



Feature Guide

MDBG Chinese Reader
Version 6 for Windows

Hello

Welcome to Chinese Reader



Welcome to MDBG Chinese Reader, the first tool that helps you understand and learn Chinese as you use it.

Point your mouse at Chinese text and the **LiveScan** window shows the meaning in English, enlarged Chinese (simplified and traditional) and phonetics (Pinyin and Bopomofo). With Version 6.7, choose *character tone marks* as reminders on how to pronounce each word.

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New!

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Character tone marks

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From the Main window, **Lookup** any word in MDBG CC-CEDICT, the world's most popular Chinese-English dictionary. Using English or Chinese words, Chinese Reader displays all the matching entries from its 105,000+ entry dictionary.

Main window with Lookup



Understand Chinese

Browse the web, read an email or write a report.
MDBG Chinese Reader works everywhere you do.



Adobe PDF documents

Instant messaging (IM) sessions



Chinese Reader's universal access is unique. Because it works within Microsoft Windows, it works (almost) everywhere you need it. Point, highlight or copy text and Chinese Reader carefully explains the meaning of the words in the most popular applications, websites, emails and more.

- **HighlightScan** opens Chinese Reader's popup window to explain highlighted text in websites, browsers, applications--even the Windows file system.
- Enable **ClipboardScan** and now Chinese Reader works with any Chinese text you copy (Ctrl+C or Edit > Copy) to the Windows clipboard. Chinese Reader is the first truly immersive learning system that helps you understand Chinese with your mouse.

MDBG Chinese Reader is powered by the most popular Chinese-English dictionary (CC-CEDICT). Install Cantonese-English, Chinese-German and Chinese-French dictionaries so they're **always available**—even when your Internet connection is slow or unavailable.

Chinese Reader works with the most popular websites, email, chat and productivity applications. For specific details, visit <http://mdbg.loqu8.com/universal.htm>

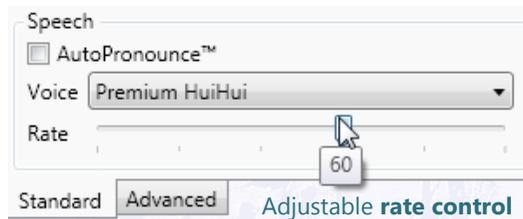
Listen

Hear words read aloud to you.



Play pronunciations at any time, as often as you need

金价暴跌前曾有若干预兆



Chinese Reader uses a powerful text-speech technology to generate Mandarin pronunciations for words and phrases from the MDBG dictionary.

With **AutoPronounce** enabled, point or highlight Chinese text and MDBG Chinese Reader reads the words aloud in Chinese. To hear the words pronounced again, click the **pronounce** button.

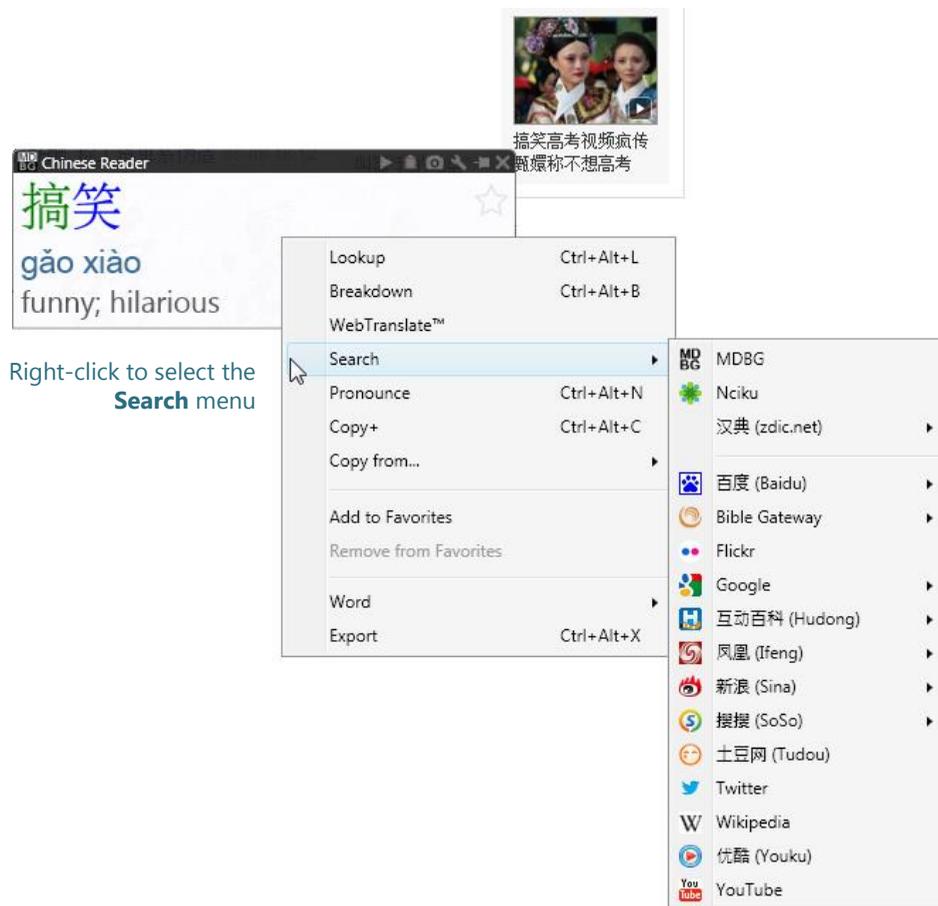
Optional premium voices with **rate control** allow you to optimize the pronunciation of Chinese to fit your needs—and change it at any time. Unlike programs that use older, pre-recorded voices, Chinese Reader lets you choose a different voice at any time. Premium voices were modeled after Mandarin speakers from China (Beijing), Taiwan (Taipei) and Cantonese speakers from Hong Kong.

