

Day 9 Discussion Script: Deciding on a focus for your chapter

Leader: What are several “material carriers”—objects or activities—related to your group’s topic?

What questions might a foreign reader have about these objects or activities?
What about these objects or activities might seem mysterious to them? (What information is “coded”?)

Some possible response templates:

One object related to _____ is _____.

One activity related to _____ is _____.

One question a non-Chinese person might have about _____ is _____.

When encountering / seeing _____ for the first time, a non-Chinese person might wonder:
_____?

Leader: What kind of research might you need to do in order to better answer these questions for your reader?

Some possible response templates:

One thing I would (I’d) like to find out about _____ is _____.

To find this out, I would (I’d) need to _____.