

# Oracle Bones Memory Match

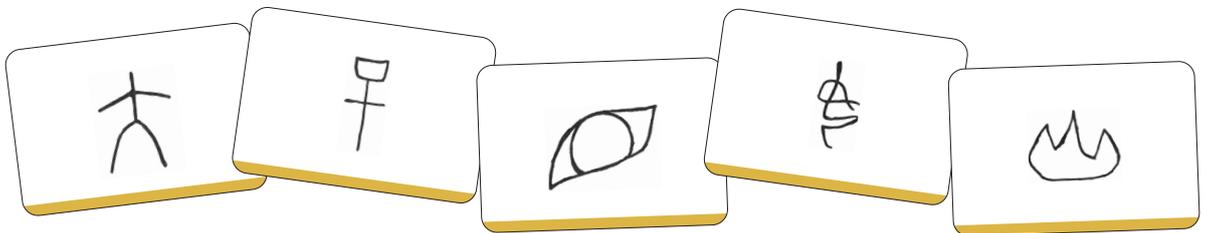
## Instructions

The first Chinese characters, written more than 3000 years ago (well before the invention of paper), were scratched onto the flat side of turtle shells (the plastron). These bones, known as Oracle Bones, are some of the first records of Chinese writing.

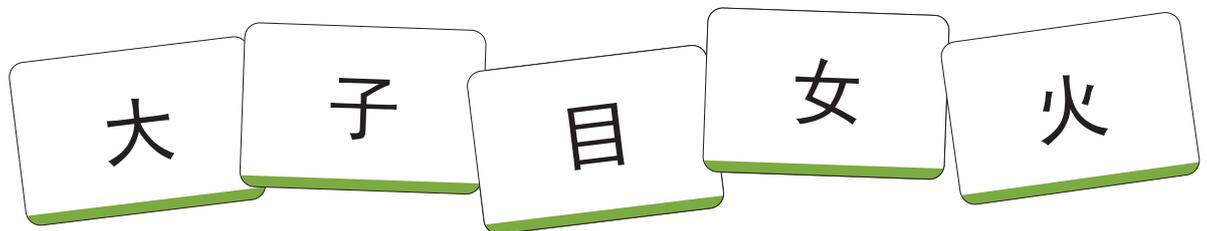
If you want to learn to recognise 20 commonly used Chinese characters, these ancient characters are a good place to start. You'll be amazed how these early pictures can help you to remember their modern-day character equivalents.

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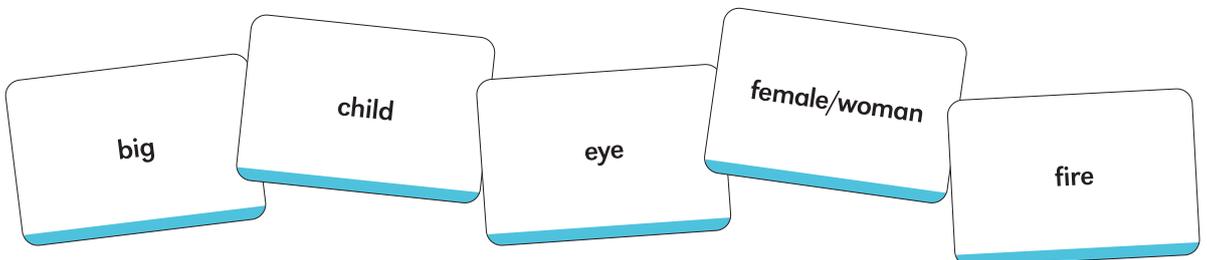
### 20 ancient character cards



### 20 modern character cards



### 20 English definition cards





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## Before you start playing....

Play around with the cards and try to match ancient characters with modern characters and their English definitions. Check your matches below and when you have a rough idea of what a match looks like, you're ready to play Memory Match....

## 2-6 players

### Aim:

Collect the most pairs.

### Setup:

1. Chose which 40 cards you want to play with:

**Option 1** - ancient character cards with English definition cards



**Option 2** - ancient character cards with modern character cards



**Option 3** - modern character cards with English definition cards



2. Shuffle the chosen cards and place face down on the table in eight columns of five.

### How to play:

1. The youngest player goes first.
2. He / she flips over two cards, one of each colour. If they have a match, they keep the cards and take another turn. If not, they turn the cards face down again and the player to their left takes his / her turn.
3. When all the cards are matched, the player with the most pairs is the winner.

### Remember

Make sure you're looking at characters the right way up - the coloured line marks the bottom of the card.

# Matching Cards

	大	big
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	羊	sheep/goat
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	子	child
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	小	small
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	目	eye
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	日	sun/day
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	女	female/woman
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	木	tree
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	火	fire
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	水	water
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	鱼	fish
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	人	person
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	王	king
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	口	mouth
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	月	moon/month
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	一	one
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	山	mountain
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	十	ten
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	雨	rain
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	土	earth/soil
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