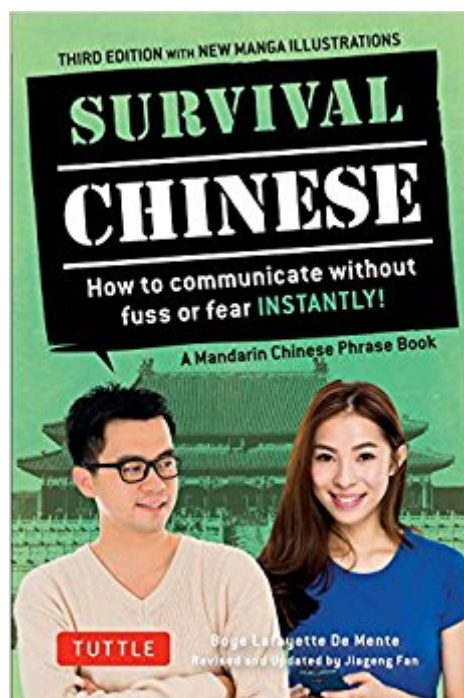




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# Survival Chinese: How To Communicate Without Fuss Or Fear Instantly! (Mandarin Chinese Phrasebook & Dictionary) (Survival Series)



## Synopsis

A handy Mandarin Chinese phrasebook and guide to the Chinese language, Survival Chinese contains basic vocabulary necessary for getting around. This book contains all the necessary words and phrases for speaking Mandarin Chinese in any kind of setting. Perfect for students, tourists, or business people learning Mandarin or traveling to China or Taiwan, it also contains a beginner guide to the Mandarin language, allowing for a deeper understanding of Chinese than a typical Mandarin phrasebook or Chinese dictionary. The book is broken into four basic sections: Common Chinese Expressions and Key Words, Essential Chinese Communication Tools, Chinese Travel Vocabulary, and making your own sentences. All Chinese words and phrases are written in Romanized form (pinyin) as well phonetically, making pronouncing Chinese a breeze. For example, the word for "reservation", yuding is also written as yuu-deeng. Authentic Chinese characters are also included so that in the case of difficulties the book can be shown to the person the user is trying to communicate with. Key features of Survival Chinese include: Hundreds of useful Chinese words and expressions. An A-Z index which allows the book to function as a English to Chinese dictionary. Romanized forms, phonetic spellings, and Chinese Characters (Hanzi) for all words and phrases. A concise background and history of the Chinese language. A complete guide to Chinese pronunciations. A concise guide to using Chinese tones. A brief introduction to Chinese grammar.

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I am very happy with this book. I am currently trying to learn Mandarin before returning to china this year for a second trip. This book is very helpful for beginners to get the basics you need when traveling to a new place. The book provides pronunciation guides and has both Pinyin and characters as you go along. i use this as supplemental material to actual language learning course work and it is great since it gives you the more useful vocabulary that you don't usually get in a class or through online tutorials.

Always good information to have!

This book was a lifesaver!! I'm not a Mandarin speaker but it enables me to get quick-and-dirty phrases down and to produce them to an understandable degree. When in doubt, the written characters were clutch. I would highly recommend this book to anyone traveling to China or (where I went) Taiwan.

I LOVE THIS!!! It teaches real situations with comics! So fun!

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