

## Chinese Level 1 Proficiency Levels

By the end of Level 1, students of logographic languages and non-Romance and Germanic languages should perform on a Novice Mid-level for reading and writing. In listening and speaking, logographic students of logographic languages and non-Romance and Germanic languages should perform on a Novice Mid/Novice High level.

**Students in Level 1 are expected to perform at a Novice Mid/ Novice High proficiency level.**

*Characteristics of Novice Mid students:*

- *Express meaning in simple, predictable contexts through the use of memorized and recalled words and phrases.*
- *Understand aural cognates, borrowed words, and high frequency, highly contextualized words and phrases with repetition.*
- *Can generally be understood by sympathetic listeners and readers accustomed to dealing with language learners*
- *Are consistently successful when performing Novice-Mid tasks*

*Characteristics of Novice High students:*

- *Express meaning in simple, predictable contexts through the use of learned and recombined phrases and short sentences.*
- *Understand sentence-length information within highly contextualized situations and sources.*
- *Can generally be understood by sympathetic listeners and readers accustomed to dealing with language learners*
- *Are consistently successful when performing Novice-level tasks*