

Finals:-ia,-uan,-üan

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-ia

-uan

-üan

1. Tones: The four tones

(1) Read the following syllables

jiǎ	jiá	jià	jià	Note 1
xiǎ	xiá	xià	xià	
qiǎ	qiá	qià	qià	
yǎ	yá	yà	yà	
huǎn	huán	huǎn	huàn	Note 2
zhuǎn	(zhuán)	zhuǎn	zhuàn	
wǎn	wán	wǎn	wàn	
xuǎn	xuán	xuǎn	xuàn	
quǎn	quán	quǎn	quàn	Note 3
yuǎn	yuán	yuǎn	yuàn	
				Note 4

Notes:

1. When -ia is not preceded by an initial, it is written as ya, e.g., yá (牙, tooth)
2. When -uan is not preceded by an initial, it is written as wan, e.g., wǎn (晚, late)
3. -üan can only be preceded by the initial j, q, and x, in which case, it is written as -uan, e.g., xuǎn (選, to choose), quǎn (犬, dog), juǎn (捲, to roll up)
4. When -üan is not preceded by an initial, it is written as yuan, e.g., yuán (員, member, person engaged in some field of activity)

(2) Please mark the tone you hear.

jia	ya	huan	wan	xuan	quan	yuan
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(3) Recognizing tones: Please circle the syllable you hear.

yā-yá	jiǎ-jiā	zhuàn-zhuǎn	wán-wǎn
yuǎn-yuán	quǎn-quàn	xià-xiǎ	zuǎn-zuàn

2. Recognizing sounds

(1) Recognizing initial sounds: Please circle the syllable you hear.

qiā-jíā	xià-qià	juǎn-xuǎn	xuán-quán
zhuàn-zuàn	chuàn-cuàn	huán-wán	cuǎn-chuǎn

(2) Recognizing final sounds: Please circle the syllable you hear.

yuán-yán	jié-jiǎ	huāng-hǎng	jiǎng-jiǎ
xián-xuán	wǎn-wǎng	zhǎng-zhuǎn	xuàn-xiàn

3. Recognizing two-syllable words: Please circle the word you hear

(1) érzi / nǚ'ér	(2) huānyíng / gōngyuán	(3) měiguó / mèimei
(4) diànshì / diànhuà	(5) jīntiān / míngtiān	(6) gāoxìng / rènshi
(7) shǒujī / zhōumò	(8) zàijiàn / xiànzài	(9) xiǎojiě / xiǎoxué
(10) hàomǎ / wǎngqiú	(11) chànggē / tiàowǔ	(12) yùndòng / pǎobù

II. Tone Differentiation



1. Mark the tone: Listen to the recording and place the correct tone marks over the pinyin.

(1) zhu (2) yue (3) sui (4) qing (5) shuang

2. Tone discrimination: Listen to the recording and circle the syllable you hear.

(1) yào / yáo (2) chī / chì (3) wù / wǔ (4) xié / xiè (5) jīn / jìn