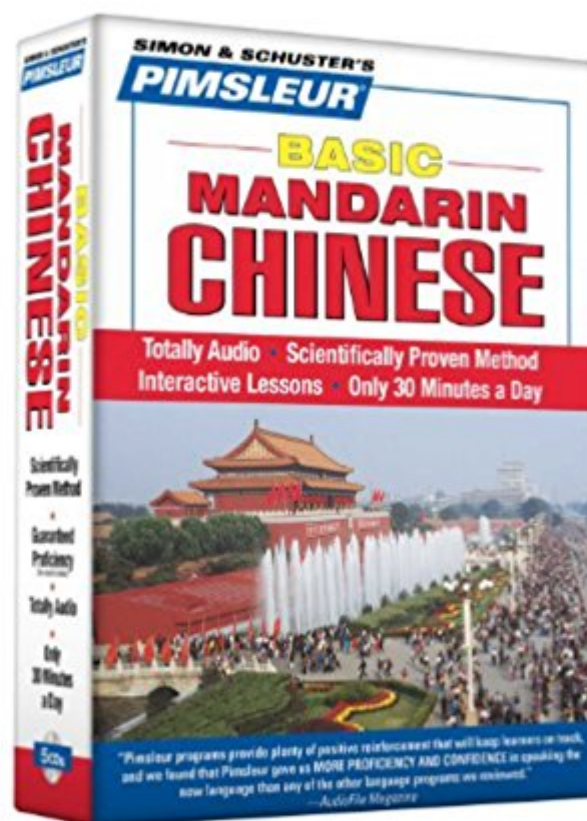




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# Pimsleur Chinese (Mandarin) Basic Course - Level 1 Lessons 1-10 CD: Learn To Speak And Understand Mandarin Chinese With Pimsleur Language Programs





## Synopsis

The Pimsleur® Method: the easiest, fastest way to learn a new language. Completely portable, easily downloadable, and lots of fun. You'll be speaking and understanding in no time flat! This course includes Lessons 1-10 from the Chinese (Mandarin) Level 1 program - 5 hours of audio-only effective language learning with real-life spoken practice sessions. Get a chance to test drive the incredibly effective and efficient, world-famous Pimsleur Level 1 Program. Each lesson provides 30 minutes of spoken language practice, with an introductory conversation, and new vocabulary and structures. Detailed instructions enable you to understand and participate in the conversation. Practice for vocabulary introduced in previous lessons is included in each lesson. The emphasis is on pronunciation and comprehension, and on learning to speak Mandarin Chinese. The Mandarin Chinese Language Over one billion people speak Chinese. The two most common dialects are Mandarin and Cantonese. They are not mutually intelligible. Mandarin is the official language in Mainland China, Taiwan, and Singapore. The Mandarin dialect is used in most Chinese schools, and in most TV programs, movies, and radio stations throughout the country, even in Guangzhou (formerly Canton), where people speak Cantonese in their daily lives. Mandarin is one of the six official languages of the United Nations. Tech Talk - CDs are formatted for playing in all CD players, including car players, and users can copy files for use in iTunes or Windows Media Player.

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Dr. Paul Pimsleur devoted his life to language teaching and testing and was one of the world's leading experts in applied linguistics. After years of experience and research, Dr. Pimsleur developed The Pimsleur Method based on two key principles: the Principle of Anticipation and a scientific principle of memory training that he called "Graduated Interval Recall." This Method has been applied to the many levels and languages of the Pimsleur Programs.

I have spent 6 days on the first 30 minute lesson and even with headphones on I cannot determine the very first word the Mandarin speaker says as well as many others. I have tried changing tonal settings and the volume as well with no results. The course instructs the student to 'sound like' the speaker. I have excellent hearing but not having any written reference to get even a hint whether it's 'toy' 'coy' 'boy' or 'joy' I have no way to grasp the actual word. I have researched the first 'word' 'excuse me' and found quite a few translations as well as spoken words... none of which come close to what I am hearing on disc one. If I wish to learn I would like to be correct in my understanding and pronunciation as it is nearly impossible to 'unlearn' something brainwashed into me. I have another text book based system with CD to read and write and speak Mandarin but I opted to try this Pimsleur course first due to it's rating. I would not particularly recommend it.

Arrived quickly, packaged well. These are great for beginner level and refresher course.

This is the best way for me to quickly learn survival language. I've been using Pimsleur for a decade now, and have learned enough of four different languages to get by at my destinations. If you can learn without text, and just by listening, this is for you.

Awesome!

Good!

Very good buy

I'm glad I am a Spanish speaking native and that makes any language easy to pronounce! I always thought I was going to have a hard time but the pronunciation comes very easy, if I can remember what goes first...I am enjoying this.

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