



# Communication Skills for Native Mandarin Speakers

It is commonplace in the People's Republic of China (PRC) to begin to learn English at age 12. At that age, it is hard to master the art of spoken English. While written English is rarely an issue for those who were born and raised in the PRC, spoken English may be an issue when presenting in the United States.

Our course is designed to help non-native English Speakers born and raised in the PRC master spoken Standard American Business English. The course is taught by experienced IG linguistic experts with a proven track record of working in India, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, South Africa, the United Kingdom, the UAE, and the United States.

Our course is intense, concentrated, and custom-designed to meet each participant's goals. This course is conducted in Simplified English or Traditional English.

## Overview

### Speech Patterns

In this exercise, each participant will acquire the skills to establish new speech patterns, break old habits, and create new and better ones.

### Mandarin: The Four Main Tones

Mandarin has four main tones and one neutral tone. Each tone has a distinct pitch. The use of these tones while speaking English can place emphasis on words where emphasis is not needed, confusing an English-speaking audience.

### Finding the Right Word

It is common for native Mandarin speakers to think in Mandarin, instantly translating into English, as they deliver a presentation. This practice causes the speaker to struggle to vocalize their thoughts clearly and concisely.