# Course outline – 30 weeks

**Language: Mandarin Chinese**

**Level: 2**

**Course book: Discover China Book 2.**

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We cover units 1-6 and we carry on with the book in Level 3.

| Topics and vocabulary | Grammar | Communicative objectives |
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| What a busy day !<br>今天真忙！ | 得，linking a verb and an adverb<br>一。。。就 as soon as | Making invitations<br>Expressing opinions<br>Describing daily routines |
| I love the snow!<br>我喜□下雪天！ | Comparison<br>Future tense : 要/会 | Talking about weather<br>Comparing weather in different places |
| Happy New Year<br>新年好！ | Continuous aspect 正在。。。<br>**T**alking about two simultaneous actions and two consecutive actions<br>And progressive act | The experience of<br>Chinese New Year |
| How do we get there? | Complex sentence with 'after…' | Visiting tourist attractions |

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| 我□怎么去呢？<br>Transport | 以后。。。<br>Distance : how far is it from A to B<br>A 离 B 多□ ？ | |
| Do you have a reservation?<br>您□定房□了□？ | There be 有<br>How big/long/wide is…? | Booking hotels and check in |
| No photos!<br>禁止拍照 | Passive voice<br>是。。。的 structure for emphasis<br>着 used with verbs to indicate the continuing state or action | Visiting museum |
| Sichuan food is really spicy!<br>川菜 又麻又辣 ！ | Sentences with 把 in<br><br>的 noun phrases | Restaurant experience |
| Could it be a little cheaper?<br>可以便宜一点□？ | 越。。。越 the more…the more<br>Repetition of a verb ; 听听， 看看 ， 听一听， 看一看<br>Expressions：something runs out<br>光了, 完了, 没了 | Buying souvenirs |
| The scenery here is amazing<br>□里的□景美极了！ | 到 used with verbs meaning 'have managed to +verb' as in 看到, 找到, □到,<br>学到, 听到<br>And the negative form 看不到。。。 | Experiences of<br>excursions in China : |

| | Expressions of percentage, 'apart from…' 除了（以外），□ | seeing the nature and giant pandas |
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| What does she look like?<br>她□什么□ ？ | Serial verb construction: (English  infinitive to + verb )<br>e.g. sit here to watch TV<br>Affirmative-negative questions: 好不好， 去不去？ □不□？<br>To express : 就要。。。 了<br>Something will happen imminently | Describing friends |
| I am not feeling well<br>我□得不舒服 | 地 linking verbs and adverbs<br>多/少 more/less<br>Present/past perfect<br>Verb+ 了+ duration of time | Talking about healthy diet and life style |
| You'll really like her!<br>你会喜□她的！ | Comparing<br>的/地/得 | Free talk |