

Introducing someone

Concept A: introduce someone in Chinese

To introduce someone we use:

“this is” 这zhè是shì followed by whomever you are introducing.

这zhè是shì。。。。

zhè shì

This is...

Example:

这zhè是shì 玛丽mǎlì

zhè shì Mary

This is Mary

Concept B: How to ask who someone is in Chinese

To ask who someone is in Chinese you would simply ask

“this is who?”

这zhè 是shì 谁shéi?

Example:

- 这是谁?

zhè shì shéi?

This is who?

- 这zhè是shì 玛丽mǎlì

zhè shì Mary

This is Mary

Concept C: How to introduce your friends, family and colleagues in Chinese

to say my and yours in Chinese

We can introduce people as “my”, as in “my mother”, “my husband” or “my colleague”.

The Chinese word for “my” and “your” in Chinese are made up of the characters for “me” 我 wǒ or 你 nǐ “you” plus the 的 de character.

The 的 (de) character is a special character used to indicate possession, and is roughly the equivalent of an apostrophe s in English.

- 我的
wǒ de

- 你的
nǐ de
Your

Building on this, we can now say “this is my...”

- 这是我的。。。。
zhè shì wǒ de
This is my...

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