Listen to actual samples of Chinese speech at <http://mdbg.loqu8.com/voices.htm>

Hear premium voices with rate control at <http://mdbg.loqu8.com/voice.premium.htm>

Explore

See examples of how words are used.



Traditional dictionaries show you how words were used in the **past**.

With Chinese Reader, explore examples of how words are used **today**. With just a click, search popular websites, news, forums, answers, encyclopedia, videos, photos and more.

Just click and search **MDBG**, Nckiu, Zdic.net, Baidu, Bible Gateway, Flickr, Google, Hudong, Ifeng, Sina, SoSo, Tudou, Twitter, Wikipedia, Youku and YouTube.

Explore

See examples from the most popular Chinese search engine, Baidu.

The image shows a screenshot of the Chinese Reader application. On the left, a window titled 'Chinese Reader' displays the word '搞笑' (gāo xiào) with its pinyin and English translation 'funny; hilarious'. A context menu is open over the word, listing various actions like 'Lookup', 'Breakdown', 'WebTranslate™', 'Search', 'Pronounce', 'Copy+', 'Copy from...', 'Add to Favorites', 'Remove from Favorites', 'Word', and 'Export'. The 'Search' option is selected, opening a sub-menu with search engines: '百度 (Baidu)', 'Bible Gateway', 'Flickr', 'Google', '互动百科 (Hudong)', '凤凰 (Ifeng)', '新浪 (Sina)', '搜搜 (SoSo)', '土豆网 (Tudou)', 'Twitter', 'Wikipedia', '优酷 (Youku)', and 'YouTube'. The '百度 (Baidu)' option is further expanded to show categories: '新闻 (News)', '网页 (Web)', '贴吧 (Forum)', '知道 (Answers)', 'MP3', '图片 (Image)', '视频 (Video)', '百科 (Encyclopedia)', and '文库 (Documents)'. A dashed arrow points from the '图片 (Image)' option to a Baidu search results page. The Baidu page is titled 'Search Baidu without typing any Chinese' and shows search results for '搞笑' (gāo xiào). The results include several images of people and text, with a '百度一下' (Baidu it) button. A '筛选' (Filter) button is visible on the left side of the results.

Not all websites are available everywhere.

Selected customers

from over 179 countries

Education



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Explore

See examples from Google and Wikipedia.



