

1. 阅读理解

Confucius Institute



The Confucius Institute at the University of Minnesota offers several short classes on Chinese language and culture.

★Class Fees

The cost of classes is \$225 (\$170 for Chinese Rehab)

★Class Calendar

The Confucius Institute follows the University of Minnesota semester schedule. The Confucius Institute classes start a few weeks after the start of the University semester and last for ten class sessions. Classes are not held on University holidays.

The upcoming class sessions will be:

Spring 2018: February 1- April 7

Summer 2018: June 13- August 25

Tentative class calendar:

The schedule may change due to teacher availability.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Beginning I, Section A 6:00 ~ 7:30 p.m.	Beginning I, Section B 6:00 ~ 7:30 p.m.	Beginning II 6:00 ~ 7:30 p.m.	Intermediate II 6:00 ~ 7:00 p.m.
Chinese Rehab 6:30 ~ 7:00 p.m.	Intermediate I 6:00 ~ 7:30 p.m.	Beginning III 6:00 ~ 7:30 p.m.	Intermediate III 6:00 ~ 7:30 p.m.

★Class Cancellations

Any class not meeting minimum enrollment by four business days before the class start date will be cancelled and you will be contacted. If we must cancel a class due to insufficient enrollment or any other circumstance beyond our control, we will offer a full refund or issue credit towards another class.

★Contact Information

The Confucius Institute is located within the University International Center on the east bank of the Twin Cities campus. The University International Center is located in the Keeler Apartment building. Enter at the corner of 17th Avenue S.E. and 4th Street through the doors located near the "University International Center" sign.

Office hours

The office is generally open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

The office is closed daily from 12:00 noon until 1:00 p.m. and is closed on all University holidays.

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【1】Chinese Rehab _____.

- A. costs more money
- B. is held on Monday
- C. lasts one and a half hours
- D. has four classes a week

【2】To get information about the classes, you can visit the office _____.

- A. on Monday noon
- B. at 12:30 a.m., Tuesday
- C. on Wednesday evening
- D. at 1:30 p.m., Friday

【3】What is True about the classes?

- A. The schedule may be changeable.
- B. They can be one-to-one instruction.
- C. They are held on University holidays.
- D. They start at the beginning of the University semester.

2.

I went out to breakfast this morning to meet a friend. Everything was lovely. But what wasn't so lovely was the lady who took our order. She spoke in a way that was frustrated, unhappy, certainly not friendly, and sort of rude.

When it came to my turn to approach her and order. I thought to myself, "What can I do here to make her day?" Surely there must be something I can sincerely compliment(称赞) her on. Then there it was and I knew instantly. Or more so heard instantly. It was her voice. She had the most unbelievably well-spoken and clear voice. It was so good. That was it. That was what I would compliment her on.

So after she took my order and gave me the same unfriendly attitude I told her. "I hope you don't mind me saying but you have the most amazing voice. It's so clear, well-spoken and sounds so professional." I told her how she honestly had one of those voices that would be perfect for announcements or even radio. Her whole face lit up. She smiled (the first time I had seen her do so) and as I left and walked away, I noticed her whole attitude change. The customer behind me received a totally different