

Mandarin Chinese Elementary

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作业 - answers

- 我先坐船然后坐校车上学
- 我爸爸先坐公共汽车然后坐地铁上班
- 我妈妈先坐电车然后走路上班
- 王先生先到北京，然后坐飞机去上海
- 我要先学习普通话然后学习日文
- 张太太先去银行然后去学校（上学）

- The main topic of this lesson was an important grammar point: ways of defining or adding more information about something. This is just the first presentation. We'll go over this again.

猫在哪儿？

白色的猫在桌子下。 黑色的猫在椅子上。

(The white cat is under the table. The black cat is on the chair)



请给我那只猫

Please give me that cat

你要哪一只？

Which one? (只是量词用于某些动物，包括猫)

你要。。。猫还是。。。？

Do you want ... or



Defining which one

In English we'd say:

- The cat (which is) under the table or the cat (which is) which is on the chair?

In Chinese you'd say: “The under-the-table type of cat or the on-the-chair type of cat?”

- Our old friend 的 is the way to say: ‘type-of’ or ‘sort-of’ in such sentences.

So this gives us the question of:

- 桌子下的猫 还是椅子上的猫？

请给我那些书

(Please give me those books)

哪些书? (Which books?)



Table-on type of books or the table under type of books?
桌子上的书还是桌子下的书?

请给我那张桌子

Please give me that table

哪张桌子？ Which table? (张 is the measure word for flat things, such as tables)



Apple-on type of table or books-under sort of table?
苹果上的桌子还是书下的桌子？

请给我那个椅子

Please give me that chair.

哪一个？ Which one?



Aeroplane-on type of chair or computer-on type of chair?

飞机上的椅子还是电脑上的椅子？

Translate the following – first into 'chinglish'

- I like the bookshop in the hotel
- The woman who is outside the school is my aunt
- The things that he bought are expensive
- The book I want to read is new
- The children who live in China are very young
- The big hotel in Shanghai is expensive

In 'chinglish' this would be ...

- I like the *hotel-in sort of* bookshop
- The *hotel-outside sort of* woman is my aunt
- The *he bought sort of things* are expensive
- The *I want to read sort of book* is new
- The *live in China sort of children* are very young
- The *in Shanghai sort of big hotel* is expensive

- If you've got that, now try translating those sentences into Chinese.
- If not, read the notes through again and then have a glass of something.