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*xué zhōngwén duìhuà*

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# LESSON C.1

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FENG SHUI

风水

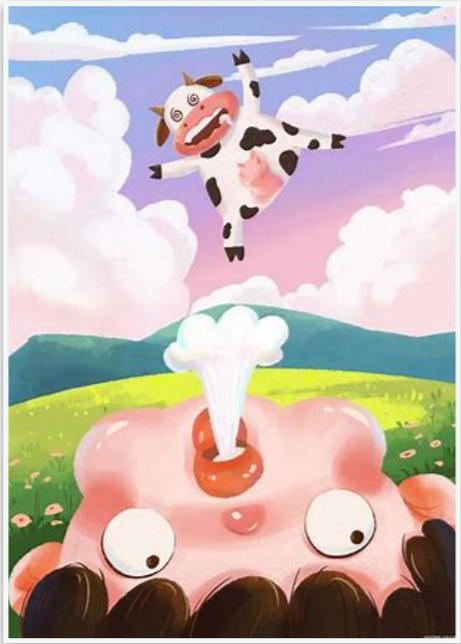
FĒNGSHUǏ



# CLASSROOM ICE-BREAKER: GUESS THE UNDERLYING MEANING



1



吹牛  
*chuīniú*

2



太牛了!  
*tài niúle*

真牛!  
*zhēn niú*

3

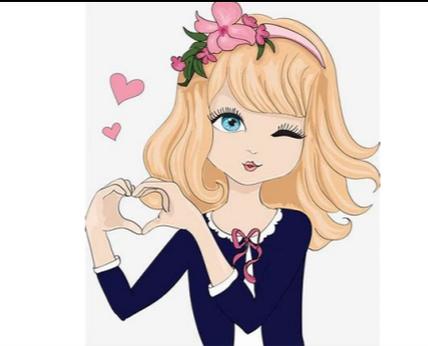


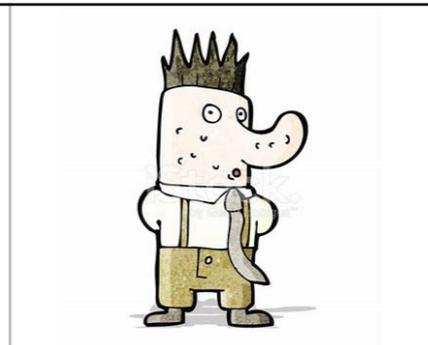
牛人  
*niúrén*

# DESCRIBE APPEARANCE



## 形容外貌 xíngróng wàimào

					
漂亮 piàoliang	可爱 kě'ài	迷人 mírén	时髦 / 摩登 shímáo / módēng	苗条 / 瘦 miáotiáo / shòu	高挑 gāotiǎo

					
结实 jiēshi	胖乎乎 pàngūhū	成熟 chéngshú	年轻 niánqīng	丑八怪 chǒubāguài	矮和敦实 ǎi hé dūnshí

# CLASSROOM EXERCISE: GUESS A PERSON



## 猜一个人 cāi yīgè rén

- Describe one of the following persons and let others guess who that is.
- The rest of the group may ask questions.

A



B



C



D



E



F



G



H



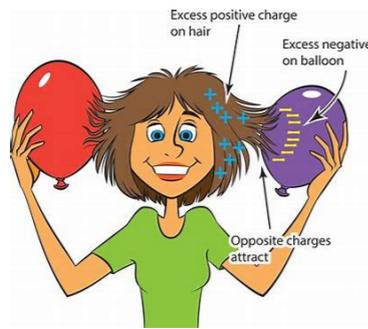
# HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT FENG SHUI?



