The cover is decorated with various cartoon illustrations of children and a lion dance head. At the top left, a boy with a beard and a girl with a large black afro are shown. On the right, a boy with glasses and a girl with a yellow headband are depicted. At the bottom left, a girl with a pink headband and a boy with a red and white striped headband are shown. A large, colorful lion dance head is also featured. The background is a light gray circle with a white border.

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nǐ hǎo xiè xiè zài jiàn 你好、谢谢、再见

Hello, Thanks, Goodbye

STEP 1

xiǎo tiē shì Tips 小贴士

Chinese language has various ways of greeting each other. 你好(nǐ hǎo, hello), as one of the common and polite ways, is often spoken along with a handshake, a wave or a nod to other people.



shuō yì shuō Speak Up 说一说

These pictures tell us various ways of greeting other people in different countries. What do you think are the common ways of greeting in China? Why?



A



B



C



D



E



F



G

zuò yì zuò Exercise 做一做

Based on the tips and the above pictures, practice greeting in Chinese with your teacher and classmates.

STEP 2

Read and Learn 学一学



zài jiàn
再见。
Goodbye.

zài jiàn
再见。
Goodbye.

(胡安)

(艾玛)

Vocabulary 记一记

1



nǐ
你

you

2



hǎo
好

good

3



xiè xiè
谢谢

thanks

4



bú kè qì
不客气

you are welcome

不(bù, no, not), 客气(kèqi, polite)

5



zài jiàn
再见

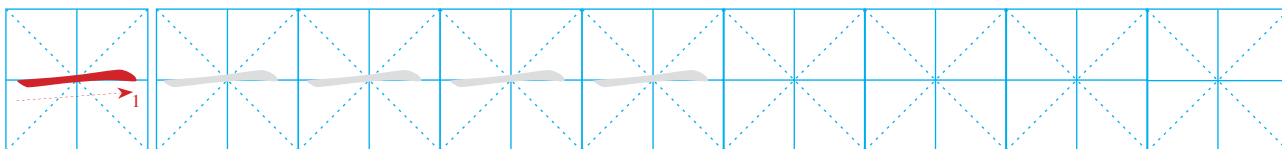
goodbye

再(zài, again), 见(jiàn, to see)



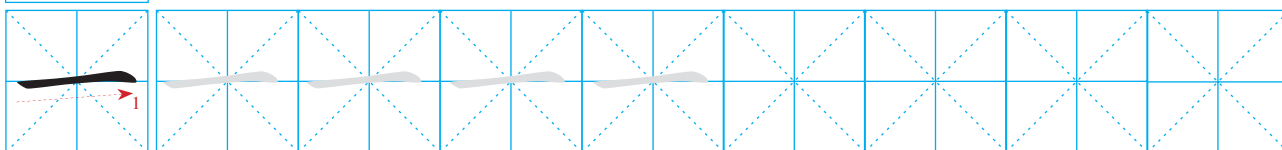
Remember the following stroke and *Hanzi*, then trace them as shown in the example.

héng (横, horizontal stroke)



yī

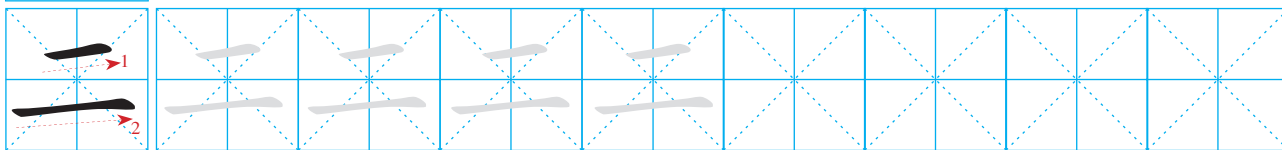
1 画



one

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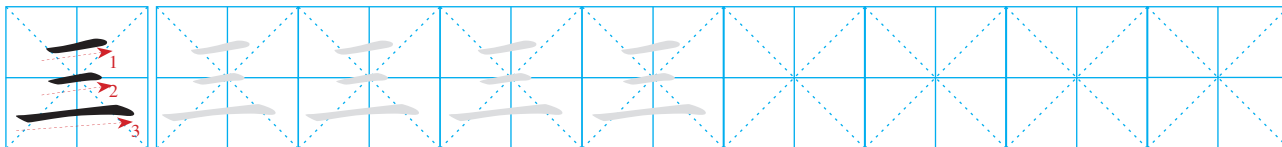
2 画



two

sān

3 画



three

STEP 3

Give It a Try 试一试

Look at the pictures (people on the left speaks first) and complete the following dialogues according to the text.

1



A: 你好!

B: _____!

2



A: _____!

B: 不客气。

3



A: _____。

B: _____。

谢谢 and 再见

When people say 谢谢 (xièxie), the most common response is 不客气 (bú kèqi), but the expressions 不谢 (bú xiè) and 不用谢 (búyòng xiè) are also very popular, much like the English expressions “my pleasure”, “sure”, “not a big deal” and so on.

再见 (zàijiàn) is used to express goodbye. 拜拜 (báibái) is often used as well. In fact, it is an expression borrowed from the English expression “byebye”.



生词表

Vocabulary List

No. 序号	Word 生词	Pinyin 拼音	English 英文	Lesson 课号	HSK Level HSK 级别	YCT Level YCT 级别
1	你	nǐ	you	1	HSK 1	YCT 1
2	好	hǎo	good	1	HSK 1	YCT 1
3	谢谢	xièxie	thanks	1	HSK 1	YCT 1
4	不客气	bú kèqi	you are welcome	1	HSK 1	YCT 2
5	再见	zàijiàn	goodbye	1	HSK 1	YCT 1
6	您	nín	you (with respect)	2	HSK 2	YCT 3
7	你们	nǐmen	you (plural)	2	—	—
8	吗	ma	(a particle used at the end of a question)	2	HSK 1	YCT 1
9	我	wǒ	I, me	2	HSK 1	YCT 1
10	很	hěn	very	2	HSK 1	YCT 1
11	老师	lǎoshī	teacher	2	HSK 1	YCT 1
12	叫	jiào	to name, be called	3	HSK 1	YCT 1
13	什么	shénme	what	3	HSK 1	YCT 1
14	名字	míngzi	name	3	HSK 1	YCT 2
15	他	tā	he, him	3	HSK 1	YCT 1