

Achievement Standard

Subject Reference Chinese (Mandarin) 1.2

Title Communicate in Chinese (Mandarin) for a chosen purpose

Level 1 **Credits** 5 **Assessment** Internal

Subfield Languages

Domain Chinese

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Purpose Statement

Students are able to communicate in Chinese (Mandarin) for a chosen purpose.

Achievement Criteria

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicate in Chinese (Mandarin) for a chosen purpose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicate capably in Chinese (Mandarin) for a chosen purpose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicate skilfully in Chinese (Mandarin) for a chosen purpose

Explanatory Notes

- 1 *Communicate in Chinese (Mandarin) for a chosen purpose* involves:
- using language to express information, ideas, and opinions relevant to the context
 - referring to events or experiences in the present, as well as the past or future
 - achieving overall communication despite inconsistencies.

Communicate capably in Chinese (Mandarin) for a chosen purpose involves:

- using a range of language
- building on aspects of the information, ideas, and opinions expressed
- achieving communication that is not significantly hindered by inconsistencies.

Communicate skilfully in Chinese (Mandarin) for a chosen purpose involves:

- using a range of language successfully
- connecting information, ideas, and opinions cohesively
- achieving communication that is not hindered by inconsistencies.

- 2 *Language* refers to vocabulary, formulaic expressions, and sentence structures that are used to share information, ideas, and opinions in relation to personal matters, events, or experiences relevant to the student.

A range of language refers to showing evidence of variety in language use.

Examples include:

- breadth in vocabulary use
- using different sentence types (for example, simple, compound, or complex sentences)
- coverage of different communicative functions appropriate to the context (for example, simple description, instructions, sequencing).

Using a range of language successfully involves demonstrating consistent mastery of quality language appropriate to the level and chosen context.

Examples include:

- generally accurate production of language overall
- well-chosen and varied vocabulary and structures
- controlled use of Chinese sentence structures, including complex sentences.

- 3 *Connecting information, ideas, and opinions cohesively* involves:
- linking information, ideas, and opinions effectively within the points communicated and across the piece of communication as a whole
 - showing logical flow or coherent structure in the chosen format.

- 4 *A chosen purpose* refers to the intention of the communication, where the audience and the context are taken into consideration.

Examples include:

- sharing your interests
- promoting or preparing for an event
- communicating about an experience.

- 5 When communicating in Chinese (Mandarin), *inconsistencies* are mistakes which affect overall communication or clarity of message.

Examples include:

- word choice
- sentence structure
- pronunciation or intonation.

- 6 This achievement standard is intended to assess students who are acquiring skill in Chinese (Mandarin). The level it describes is designed to be accessible to those who only begin formal study of the language in junior secondary school.

- 7 Refer to the NCEA [glossary](#) for Māori, Pacific, and further subject-specific terms and concepts.

- 8 This achievement standard is derived from the Learning Languages Learning Area at Level 6 of *The New Zealand Curriculum: Learning Media*, Ministry of Education, 2007.
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Replacement Information

This achievement standard, AS91952, AS91954, and AS91955 replaced AS90868-AS90872.

Quality Assurance

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- 2 Schools and institutions with consent to assess must engage with the moderation system that applies to those achievement standards.

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