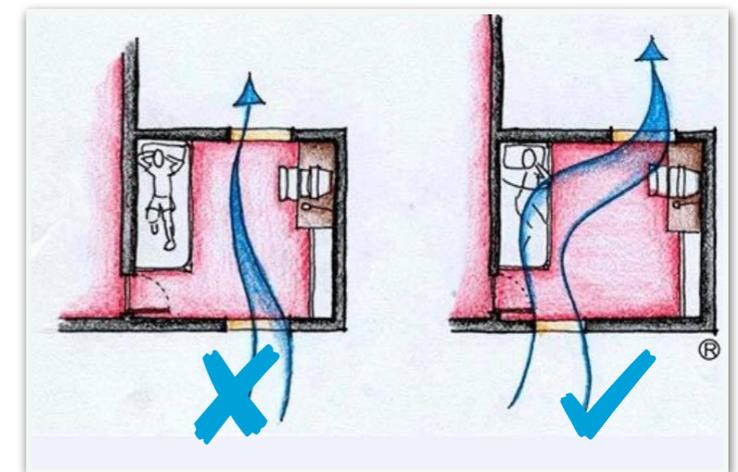
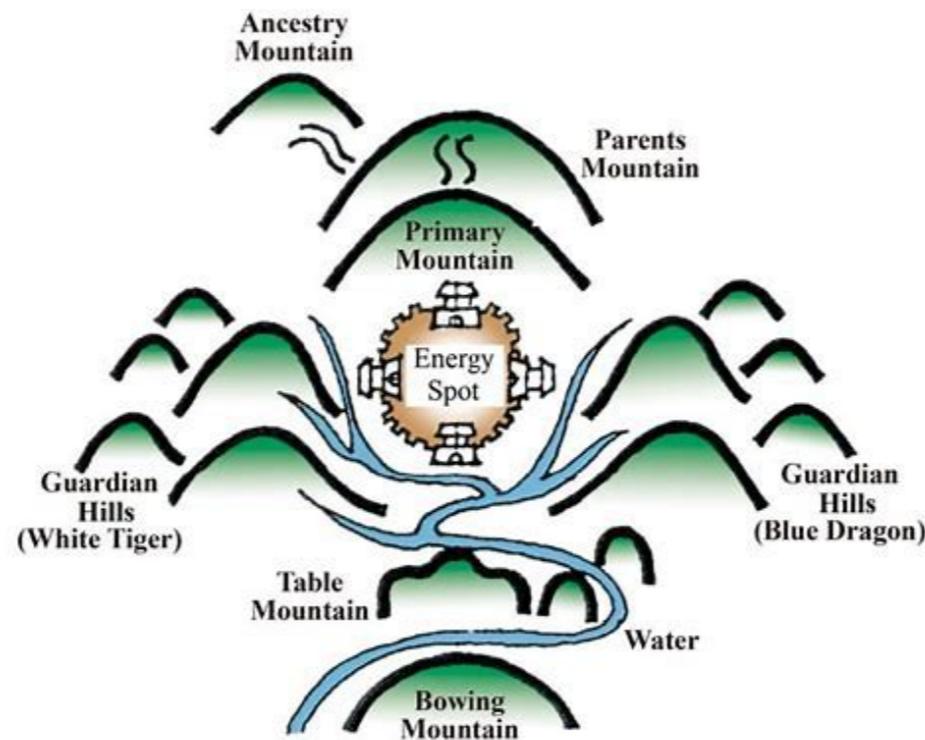
## 风水 fēngshuǐ

- True or false 对或错 (*duì huò cuò*), or maybe 或许 (*huòxǔ*):

		对 <i>duì</i>	或许 <i>huòxǔ</i>	错 <i>cuò</i>
1	风水是迷信。 <i>fēngshuǐ shì míxìn</i>			
2	风水是一门艺术，不是一门科学。 <i>fēngshuǐ shì yī mén yìshù, bùshì yī mén kēxué</i>			
3	重新排列物品可以带来好运。 <i>chóngxīn páiliè wùpǐn kěyǐ dài lái hǎo yùn</i>			
4	“禁忌楼层”是 13 层、14 层和 24 层。 <i>jìnjì lóucéng” shì 13 céng, 14 céng hé 24 céng</i>			
5	好的风水可以改善你的健康。 <i>hǎo de fēngshuǐ kěyǐ gǎishàn nǐ de jiànkāng</i>			
6	好的风水可以增加你的财富。 <i>hǎo de fēngshuǐ kěyǐ zēngjiā nǐ de cáifù</i>			
7	好的风水可以改善你和家人的关系。 <i>hǎo de fēngshuǐ kěyǐ gǎishàn nǐ hé jiārén de guānxì</i>			



