MISSIONS ADVENTURE!

WEEK TWO
Greetings
Open the class by greeting the children with hello (which means “How are you?”) in Mandarin Chinese: “Nǐ Hǎo” (pronounced “Knee How”). Teach the kids to answer, “I am fine” by saying “Hǎo.”

Information on China:
PowerPoint Presentation 1—The Food of China.
Share the following information. Show the pictures on PowerPoint or the ones that you’ve printed out.

1. Deer antlers, which are in the middle of the pictures, are used in food and herbal medicines.
2. Dim sum is really good in Hong Kong. Dim sum is the Cantonese term for small meals. Cantonese is one of the languages spoken by people in Southern China and in Hong Kong.
3. This is dragon fruit. Its texture is like apple, but it’s tasteless.
4. Here are live horseshoe crabs at Sai Gung fishing village. Will anyone order one for dinner?
5. This is outside a Chinese candy store. In the burlap bags are melon seeds.
6. This is a plate of pig ears and duck tongues.
7. These are roast pig’s feet. The Chinese waste nothing from the pig.
8. They sell potato chips on a stick.
9. These Chinese are enjoying a bowl of shark fin soup. One bowl can cost anywhere between $10 and $60 US.
10. Some restaurants specialize in snake and alligator meat. Would you like to try some?
11. This is grilled squid and abalone.
12. The restaurants are jammed packed. It is not unusual to share a table with strangers. Here is a Chinese American woman eating wonton soup with two ladies from Japan. The noise level is also very high because there are so many people.

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While Mulan was in America, Mei’s father had to return to China. He lived in Beijing, the capital, which is a very large city. Because he worked all day, he couldn’t take care of Mei. So Mei lived with her mother’s parents in another city of China, Guiyang, in Guizhou Province. Mei’s grandmother is called Weiyah, which means wise and elegant. Her grandfather is named Tai, which means big.

Mei is like many Chinese children who live with their grandparents instead of their parents, who had to move to the city to find jobs. The Chinese people highly value education. Mei’s parents moved to other cities where they could go to college and get jobs. This enabled them to save money so they could give Mei a good education.

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**Bible Verse and Prayer**
Matthew 18:14: “In the same way your Father in heaven is not willing that any of these little ones should be lost.” God cares about the children of China. He wants them to become His children. Take a few minutes to pray for the children of China who don’t know Jesus.


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**1 hour Class**

*For this lesson, use the same activities as above but add some or all of the additional ones listed below.*

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*Say, “Let’s learn more about what people eat in China.”*

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**Game: The Chopsticks Game**
You can play as individuals or teams.

**Age: 6+**

Each child will need a pair of chopsticks, and each child or team will need two bowls and a number of marbles, Smarties®, or marshmallows.

Place the bowls about 6–8 feet apart, on tables or chairs. Put the objects in one of the bowls. When you call “Start,” the children must pick up one of their objects, using only their chopsticks, and carry it to the empty bowl. They then return for the next object, and so on, until the winner has moved all of the objects safely across.

Hands must not be used at any time! If an object is dropped, it must be picked up and put back in the first bowl. You are only allowed to move one object at a time.

You can make this game easier by varying the objects. Marbles are hardest; marshmallows are easiest.

If you are playing with individual children, we suggest at least 10 objects to make the game last a decent amount of time. For a team challenge, you might want only 3 or 4 objects, depending on the number of children in the team.

**Craft: Chinese Yo-yo**
Directions can be found at: [http://www.makingfriends.com/yoyo.htm](http://www.makingfriends.com/yoyo.htm)

**Snack**
Serve fried rice. The recipe can be found at: [http://chinesefood.about.com/od/ricefried/r/basicfriedrice.htm](http://chinesefood.about.com/od/ricefried/r/basicfriedrice.htm)

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**Closing**
Tell the children good-bye in Mandarin: “Dzai Jian.”

**Optional Activity**
Show an **Alliance Video Magazine** segment explaining how children in the USA can help our missionaries reach children in China. The segment describes how a $1 donation from a little girl led to a special ministry to young people in China.

**Sources**
Chinese Games: [http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/traditional_chinese_games.htm](http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/traditional_chinese_games.htm)

Craft: [http://www.makingfriends.com/yoyo.htm](http://www.makingfriends.com/yoyo.htm)