The YCT (Level III) tests test takers' ability in daily use of Chinese. It is the counterpart of the Level II of the *Chinese Language Proficiency Scales for Speakers of Other Languages* and the A2 Level of the *Common European Framework of Reference (CEF)*. Test takers who are able to pass the YCT (Level III), having reached an excellent level in basic Chinese, can communicate on familiar daily topics in a simple manner.

## I. Test Target

The YCT (Level III) is intended for young students who have studied Chinese for two semesters (one academic year), with 2-3 class hours per week. These students have mastered 300 common words and related grammar patterns.

## **II. Test Content**

The YCT (Level III) test is made up of listening comprehension and reading comprehension sections and contains a total of 60 items.

Section		Number of Items		Duration (Min)
I. Listening	Part I	10	35	About 20
	Part II	10		
	Part III	10		
	Part IV	5		
Filling out the answe	5			
II. Reading	Part I	5	25	30
	Part II	5		
	Part III	5		
	Part IV	10		
Total	/	60		About 55

The test will last for a total of 60 minutes (including 5 minutes in which the test takers fill in personal information).

# 1. Listening Comprehension

There are 10 items in Part I. The recording of each item will be played twice. For each item, a sentence and a picture will be provided. Test takers should make a true-or-false judgment based on what they hear.

There are 10 items in Part II. The recording of each item will be played twice. Several pictures will be displayed on the paper. For each item, a dialogue will be provided, and the test takers should choose the corresponding picture based on what they hear.

There are 10 items in Part III. The recording of each item will be played twice. Each item consists of a question and three possible answers. Test takers need to choose the best answer based on what they hear.

There are 5 items in Part IV. The recording of each item will be played twice. Each item consists of a dialogue between two persons, followed by a question about the dialogue. There will be three possible answers on the test paper, from which the test takers can choose the right one based on what they hear.

#### 2. Reading Comprehension

There are 5 items in Part I. There will be several pictures on the test paper. For each item, a dialogue will be provided. The test taker needs to choose the corresponding picture based on the dialogue.

There are 5 items in Part II. Each item consists of a picture and 3 sentences. The test taker needs to choose the sentence that corresponds with the picture.

There are 10 items in Part III. Each item consists of a question and 3 possible answers. The test taker needs to choose the best answer.

There are 10 items in Part IV. Each item consists of a dialogue with a blank section. The test taker should choose one of the 3 suggested words to fill in the blank.

All the items on the test paper are provided displayed in pinyin.

### **III. Results Certificate**

The results of YCT are valid for a considerable period of time. Three results will be provided for the YCT (Level I),) including listening, reading and the total. A score of 120 or more is considered a passing score.

	Max Score	Your Score
Listening	100	
Reading	100	
Total	200	