



## Americana Chinese International School

### Course Syllabus 2020-21

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**Subject:** Thai Language and Culture (TLC)

**Class:** Grade 3

**Level:** Intermediate

**Instructor:** Thanida Tiankhunnatham

**Course Description:**

#### I. Thai Language for Non-Thai Students Level 1

The emphasis in this course is placed on the acquisition of language skill; listening, speaking and vocabulary. Students learn and follow commands and requests. They give short statements and ask questions using polite ending particles. They use polite expressions for making requests, asking pardon, and thanking people. They use appropriate pronouns and vocabulary that is appropriate for adults and peers at school.

They recognize Thai consonant, read and write simple words including nouns, pronouns, verbs related to the unit of instructions. They use polite expressions and appropriate gestures with adults.

#### II. Thai Culture for Non-Thai Students Stage 1 – 2

##### Stage 1

- I Students show appropriate Thai manners at school
- II Students actively participate in Thai cultural activities organized by the school (Wai Kru, Loi Krathong, Songkran, and Flag Salute), and recognize the Thai literature related to the Thai cultural events

- III Students show respect to the symbols representing the Monarchs, the King's Anthem, the Thai Flag and the National Anthem
- IV Students learn about local products and a Thai folktale

## **Stage 2**

- I Students show appropriate Thai manners at school. They use appropriate Introduction of self and others. They learn and talk about "Wai" for different occasions, "graab" (seniority), and greet appropriately
- II Students describe Thai holidays, Thai cultural practices and celebrations. They understand and actively participate in the Thai cultural activities organized by the school (Wai Kru, Loi Krathong, Songkran, and Flag Salute)), and learn the Thai literature related to the Thai cultural events
- III Students show respect to the symbols representing the Monarchs, the King's Anthem, the Thai Flag and the National Anthem
- IV Students acknowledge the Thai cultural practices that are different from one's own practices and respond to the Thai practices appropriately. They follow Thai etiquettes; they learn about Do and Don't in Thailand
- V Students learn about geographical features, local products and relevant Thai folktales

## **Course Outline:**

### **Content Knowledge of Listening & Speaking**

1. vocabulary
2. commands, instructions, requests
3. Words-nouns, pronouns, verbs
4. Phrases
5. Simple Sentence
6. questions about familiar contexts; Who, What, Where, and Y/N Questions
7. Daily conversation

## **Content Knowledge of Reading & Writing**

1. Thai letters; Read and write Thai consonant
2. Read and write words, nouns, pronouns, verbs
3. Learn about and short sentence
4. Thai numbers
5. Sight words

## **Content Knowledge of Culture**

1. Thai manners & gestures
2. Polite ending particles; polite expressions for making requests, asking pardon, thanking people
3. Appropriate pronouns
4. Thai Monarchs
5. Thai Nation
6. Thai cultural practices
7. Local products
8. Thai folktale

## **Unit of Study:**

### **Unit 1: All about me**

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| Lesson 1 | Greeting             |
| Lesson 2 | Thai Etiquette       |
| Lesson 3 | Personal Information |
| Lesson 4 | Family Members       |
| Lesson 5 | Pets                 |

### **Unit 2: People around us**

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| Lesson 6 | People at home and their jobs   |
| Lesson 7 | People at school and their jobs |

### **Unit 3: Exploring Thailand**

- Lesson 8      Places in communities  
                    Zoo, Market, Temple/Church, School
- Lesson 9      Do's and Don't in Thai culture  
                    Clothing/Dressing
- Lesson 10     Location; Mapping

### **Unit 4: Celebrations & Holidays**

- Lesson 11     Celebrations in School  
                    Songkran, Loi Krathong, Teacher Appreciation Day
- Lesson 12     Thai Art and Craft  
                    Making Krathong from banana leaves and trunk

### **Unit 5: Thai & International Folk Tales**

- Lesson 13     Thai Games
- Lesson 14     Thai Nursery Rhymes
- Lesson 15     Now and then

### **Teaching Method:**

1. Conversation
2. Class Activities
3. Participation
4. Role Play
5. Learning by playing
6. Mind Mapping

### **Resources:**

1. Text Books
2. Games
3. Songs
4. Thai Books
5. Alphabet Chart
6. Power Point

**Evaluation:**

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| 1. Exercises                   | 10% |
| 2. Class Activities            | 20% |
| 3. Class participation         | 10% |
| 4. Listening and Speaking Test | 20% |
| 5. Reading and Writing Test    | 20% |
| 6. Final Test                  | 20% |

**Grades and Grade Point Average (GPA)**

Points	Grade
90 – 100	A+
80 – 89	A
75 – 79	B+
70 – 74	B
65 – 69	C+
60 – 64	C
50 - 59	D

**Classroom Rules:**

1. Students are expected to be in their assigned seat in Thai class
2. Students are expected to be polite to the teacher and their peers.
3. Students are expected to contribute to a quiet, focused, and organized learning environment.