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214 RADICALS

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The 214 Radicals Workbook

Learn the parts, and the characters stop being random.

All 214 Kangxi radicals · grouped by stroke count

Stroke-order diagrams and 田字格 tracing for every one

Each radical shown inside real characters

Self-test and progress tracker · Printable A4

How to use this workbook

Radicals are the alphabet of written Chinese. Nearly every character is built from them. Learn the 214 and a page of unfamiliar Chinese stops being a wall of shapes and becomes something you can take apart.

1	Start with the reference page for a stroke group. Read each radical aloud and note what it means.
2	Work through the tracing rows. The first square is printed faintly — trace it, then write it yourself.
3	Look at the characters beside each radical. That is the radical doing its job — find it inside them.
4	Tick a radical off only when you can write it from memory *and* spot it in a character you have not seen.

Stroke order matters. Every character has a set sequence, and writing it in the right order is what makes your handwriting legible and fast. The numbered squares above each practice row show that sequence — the new stroke is in red.

Work by stroke group, not front to back. The one- and two-stroke radicals appear inside far more characters than the twelve-stroke ones, so they repay the effort fastest.

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1 一 yī · one

seen in 七 qī seven · 上 shàng up

STROKE ORDER

2 丨 gǔn · line

seen in 中 zhōng middle · 丰 fēng abundant

STROKE ORDER

3 丶 zhǔ · dot

seen in 主 zhǔ master · 丹 dān red

STROKE ORDER

4 丿 piě · slash

seen in 九 jiǔ nine · 久 jiǔ long time

STROKE ORDER

5 乙 yǐ · second (cyclical)

seen in 九 jiǔ nine · 也 yě also

STROKE ORDER

This is 3 pages of 69. The full 214 Radicals Workbook covers every radical. willychina.com