

Mandarin
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- I go on my own 我一个人去
- Please take a seat 请坐一下
- She smiled because they were different
- 她笑了因为他们不一样
- When she came home he went out
- 她回家的时候，他出去
- How come you don't know?
- 你怎么不知道？

(1) 下 xià

(2) 看 kàn

(3) 更 gèng

(4) 最 zuì

(5) 吃 chī

(6) 回 huí

(7) 放 fàng

(8) 晚 wǎn

(9) 午 wǔ

(10) 比 bǐ

(11) 点 diǎn

(12) 快 kuài

Comparison

Making comparisons is pretty easy and very consistent in Chinese – you really only need 3 characters

- 比
- 更
- 最

This lesson we focused on the main word: 比 and how to use it

The word 比较 (meaning ‘relatively, comparatively’) is also useful

比

X 比 y adjective

y 比 x adjective

X 比 y 大

y 比 x 小

1. Expensive
那个比这个贵
2. Cold
昨天比今天冷
3. Hot
上海比北京热
4. Busy
她比你忙
5. Happy
哥哥比姐姐高兴

作业

Translate into English

- a) 我们回家吧？
- b) 她是一个人去中国的
- c) 北京比上海冷
- d) 别的人都觉得很没意思
- e) 你几点上班？
- f) 你怎么看不见？
- g) 他们怎么不想回家？

Note : 觉得 = feel, think

Translate the following into Chinese: pinyin or characters. The characters below will help you

1. I'm thinking.
2. She's smiling
3. He's driving

我, 她, 他, 在, 在, 在, 开车, 笑, 想

Continued ...

Translate the following into Chinese: pinyin or characters. The characters below will help you

4. Please have a seat
5. Have a drink
6. They don't know why

不, 请, 请, 坐, 喝, 知道, 一下, 一下,
为什么, 他们

Translate the following into Chinese: pinyin or characters. The characters below will help you

7. We would like to have a look
8. We go out in the morning.

我们, 我们, 想, 看, 出去, 一下, 早上

On the next page is a pretty literal translation of page 4 of the reader. Depending on how much time / energy you have left, use this as a sort of parallel text – to see how much you can follow for yourself.

Sherlock Holmes and the Case of the Curly Haired Company – page 4

- [*Holmes had been reflecting on Sherlock's famed ability to make deductions by just looking at them*]

It really seemed that Sherlock knew what Holmes was thinking, straight away he asked the curly-haired man:

“Mr Xie, you are the boss of a tea-house, aren't you? Previously you've worked in a restaurant? Furthermore, haven't you been to Hai Nan?”

“How can you know? I haven't told you!”, the curly-haired man didn't expect that Sherlock would know these matters.

Sherlock immediately smiled, said to him,

“On your body is the scent of tea. If you didn't spend every day in a tea-house, you couldn't have this type of scent. Look at your left hand. On it there are some cuts. Only people who usually use a knife have these types of cuts. Furthermore, I've been to Hai Nan. That thing on your hand, [a ring?] can only be got in Hai Nan.”