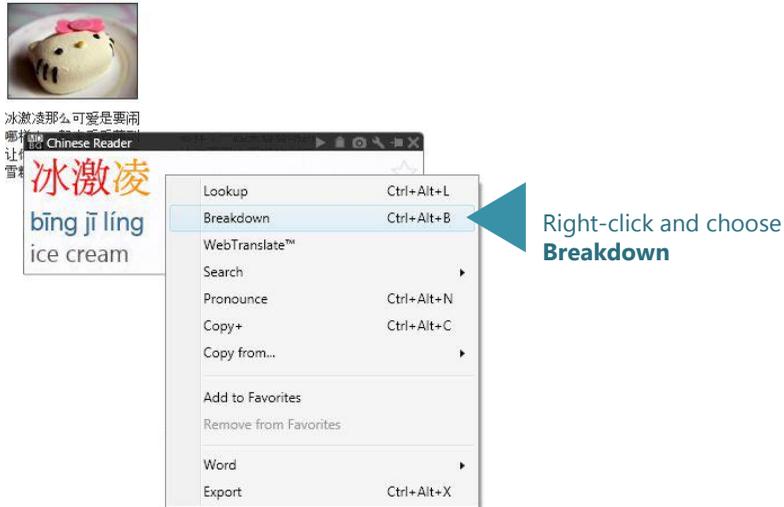
Imagine searching Google in Chinese with just a point and click



Search and read Wikipedia articles in Chinese (with the help of Chinese Reader)

Discover

Breakdown compound words and phrases.



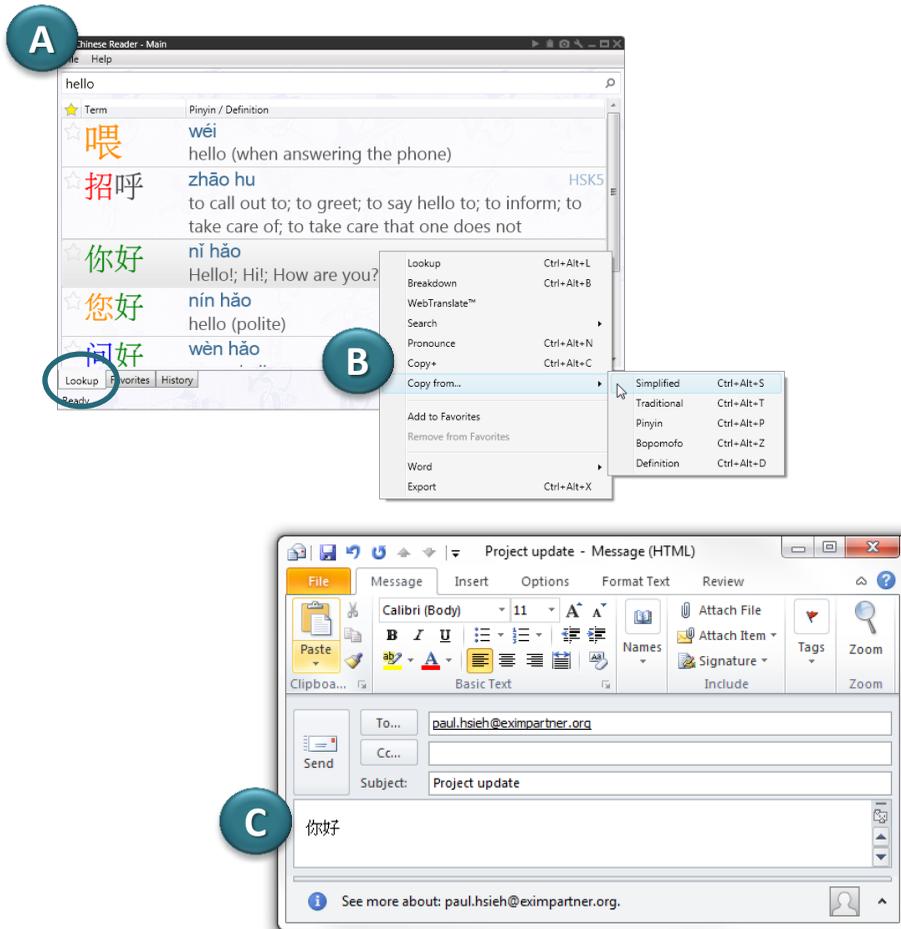
Chinese Reader does an amazing job showing the meanings of Chinese words and phrases—in many cases, even if the phrases are continued on another line.

As you learn Chinese, it's also helpful to look at the individual components of compound words and phrases. Just right-click and choose **Breakdown** to discover the meaning of each component.

Tip: Use Breakdown on names of people and companies to understand the component characters.

Communicate

Start using Chinese words and phrases.



