Lesson 95 Characters 283-285 思 星 球

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
思	sī	to think	意思	yì si	meaning
			有意思	yǒu yì si	interesting
			没意思	méi yì si	boring
			什么意思？（什麼意思？）	shén me yì si	What does that mean?/What do you mean?
星	xīng	star/ planet	星星	xīng xing	star(s)
			《小星星》	xiǎo xīng xing	Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star
			星期	xīng qī	week
			星期三	xīng qī sān	Wednesday
			明星	míng xīng	star/celebrity
			歌星	gē xīng	pop/rock star
			外星人	wài xīng rén	alien

Characters Review

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球	qiú	ball/ sphere	打球	dǎ qiú	play ball
			打网球 （打網球）	dǎ wǎng qiú	play tennis
			球场 （球場）	qiú chǎng	sports/ athletic ground
			地球	dì qiú	the earth/globe
			气球 （氣球）	qì qiú	balloon

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
思	思	思	思
星	星	星	星
球	球	球	球

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.
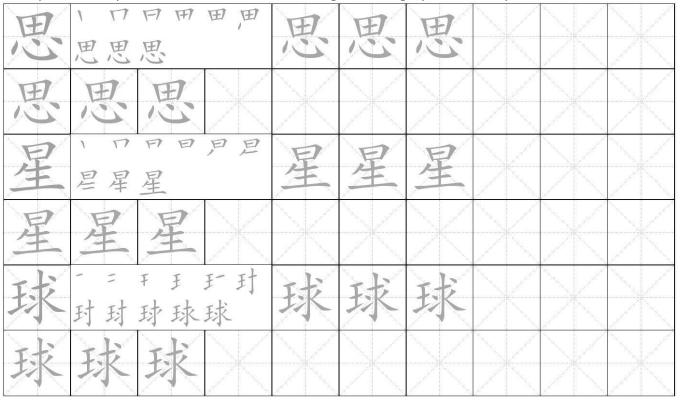
Reading Comprehension

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. Jackson，你知道这个汉字是什么 yì 思吗？

2. 星期天是我的生日，我请大家吃饭！

3. 星期六下午的时候我们一起去打网球吧！

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.

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. Jackson，你知道这个汉字是什么 yì 思吗？
Jackson, do you know what this character means?
 (Lit. Jackson, you know this character is what meaning (ma)?)

2. 星期天是我的生日，我请大家吃饭！
Sunday is my birthday. I'm taking everybody out to eat!
(Lit. Sunday is my birthday, I treat everybody eat!)

3. 星期六下午的时候我们一起去打网球吧！
Let's go play tennis together on Saturday afternoon!
(Lit. Saturday afternoon when we together go play tennis (ba)!)

Answer Key for Real Life Reading Practice

The **RED** character(s) are the ones you should recognize.
Picture 1

běi jīng **dà xué** nán yàn **shī shēng wǎng qiú** duì
北 京 **大 学** 南 燕 **师 生 网 球** 队
Peking University "Southern Yan" Teacher-Student Tennis Team

Picture 2

sī xiǎng zhě
思 想 者

The Thinker

(The Thinker is a bronze sculpture by Auguste Rodin. It is among the most recognized works in all of sculpture.)

Picture 3

xīng qiú dà zhàn
星 球 大 战

Star Wars

(Star Wars is an American epic space opera franchise centered on a film series created by George Lucas.)