



# Chinese Mandarin Cafe

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# Episode 2

Hello & Goodbye

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## Objectives

- Learn how to say phrases like *hello* and *goodbye*.
  - Learn Tone Sandhi: 3rd Tone + 3rd Tone
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## Words/Phrases

Chinese	Pinyin	Translation
你	nǐ	you
好	hǎo	goodbye
你好	nǐ hǎo	hello
再	zài	again
见	jiàn	see
再见	zài jiàn	goodbye
下次	xià cì	next time
下次见!	xià cì jiàn !	See (you) next time!
明天	míng tiān	tomorrow
明天见!	míng tiān jiàn !	See (you) tomorrow!

## Tone Sandhi - 3rd Tone + 3rd Tone

When you have two 3rd tones next to each other, the first third tone becomes a second tone when you are pronouncing the word. However, when you are writing the pinyin, the first character will still have a 3rd tone mark.

Chinese	Pinyin (Written)	Read As	Translation
你好	nǐ hǎo	ní hǎo	hello
可以	kě yǐ	ké yi	can (modal verb)
手表	shǒu biǎo	shóu biao	watch (noun)

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## Nǐ hǎo 你好！

When someone says 你好 (nǐ hǎo), you can respond with the same phrase.

When someone says 再见 (zài jiàn), you can respond with the same phrase.

## Practice

1. What do you say if someone says 你好 (nǐ hǎo)?
2. What do you say if someone says 再见 (zài jiàn)?