

## Syllabus update: Cambridge IGCSE Mandarin Chinese (Foreign Language) (0547) for examination in 2017, 2018 and 2019

We have updated this syllabus. The latest syllabus is version 2, published September 2016.

What has changed?		Detail
	<b>Changes to syllabus</b>	<p><b>From 2017</b>            This syllabus will remain unchanged for examination across a three-year period, and is for examination from June 2017.</p> <p><b>From 2019</b>            This document has a new design. The subject content remains the same.</p> <p>Minor changes to the wording of some sections have been made to improve clarity.</p>
	<b>Changes to assessment (including changes to specimen papers)</b>	<p><b>From 2017</b>            In Paper 4 the format of Question 2 has changed slightly. The prompts are no longer presented as (a), (b), (c) and (d). From 2017 onwards they will be presented as bullet points.</p> <p><b>From 2019</b>            Information about the speaking test has been updated and clarified within this document. There are no significant changes.</p> <p>We have updated and clarified the Teachers' Notes booklet. There are no significant changes. Teachers are advised to read the updated specimen papers for examination from 2017.</p>
	<b>Other changes</b>	<p><b>From 2017</b>            There has been a minor revision to the Minimum Core Vocabulary list in the <i>Defined Content</i> booklet.</p> <p>In the Minimum Core Vocabulary list, the alphabetical list of Hanyu pinyin syllables has been reviewed to improve consistency in the ordering. Where the same character has different readings, a pinyin gloss has been added to differentiate how the character may be used.</p> <p>A list of Minimum Core Vocabulary ordered by topic has been added to the <i>Defined Content</i> booklet and this incorporates the corrections made to the alphabetical list.</p>
	<b>Publishers' endorsed resources</b>	<p>Cambridge IGCSE Mandarin 9781471890253 Hodder Education            Cambridge IGCSE Mandarin as a Foreign Language Student's Book 9781316229840 Cambridge University Press            Cambridge IGCSE Mandarin as a Foreign Language Teacher's Book 9781316629901 Cambridge University Press            Cambridge IGCSE Mandarin as a Foreign Language Workbook 9781316629895 Cambridge University Press</p>

We have updated the specimen materials for this syllabus.

Please check the updated syllabus for further information.

**The syllabus has been updated. You are strongly advised to read the whole syllabus before planning your teaching programme.**

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