

HSK Vocabulary Level 1(Basic)

ā 啊 (interj.)/ah
ǎi 矮 short (not tall)
ài 爱 affection/to be fond of/to like/to love
ài 爱人 husband/spouse/sweetheart/wife
ānjìng 安静 calm/peaceful/quiet
ānpái 安排 to arrange/to plan/to set up/to set up
bā 八 8/eight
bǎ 把 (a measure word)/(marker for direct-object)/to contain/to grasp/to hold/to take hold of
bà 爸爸 (informal) father
ba 吧 (onomat.)/dumb
bái 白 blank/bright/clear/empty/gratuitous/plain/pure/snowy/white
bǎi 百 hundred
bǎi 摆 pendulum/to display/to exhibit/to move/to oscillate/to place/to show/to swing
bān 班 (a surname)/a measure word/a work shift/class/rank/squad/team
bān 搬 move/remove/shift/transport
bàn 半 (after a number) and a half/half/half/incomplete/semi bāntiān 半天 a long time/half of the day/quite a while
bàn 办 to deal with/to do/to go about/to handle/to manage/to run/to set up
bànfǎ 办法 means/method/way (to do something)
bàngōngshì 办公室 office
bāngzhù 帮助 aid/assistance/to assist/to help
bǎo 饱 satisfied/to eat till full
bào 抱 cherish/surround/to carry (in one's arms)/to hold/to hug or embrace
bào 报 newspaper/recompense/report/revenge/to announce/to inform
bēi 杯 a measure word/cup
bēi 杯子 cup/glass
běi 北 north
běibiān 北边 (n) location to the north
bèi 倍 (two/ three/ etc) -fold/double/times (multiplier)/to increase or multiply
bèi 被 blanket/by (marker for passive-voice sentences or clauses)/quilt/to cover/to wear
běn 本 (a measure word)/basis/foundation/origin/root/roots or stems of plants/source/the current/this
běn 本子 book/edition/notebook

bǐ 比 (particle used for comparison and "-er than")/ratio/to compare/to contrast/to gesture (with hands)
bǐjiào 比较 comparatively/compare/contrast/fairly/quite/rather/relatively
bǐsài 比赛 competition
bǐ 笔 pen/pencil/the strokes of Chinese characters/to write or compose/writing brush
bìxū 必须 must/to have to
biān 边 border/boundary/edge/margin/side
biàn 变 rebellion/to become different/to change/to transform/to vary
biànchéng 变成 to become/to change into/to turn into
biànhuà 变化 change/vary
biàn 遍 a time/all over/everywhere/one time/turn
biǎo 表 a list or table/a meter/a watch/an example/chart/express/exterior/external/surface/to show/to watch
biǎoshì 表示 to express/to express/to indicate/to say/to show/to state
biǎoxiàn 表现 display/expression/manifest/manifestation/performance (at work etc.)/show/to display/to show (off)
biǎoyǎn 表演 act/demonstrate/exhibition/performance/play/show
biǎoyáng 表扬 to commend/to praise
bié 别 another/classify/depart/distinguish/do not/leave/must not/other/separate/to pin
bié 别的 else/other
bié 别人 other people/other person/others
bìng 病 ailment/defect/disease/fall ill/illness/sick/sickness
búcuò 不错 correct/not bad/pretty good/right
búdàn 不但 not only (... but also...)
búyào 不要 don't!/must not
bùyòng 不用 need not
bù 不 (negative prefix)/no/not
bùjiǔ 不久 before too long/not long (after)/soon/soon after
bùrú 不如 inferior to/it would be better to/not as good as/not equal to
bùtóng 不同 different/distinct/not alike/not the same
bù 布 (cotton) cloth/spread/to announce/to declare/to make known/to spread
bù 部分 part/piece/section/share
cā 擦 rubbing (brush stroke in painting)/to clean/to erase/to polish/to wipe
cái 才 ability/an expert/endowment/gift/just/only (then)/only if/talent
cài 菜 dish (type of food)/vegetables

