

After a quick review, in this class you will be learning how to ask yes-or-no questions?! Don't be scared, it's really a piece of cake. If you are smart enough to turn on your computer and find learnchinese.com and download this document. I promise it wouldn't take you more than 2 minutes to master the skill!

### VOCABULARY:

ma	question word
shì	to be
zhèshì	this is...
bù	no
zhèbúshì	this isn't...

### SENTENCES:

1. Zhè shì zhuōzi ma?  
Is this a table?

Positive answer :  
Shì, zhè shì zhuōzi.

Negative answer:  
Bù, zhè búshì zhuōzi.

2. Zhè shì yǐzi ma?  
Is this a chair?

Positive answer :  
Shì, zhèshì yǐzi.

Negative answer:  
Bù, zhè búshì yǐzi.

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3. Zhè shì diànnǎo ma?

Is this a computer?

Positive answer :

Shì, zhè shì diànnǎo.

Negative answer:

Bù, zhè búshì diànnǎo.

4. Zhè shì bǐ ma?

Is this a pen?

Positive answer :

Shì, zhè shì bǐ.

Negative answer:

Bù, zhè bú shì bǐ.

Now, try to see if your can answer the question number 5 and 6.

5. Wǒ shì Yǎo ma?

Am I Yao?

Positive answer :

Negative answer:

6. Nǐ shì Kevan ma.

Positive answer :

Negative answer:

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Did you notice the small mistake that Kevan made? While the instructor Yao was introducing himself to Kevan “Wǒ shì Yào”, Kevan said “wǒ shì Yào”. So if we translate that into English, Kevan just said “I am Yao”. Clearly it’s wrong, you will be amazed how many of my students make the SAME mistakes. So make sure you are focused and make sure you make the difference between “you” and “I”!

nǐ	you
wǒ	I

### TAKE MY ADVICE:

As a podcaster, I would really love to hear that you are listening to my podcast often. But as an instructor, I understand that learning a language and listening to music is not necessarily the same thing. Unless you are enjoying simply listening to Kevan and my voice( I doubt about it...☺) , it demands much more energy and concentration. As I always suggest to all my students, learning requires much efforts, so only do it when you are physically and mentally ready. An hour of effective work worths more than a whole day’s inefficient work.

What do you think?

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