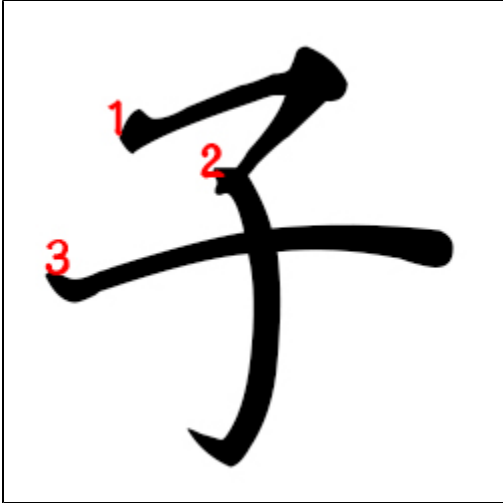


3Child

Z is an old word for child:



Nowadays one sees it more as a suffix; it loses its tone: zi, e.g. jùzi 'sentence'

Z is 'young (of animals)' or 'meticulous':



Common word: zǐ 'careful'

Zì is 'character, letter'

Think of a child under a roof learning characters.
Common word: Hànzì 'Chinese character'