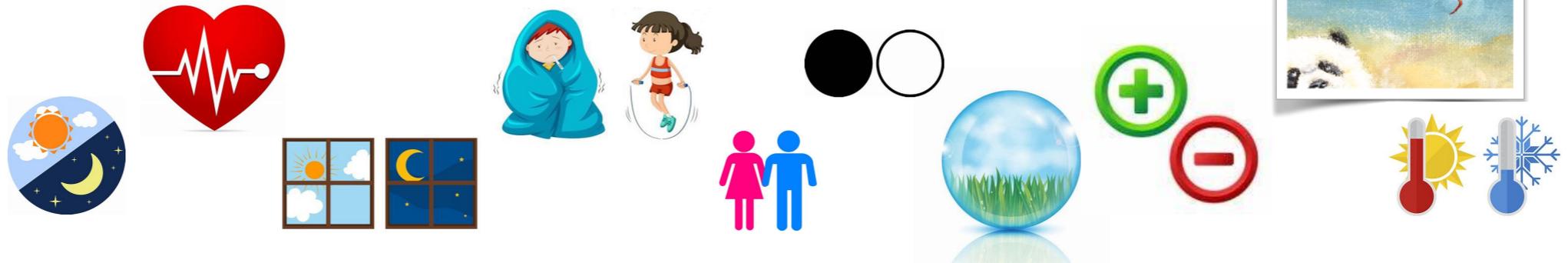
- 气 (qì) is a movable positive 正 (zhèng) or negative 负 (fù) **life force** or **energy flow** which plays an essential role in feng shui. It **powers** all living organisms.
- In simple terms, it is the kind of **invisible pressure** 无形的压力 (*wúxíng de yālì*) you feel when you're right next to a bigger object or within a narrow space.
- The goal of feng shui is to take advantage of **vital "qi"** by appropriate siting of structures.
- Qi is composed of **yin and yang** 阴阳 (*yīnyáng*).



# CLASSROOM EXERCISE: YIN YANG



## 阴阳 yīnyáng



### What is it?

- Yin (**dark** 黑暗 *hēi'àn*) and yang (**light** 光 *guāng*) is a concept of dualism in ancient Chinese philosophy, describing how seemingly opposite or contrary 相反 (*xiāngfǎn*) forces may actually be **complementary, interconnected, and interdependent** in the natural world.
- Together they form an **equilibrium** 平衡 (*pínghéng*). Within the darkness there is light, within the light there is darkness that **balances** each other.
- According to Feng Shui principles, it is the appropriate interaction of these two forces that creates **harmony** 和睦 (*hémù*) around us.