cānguān 参观 to inspect/to look around/visit and observe
cānjiā 参加 to join/to participate/to take part
cāochǎng 操场 playground/sports field
cǎo 草 careless/draft (of a document)/grass/hasty/manuscript/rough/straw
céng 层 a measure word for layers/floor/laminated/layer/repeated/story (of a building)
chá 茶 tea/tea plant
chá 查 to check/to examine/to investigate/to refer to/to research/to search
chà 差 difference/discrepancy/error/to differ/to err/to lack/to make a mistake
cháng 常 always/common/constant/ever/frequently/general/often
chángcháng 常常 frequently/often/usually
cháng 长 always/constantly/forever/length/long
chǎng 场 (a measure word/ used for sport or recreation)/a courtyard/a measure word/field/open space/place
chàng 唱 sing/to call loudly/to chant
cháo 朝 a dynasty/direct/facing/the imperial court/to face/towards
chē 车 a vehicle/car/machine/to shape with a lathe
chēzhàn 车站 (bus) station
chéng 城 city/city walls/town
chéngshì 城市 city/town
chéng 成 accomplish/become/complete/finish/one tenth/succeed/turn into/win
chéngjī 成绩 performance
chī 吃 destroy/eat/eradicate/receive
chí dào 迟到 to arrive late
chōu 抽 to draw out/to pump/to smoke (cigarettes)
chū 出 (a measure word for dramas/ plays/ or operas)/to come out/to go beyond/to go out/to happen/to occur/to occur/to produce/to put forth/to rise
chūfā 出发 to set off/to start out
chūlái 出来 to come out/to emerge
chūqù 出去 (v) go out
chūxiàn 出现 to appear/to arise/to emerge
chūzūqìchē 出租汽车 cab/taxi
chuān 穿 pass through/penetrate/perforate/pierce/to bore through/to dress/to
put on/to thread/to wear
chuán 船 a boat/ship/vessel

chuāng 窗 shutter/window
chuāng 窗户 window
chuáng 床 (a measure word)/bed/couch
chuī 吹 blast/boast/brag/end in failure/puff/to blow
chūn 春 gay/joyful/life/love/lust/spring (time)/youthful
chūntiān 春天 spring (season)
cídài 磁带 magnetic tape
cí 词 classical Chinese poem/diction/phrases/word/works
cídiǎn 词典 dictionary
cì 次 (measure word)/next/nth/number (of times)/order/second(ary)/sequence
cóng 从 lax/unhurried/yield
cóngqián 从前 formerly/previously
cuò 错 blunder/cross/error/fault/mistake/uneven/wrong
cuòwù 错误 error/mistake/mistaken
dǎ 打 dozen
dǎsuàn 打算 calculation/intention/plan/to calculate/to intend/to plan
dà 大 big/deep/eldest/great/huge/large/major/oldest/wide
dàgài 大概 about/approximate/probably/roughly
dàjiā 大家 authority/everyone
dàshēng 大声 loud/loudly
dàxué 大学 university
dài 大夫 doctor
dài 戴 (gloves)/hat/to bear/to put on/to respect/to support/wear (glasses)
dài 带 and/area/band/belt/bring/carry/consists of/girdle/lead/region/ribbon/show/wear/zone
dàibiǎo 代表 delegate/representative/to represent/to stand for
dànshì 但是 but/however
dāng 当 dong (onomat. for bell)
dāngrán 当然 natural (NOUN)/naturally (OTHER)
dāo 刀 knife
dǎo 倒 bankrupt/to change/to collapse/to fail/to fall/to topple
dào 到 to (a place)/to arrive/to go/until (a time)/up to
dào 道 a measure word/direction/method/method/path/principle/reason/road/skill/Tao (of Taoism)/to say/to speak/to talk/truth/way
dàolǐ 道理 argument/basis/justification/principle/reason/sense
dé 得 allow/contented/finished/gain/get/obtain/permit/proper/proud/ready/suitable

dédào 得到 to get/to obtain/to receive
de 的 (possessive particle)/of
de 地 (subor. part. adverbial)/-ly
de 得
allow/contented/finished/gain/get/obtain/permit/proper/proud/ready/suitable
děn 得很 very (much/ good etc.)
děi 得
allow/contented/finished/gain/get/obtain/permit/proper/proud/ready/suitable
dēng 灯 lamp/light
děng 等 and so on/await/class/equal to/et cetera/grade/rank/same as/wait for
dī 低 beneath/low/low/to hang down/to incline/to let droop/to lower (one's head)
dì 地 (subor. part. adverbial)/-ly
dì 地方 area/local/place
dì 第 (prefix before a number/ for ordering numbers/ e.g. "first"/ "number two"/ etc)
dì 弟弟 younger brother
diǎn 点 (a measure word)/(decimal) point)/(downwards-right convex character stroke)/dot/o'clock/point
diǎn 点心 light refreshments/pastry
diǎnzhōng 点钟 (indicating time of day) o'clock
diàn 电 electric/electrical/electricity
diànchē 电车 trolleybus
diàndēng 电灯 electric light
diànhuà 电话 phone call/telephone
diànshì 电视 television/TV
diànyǐng 电影 film/movie
diào 掉 to drop/to fall
diū 丢 to lose/to put aside/to throw
dōng 东 east
dōngbiān 东边 (n) eastern side
dōng 东西 east and west
dōng 冬 winter
dōngtiān 冬天 winter
dǒng 懂 to know/to understand
dòng 动 to act/to change/to move/to use
dòngwù 动物 animal

