

7. Speaking – Monkey King

Chinese, Part 2: Asking name and age

► **Instructions:** Play this game as a large group. All of the students, except one, sit in a circle of chairs.

The one student left is sent outside where she or he cannot hear anything that is happening in the classroom. One of the students inside is selected to be the Monkey King.

The student outside is then called back in, not knowing who the Monkey King is. In order to find out who it is, he/she must choose students from around and ask them: What is your name?

The student must answer using correct Chinese. If the person who has been appointed as the Monkey King is asked, he/she must say in Chinese 'My name is the Monkey King!'

This is the sign for all the students to swap chairs as quickly as possible and for the student in the middle to try to find a chair to sit on. The student left standing is the next one to go outside the classroom, and a new Monkey King is chosen.

The game starts again, and continues until each student has had the chance to either ask or answer a question.

The questions to be asked in each round of the game are:

What's your name? What's your surname?	<i>The Monkey King answers: "My name is the Monkey King!"</i>
What's his/her name?	<i>If the student being asked is seated next to the Monkey King, the answer is "He/She is the Monkey King!"</i>
How old are you?	<i>The Monkey King answers: "The Monkey King is 100 years old!"</i>
How old is he/she?	<i>If the student being asked is seated next to the Monkey King, the answer is "The Monkey King is 100 years old!"</i>