In the past, it might have taken you weeks of practice before you could write a few Chinese characters legibly. With Chinese Reader, use the power of Lookup and Selective Copy to begin communicating immediately.

- A. Start by searching for the word using the main window's **Lookup**
- B. Right-click and choose **Copy from...**
- C. In your email, document or chat window, paste (Ctrl+V)

Most applications support Chinese, but you may need to choose an appropriate font. When in doubt, try "AR PL New Sung"

Download the unified TrueType font AR PL New Sung from the new installer or <http://mdbg.loqu8.com/resource.font.htm>

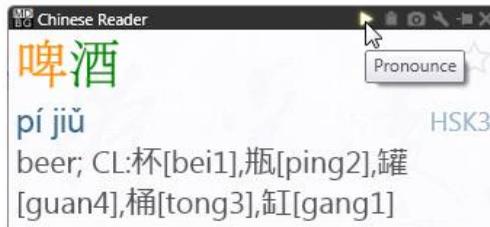
Accelerate

Learn only the Chinese you need to know. Or want to know.



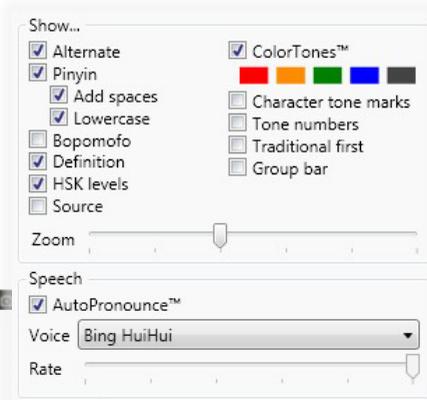
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Listen to pronunciations at any time, as often as you need



家常菜 糖醋 酸甜
来自 www. Chinese Reader

糖醋
táng cù
sweet and sour



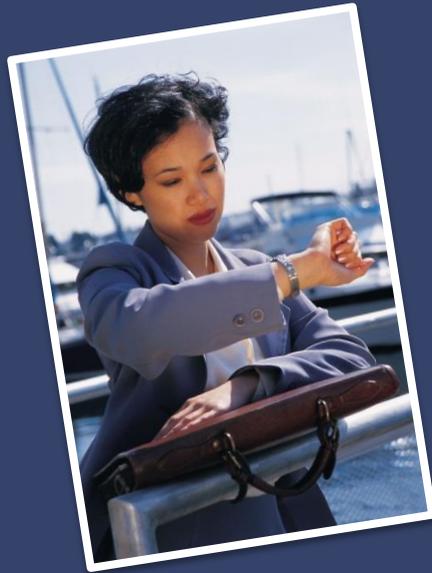
MDBG Chinese Reader is the first augmented learning tool that helps you understand and learn Chinese as you use it. Instead of memorizing a list of popular words and studying grammar rules, use these capabilities of Chinese Reader.

- Your time is valuable. Start with the materials and subjects that are useful to you. With **LiveScan**, **HighlightScan** and **ClipboardScan**, focus on the documents, emails, and websites that have the content that you need to understand.
- As you see the Chinese words, hear them read aloud with **AutoPronounce**. Follow along with the phonetics (Pinyin or Bopomofo). Say the words as you hear them. Click to hear the words pronounced again (and again...)
- Begin using the Chinese you just learned. Right-click and copy the Chinese text into your documents and emails using **Selective Copy**.

