

Introduction

Pronunciation Exercises

I. Single Syllable

Listen carefully and circle the correct answer.



A. Simple Finals

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| 1. a. bā | b. bū |
| 2. a. kē | b. kā |
| 3. a. gū | b. gē |
| 4. a. pū | b. pō |
| 5. a. lú | b. lǘ |



B. Initials

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| 1. a. pà | b. bà |
| 2. a. pí | b. bí |
| 3. a. nán | b. mán |
| 4. a. fú | b. hú |
| 5. a. tīng | b. dīng |
| 6. a. tǒng | b. dǒng |
| 7. a. nán | b. lán |
| 8. a. niàn | b. liàn |
| 9. a. gàn | b. kàn |
| 10. a. kuì | b. huì |
| 11. a. kǎi | b. hǎi |
| 12. a. kuā | b. huā |

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| 13. a. jiān | b. qiān |
| 14. a. yú | b. qú |
| 15. a. xiāng | b. shāng |
| 16. a. chú | b. rú |
| 17. a. zhá | b. zá |
| 18. a. zì | b. cì |
| 19. a. sè | b. shè |
| 20. a. sè | b. cè |
| 21. a. zhǒng | b. jiǒng |
| 22. a. shēn | b. sēn |
| 23. a. rù | b. lù |
| 24. a. xiào | b. shào |
| 25. a. qì | b. chì |



C. Compound Finals

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| 1. a. tuō | b. tōu |
| 2. a. guǒ | b. gǒu |
| 3. a. duò | b. dòu |
| 4. a. diū | b. dōu |
| 5. a. liú | b. lóu |
| 6. a. yǒu | b. yǔ |
| 7. a. nǚ | b. nǔ |
| 8. a. lú | b. lǔ |
| 9. a. yuán | b. yán |
| 10. a. píng | b. pín |
| 11. a. làn | b. luàn |
| 12. a. huán | b. hán |
| 13. a. fèng | b. fèn |
| 14. a. bèng | b. bèn |
| 15. a. lún | b. léng |
| 16. a. bīn | b. bīng |
| 17. a. kěn | b. kǔn |

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| 18. a. héng | b. hóng |
| 19. a. téng | b. tóng |
| 20. a. kēng | b. kōng |
| 21. a. pàn | b. pàng |
| 22. a. fǎn | b. fǎng |
| 23. a. mín | b. míng |
| 24. a. pēn | b. pān |
| 25. a. rén | b. rán |

**D. Tones: First and Fourth (Level and Falling)**

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| 1. a. bō | b. bò |
| 2. a. pān | b. pàn |
| 3. a. wù | b. wū |
| 4. a. tà | b. tā |
| 5. a. qū | b. qù |
| 6. a. sì | b. sī |
| 7. a. fēi | b. fèi |
| 8. a. duì | b. duī |
| 9. a. xià | b. xiā |
| 10. a. yā | b. yà |

**E. Tones: Second and Third (Rising and Low)**

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| 1. a. mǎi | b. mái |
| 2. a. fǎng | b. fáng |
| 3. a. tú | b. tǔ |
| 4. a. gé | b. gě |
| 5. a. wú | b. wǔ |
| 6. a. bǎ | b. bá |
| 7. a. zhǐ | b. zhí |
| 8. a. huǐ | b. huí |
| 9. a. féi | b. fěi |
| 10. a. láo | b. lǎo |

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| 5. a. shuǐ | b. xuě |
| 6. a. zǎo | b. zhǎo |
| 7. a. zǎo | b. cǎo |
| 8. a. sōu | b. shōu |
| 9. a. tǒu | b. tuō |
| 10. a. dòu | b. duǒ |
| 11. a. duǒ | b. zuǒ |
| 12. a. mǎi | b. měi |
| 13. a. chóu | b. qiú |
| 14. a. yuè | b. yé |
| 15. a. jiǔ | b. zhǒu |
| 16. a. nǚ | b. nǚ |
| 17. a. zhú | b. jú |
| 18. a. jì | b. zì |
| 19. a. liè | b. lǚè |
| 20. a. jīn | b. zhēn |
| 21. a. xiú | b. shǒu |
| 22. a. kǔn | b. hēn |
| 23. a. shǎo | b. xiǎo |
| 24. a. zhǎng | b. jiǎng |
| 25. a. qū | b. chū |

II. Tone Combination Exercise

Name that "tone": You will hear one word at a time. Write down the tones in the blank. Use 1-4 for the four tones, and 5 for neutral tones.

EXAMPLE: If you hear the word "Zhōngwén," you write "1 2" on the blank.



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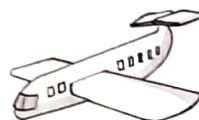
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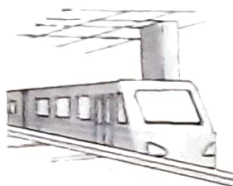
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**B. Multisyllabic Words**

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III. Initials and Simple Finals

Fill in the blanks with appropriate initials or simple finals.

