

HSK 5

Level description

The HSK Level 5 exam assesses your ability to use Chinese at an intermediate-advanced level, corresponding to Level 5 in the “Chinese Language Proficiency Scales for Speakers of Other Languages” and Level B2 in the “Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)”.

Candidates who pass the HSK Level 5 exam can read Chinese newspapers and magazines, enjoy Chinese films and television, and deliver full-length speeches in Chinese. This level marks significant progress toward fluency and confidence in using the language in professional or academic contexts.

Candidate description

HSK Level 5 is intended for learners who have studied Chinese for more than two academic years (around 2,500 learning hours) and have mastered approximately 2,500 commonly used words and related grammar structures.

Test structure

HSK (Level 5) has a total of 100 questions, divided into listening, reading, and writing sections. The entire exam takes about 125 minutes (including 5 minutes for candidates to fill in personal information).

Test Content		Number of Questions(items)	Test Duration(minutes)
Listening	Section 1	20	About 30
	Section 2	25	
Filling the answer sheet(transferring the answers of the listening part to the answer sheet)			5
Reading	Section 1	15	45
	Section 2	10	

	Section 3	20	
Writing	Section 1	8	40
	Section 2	2	
Total		100	About 120

The HSK Level 5 score report includes scores for listening, reading, and writing, as well as a total score. The full score is 300 points. A score report is valid for two years from the test date.

Listening 100 points	Part1 (20 questions) Choose the correct answer
	Part2 (25questions) Choose the correct answer
Reading 100 points	Part1 (15 questions) Choose the correct answer to fill in the blank
	Part2 (10 questions) Fill in the blank with the correct sentences
	Part3 (20 questions) Choose the correct answer
Writing 100 points	Part1 (8 questions) Put the words in the correct order
	Part2 (2 questions) Write short essays

Additional resources

Vocabulary lists, sample tests, and other resources can be found at the following sites:

- Official Chinese Test Website (HSK Level 5):

<https://www.chinesetest.cn/HSK/5>

- HSK 5 Real Test Questions: https://download.chinesetest.cn/newhsk-site/model/HSK5_yj.pdf