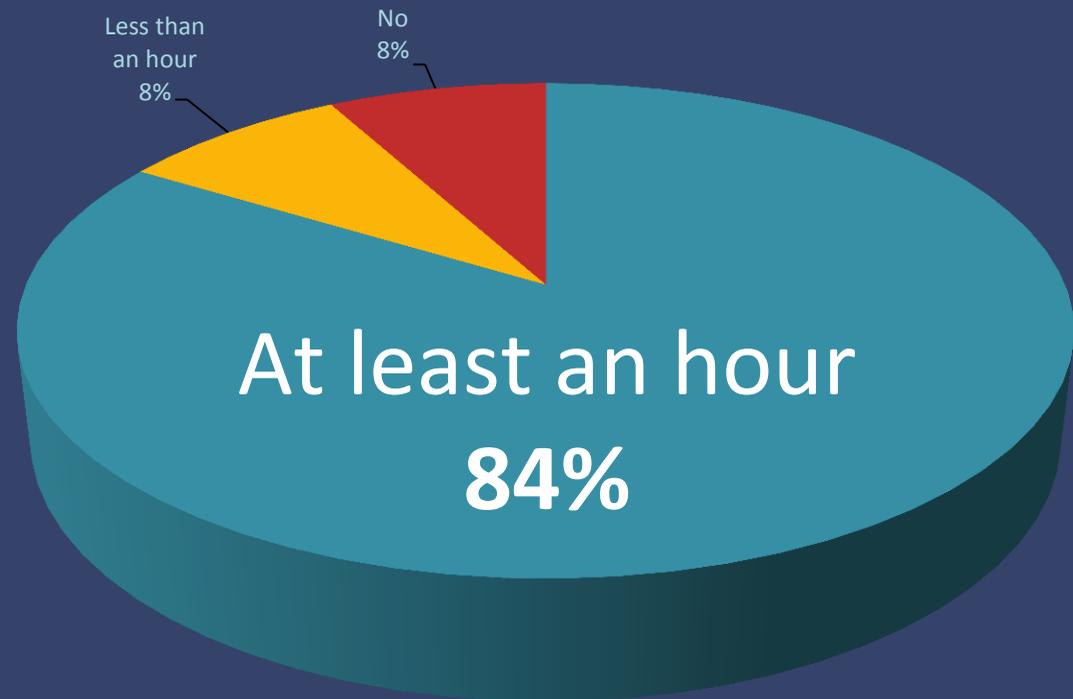
As your proficiency improves, tune Chinese Reader settings to hide definitions, phonetics, etc. If you've slowed down the speech rate when you're learning pronunciation, gradually speed up the rate to practice hearing and speaking Chinese at conversational rates.

Save time

How much time do you save each week with Chinese Reader?



2012 Customer Survey of
MDBG Chinese Reader customers



Customize

Add new dictionaries or start your own personal dictionary.



New words, phrases and names are continuously being added to the modern Chinese vocabulary. “Abacus” was popular years ago, but today it’s “smartphone” and “micro blogging.”

Here’s how to add new words into your personal dictionary.

- Highlight Chinese words to open the **HighlightScan** window
- Select the Chinese words you want to define, right-click and choose **Word > Edit Entry**
- Edit the definition and add usage notes or examples (optional). Click **Save as New Entry**
- Test your entry by pointing at the Chinese word(s) and seeing the **LiveScan** window display your new definition.



MDBG also offers Cantonese-English, Chinese-German, Chinese-French dictionaries. See <http://mdbg.loqu8.com/dictionary.htm>

Choose

MDBG Chinese Reader has something for everybody and every budget.



Professional, Standard or Free. MDBG has an edition that's just right for you. Choose the free edition or begin a monthly subscription starting at \$5 USD.

Not sure which one is right for you? Our **Standard Edition** is popular for many students and casual learners. With high-quality Mandarin voice and AutoPronounce, it has all the key features at an affordable price.

Advanced students and business professionals (including professional translators) choose the **Professional Edition** for its complete range of features (more voices, history tracking) and its powerful customization. Create your own dictionary or import dictionaries from others.

Learn more about the various Chinese Reader editions:
<http://mdbg.loqu8.com/editions.htm>

Choose

Free	Standard	Professional
<i>Faster than online dictionaries</i>	<i>Understanding Chinese got easier</i>	<i>Power tools for learning Chinese</i>

Understand Chinese as you use it

Point to text with mouse (LiveScan™)	●	●	●
Highlight text with mouse (HighlightScan™)	Basic	●	●
Dictionary lookup: Chinese, English, Pinyin	Basic	105,000 entries	105,000 entries

Improve your understanding of Chinese

MLX Auto-translate with Google or Bing	English only	30+ languages	30+ languages
WebTranslate™		●	●
AutoPronounce™		●	●

Learn Chinese at your own pace

Listen to text read aloud in Chinese		1 HQ voice	2 HQ voices
Show tones with ColorTones™ or numbers		●	●
<i>Breakdown</i> longer words into components		●	●
<i>History</i> tracks the most popular words you've seen			●
Premium voices with <i>rate control</i>		Optional*	Optional*

