

3. 这 shì 你的手机吗?

Is this your cell phone?
(Lit. "This is your cell phone (ma)?")

Answer Key for Real Life Reading Practice

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

Picture 1



shì zhēn **de ma**

是 真 的 吗

Is It True?

(A TV show similar to "Myth Busters" on China Central Television. It's hosted by Joe Wang, a Chinese American comedian and chemical engineer.)



Picture 2



mǎ nián dà jí

马 年 大 吉

Have an auspicious year of the horse!

(Lit. "Horse Year Good Fortune/High Auspicious")

(It's a commonly used greeting during Chinese New Year. You can replace the character “马” with the any of the zodiac animals according to the year.)

Picture 3



mā ma zài ài wǒ yí cì

妈 妈 再 爱 我 一 次

Mama Love Me Once Again (Lit. "Mama again love me one time")

(A very influential Chinese movie released in 1988, which was given the English title "My Beloved." It was produced in Taiwan area and became very popular in Mainland China.)