dōu 都 all/already/both (if two things are involved)/entirely (due to)each/even
dú 读 comma/phrase marked by pause
duǎn 短 lack/short
duànliàn 锻炼 to do physical training
duàn 段 (surname)/paragraph/section/segment
duì 对 correct (answer)/couple/for/pair/right/to/to answer/to be opposite/to direct (towards sth)/to face/to oppose/to reply
duìbuqǐ 对不起 forgive me/I'm sorry/pardon me
dùn 顿 (measure for beating)/a time/bout/jerk/meal/spell/stop
duō 多 a lot of/many/much/multi-/numerous
duō 多么 how(OTHR)
duō 多少 how many/how much/which (number)
è 饿 hungry/to be hungry
érqiě 而且 ... as well as .../in addition/moreover/not only ... but also
ér 儿子 son
èr 二 two
fā 发 to develop/to issue/to send out/to show (one's feeling)
fāshāo 发烧 have a fever/have a high temperature (from illness)
fāshēng 发生 to happen/to occur/to take place
fāxiàn 发现 to discover/to find
fāzhǎn 发展 development/growth/to develop/to expand/to grow
fǎyǔ 法语 French (language)
fān 翻 flit about/translate/turn over
fānyì 翻译 translate
fǎnduì 反对 opposition/to be opposed to/to fight against/to oppose
fàn 饭 cooked rice/cuisine/food/meal
fàndiàn 饭店 restaurant
fāngbiàn 方便 convenient
fāngfǎ 方法 means/method/way
fāngmiàn 方面 aspect/field/respect/side
fāngxiàng 方向 direction/orientation/path to follow
fángjiān 房间 room
fǎngwèn 访问 pay a visit (to)/to access/to interview
fàng 放 to free/to let go/to let out/to place/to put/to release
fàngjià 放假 to have a holiday or vacation
feicháng 非常 exceptional/extraordinary/extreme/unusual/very
fēi 飞 to fly
fēijī 飞机 airplane
fēn 分 (a measure word)/(a unit of length = 0.33 centimeter)/minute/to

di v i d e
fēnzhōng 分钟 minute(NOUN)
fēngfù 丰富 plentiful/rich
fēng 封 (a measure word)/to confer/to grant/to seal
fēng 风 custom/manner/news/style/wind
fū 夫人 lady/madam/Mrs.
fúwù 服务 service/to serve
fúwùyuán 服务员 server/waiter/waitress
fǔdǎo 辅导 to coach/to give advise (in study)/to tutor
fùxí 复习 to review/to revise
fùzá 复杂 complex(ADJT)
fùqīn 父亲 father
fùzé 负责 in charge of/to be responsible for (sth)
fùjìn 附近 (in the) vicinity/nearby/neighboring/next to
gāi 该 most likely/ought to/owe/should/that/the above-mentioned/to deserve
gǎi 改 to alter/to change/to correct/to transform
gǎibiàn 改变 to alter/to change/to transform
gǎndào 感到 think that/to affect/to feel/to have the feeling that/to move/to
sense
gǎnmào 感冒 (common) cold/to catch cold
gǎnxiè 感谢 (express) thanks/grateful/gratitude/thankful/thanks
gǎn 敢 dare
gàn 干 dry
gànbù 干部 cadre(NOUN)
gāng 刚 barely/exactly/firm/hard/just/strong
gāngcái 刚才 just(ADVB)
gāngbǐ 钢笔 fountain pen
gāo 高 high/tall
gāoxìng 高兴 glad/happy/in a cheerful mood/willing (to do sth)
gǎo 搞 to do/to get hold of/to go in for/to make/to set up/to take care of
gào 告诉 to inform/to let know/to tell
gē 哥哥 older brother
gē 歌 song
gè 个 (a measure word)/individual
gè 各 each/every
gèzhǒng 各种 all kinds of/every kind of/various kinds
gei 给 (passive particle)/for/for the benefit of/to/to allow/to do sth (for sb)/to give