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| A. 1. __a | A. 2. p__ | A. 3. __u | A. 4. l__ |
| B. 1. f__ | B. 2. n__ | B. 3. __i | B. 4. __u |
| C. 1. __a | C. 2. l__ | C. 3. l__ | C. 4. __u |
| D. 1. __u | D. 2. t__ | D. 3. n__ | D. 4. n__ |
| E. 1. __e | E. 2. __u | E. 3. __a | |
| F. 1. g__ | F. 2. k__ | F. 3. h__ | |
| G. 1. __u | G. 2. __i | G. 3. __u | |
| H. 1. j__ | H. 2. q__ | H. 3. x__ | |
| I. 1. __a | I. 2. __e | I. 3. __i | I. 4. __u |
| J. 1. __u | J. 2. c__ | J. 3. __u | J. 4. __i |
| K. 1. __i | K. 2. s__ | K. 3. __a | K. 4. q__ |
| L. 1. __a | L. 2. __i | L. 3. s__ | L. 4. __u |
| M. 1. c__ | M. 2. __i | M. 3. __u | M. 4. __a |
| N. 1. __u | N. 2. r__ | N. 3. ch__ | N. 4. __e |



IV. Tones

Listen to the audio and mark the correct tone marks.

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|---------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| A. 1. he | A. 2. ma | A. 3. pa | A. 4. di |
| B. 1. nū | B. 2. re | B. 3. chi | B. 4. zhu |
| C. 1. mo | C. 2. qu | C. 3. ca | C. 4. si |
| D. 1. tu | D. 2. fo | D. 3. ze | D. 4. ju |
| E. 1. lū | E. 2. bu | E. 3. xi | E. 4. shi |
| F. 1. gu | F. 2. se | F. 3. ci | F. 4. ku |
| G. 1. mang | G. 2. quan | G. 3. yuan | G. 4. yue |
| H. 1. yī | H. 2. er | H. 3. san | H. 4. si |
| I. 1. ba | I. 2. qí | I. 3. liu | I. 4. wu |
| J. 1. jiū | J. 2. shí | J. 3. tian | J. 4. jīn |
| K. 1. mu | K. 2. shuǐ | K. 3. huo | K. 4. rén |
| L. 1. yu | L. 2. zhuang | L. 3. qun | L. 4. zhong |



V. Compound Finals 15

Fill in the blanks with compound finals.

1.a. zh__

1.b. t__

1.c. k__

1.d. j__

2.a. x__

2.b. q__

2.c. j__

2.d. d__

3.a. x__

3.b. zh__

3.c. t__

3.d. g__

4.a. sh__

4.b. b__

4.c. z__

4.d. q__

5.a. j__

5.b. d__

5.c. x__

5.d. ch__

6.a. zh__

6.b. l__

6.c. k__

6.d. j__

7.a. s__

7.b. x__

7.c. p__

7.d. ch__



VI. Compound Finals and Tones 15

Fill in the blanks with compound finals and mark the appropriate tone marks.

1.a. m__

1.b. zh__

1.c. sh__

1.d. zh__

2.a. sh__

2.b. t__

2.c. l__

2.d. b__

3.a. s__

3.b. j__

3.c. k__

3.d. d__

4.a. l__

4.b. q__

4.c. t__

4.d. x__

5.a. f__

5.b. p__

5.c. x__

5.d. j__

6.a. b__

6.b. j__

6.c. q__

6.d. t__

7.a. l__

7.b. g__

7.c. q__

7.d. x__

() 4. a.	wànfàn	b.	wǎnfān	c.	wǎnfàn	dinner
() 5. a.	shēngrì	b.	shéngrì	c.	shěngrì	birthday
() 6. a.	zāijiàn	b.	zàijiàn	c.	záijiàn	goodbye
() 7. a.	xuéshēng	b.	xuèsheng	c.	xuéshe	student
() 8. a.	diànyǐng	b.	diānyǐng	c.	diànyìng	movie
() 9. a.	zuòtiān	b.	zuótiān	c.	zuótiàn	yesterday
() 10. a.	suírán	b.	suīrán	c.	suīràn	although
() 11. a.	xièxiè	b.	shèshe	c.	xièxie	thanks
() 12. a.	kāfēi	b.	káfēi	c.	kāifēi	coffee
() 13. a.	kēlè	b.	kělè	c.	kělà	cola
() 14. a.	píngcháng	b.	pēngchán	c.	píngchèng	normally
() 15. a.	gōngzuò	b.	gōngzhuò	c.	gōngzòu	work
() 16. a.	piàoliàng	b.	piāoliang	c.	piàoliang	beautiful
() 17. a.	wèntì	b.	wèntí	c.	wěntí	questions
() 18. a.	rōngyì	b.	lóngyì	c.	róngyì	easy
() 19. a.	kāishǐ	b.	kāixǐ	c.	kāisǐ	begin
() 20. a.	lòudiǎn	b.	liùdiǎn	c.	liùdǎn	six o'clock



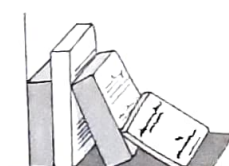
IX. Exercises on Initials, Finals, and Tones: Monosyllabic Words

Transcribe what you hear into *pinyin* with tone marks.

