

A study on the Learning Spoken Chinese Online: A special reference to First Year undergraduates learning Chinese as a foreign language in UOJ

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The teaching and learning of Chinese Language as a foreign language officially commenced as a basic course at the University of Sri Jayewardenepura in 2017 and now has progressed up to a degree level .It is a must to learn Chinese with an emphasis on the Spoken Chinese. This study focused on the most successful way of learning Spoken Chinese online during the Covid 19 pandemic. Many research studies on learning spoken Chinese through the online methodology had been conducted in various countries. The purpose of this to discuss and suggest solutions to the problems encountered in learning Spoken Chinese online. The research study was conducted in collaboration with the first year under-graduates studying Chinese as a Foreign Language at the University of Sri Jayewardenepura. The researcher intended to create a questionnaire for the selected 25 Chinese first year undergraduates and conducted a statistical analysis. This study explores the methods that can be used to learn Spoken Chinese online in University of Sri Jayewardenepura under-graduates learn Chinese as a foreign language. This study reveals mainly the effectiveness of learning Spoken Chinese online and methods to learn Spoken Chinese online in Sri Lanka. Based on the questionnaire, the problems faced by the students were investigated. Moreover, the study examines the advantages and disadvantages of learning Spoken Chinese online for beginner level students at the University of Sri Jayewardenepura.

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