

# Chinese

## Chinese speaking communities

Mainland China, Vietnamese, Thailand, Malaysian, Singaporean, Taiwanese, Hong Kong

# 華人



## Special Events

- ❖ Chinese New Year  
1st day of the Lunar year (January - February)
- ❖ Dragon Boat Festival  
5th day of the 5th Lunar month (May - June)
- ❖ Mid-Autumn Festival  
15th day of the 8th Lunar month  
(September - October)



<http://www.interactchina.com/images/071117/China%20map.jpg>

## Words and phrases in Cantonese



(Australian Pronunciation)

Yes / No  
Good morning  
Good afternoon  
Good night

Hi /M-g-hi  
Jo-u-sun  
M-gon  
Jo-u-tao

係 / 唔係  
早晨  
午安  
早抖

Hello  
Thank you  
Good bye  
Lunch  
Dinner

Ne-hou  
Tor-jae  
Joy-ge-in  
Sik-nahn  
Man-fan

你好  
多谢  
再见  
食晏  
晚饭

Time to eat now  
Are you hungry?  
Hot? / Cold?  
Sleepy?  
Time to rest

Sik-ye-a  
To-u-ngor-ma  
Yeep-ma / Dong-ma  
Ngung-fun-ma  
Yao-sik-la

食野啦  
肚饿吗  
热吗 / 冻吗  
眼瞓吗  
休息啦

(Australian Pronunciation)

Do you want a drink?  
Please wait  
Please take your medicine  
Do you need the toilet?  
Would you like a shower?

Yum Yeah Ma  
Cheng Dang Yut-Zhen  
Sik Yor La  
Lei Shaun Hoi Chee Sor Ma  
Yeu Chong Leu Ma

饮野吗  
请等一阵  
食药啦  
去厕所吗  
要冲凉吗

Are you feeling unwell?  
Please repeat again  
Where does it hurt?

Lei Ng Shu Fook Ma  
Mg Goy Joy Gong Yut Zee  
Bin Dow Tong

你唔舒服吗  
唔该再讲一次  
边度痛

### Days of the week:

|           |              |     |
|-----------|--------------|-----|
| Monday    | Sing Kay Yat | 星期一 |
| Tuesday   | Sing Kay Yi  | 星期二 |
| Wednesday | Sing Kay Sam | 星期三 |
| Thursday  | Sing Kay Say | 星期四 |
| Friday    | Sing Kay Ng  | 星期五 |
| Saturday  | Sing Kay Lop | 星期六 |
| Sunday    | Sing Kay Tin | 星期天 |



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**Community Partners Program (CPP)  
&  
Partners In Culturally Appropriate Care (PICAC)**

**Communications Posters**

The Community Partners Program has developed these posters in response to consultation with Diversional Therapists in Southern Tasmania. The consultation suggested that while cultural resources are produced for use in residential facilities, they are often too lengthy or produced in a format that is inaccessible for use in the busy residential facility environment.

These posters have been developed as an 'instant' cultural resource that aims to aid communication between staff and residents. In addition, the posters aim to raise awareness among staff about the cultural and linguistic background of residents, including country of origin, location of country of origin, language, special events and festivals, flags and symbols.

The 'instant' nature of the poster means that it can be displayed in resident's rooms (with permission of the resident), in staff rooms, in hallways or other recreational spaces, in which communication between staff and residents takes place. The pictures, maps and flags mean that this resource is colourful and aesthetically pleasing enough to warrant such display.

The posters are designed to aid staff in their interactions with residents from culturally diverse backgrounds; however they are by no means exhaustive in their breadth of information. Please be culturally sensitive in both your placement and your use of these posters: while they are designed to be used in residents' rooms, some people may not be comfortable with the association with their country of origin or their first language. The posters may become a talking point with some residents, but please be aware that other residents may have trauma issues or bad memories associated with a country or culture.

If you are interested in learning more about cultural difference or to find out about Cross-Cultural Awareness Training for your facility, please contact:

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