



China: Things You Should Know – Lesson Plan

Main topics: Chinese etiquette at dinner table, in classroom and in other situations

Objectives: To establish students' knowledge of how Chinese people behave in various situations

Timing: The lesson is designed for 60 min, but it may vary according to the age and the ability of the students, and the size of the class.

Resources: You will need to prepare some chopsticks for this session. You will also need internet to show some film clips.

If you are not able to do a PPT presentation, you can colour print off the pictures and put them on the board using blue tac to carry out the activities in the lesson plan.



Activity	Objectives	Content	Timings	Answers	Resources
Starter	To identify some famous Chinese dishes	<p>Explain to the students food/meal is a big part of their visit in China and Chinese people always proudly use the variety of delicious food to show their hospitality.</p> <p>1) name Chinese dishes they know 2) match the famous dishes with their names using the PPT. The teacher can say the dish names out aloud and students (individual/pair) can come to the front to touch the right picture on the board. 3) talk about Beijing Roast duck</p>	5min	1 egg fried rice 2 spicy aubergine with fish flavour 3 fried sliced beef with greens 4 Spicy Ma Po Tou Fu (bean curd) 5 Sichaun Hot Pot 6 Tang Yuan (stuffed dumpling made of glutinous rice flour served in soup) 7Jiao zi (Chinese dumpling which are very often eaten during the Chinese new year time) 8 Beijing Roast Duck	PPT slides What Dishes Are They? 1 and 2
Use of chopsticks	To know how to use chopsticks and do's and don'ts in using them	<p>Tell students about chopsticks incl. materials, function etc. and let them guess which is right way and which is wrong.</p> <p>Show students the correct way to use chopsticks with the PPT slide and film clip.</p> <p>Students practise using chopsticks. They can be divided into small groups and have a competition of picking up small rubbers, dices, paper balls etc. or even m&ms peanut chocolate if you want to make it a real challenge!</p>	10min	Using Chopsticks slides 1 wrong (you don't use one, but a pair!) 2 wrong (you have the chopsticks lying down on the table or on the bowls, but never have them standing up). 3 correct (when eating at home or in informal occasion, it is ok to hold the bowl near your mouth and put food into your mouth) 4 correct	PPT slides Using Chopsticks 1, 2, 3 and 4 PPT slide Right Way to Hold Chopsticks You Tube link http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DJrz8HYaOfA Chopsticks and small sized objects, e.g. rubbers, dices, paper balls, m&ms peanut



					chocolate etc. (These need to be prepared by schools)
Table manners	To learn about Chinese table manners	Students learn about the Chinese table manners/eating habits focus on those different from the UK.	5min		PPT
Chinese schools	To have some basic knowledge about Chinese schools	<p>Explain to the students that they will be spending time learning Chinese in classroom so it is necessary to know about schools and learning in the classroom in China.</p> <p>Students work in groups to discuss and put down the answers for the questions on PPT. Then students read Zhang Wen's My School Life and slide Chinese Education and redo the questions if they didn't get them right.</p> <p>Play video clip Morning Exercise in Chinese school. Students discuss what they think the exercise would be like before watching and what they think afterwards.</p>	10min		<p>PPT slide Questions about Schools in China</p> <p>PPT slides schools China</p> <p>PPT slide Chinese Education and Word file My School Life</p> <p>Video clip link: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RKXZ8QTLqEM</p>
Having lessons in classrooms	To raise awareness of how the students are expected to behave in classroom	<p>True or false activity to start with.</p> <p>Show film clip to help students have a better understanding of Chinese students' school life. Encourage students to discuss the similarities and differences between an English and Chinese classroom.</p>	15min	All true apart from 3	<p>PPT slide Learning in Classroom (True or False)</p> <p>Video link to BBC programme- Chinese Schools http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yGVwpLNKLWg</p>



Other situations	To learn how Chinese behave in other situations	Role play, pair (student/teacher or student/student) demonstrate the body language A and B (see word file) and the class guess which one is correct.	10 min	1 B 2 A 3 B 4B	Word file – Role Play: Body Language
Plenary	To review the Chinese etiquette	Show PPT slides and students say yes or no	5min		PPT slides Plenary activity
Extension	Students have a better understanding of a Chinese student's school day	Watch film clip and learn more about Chinese school and to hear some Chinese words about school.	6 min		Film clip More from the links below http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yGVwpLNKLWg