

Teaching hokkien.me: kids and elders

One page for parents, grandchildren, teachers, and volunteers · a free AI course in 21 lessons of about 3 minutes, at a hawker stall · ages 8 to 80 · hokkien.me

HOW ONE LESSON WORKS

One small idea
About 3 minutes, a story at a hawker stall. Listen or read; the transcript is the lesson, word for word.

The pause is the teaching
Every lesson asks a question, then goes quiet for 3 seconds. The learner answers first, out loud. The reveal lands harder after a wrong guess.

One line to take away
Every lesson ends with a single sentence. Say it back in your own words and the lesson is done.

TEACHING KIDS

- **One lesson, then talk.** Do not queue six in a row. The course is a meal, not a buffet.
- **Guard the pause.** Let the child guess before the voice answers. A wrong guess is the lesson working.
- **Bring it into their day:** the phone that unlocks by face, the bus app, the video feed. Notice, do not memorise.
- **Hand the teaching over.** After Serving 2, let the child teach you a lesson.

TEACHING ELDERS

- **Language first.** Many elders listen better in Chinese, Malay, or Tamil: use the Listen in pills under the player. These are AI translations, so stay in the room.
- **Big text.** The A- / A / A+ control at the top right grows every page. Nothing to install, nothing times out.
- **Listen first, then read together.** The transcript is the same words, so mixed reading speeds all finish together.
- **Nothing to type.** No accounts, no forms. Progress saves on the device itself.
- **The course ends with them.** The last lesson is called Explain it to Ah Ma. Take that invitation.

A 30-MINUTE SESSION

1. Pick one lesson and listen together (about 3 minutes).
2. Play the try moment again; everyone answers out loud before the reveal.
3. Talk around the table: where did we meet this AI this week? (about 10 minutes)
4. Read the takeaway line aloud; each person says it in their own words.
5. Homework: spot one example before you meet again.

Four languages: English is the original narration; 中文 · Bahasa Melayu · Tamil are AI translations and may be inaccurate. Corrections welcome via the contact form at hokkien.me/contact/. · **Weekly shape:** 8 servings, 21 lessons; 2 to 3 lessons a week finishes in about two months.