

YCT Speaking Test Primary Level

The YCT Speaking Test (Beginner Level) assesses test takers' ability to expressing themselves orally in Chinese. It is the counterpart of the Level I and Level II of the Chinese Language Proficiency Scales for Speakers of Other Languages and the A Level of the Common European Framework of Reference (CEF). Test takers who are able to pass the YCT Speaking Test (Beginner Level) can understand and use familiar everyday expressions that meet specific needs for communication.

I. Test Target

The YCT (Beginner Level) is intended for young students who have studied Chinese for 1-2 semesters, with 2-3 class hours per week. These students have mastered 200 commonly used words and related grammar patterns.

II. Test Content

The YCT Speaking Test (Beginner Level) is made up of three parts and contains a total of 25 items.

Section		Number of Items	Duration (Min)
Part I	Listen and Repeat	15	6
Part II	Listen and Reply	5	2
Part III	Describe Pictures	5	4
Total		25	19(including 7 minutes for preparation)

The test will last for a total of 19 minutes (including 7 minutes for preparation).

There are 15 items in Part I. For each item, a sentence recording will be played. The test taker should repeat the sentence.

There are 5 items in Part II. For each item, the recording of a question will be played. The test taker should provide a brief answer.

There are 5 items in Part III. Each item consists of a picture. The test taker should use 2-3 sentences to say something based on the picture.

III. Results Certificate

The maximum score of the YCT Speaking Test (Beginner Level) is 100. A score of 60 or higher is considered a passing score.

Max Score	Passing Score	Your Score
100	60	

The YCT Oral (Primary) vocabulary can be found [here](#).

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