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Course outline – 20 & 30 weeks

Language: Mandarin Chinese Level: 1

Course book: *Discover China, Student's Book 1* by Ding Anqi, Chen Xin, Jing Lili. Macmillan Education (August 2010)

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Topics and vocabulary	Grammar	Communicative objectives
Four tones Greetings Meeting people and self-introduction words to greet Numbers 1-10 Classroom expressions	Word order Verbs: 叫,姓,是 Questions end with 吗, 呢_	Exchanging greetings Introducing yourself Asking people's names
Family Age Countries and Nationalities Occupations Vocabulary for the above topics	Adverbs : 也, 都, Question words : 哪 什么, Pronoun+ 的	Asking for and giving information about nationalities Describe your family members Talk about age and occupations



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<p>Favourites People's appearance Recap of age, occupations and nationalities Words for numbers Adjectives to describe people's appearance</p>	<p>Question word 谁, 也, 多大, 真+adj.</p>	<p>Describe the appearances of the celebrities you like Express likes and dislikes</p>
<p>Addresses Contact numbers Contact means: text , email and post, phone Words for addresses and contact numbers</p>	<p>不 changes of tone Question word 多少 Word order of Chinese addresses</p>	<p>Asking for and giving information about contact numbers and address and email addresses</p>



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<p>Dates birthday, Invitation Daily activities Words for days of the week and month and daily activities</p>	<p>Sentences without verbs Invitation :请</p>	<p>Asking for and saying dates and days Making invitations Talking about weekly activities Saying Happy birthday</p>
<p>Time Appointments Making plans for the weekend Words for time, daily activities</p>	<p>Word order Future tense 要 Expressions of time</p>	<p>Asking for and telling the time Making appointments Talking about weekend plans</p>
<p>Clothes Shopping experience Numerals Words for clothes items, colours, places of city</p>	<p>The concept of 2 两 了 The tone changes of 一</p>	<p>Talking about clothes Asking for items, prices and haggling when shopping Blogging</p>
<p>Locations, advertisements Transportation Modes of transports and holiday activities</p>	<p>Have and haven't 有 , 没有 Superlatives</p>	<p>Asking for approval; 好吗? Asking for and giving directions Describing locations Discussing which type of transport to take</p>



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<p>Sports Likes and dislikes Words for type of sports, abilities</p>	<p>过 past actions 可以, 会 modal verbs Pivotal sentences</p>	<p>Asking and answering questions about spots Talking about likes and dislikes Describing your hobby</p>
<p>Holiday plans Holiday activities Words for holiday activities</p>	<p>Expressing alternatives using 或者, 还是 Expressions to describe routines 每。。。都</p>	<p>Talking about holiday plans Expressing preferences</p>