

Pre Int Mandarin

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In China, the official currency is called (人民币) ren min bi (literally, “the people’s money”), and the (元) yuan, is the basic unit of ren min bi.

You’ll typically see the 元 character in stores or on signs to refer to the cost, but when you pay, people typically call the (元) yuan (块) kuai.

So basically, 1 yuan = 1 kuai. To further break it down, 1 (元) yuan is equivalent to 10 (角) jiao or (毛) mao.

It can be abbreviated in several ways: RMB and ¥.

- 去 qu4 – to go
- 出 chu1 = out
- 出租汽车
- 散步 san4 bu4 – to go out for a walk (leisure)
- 走路 zou3 lu4 – to go on foot, to walk

作业

Read these questions 5 - 10

Find the answers in the
dialogue (pages 5&6 below)

5. 王朋要米饭了吗？
6. 王朋一共花了
多少钱？
7. 王朋忘了带饭卡，
给了师傅多少钱？
8. 师傅找了他多少钱？
9. 师傅找钱找对了吗？
10. 师傅说为什么
他找钱找错了？



(今天是星期四，学生餐厅有中国菜，师傅是上海人。)



师傅^①，请问今天晚饭有什么好吃的？



我们今天有糖醋鱼，甜甜的^②、酸酸的，好吃极了^②，你买一个吧。



好。今天有没有红烧牛肉？



没有。你已经要鱼了，别吃肉了。来^③个凉拌黄瓜吧？



好。再来一碗米饭。一共多少钱？



糖醋鱼，四块五，凉拌黄瓜，一块七；一碗米饭，五毛钱。一共六块七。

LANGUAGE NOTES

① 师傅 (shīfu, master worker) is a common term to address a stranger, especially a blue-collar worker such as a taxi driver or a chef.

② When used after an adjective or a verb, 极了 (jí le) usually indicates the superlative degree: 今天热极了。(Jīntiān rè jí le, it is extremely hot today.) 他高兴极了。(Tā gāoxìng jí le, he is overjoyed.)



师傅，糟糕，我忘了带饭卡了。
这是十块钱。



找你三块三。



师傅，钱你找错了，多找了我一
块钱。



对不起，我没有看清楚。



没关系^③。



下个星期四再来。



好，再见。

③ 没关系 (méi guānxi, it doesn't matter): When someone apologizes by saying 对不起 (duìbuqǐ), it is common to respond by saying 没关系 (méi guānxi, it doesn't matter.)

5. 好 (hǎo) as a Resultative Complement

好 (hǎo) can serve as a complement following a verb, indicating the completion of an action. It often indicates readiness to start the next action or event.

① 饭做好了，快来吃吧。

Fàn zuò hǎo le, kuài lái chī ba.

(The food is ready. Come and eat.)

② 功课做好了，我要睡觉了。

Gōngkè zuò hǎo le, wǒ yào shuì jiào le.

(My homework is done. I want to go to bed.)

C. Ready, Set, Go!

Suppose you have a Chinese test tomorrow. Express your readiness by saying that you have completed all of the following actions.

EXAMPLE: 练习汉字

→ 我练习汉字练习好了

or

汉字我练习好了。

1. 做功课
2. 复习生词语法
3. 准备考试

If you are not ready, what will you say?
Ask the classmate next to you if he/she is ready.