



HSK and YCT Exams Registrations

To register for the HSK or YCT exam at NAS Dubai, please contact one of the NAS Dubai Mandarin teachers and pay the fees at the school's finance office.

2021 HSK FEES

Levels	Fees (AED)
HSK Level 1	230
HSK Level 2	340
HSK Level 3	450
HSK Level 4	560
HSK Level 5	600
HSK Level 6	740

2021 YCT FEES

Levels	Fees (AED)
YCT Level 1	80
YCT Level 2	80
YCT Level 3	160
YCT Level 4	160
YCT Oral Test—Elementary	120
YCT Oral Test—Intermediate	120

THE HSK/YCT JOURNEY at NAS DUBAI

The HSK standard and the HSK proficiency test were launched by the Hanban/Confucius Institute Headquarters, affiliated with the Chinese Ministry of Education, in an effort to standardize and promote worldwide Chinese language learning and teaching.

NAS Dubai is authorised by Hanban/Confucius Institute to be an HSK test center and it is the only international school in UAE that can administer HSK tests to NAS students and students of Chinese across UAE.

NAS students learning Mandarin have therefore the opportunity to gain a worldwide recognised qualification for their Mandarin studies from Year 3 (8 years old) and above.

WHY the HSK?

The HSK and YCT tests assess a student's comprehensive language and communication ability.

The HSK ensures:

- Standardization → six proficiency levels, externally assessed qualification.
- Transparency → released by Hanban/Confucius Institute and recognized worldwide.
- Accountability → of progress and assessments for both teachers and students.

The current HSK format

The HSK consists of a writing test and a speaking test, which are independent of each other. There are six levels of writing tests namely the HSK Level I, HSK Level II, HSK Level III, HSK Level IV, HSK Level V and HSK level VI. There are three levels of speaking tests, namely the HSK Beginner level, HSK Intermediate level, and HSK Advanced level. During the speaking test, test takers' speeches will be recorded.

WRITING TEST	SPEAKING TEST
HSK LEVEL I	HSK BEGINNER LEVEL
HSK LEVEL II	
HSK LEVEL III	HSK INTERMEDIATE LEVEL
HSK LEVEL IV	
HSK LEVEL V	HSK ADVANCED LEVEL
HSK LEVEL VI	

The different levels of the new HSK compare to the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR).

The Common European Framework of Reference for Languages is a guideline used to describe achievements of learners of foreign languages across Europe and, increasingly, in other countries. It was put together by the Council of Europe as the main part of the project "Language Learning for European Citizenship" between 1989 and 1996. Its main aim is to provide a method of learning, teaching and assessing which applies to all languages in Europe.

The Common European Framework for Languages identifies six levels of proficiency grouped into three broad divisions.

HSK TESTLEVEL	COMMON EUROPEAN FRAMEWORK LEVELS		CHINESE VOCABULARY KNOWLEDGE
HSK LEVEL I	A1	Beginner User	80-150
HSK LEVEL II	A2		300
HSK LEVEL III	B1	Independent User	600
HSK LEVEL IV	B2		1200
HSK LEVEL V	C1	Proficient User	3000
HSK LEVEL VI	C2		5000

The new HSK format (changes to be implemented within 3-5 years)

The Hanban/Confucius institute is improving the format of the HSK to meet further the needs of learners of Mandarin as a foreign language. The new HSK exam will be implemented within 3 to 5 years in China and abroad.

Level	Band	Syllable	Character	Vocabulary	Grammar
Elementary	1	269	300	500	48
	2	468	600	1272	129
	3	608	900	2245	210
Intermediate	4v	724	1200	3245	286
	5	822	1500	4316	357
	6	908	1800	5456	424
Advanced	7 / 8 / 9	1110	3000	11092	572
Total		1110	3000	11092	572