

International School Award

The Coventry Language Challenge - Mandarin Chinese

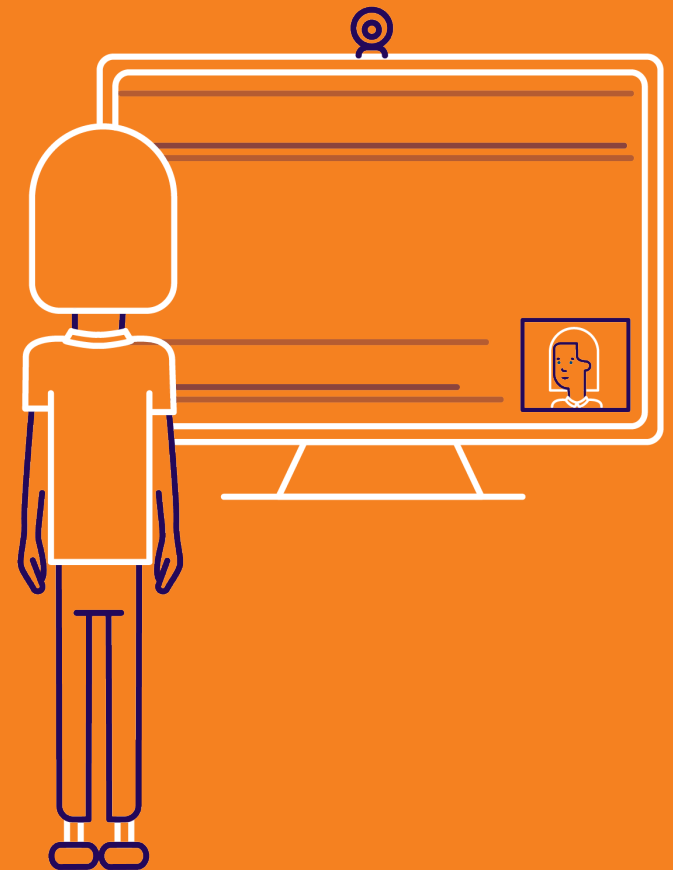
To celebrate Coventry UK City of Culture and Coventry City of Languages 2021, we want to help as many schools as possible in the city get recognised for their international work.

Completing two or more of the language-based activities on this challenge sheet (or by designing your own activities) will qualify your school for a Foundation Level International School Award.

Here's what you need to do:

- 1 Choose and complete two or more classroom activities
- 2 Apply and get your international work recognised

Once you have finished your activities, visit our [website](#) to find out how to apply for a Foundation Level International School Award.



Find out which sign of the Chinese zodiac you were born under. When does the next year of your birth sign come up?

Learn how to say the word for that animal and how to write the Chinese character for it. Draw the animal. Read the story of the animal race and discuss the characteristics of each animal.

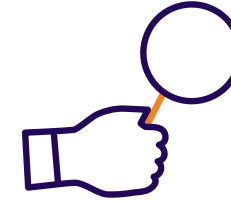
Learn the

happy birthday

song in Mandarin Chinese. Then learn how to say the following phrases in Mandarin Chinese and present these in your class.

- Excuse me
- Could you repeat that?
- See you later!

In class, introduce famous artists, writers or explorers who are from China. Ask your classmates to choose one of them, research their life and make a profile about them and present to the class.



In groups, find out one **interesting fact** about each of these Chinese cities:

- Guangzhou
- Beijing
- Jinan



List four festivals

which take place in countries where Mandarin Chinese is the official language and in groups present them to your class.

- Host a Chinese food event. Research different dishes and learn how to say their names and ingredients. Then make a dish at home and bring it into school so the whole class can try it.

Learn how to introduce yourself in Mandarin Chinese, using the correct tones.

Find out the most common greeting in Mandarin Chinese and learn how to write it.

To find more Coventry language challenges, visit:
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