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VII. Neutral Tones

Name that "tone": You will hear one word at a time. Write down the tones in the blanks. Use the numbers 1–4 for the four tones, and 5 for neutral tones.

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2.



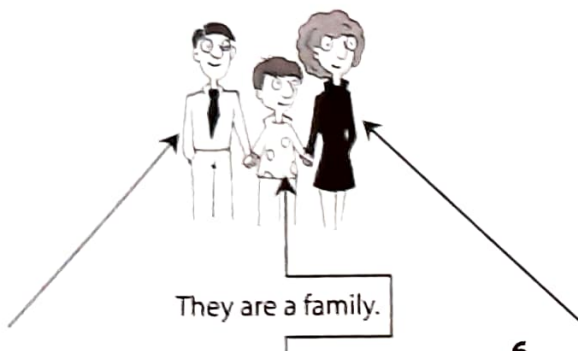
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VIII. Exercises on Initials, Finals, and Tones: Disyllabic Words

Put the letter of what you hear into the parentheses.

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|--------|----|----------|----|----------|----|----------|------------|
| () 1. | a. | làooshī | b. | lǎoshī | c. | lǎoshí | teacher |
| () 2. | a. | nū'ér | b. | nǚ'èr | c. | nǚ'ér | daughter |
| () 3. | a. | zhàopiàn | b. | zhāopiàn | c. | zháopiàn | photograph |



XI. Exercises on Initials, Finals, and Tones: Countries

Transcribe what you hear into *pinyin* with tone marks and identify what countries they are.

EXAMPLE: Rìběn



Japan

1. _____



2. _____



3. _____



4. _____



5. _____



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7. _____



8. _____



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XII. Exercises on Initials, Finals, and Tones: American Presidents

Transcribe what you hear into *pinyin* with tone marks and identify which American presidents they are.

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X. Exercises on Initials, Finals, and Tones: Cities

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Listen to the *pinyin* words in the left column and identify the cities they represent.

EXAMPLE: Mài'āmì



Miami

() 1. Bōshìdùn

a. Venice

() 2. Lúndūn

b. Toronto

() 3. Niǔyuē

c. Boston

() 4. Bālí

d. Chicago

() 5. Zhījiāgē

e. Seattle

() 6. Běijīng

f. New York

() 7. Luòshānjī

g. Paris

() 8. Duōlúnduō

h. London

() 9. Xīyātú

i. Beijing

() 10. Wēinísī

j. Los Angeles



F. Tones: All Four Tones

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| 1. a. bà | b. bā |
| 2. a. pí | b. pì |
| 3. a. méi | b. měi |
| 4. a. wēn | b. wěn |
| 5. a. zǎo | b. zāo |
| 6. a. yōu | b. yóu |
| 7. a. guāng | b. guǎng |
| 8. a. cí | b. cǐ |
| 9. a. qì | b. qí |
| 10. a. mào | b. máo |
| 11. a. bǔ | b. bù |
| 12. a. kuàng | b. kuāng |
| 13. a. jú | b. jǔ |
| 14. a. qiáng | b. qiǎng |
| 15. a. xián | b. xiān |
| 16. a. yǒng | b. yòng |
| 17. a. zú | b. zū |
| 18. a. suī | b. suí |
| 19. a. zhèng | b. zhēng |
| 20. a. chòu | b. chóu |
| 21. a. shuāi | b. shuài |
| 22. a. wǒ | b. wò |
| 23. a. yào | b. yáo |
| 24. a. huī | b. huì |
| 25. a. rú | b. rù |



G. Comprehensive Exercise

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| 1. a. jiā | b. zhā |
| 2. a. chuī | b. qué |
| 3. a. chǎng | b. qiǎng |
| 4. a. xū | b. shū |

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| 5. | _____ | → | _____ |
| 6. | _____ | → | _____ |
| 7. | _____ | → | _____ |
| 8. | _____ | → | _____ |
| 9. | _____ | → | _____ |
| 10. | _____ | → | _____ |



The tones for the three characters on the sign are 2, 3, and 4. Can you pronounce what's on the sign? If you can, then you know how to say "emergency room" in Chinese.