7. Speaking Game - Relay

Instructions: Play the relay game with your class.

1. The teacher makes two sets of flashcards. Each card has one of these expressions written in English:

   Hello                      Good morning  (between 9 and 12)
   Hello (polite; to someone older)   Good afternoon  (early afternoon rest time)
   Hello (to more than one)       Good afternoon  (late afternoon)
   How are you?                   Good evening
   Very well, and you?            You’re here!
   I’m very well, thanks.         Welcome!
   How’s it going?                Come in!
   Hello (to teacher)             Goodbye
   Good morning  (before 9am)

2. The teacher chooses two students referees whose task is to show the other students a flash card, and to know what the correct Chinese is for each expression. These two sit in front of the board.

3. The rest of the class is divided into two teams. Each team lines up at the back of the class, but facing one of the referees.

4. The first student from each team runs to the referee, who gives him/her a card. The student must say the expression correctly in Chinese: correct words and correct pronunciation.

5. If the referee judges that the student has said it correctly, the student returns to his/her team and tags the next person in line. The next person then runs to the front to take his/her turn. The first student goes to the back of the line.

6. If the student gets the expression wrong, he/she is out and must stand on the sidelines.

7. When/if a team’s members are all out, the other team is the winner.

8. If no-one is judged out, the winning team is the one which gets through all the cards the quickest.