### Categorize each of the below contrary pairs into 阴 *yīn* and 阳 *yáng*:

生, 死  
*shēng, sǐ*

男, 女  
*nán, nǚ*

健康, 病  
*jiànkāng, bìng*

太阳, 月亮  
*tàiyáng, yuèliàng*

日, 夜  
*rì, yè*

正面, 负面  
*zhèngmiàn, fùmiàn*

天, 地  
*tiān, dì*

黑, 白  
*hēi, bái*

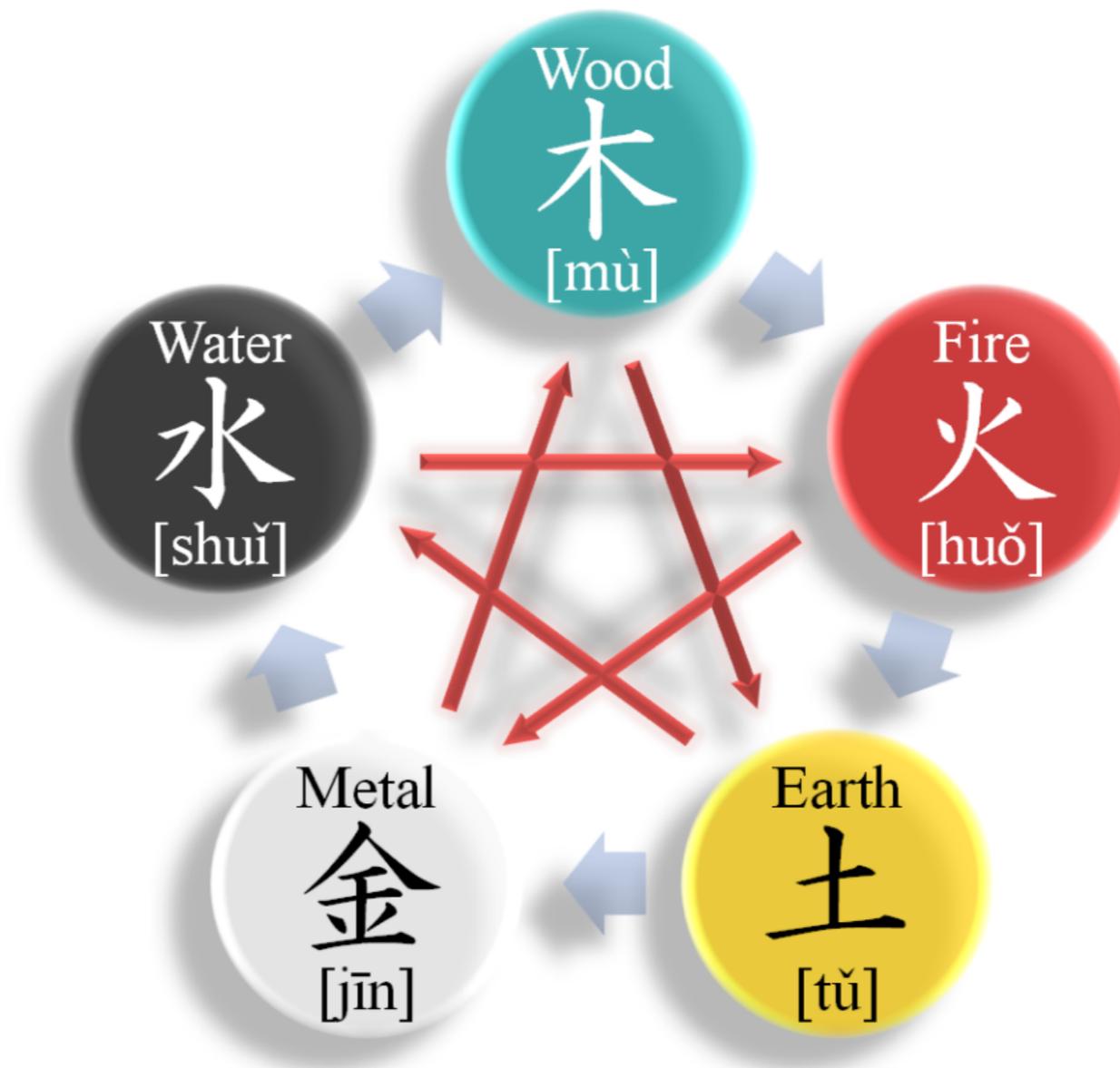
冷, 热  
*lěng, rè*

# FIVE ELEMENTS OF FENG SHUI



## 五大要素 wǔdà yàosù

- Feng shui divides the world into five elements.
- If you have a room that doesn't feel quite right, try balancing 平衡 (píng héng) the elements to make it more comfortable 更舒服 (gèng shū fú).
- Each element invokes a different mood 心情 (xīn qíng), creating a customized space that's beneficial for your personality and goals.



➡ 相生 / Generating Interaction (Productive Cycle)  
➡ 相克 / Overcoming Interaction (Destructive Cycle)

# CLASSROOM EXERCISE: FENG SHUI FOR YOUR BEDROOM



- According to feng shui principles, the bedroom is the most important room in your home. Applying feng shui to your bedroom can help you sleep better 睡得更好 (*shuì dé gèng hǎo*) and feel more energized 感觉更有活力 (*gǎnjué gèng yǒu huólì*) in the morning.
- Match the below Fengshui tips with each number:



- A. 减少电子产品。 *jiǎnshǎo diànzǐ chǎnpǐn*
- B. 室内植物不要太多。 *shì nèi zhí wù bù yào tài duō*
- C. 舒缓的颜色。 *shū huǎn de yán sè*
- D. 减少书本。 *jiǎnshǎo shū běn*
- E. 床在命令位置。 *chuáng zài mìng lìng wèi zhì*
- F. 有一个床头板。 *yǒu yī gè chuáng tóu bǎn*
- G. 考虑你的床尺寸。 *kǎo lǜ nǐ de chuáng chǐ cùn*
- H. 有对称性。 *yǒu duì chèn xìng*

