

## Recap of the 'Use of online resources for Chinese learning' workshop at the 2008 Annual SSAT Chinese Conference at Kingsford Community School

### How have schools around the world been using GoChinese for online learning?

**Our Lady's Convent High School** in London shared several ways in which they used online resources:

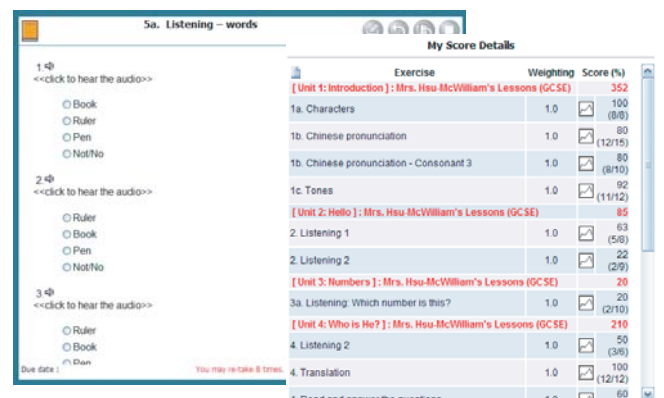
1 A 'Practical Chinese' course for students focused on **Speaking & Listening skills**. After completing just this introductory course, students were able to obtain a **QCA-recognised qualification** in Chinese (and accumulate QCA performance points). The 'internal assessment' is largely done in GoChinese, saving the tutor's time in devising and marking exams.



2 This course has also been used successfully at other schools, including as preparation for students trips to China.

3 For preparation of the **6th Annual National Mandarin Reading Contest**. Poems, short stories and idioms for Key Stages 4 & 5 students were submitted into the platform. Students listened to the spoken voice and viewed Hanyu Pinyin and English definitions of the contest materials. They **achieved 1st place awards**.

**Merchiston Castle School** in Edinburgh offered customised lessons and exercises. Students enjoyed **monitoring their score records, which helped motivate their studies**. Teachers were able to view details of students' performance and usage records. The teacher remarked how the learning materials could be easily updated, re-used and auto-assessed, **saving much administrative time**.



An international school in **Hong Kong** has created a wide range of learning materials, from GCSE vocabulary lists to **topical reading passages**, like this one on Jackie Chan. Teachers access the lessons during class with their interactive whiteboards. Students also access the same materials at home with their PCs or Macs.



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