

## Complete Lesson Transcript – Lesson 126 [Traditional]

Kirin: 上網學中文第一百二十六課.

Kirin: 大家好，我是 Kirin.

Adam: And hello, I'm Adam.

Kirin: 歡迎來到台灣跟我們一起學習更進一步的中文課程. 今天我們教的是我們常在地址裡面會看到的字. 你們記得地址是什麼意思嗎?

Adam: That means “address”; so we’re going to teach you the words you might see when looking at an address, which is always nice to know when traveling in Chinese communities.

Kirin: 我們先來看一個地址. 等一下我們在一個一個幫你們解釋.

台中市，北區，五權西路，192 號，7 樓- 12 號.

Adam: Now a few comments about this address first. Unlike in western countries, Chinese addresses start off from the biggest areas and move down to the smallest. So in this sample address, we are starting off with the name of the city, Taichung, which happens to be the name of the city we’re in at the moment, in Taiwan. Now do you remember how to say “city” in Chinese?

Kirin: 城市

Adam: So you can see the first item of our address is

Kirin: 台中市

Adam: which means “Taichung city.” Similarly, if you wanted to say Shanghai city you could say:

Kirin: 上海市.

Adam: The next part of the address is:

Kirin: 北區. 第二個字我們最近才教過. 你們還記得吸煙區是什麼意思嗎?

Adam: That means “smoking area.” So the 區 character refers to “area.” In the case of addresses though, it expands to mean “district.” So in this case it’s the North district. So here’s a good time to learn the four directions on a map.

Kirin: 北

Adam: North

Kirin: 南

Adam: South

Kirin: 東

Adam: East

Kirin: 西

Adam: West. Great, so make sure you remember those, as there will be a test later. So getting back to our address, so far we have Taichung city, North district. What’s next?

Kirin: 五權西路. 你們記得路是什麼意思嗎?

Adam: That means “road.” The first two characters here represent the name of the road, which in this case is

Kirin: 五權

Adam: We then have

Kirin: 西

Adam: which hopefully you remember is “West.” So that gives us “Wu chuan West road.”

Kirin: 五權西路.

Adam: The next part is:

Kirin: 192 號. 你們還記得這個號是什麼意思嗎?

Adam: We learned it way back in lesson 6 as the character for “number.” So that gives us number 192.

Kirin: 192 號.

Adam: We then have

Kirin: 7 樓.

Adam: This is sometimes written as 7F, with the F standing for floor. In Chinese that’s

Kirin: 樓

Adam: You will see this often in Asia as there tend to be a lot more buildings per capita than you see out west, so it’s important to know what floor of the building you want to go to. So in this case it’s

Kirin: 7 樓

Adam: And the last part of the address is:

Kirin: 12 號

Adam: which should be easy enough to figure out as number 12.

Kirin: 12 號

Adam: Great, so let’s read this address again.

Kirin: 台中市，北區，五權西路，192 號，7 樓- 12 號.

Adam: So hopefully that helps give you a background on addresses and how they are used in Chinese communities. For more of a background, as well as some other vocabulary that might be used in this area, check out the extra notes in the Premium section of our website [ChineseLearnOnline.com](http://ChineseLearnOnline.com).

Kirin: 歡迎下次來台灣玩.