**Rules**

The game begins with the teams lined up as in the chart below.

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First, the game moderator projects a Quizlet flashcard with a Chinese character onto the screen and asks Player 1 on Team A to say the pinyin and English meaning of the character. **All players must compete by themselves and cannot receive help from his/her teammates when they are at the front.**

- If Player 1 correctly says the pinyin and English meaning, his team receives 1 point. He then moves to the back of his team’s line and Player 2 moves to the front. The moderator then shows a new flashcard and it is Player 1 on Team B’s turn to attempt to translate.
- If Player 1 on Team A does **not** correctly say both the pinyin and English meaning, his team does not earn a point and the moderator moves to Team B and asks if Player 1 can say the pinyin and English meaning. Each team gets one chance to translate the word correctly – if one of them gets it right, their team earns 1 point. If no team gets it right, no one earns a point.
- At the end of every turn, regardless of which team earned the point, the only person who moves to the back of their team’s line is the first player who was asked the question. Also, regardless of which team earned the point, the next turn still follows the original order.

*It is not required for players to say the correct tone to score a point. The game moderator decides if the player’s answer is correct and his decision is final.*

15 minutes into the round, the play shifts from translation to writing. The moderator will switch the flashcards so that players can see the pinyin and English. All four players at the front of their team’s lines will be given a whiteboard, marker, and eraser. When a word is shown, all four players will have 30 seconds to write the character on their whiteboard. Once again, they cannot receive any help from their teammates. After 30 seconds, all four players show their boards and the moderator awards 1 point to each team with a correctly-written character. All four players move to the back of their line and the next 4 players step forward.

* The game moderator decides if the player’s written character is correct and his decision is final.

At the end of the 30-minute round, the scoring is as follows:

- Team with highest score advances to the championship and earns 40 points for their school
- Team with 2nd highest score earns 35 points for their school
- Team with 3rd highest score earns 30 points for their school
- Team with the 4th highest score earns 25 points for their school.

*if there is a tie, the game moderator will administer a 1-question tie-breaker to one student from each team to break the tie.
The championship match will feature the top 4 teams and will follow the same rules.
- The team with the highest score after 30 minutes is the champion and will earn an additional 40 points for their school.
- The 2nd place team will earn 30 additional points for their school.
- The 3rd place team will earn 20 additional points for their school.
- The 4th place team will earn 10 additional points for their school.