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## Sample course outline
### Chinese: First Language – ATAR Year 12

#### Semester 1 – Unit 3

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<th>Week</th>
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| 1–8  | **Theme**: The individual and the community 个人与群体  
Students examine, through the prescribed texts, the relationship between individuals and groups, exploring changing attitudes towards family and gender groups.  
**Prescribed texts**:  
- 山楂树之恋 Under the Hawthorn Tree  
  Film 2010 (Week 1–2)  
- 何处是归程 Return Journey, Chapter 2  
  Li Yang 2002 (Week 3–8)  
**Other prescribed texts related to this theme**:  
- 围城 Fortress Besieged, Chapter 2  
  Qian Zhongshu 1991  
**Contemporary issues**:  
- the role of the individual in today’s society 个人在现今社会所扮演的角色  
- changing gender roles in today’s society 现今社会两性角色的改变  
- the role of family and marriage in contemporary society 家庭与婚姻在现今社会所扮演的角色  
**Texts and text types**: spoken, written and visual texts  
**Grammar**: words, phrases, sentence elements, types of sentences and complex sentences, relevant to the theme, contemporary issues and prescribed texts  
**Dictionaries**: strategies for using monolingual and bilingual dictionaries  
**Task 1**: Response: Listening  
**Task 2**: Response: Viewing and reading (unseen texts) |
| 9–15 | **Theme**: Youth culture 年轻人文化  
Students examine, through the prescribed texts, the role of young people in society, taking into account social and educational perspectives.  
**Prescribed texts**:  
- 围城 Fortress Besieged, Chapter 2  
  Qian Zhongshu 1991 (Week 9–15)  
**Other prescribed texts related to this theme**:  
- 山楂树之恋 Under the Hawthorn Tree  
  Film 2010  
- 何处是归程 Return Journey, Chapter 2  
  Li Yang 2002  
**Contemporary issues**:  
- pressures on young people today 现今年轻人生活中的地位  
- the place of education in young people’s lives 教育在年轻人生活中的地位  
- the impact on young people of changes in traditional social values 传统社会价值观的改变对年轻人的影响  
**Texts and text types**: spoken, written and visual texts  
**Grammar**: words, phrases, sentence elements, types of sentences and complex sentences, relevant to the theme, contemporary issues and prescribed texts  
**Dictionaries**: strategies for using monolingual and bilingual dictionaries  
**Task 3**: Writing in Chinese  
**Task 4**: Response: Viewing and reading (seen texts) |
<p>| 16   | <strong>Task 5</strong>: Semester 1 Examination |</p>
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Students examine, through the prescribed texts, the Chinese culture as it is experienced in non-Chinese cultural settings.  
**Prescribed texts:**  
- 刮痧 The Gua Sha Treatment Film 2001 (Week 1–3)  
- 在一个没有咖啡馆的城市 A City without a Cafe Long Yingtai 2008 (Week 4–8)  
**Other prescribed texts related to this theme:**  
- 妈呀！中国 Mum China Song 2009  
- 你是哪国人？ Which Country Are You From? Long Yingtai 2008  
**Contemporary issues**  
- adapting to new cultures (education, leisure, lifestyle) 适应新的文化（教育、休闲、生活方式）  
- the maintenance of Chinese culture in non-Chinese cultural contexts 在非华人社会保留中国文化  
**Texts and text types:** spoken, written and visual texts  
**Grammar:** words, phrases, sentence elements, types of sentences and complex sentences, relevant to the theme, contemporary issues and prescribed texts  
**Dictionaries:** strategies for using monolingual and bilingual dictionaries  
**Task 6:** Response: Listening  
**Task 7:** Response: Viewing and reading (unseen texts) |
| 9–15 | **Theme:** Global issues 全球问题  
Students look at, through the prescribed texts, aspects of the changing world, such as economic growth, the environment and the global community.  
**Prescribed texts:**  
- 环保局长 Environmental Bureau, Chapters 1 and 6 Li Jianrong 2009 (Week 9–15)  
**Other prescribed texts related to this theme:**  
- 何处是归程 Return Journey, Chapter 2 Li Yang 2002  
**Contemporary issues**  
- environmental issues 环境问题  
- economic growth and its impact 经济成长及其影响  
- the impact of international influences on Chinese-speaking countries 国际社会对华语国家的影响  
**Texts and text types:** spoken, written and visual texts  
**Grammar:** words, phrases, sentence elements, types of sentences and complex sentences, relevant to the theme, contemporary issues and prescribed texts  
**Dictionaries:** strategies for using monolingual and bilingual dictionaries  
**Task 8:** Writing in Chinese  
**Task 9:** Response: Viewing and reading (seen texts)  
**Task 10:** Semester 2 Examination |