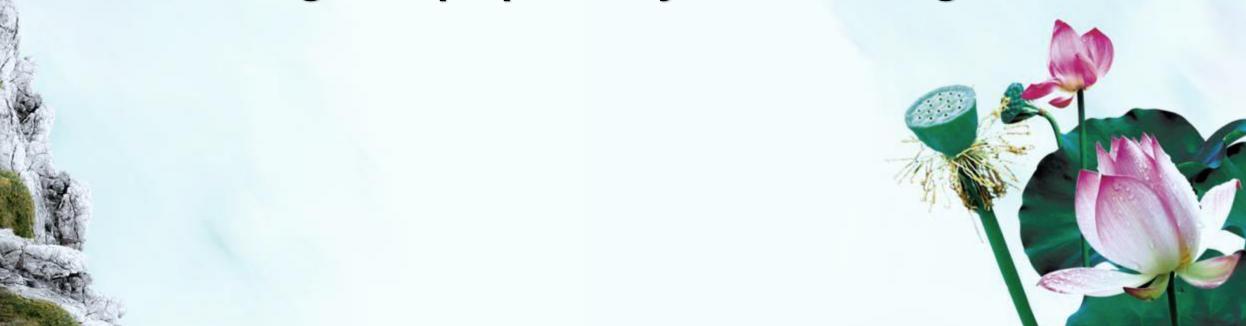
Unit2 Integrated skills

Discussing the popularity of learning Chinese



Listen to the talks and decide whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F). Circle the incorrect information in the false statements and correct it in the blanks.

- 1. Thomas studies Chinese literature, history, politics and economics, as well as the Chinese language.

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- 2. Thomas lived in Shanghai for six months in his fourth year at university.

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- 3. Speaking Chinese was harder than Jenny had expected.
- 4. Jenny plans to continue learning Chinese.
- 5. Pedro is not very confident about his Chinese.

Listening



Listen to the talks again and complete the table below.

	Name	The reason for learning Chinese	The place to learn Chinese	The most difficult aspect of learning Chinese
- A	Thomas	(1) Having been interested in Chinese culture	At high school and university	(2) Writing
	Jenny	Enjoying learning new things	At the local community centre	(3) Reading
	Pedro	(4) <u>Visiting China next</u> year	(5)On the Internet	Pronunciation

Reading

Read the article on Page 23 and fill in the following blanks with the proper words.

- Para. 1 An (1) example of learning Chinese in the US
- The (2) <u>causes</u> of the mother to send Mary-Jo to learn Chinese
- Para. 2 The global (3) popularity of learning Chinese
- The (4) <u>increasing</u> number of learning Chinese in the world
- Para. 3 The (5) <u>reasons</u> for learning Chinese
- (6) Provide jobs/employments for those with a knowledge of Chinese
- New (7)perspectives and broad (8) minds to see life and the world

Reading

What evidence can prove the popularity of learning Chinese across the world?

Chinese has been included in the education systems of more than 75 countries. Over 4,000 overseas universities offer Chinese language courses and about 25 million people are learning Chinese outside China.

Reading

Why is learning Chinese becoming so popular?

Learning Chinese is becoming so popular for the following reasons:

- (1) People who can speak Chinese will have more job opportunities.
- (2) Some people want to learn about the history and culture of China,

and learning Chinese provides access to this.



Thank you for your listening!