Accelerate learning

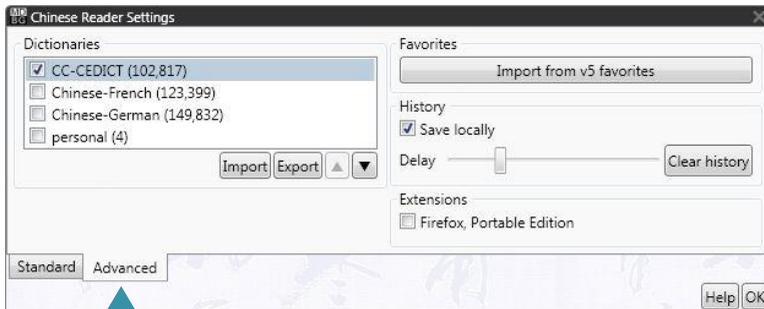
Create custom study lists with <i>Copy+</i> and <i>Export</i>		●	●
Add/edit new dictionaries			●
Create/edit words and definitions			Up to 250,000
Alternate Chinese translation dictionaries			German, French

Work everywhere

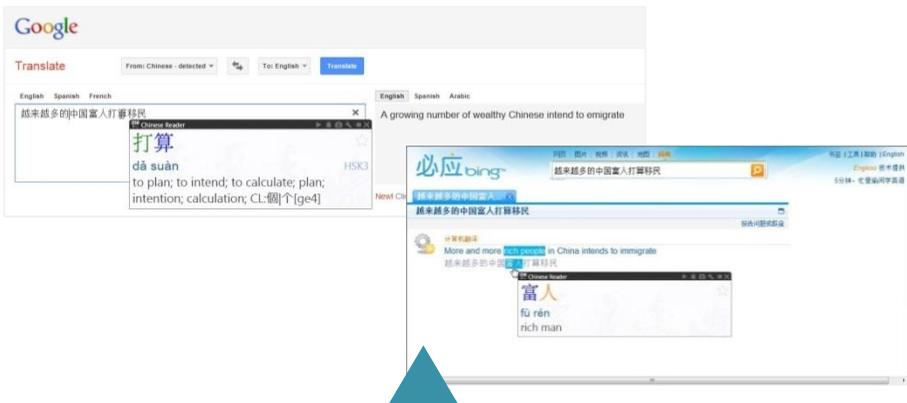
Browsers: Chrome, Internet Explorer, Firefox	●	●	●
Microsoft Word, Excel, Outlook		●	●
Adobe® PDF		●	●
Skype®		●	●

Advanced features

Not everyone needs them, but experienced users find these capabilities indispensable.



Advanced Settings help you add dictionaries or track words that you see frequently



WebTranslate shows you the meaning of words, sentences and paragraphs with Google and Microsoft Bing web services

With valuable suggestions from our loyal MDBG users, here's a partial list of new capabilities we've recently added:

Features

- Find Chinese expressions (idioms)
- Hand write Chinese using Microsoft IME Pad and your mouse
- Read PDF documents
- Organize word lists with sorting and grouping
- Google Translate service
- Premium voices with rate control

Advanced Settings

- Add new definitions into dictionaries
- Prioritize dictionaries
- Hide/delete dictionaries
- Import/export dictionaries (Cantonese, German, French)
- Tune history trigger for logging words as "seen"
- Clear word history
- Save word history locally

For more information on these items, visit:
<http://mdbg.loqu8.com/features.htm>
<http://mdbg.loqu8.com/settings.advanced.htm>

Recommended by users

Here's what our customers told us about MDBG Chinese Reader.



“Powerful and easy to use”

96.0% agree

“My understanding of Chinese has significantly improved”

87.6% agree

“I would **recommend to others”**

95.7% agree

Learn More

Get the most out of Chinese Reader.

The image shows a screenshot of the Chinese Reader software interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with tabs for Overview, Features, Download, Using, Buy, and Support. The main window displays a word lookup for '小巧' (xiǎo qiǎo), showing its pinyin, definition, and an 'Add to Favorites' button. Below the main window, there is a section titled 'Click Favorites tab to view your list'. To the right, a smaller window shows a list of starred terms, including '小巧' and '独家 [獨-]'. Below the screenshot, there are three promotional cards for the software: 'Feature Guide', 'Installing Chinese Reader', and 'Using Chinese Reader'. Each card features the MD BG logo and a background of Chinese calligraphy.

Learn about the key features of MDBG Chinese Reader:

- See a videos highlights:
<http://mdbg.loqu8.com/videos.htm>
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