



# 2025-2026

## Global Chinese Reading Contest Guidelines

# 1. Contest Overview

## (1) Background

### A Global Chinese Reading Challenge — A New Trend in Learning Chinese

- **Creating a Global Competition Dedicated to Chinese Reading**

The “Global Chinese SmartReading Contest” is designed by Professor Yao-Ting Sung’s team at National Taiwan Normal University. It is a worldwide competition exclusively for learners of Chinese, making Chinese reading smarter and more fun!

- **AI-Powered Personalized Reading Journey**

The contest uses the SmartReading-Mandarin system, which acts like a caring little Chinese coach. Through AI, it assesses your reading level and recommends books at just the right difficulty, with post-reading assessments and badge tasks, giving learners a sense of achievement and motivation to continue learning.

- **Diverse Reading Materials to Inspire Motivation**

The contest provides audiobooks, as well as both Traditional and Simplified Chinese materials, meeting the needs of learners at different levels. Participants can progress at their own pace, building their Chinese ability—not only reading and speaking, but also in developing a love for reading.

- **Balancing Self-Learning and Habit Building**

Through a one-month reading mission, participants will cultivate independent learning and reading habits, comprehensively improving their Chinese proficiency.

Join this global reading challenge and embark on an exciting and empowering journey of Chinese learning!

### Who Can Join?

- ✓ Non-native Chinese learners worldwide
- ✓ Students in international schools, bilingual schools, experimental education, and immersion programs
- ✓ Teachers and parents seeking the “right books” for students to build reading habits.

## (2) Key Dates (Taiwan Time)

Activity	Date
Online Registration	Sept 15, 2025 (Mon) 12:00 – Oct 31, 2025 (Fri)
Placement Test	Nov 24, 2025 (Mon) – Jan 14, 2026 (Wed)
Reading Mission	Jan 19, 2026 (Mon) 12:00 – Feb 20, 2026 (Fri) 12:00
Results Announcement	Mar 9, 2026

## (3) General Information

The contest is divided into two stages: DACC-M Test and Reading Mission. Students must participate in both stages. Participants who complete both stages and pass the organizer's review will receive a Certificate of Participation in the Global Chinese Reading Contest, along with a learning record.

## 2. DACC-M Test Guidelines

### 1. Test Period

Nov 24, 2025 (Mon) – Jan 14, 2026 (Wed). Participants must select a testing week when registering.

**Notification: Test instructions, login credentials, and a user guide will be emailed one week prior to the registered test date.**

### 2. Test Location

At home (online).

### 3. Test Content

The DACC-M Chinese Reading Ability Diagnostic Test determines the participant's reading level and provides a detailed assessment. Based on results, the system recommends suitable reading materials.

### 4. Reminders

- (1) The test is computer-adaptive; completion times vary. As long as students finish before the deadline, results will not be affected by speed.
- (2) Requirements: A computer or tablet with Wi-Fi connection.
- (3) Completion of the DACC-M Test is required before beginning the Reading Mission.

## 3. Reading Mission Guidelines

### 1. Reading Mission

After completing the DACC-M Test, participants may log in to the SmartReading-Mandarin system, select books suitable for their

level, complete the readings and post-reading assessments, and achieve an A+ rating for each book in order to count it as completed.

## 2. Reading Mission Period

Start: Jan 19, 2026, 12:00 (Taiwan Time)

End: Feb 20, 2026, 12:00 (Taiwan Time)

- To encourage active participation, students must complete the required number of assigned books during this period to qualify for the Certificate of Participation.

## 3. Reading Mission Requirements

- During the reading task, each participant must *complete* the required reading task (reading assessment) according to the following requirements:

Reading Level	Minimum Required No. of Books and Passing Grade
L1~L2	Complete 12 books within the L1-L2 level in the system and achieve an A+ in the post-reading quiz for each book.
L3~L4	Complete 10 books within the L3-L4 level in the system and achieve an A+ in the post-reading quiz for each book.
L5~L6	Complete 8 books within the L5-L6 level in the system and achieve an A+ in the post-reading quiz for each book.
L7 and above	Complete 6 books within the L7 level in the system and achieve an A+ in the post-reading quiz for each book.

Note :

1. Reading level are determined by DACC-M test results
2. Both Traditional and Simplified Chinese books in the system may be read and counted.
3. If a book has both Traditional and Simplified Chinese versions, only one version will be counted.
4. Participants who fail to meet the basic Reading Mission of the event will not receive a certificate of participation.

## 4. Scoring and Awards

Contest Component	Format	Weight
DACC-M Test	Multiple Choice	20%
Reading Mission	SmartReading-Mandarin (book selection, reading, post-tests)	80%
<b>【Awards】</b> 1. Awards are based on combined results from the DACC-M Test and Reading Mission.		

2. Each reading level group (L1 - L2, L3 - L4, L5 - L6, L7) will have:

(1) Outstanding Award (1st place in group)

(2) Excellence Award (2nd place in group)

(3) All Participants who complete the DACC-M Test and required reading mission will receive a Certificate of Participation.

**【Certificate and Eligibility】**

If results are deemed problematic (e.g., cheating), the organizer reserves the right to disqualify participants and withhold certificates. Cheating or proxy testing will result in disqualification for one year, and legal action may be taken if damages occur.

**【Grade Review】**

Participants may request a grade review by emailing [service@contest.smartreading.net](mailto:service@contest.smartreading.net) within the designated period. Late requests will not be accepted.

※ The organizer reserves the right to modify, change, interpret, or cancel the contest. Any updates will be announced on the official website without further notice.