



The Face

Playgroup Activities

1-5 years old



Step 1 – Watch, listen & read the lesson

- My First Chinese Words CD Rom lesson 25
- Fun Chinese Level 2 Lesson 9
- My First Chinese Words Audio CD lesson 25
- My First Chinese Words Books “What are you doing?”

Step 2 – Prepare your supplies

- Lunch size paper bags
- Wiggle eyes
- Construction paper and or felt shapes
- Yarn
- Glue
- Scissors

Step 3 – Activities

1. Make a “face bag” out of the paper bag. Start by cutting the paper bag in half or folding down so you have a smaller surface for your face. Add eyes, hair, a mouth, nose and ears. You can also add handles to carry it around. If it is close to Halloween, you can make your own monster treat bag.
2. Paste a photo of your child’s face on a page in your scrapbook and practice identifying the parts of his or her face.
3. Visit <http://www.china.com.cn/e-sanxingdui/> and learn about the famous site of Sanxingdui in Sichuan province. Many wonderful bronze masks were discovered that have large bulging eyes, strange noses and ears, and huge mouths.
4. Make up hand signs for the poem in My First Chinese Words Book 25 – point to each part of the face and then your hands and feet. Practice reciting the poem and doing the hand and foot signs at “poem speed.” This is a great poem for toddlers.
5. Sit in a circle saying the poem one word at a time. The person who says the last word folds one leg underneath themselves. Repeat. The last person with a foot out wins.
6. Sing the song Sweet Bread from Fun Chinese Level 2 lesson 9.
7. Practice writing the radical for dragon featured in My First Chinese Exercises as well as the character for hear, smell from the Happy Character stories on Fun Chinese on large graph paper.

