# National 3 Mandarin (Simplified) (Course Code: C745 73)

SCQF Level 3 (18 Credit Points)

## Why study Mandarin (Simplified)?

Learning a new language allows you to connect with different people and their cultures. You think, communicate and create ideas through language.

Mandarin is the national language in China and Chinese is the most widely spoken language in the world. China is also the second largest economy in the world. So, learning Mandarin gives you a distinct advantage when travelling or doing business with China or other Mandarin-speaking areas.

The skills that you learn in Mandarin are useful for working in areas such as business and commerce, travel and tourism and teaching.

**Career Pathways**

To see what career areas this subject could lead to and the routes to get there, download and view these career pathways:

Arts, Social Sciences and Languages

Hospitality, Leisure and Tourism

Information, Culture and Heritage

Transport and Distribution

Uniformed and Security Services

## What do I need to get in?

The school or college will decide on the entry requirements for the course. You would normally have achieved:

- **National 2 Modern Languages course**
- **Modern Languages for Life and Work Award at SCQF Level 3**

## What will I study?

This course aims to help you read, write, listen to and speak Mandarin in many different situations and settings. Your critical and creative thinking skills will get better, as well your cultural awareness.

The course has **two** compulsory units.

**Mandarin (Simplified): Understanding Language (9 SCQF credit points)**

In this unit you will:

- develop reading and listening skills in Mandarin
- develop your knowledge of simple Mandarin in the contexts of society, learning, employability and culture.

**Mandarin (Simplified): Using Language (9 SCQF credit points)**

In this unit you will:

- develop talking and writing skills in Mandarin
- develop your knowledge of simple Mandarin in the contexts of society, learning, employability and culture.

## How will I be assessed?

Your work will be assessed by your teacher or tutor on a regular basis throughout the course. Items of work might include:

- practical work – reading, speaking or listening to texts
- written work – producing simple texts.

You must pass both units to gain the course qualification.

## Study Materials

## What can I go on to next?

If you complete the course successfully, it may lead to:

- **National 4 Mandarin (Simplified)**

Further study, training or employment in:

- Arts, Social Sciences and Languages
- Information, Culture and Heritage
- Languages
- Transport and Distribution