gēn 根 basis/radical (chem.)/root
gēn 跟 and/heel/to follow/to go with/with
gèng 更 to change
gōngchǎng 工厂 factory
gōngrén 工人 worker
gōngyè 工业 industry
gōngzuò 工作 construction/job/task/work/work
gōnggòngqì chē 公共汽车 bus
gōngjīn 公斤 kilogram
gōnglǐ 公里 kilometer(NOUN)
gōngyuán 公园 a public park
gòu 够 to be enough/to reach
gū 姑娘 girl
gù 故事 narrative/story/tale
guā 刮 to blow/to scrape
guà 挂 hang/suspend
guān 关 (surname)/mountain pass/to close/to concern/to involve/to shut/to turn off
guān 关系 guanxi /relation/relations/relationship/to affect/to concern/to have
to do with
guānxīn 关心 caring/concerned
guǎn 馆 establishment/house
guǎngbō 广播 broadcast
guì 贵 expensive/noble/precious/your (name)
guìxìng 贵姓 what is your name?
guó 国 country/nation/state
guójiā 国家 country/nation
guò 过 (past tense marker)/(surname)/to cross/to get along/to go over/to live/to pass (time)
guòlái 过来 to be able to take care of/to handle/to manage
guòqù 过去 (in the) past/former/previous/to go over/to pass by
hāhā 哈哈 (an onomatopoeia for laughing)
hái 还 (not) yet/also/else/in addition/more/still/still/yet
háishì 还是 nevertheless/or/still
hái 孩子 child
hǎi 海 ocean/sea
hánjià 寒假 winter vacation
hǎn 喊 call/cry/to shout
hànyǔ 汉语 Chinese language

hànzì 汉字 Chinese character
hǎo 好 good/well
hǎochī 好吃 delicious/tasty
hǎo 好处 advantage/benefit
hǎokàn 好看 good-looking
hǎoxiàng 好像 (v) as if; seem like
hào 号 cry/roar
hē 喝 my goodness/to drink
hé 和 and/harmony/peace/together with/union/with
héshì 合适 decent/fit/suitable
hé 河 river
hēi 黑 black/dark
heibǎn 黑板 blackboard
hěn 很 extremely/very
hóng 红 bonus/popular/red/revolutionary
hòu 后 after/afterwards/back/behind/later/rear
hòubiān 后边 behind
hūrán 忽然 all of a sudden/suddenly
hú 湖 lake
hùxiāng 互相 each other/mutual/mutually
huā 花 blossom/fancy pattern/flower/to spend (money/ time)
huàxué 化学 chemical/chemistry
huà 话 conversation/dialect/language/speech/spoken words/talk/what
someone
said/words
huài 坏 bad/spoiled
huānyíng 欢迎 to welcome/welcome
huàn 还 (not) yet/also/else/in addition/more/still/still/yet
huàn 换 change/exchange
huáng 黄 (surname)/sulfur/yellow
huí 回 (a measure word for matters or actions) a time/to answer/to
circle/to go back/to return/to revolve/to turn around
huídá 回答 answer/reply
huílái 回来 come back/return
huíqù 回去 go back/return
huì 会 association/be able to/be possible/can/group/to assemble/to
gather/to meet/to see/union
huìhuà 会话 conversation
huó 活 alive/living/to live/work/workmanship
huó 活儿 (n) work (typically used only in speech)
huódòng 活动 activity/behavior/exercise

huǒchē 火车 train
huòzhě 或者 maybe/or/perhaps/possibly
jīběn 基本 basic/fundamental/main
jīchǔ 基础 base/basis/foundation
jīchǎng 机场 airport/management/to administer/to manage
jīhuì 机会 chance/opportunity
jīqì 机器 machine
jī 鸡 chicken/fowl
jīdàn 鸡蛋 egg
jíhé 集合 congregation/gather
jí 急 hurried/worried
jǐ 挤 crowded/to squeeze
jǐ 几 small table
jìshù 技术 skill/technique/technology
jì 寄 lodge at/to depend/to entrust/to mail/to send
jìhuà 计划 plan/program/project/to map out/to plan
jì 记 mark/sign/to note/to record/to remember
jìxù 继续 to continue/to go on with/to proceed with
jiā 家 a person engaged in a certain art or profession/-er/family/home/-ian/-ist
jiāting 家庭 family/household
jiā 加 plus/to add
jiānchí 坚持 persevere/persistence/to continue upholding/to insist on/to persist/to remain committed to/to uphold
jiān 间 (measure word)/among/between/space
jiǎnchá 检查 examine/inspection
jiǎndān 简单 not complicated/simple
jiàn 见 to appear (to be sth)/to interview/to meet/to see
jiànmiàn 见面 meet/see (someone)
jiàn 件 (a measure word for thing/clothes/item)
jiànkāng 健康 health
jiànshè 建设 construction/constructive/to build/to construct
jiānglái 将来 (the) future
jiāng 江 river
jiǎng 讲 speech/to explain/to speak/to talk/to tell
jiāo 交 to deliver/to intersect (lines)/to make friends/to pay (money)/to turn over
jiāo 教 teach
jiǎo 脚 a kick/foot/role
jiǎo 角 angle/horn/horn-shaped