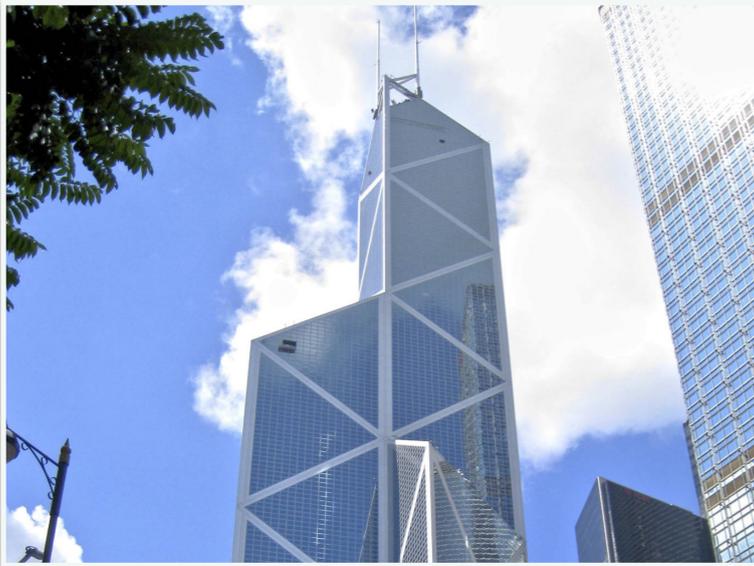
# HONG KONG BUILDINGS WITH FENG SHUI FEATURES



