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Chinese Learning Corner 妙妙中文教室

Chapter Ten 第十課 Do you like to learn Chinese?

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Dialogue

A: 李國生，你喜不喜歡學中文？

(Li3 Guo2Sheng1, ni2 xi3 bu4 xi3 huan1 xue2 Zhong1wen2?)

A. Lee Guo Sheng, would you like to learn Chinese?

B: 當然，我很喜歡學中文，也很高興認識王老師。

(Dang1 ran2, wo3 hen3 xi3 huan1 xue2 Zhong1wen2, ye3 hen3 gao1 xing4 ren4 shi4 Wang2 lao3 shi1.)

B. Sure, I would like to learn Chinese very much, and I am very happy to get acquainted with teacher Wang.

Grammar

1. For a verb with two syllables AB (喜歡) used in a V — not — V structure, we can use a short form for the question, A 不 AB.

For example:

你喜歡不喜歡中文？ -----> 你喜不喜歡中文？

(Ni3 xi3 huan1 bu4 xi3 huan1 Zhong1 wen2?) ----> (Ni3 xi3 bu4 xi3 huan1 Zhong1 wen2?)

Do you like the Chinese language ?

Activity:

Each person writes five positive sentences using the verbs: 是, 有, 喜歡, 姓, 叫.

2. Question Word: 幾

The question word 幾 (ji3) is used to ask someone's personal information such as age or grade level. In sentences describing age or grade level, the use of a verb is not necessary.

A: 你幾年級? (Ni3 ji3 nian2 ji2?) What grade are you in?

B: 我二年級。 (Wo3 er4 nian2 ji2.) I am in second grade.

A: 您教幾年級? (Nin2 jiao1 ji3 nian2 ji2?) Which grade do you teach?

B: 我教中文三年級。 (Wo3 jiao1 Zhong1wen2 san1 nian2 ji2.) I teach third grade Chinese.