

# Review of Chinese Writing: Characters and Calligraphy

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## Understanding Ancient Chinese Writing

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Answer the questions below to review what you've learned about Chinese writing.

1. What do Chinese characters represent?

- A. Sounds
- B. Ideas
- C. Numbers

2. Chinese writing is different from English because it uses \_\_\_\_ instead of an alphabet.

3. Why do you think the Chinese developed their writing system?

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4. Match the term to its meaning.

Characters

Art of beautiful writing

Calligraphy

Symbols representing ideas

5. What is one thing you need to practice Chinese writing?

- A. Speed
- B. Patience
- C. Noise

6. The verse from Proverbs reminds us to write kindness and truth on the tablet of our \_\_\_\_.

7. What did you learn about the complexity of Chinese characters?

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8. Which technique did we use to draw Chinese characters?

- A. Pencil
- B. Brush
- C. Crayon

9. Writing Chinese characters takes \_\_\_\_ and patience.

10. Chinese characters are just like the letters in the English alphabet.

- True       False

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### Answer Key

1. Ideas   2. characters   3. To communicate ideas and share their culture more effectively.   4. Symbols representing ideas   5. Patience   6. heart   7. They can represent whole words and are like pictures of meanings.   8. Brush   9. practice   10. False