

Chinese Grammar Worksheet:

Retrospection and state expressions

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Total Phrases: 15

Grammar Explanation

This lesson focuses on **Retrospection and state expressions**, which is a fundamental pattern in Chinese grammar.

The basic sentence structure in Chinese follows the pattern: **Subject + Verb + Object/Complement**

Key characteristics:

- Chinese verbs don't conjugate based on tense like in Spanish or English
- Time reference is often indicated by context or time expressions
- Particles and auxiliary words provide grammatical information
- Word order is crucial for meaning

The phrases in this lesson demonstrate common usage patterns and practical applications of this grammatical structure in everyday conversation.

Model Sentences

1. 中秋节已经结束了。 zhōngqiū jié yǐjīng jiéshù le. The Mid-Autumn Festival is already over.
 2. 我还在回想昨天的月亮。 wǒ hái zài huíxiǎng zuótiān de yuèliang. I'm still thinking about last night's moon.
 3. 昨晚的气氛真美。 zuówǎn de qìfēn zhēn měi. Last night's atmosphere was truly beautiful.
 4. 今天我想在家休息。 jīntiān wǒ xiǎng zài jiā xiūxi. Today I want to rest at home.
 5. 虽然假期快结束了，但是我很满足。 suīrán jiàqī kuài jiéshù le, dànshì wǒ hěn mǎnzú. Although the holiday is almost over, I feel satisfied.
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Part 1: Translate into Chinese

Translate the following into Chinese. Include both characters and pinyin.

1. The Mid-Autumn Festival is already over. →

2. Last night's atmosphere was truly beautiful. →
 3. Although the holiday is almost over, I feel satisfied. →
 4. A friend sent me a message. →
 5. I feel today's sun is very gentle. →
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❖ Part 2: Fill in the blanks

Complete the sentences with the correct characters. Write both characters and pinyin.

1. 中秋节已______结束了。 zhōngqiū jié yǐjīng jiéshù le. (incomplete)
 2. 我还在回想______天的月亮。 wǒ hái zài huíxiǎng zuótiān de yuèliang. (incomplete)
 3. 昨晚的气______真美。 zuówǎn de qìfēn zhēn měi. (incomplete)
 4. 今天我想______家休息。 jīntiān wǒ xiǎng zài jiā xiūxi. (incomplete)
 5. 虽然假期快结束了______但是我很满足。 suīrán jiàqī kuài jiéshù le, dànshì wǒ hěn mǎnzú. (incomplete)
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🎵 Part 3: Reorder the Words

Rearrange the words to form a correct sentence. Then write the sentence with both characters and pinyin.

1. 中秋节已经结束了 → (characters) → (pinyin)
 2. 我还在回想昨天的月亮 → (characters) → (pinyin)
 3. 昨晚的气氛真美 → (characters) → (pinyin)
 4. 今天我想在家休息 → (characters) → (pinyin)
 5. 但是我很满足 / 虽然假期快结束了 → (characters) → (pinyin)
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□ Part 4: Transform the Sentences

Transform the sentences as indicated. Include both characters and pinyin.

1. 中秋节已经结束了。 → (Change to negative) zhōngqiū jié yǐjīng jiéshù le.
2. 我还在回想昨天的月亮。 → (Change to question) wǒ hái zài huíxiǎng zuótiān de yuèliang.
3. 昨晚的气氛真美。 → (Change to past tense (add 了)) zuówǎn de qìfēn zhēn měi.
4. 今天我想在家休息。 → (Make it more polite (add 吧 or 请)) jīntiān wǒ xiǎng zài jiā xiūxi.

5. 虽然假期快结束了，但是我很满足。 → (Add a time expression) **suīrán jiàqī kuài jiéshù le, dànshì wǒ hěn mǎnzú.**

Part 5: Speaking Practice (口语练习)

Read each sentence aloud. Then create a similar sentence by changing one key word.

1. 中秋节已经结束了。 **zhōngqiū jié yǐjīng jiéshù le.** → Practice changing: 中秋节已经结束了
2. 我还在回想昨天的月亮。 **wǒ hái zài huíxiǎng zuótiān de yuèliang.** → Practice changing: 我还在回想昨天的月亮
3. 昨晚的气氛真美。 **zuówǎn de qìfēn zhēn měi.** → Practice changing: 昨晚的气氛真美
4. 今天我想在家休息。 **jīntiān wǒ xiǎng zài jiā xiūxi.** → Practice changing: 今天我想在家休息
5. 虽然假期快结束了，但是我很满足。 **suīrán jiàqī kuài jiéshù le, dànshì wǒ hěn mǎnzú.** → Practice changing: 但是我很满足

Summary Table

Chinese	Pinyin	Meaning
中秋节已经结束了。	zhōngqiū jié yǐjīng jiéshù le.	The Mid-Autumn Festival is already over.
我还在回想昨天的月亮。	wǒ hái zài huíxiǎng zuótiān de yuèliang.	I'm still thinking about last night's moon.
昨晚的气氛真美。	zuówǎn de qìfēn zhēn měi.	Last night's atmosphere was truly beautiful.
今天我想在家休息。	jīntiān wǒ xiǎng zài jiā xiūxi.	Today I want to rest at home.
虽然假期快结束了，但是我很满足。	suīrán jiàqī kuài jiéshù le, dànshì wǒ hěn mǎnzú.	Although the holiday is almost over, I feel satisfied.
我喝着茶，看着照片。	wǒ hē zhe chá, kàn zhe zhàopiàn.	I drink tea while looking at photos.
朋友发来了一条消息。	péngyou fā lái le yì tiáo xiāoxi.	A friend sent me a message.
我们说下次还要一起看月亮。	wǒmen shuō xià cì hái yào yìqǐ kàn yuèliang.	We said next time we'll watch the moon together again.
我觉得今天的阳光很温柔。	wǒ juéde jīntiān de yángguāng hěn wēnróu.	I feel today's sun is very gentle.
我在收拾房间。	wǒ zài shōushi fángjiān.	I'm tidying up the room.
桌上还剩几块月饼。	zhuō shàng hái shèng jǐ kuài yuèbǐng.	There are still some mooncakes left on the table.
我想给同事带几个去公司。	wǒ xiǎng gěi tóngshì dài jǐ gè qù gōngsī.	I want to bring some to the office for my colleagues.
这几天过得很幸福。	zhè jǐ tiān guò de hěn xìngfú.	These days have been very happy.

我有点儿舍不得假期。	wǒ yǒudiǎnr shě bu dé jiàqī.	I feel a bit sad that the holiday is ending.
希望明年还能这样开心。	xīwàng míngnián hái néng zhèyàng kāixīn.	I hope I can be this happy next year.

Important: Practice pronunciation with audio files. Every sentence includes both Chinese characters and pinyin for accurate learning.