

Culture Understanding



Names

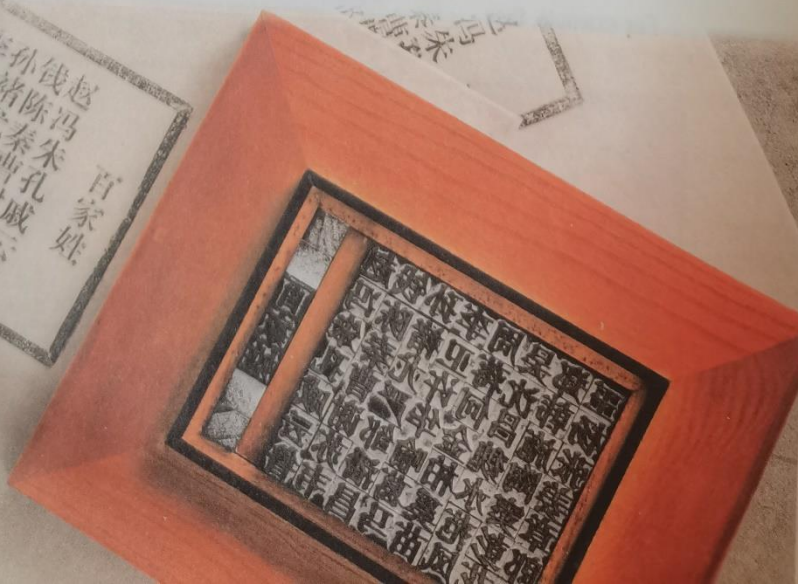
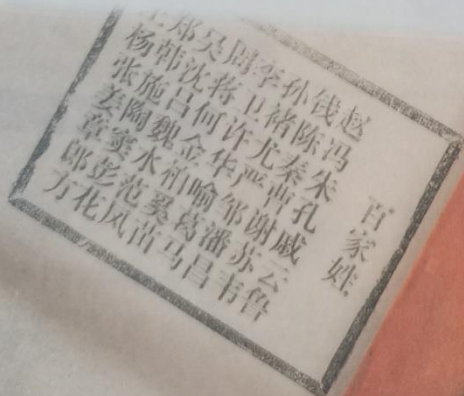
People in English speaking countries put given name before family name. But we Chinese always put family name before given name. Family names are so important to us because they tell who our **ancestors**^① are and where we are from. However, the ways of **addressing**^② people are the same in English and in Chinese. We can address people by their full names. For example, Yuan Longping and Winston Churchill. In **formal**^③ situations, we usually use Mr, Mrs or Ms before a family name. For example, Mr Yuan and Mr Churchill. And between close friends, we can use given names. For example, Longping and Winston.

As **for**^④ naming children, in English speaking countries children may be **named after**^⑤ their parents or grandparents. And some parents name their children after famous people. In China, however, you can **hardly**^⑥ find anyone having the same given name as their parents or grandparents. And few Chinese people name their children after famous people.

Q:

Why do people put family name and given name in different orders?

- ① 祖先 ② 称呼 ③ 正式的 ④ 至于 ⑤ 用……命名 ⑥ 几乎不



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Online Shopping Days

The Internet is changing the way we shop. For most of the modern history, people went to markets, stores and malls to get what they wanted. But in recent years, more and more people choose to go shopping on the Internet. To encourage online shopping, some online stores offer huge discounts on special days of the year, and some of these special days have become big shopping days for people around the world.

Big Shopping Days in the West

One of them is the Black Friday shopping day. It is the day after Thanksgiving. It has long been a big **in-store**^① shopping day of the year in Western countries. Since 2019, it has also become the biggest online shopping day in the United States. **Cyber**^② Monday is another huge online shopping holiday in the West. It is on the Monday after the Thanksgiving weekend.

Double Eleven and 6.18 in China

Double Eleven is one of the best-known online shopping days in China. It began in 2009 and is set on November 11th every year. 6.18 is China's **mid-year**^③ online shopping event. The first 6.18 was on June 18th, 2010. Today, Double Eleven and 6.18 are two of the largest online shopping days in the world.

Q:

What do you think about these big online shopping days? Why?

① 商店内的

② 网络的

③ 年中的



13 Read and write.

任选上页活动12中的一条，参照示例写出判断其对错的理由。

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It is _____ for Li Yanqing to choose a nearby restaurant for the noon break. It is because we normally choose a restaurant within walking distance on weekdays.



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Food Culture

Tony, an American boy, is talking about his experience with food.

There are many different cultures in the world, all with different food, clothes, housing, etc. Let's take a deeper look at food. Some cultures might find one type of food to have an unusual or unpleasant taste, while other cultures might find it to be a **gourmet**^① specialty.

I traveled to Germany last summer vacation. In Southern Germany, one common dish is **steamed**^② dumplings with a salty **crust**^③ served with either **vanilla sauce**^④ or potato soup. The dumpling is made of sweet **yeast dough**^⑤, while the crust is **crispy**^⑥ and salty. The mixture of sweet vanilla and crispy, salty crust sounds strange to most Americans, but it tastes delicious.

I also tasted Chinese food. Jiaozi is the one I like best. It is a kind of dumplings either steamed or boiled. People say that it was Zhang Zhongjing, an ancient Chinese doctor, who invented it. Jiaozi has many different flavors, depending on what you put inside.

Q:

Have you ever tried any food from other countries? If you have, share your experience with your classmates.

- ① 美食 ② 蒸制的 ③ 外壳 ④ 香草酱 ⑤ 发酵面团 ⑥ 脆的