## 香港具有风水特色的建筑物 *xiānggǎng jùyǒu fēngshuǐ tèsè de jiànzhú wù*

- 正气相对负气 *zhèngqì xiāngduì fùqì*

### Bank of China Tower 中银大厦 *zhōngyín dàshà*



像一把刀  
*xiàng yī bǎ dāo*

### HSBC Headquarter 汇丰银行总部 *huìfēng yínháng zǒngbù*



像大炮的结构  
*xiàng dàpào de jiégòu*



狮子像  
*shīzi xiàng*

自动扶梯在一个角度  
*zìdòng fútī zài yīgè jiǎodù*



空心中庭  
*kōngxīn zhōngtíng*



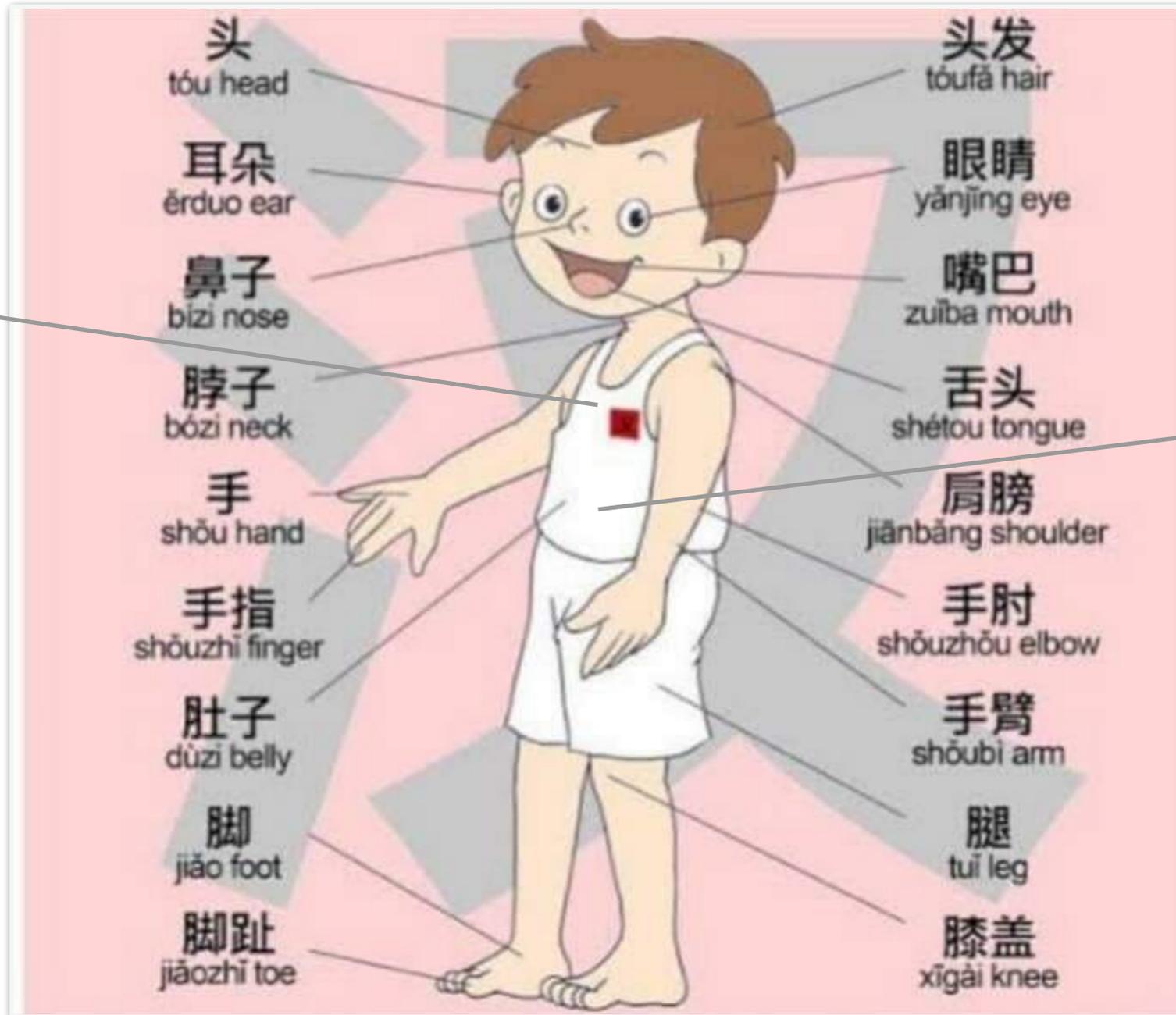
# CLASSROOM LISTENING EXERCISE: MICRO-WORKOUT



## 微运动 wēi yùndòng

- Your tutor is going to give a set of simple instructions for seated workout 坐式运动 (zuò shì yùndòng).
- Try to follow as a group.

胸  
xiōng chest



腹部  
fùbù abdomen

# CLASSROOM GAME: TRAITOR, WHO IS IT EXACTLY?



## 背叛者，究竟是谁？ *bèipàn zhě, jiùjìng shì shéi*

### 如何玩？ *rúhé wán*

- Amongst you lie a **"traitor"** 背叛者 (*bèipàn zhě*) who has been secretly pre-selected by your tutor. The rest of you are **"faithful"** 忠实的 (*zhōngshí de*).
- Your task is to **collectively determine** 一起判定 (*yīqǐ pàndìng*) who the "traitor" could be.
- You may ask each other questions. Make your judgment based on their **reactions** 反应 (*fǎnyìng*), **body language** 身体语言 (*shēntǐ yǔyán*), **eye contact** 眼神交流 (*yǎnshén jiāoliú*).

Why don't you speak out?  
你为什么不出声?  
*nǐ wèishéme bù chū shēng*



Are you snickering?  
你在偷笑吗?  
*nǐ zài tōu xiào ma*





## 背叛者仍在逃！ *bèipàn zhě réng zài táo*

你是不是背叛者？  
*nǐ shì bùshì bèipàn zhě*

我是无辜的！  
*wǒ shì wúgū de*

我没有说谎！  
*wǒ méiyǒu shuōhuǎng*

你在骗我吗？  
*nǐ zài piàn wǒ ma*

我说的都是真的！  
*wǒ shuō de dōu shì zhēn de*

你在胡说吗？  
*nǐ zài húshuō ma*



你有一张天使的脸。  
*nǐ yǒu yīzhāng tiānshǐ de liǎn*

你看起来像魔鬼！  
*nǐ kàn qǐ lái xiàng móguǐ*

你为什么不眨眼睛？  
*nǐ wèishéme bù zhǎ yǎnjīng*

你眨眼睛眨不停！  
*nǐ zhǎ yǎnjīng biǎn bù tíng*