jiǎo 饺子 dumpling
jiàoshì 教室 classroom
jiàoyù 教育 education/to educate/to teach
jiào 叫 to (be) call(ed)
jiē 接 to connect/to extend/to join/to receive
jiē 接着 carry on/follow
jiē 街 street
jié 节 festival/part/point/section/temperate
jiémù 节目 item (on a program)/program
jiérì 节日 festival/holiday
jiéguǒ 结果 outcome/result
jiéshù 结束 termination/to close/to conclude/to end/to finish
jiějué 解决 resolve/to resolve/to settle (a dispute)/to solve
jiě 姐姐 older sister
jiè 借 by means of/excuse/pretext/to borrow/to lend
jièshào 介绍 introduction/to introduce/to present
jīn 斤 catty
jīnnián 今年 this year
jīntiān 今天 at the present/now/today
jǐn 紧 nervous/strict/tight
jǐnzhāng 紧张 critical/intense/nervous/strained/tense/tension
jìn 进 advance/enter/to come in
jìnlái 进来 (v) come in
jìngù 进去 (v) go in
jìnxíng 进行 in progress/to advance/to carry on/to carry out/to conduct/to
conduct/to do/to execute/underway
jìn 近 approximately/close (to)/near
jīngcǎi 精彩 brilliant/splendid
jīngshén 精神 drive/spiritual/vigor/vitality
jīngcháng 经常 day-to-day/everyday/frequently/regularly
jīngguò 经过 course/process/to go through/to pass
jīngjì 经济 economic/economy
jīngyàn 经验 experience/to experience
jiǔ 久 (long) duration of time/(long) time
jiǔ 九 9/nine
jiǔ 酒 liquor/spirits/wine
jiù 旧 former/old (opposite of new)
jiù 就 (emphasis)/at once/only/right away/then/to approach/to move towards/to undertake
jú 橘子 orange

jǔ 举 to act/to choose/to cite/to elect/to enumerate/to hold up/to lift/to raise
jù 句 (a measure word/ for sentences or lines of verse)/sentence
jù 句子 sentence
jué 觉得 to feel/to think
juéding 决定 to decide (to do something)/to determine/to resolve
kāfēi 咖啡 coffee
kǎchē 卡车 truck
kāi 开 open/operate (vehicle)/start
kāishǐ 开始 begin/beginning/initial/start
kāiwánxiào 开玩笑 to joke/to make fun of/to play a joke
kāixué 开学 new term begins/school opens
kàn 看 to guard/to look after/to take care of/to watch
kànbìng 看病 see a doctor/see a patient
kànjiàn 看见 to catch sight of/to see
kǎoshì 考试 exam
kē 棵 M for plants
kēxué 科学 science/scientific/scientific knowledge
ké 咳嗽 to cough
kěnéng 可能 might (happen)/possibility/possible/probability/probable
kěshì 可是 but/however
kěyǐ 可以 able to/can/may/possible
kě 渴 thirsty
kè 克 gram/subdue/to overcome/to restrain
kè 刻 (a measure word)/oppressive/quarter (hour)/to carve/to cut/to engrave
kè 客气 polite
kè 课 class/lesson/subject
kèběn 课本 textbook
kèwén 课文 text
kōngqì 空气 air/atmosphere
kǒu 口 (a measure word)/mouth
kǒuyǔ 口语 spoken language
kū 哭 to cry/to weep
kǔ 苦 bitter/intensely/miserable/painful
kuài 块 (measure word for chunks/ lumps)/chunk/lump/piece
kuài 快 fast/quick/swift
kùn 困难 (financial/ etc.) difficulty/issue/problem
lā 拉 to drag/to draw/to play (string instruments)/to pull
la 啦 (onomat.)/(phonetic)
lái 来 to come

lán 蓝 kohl rabi
lánqiú 篮球 basketball
láodòng 劳动 (physical) labor
láojià 劳驾 excuse me
lǎo 老 (a prefix used before the surname of a person or a numeral indicating the order of birth of the children in a family to indicate affection or familiarity)/old (of people)
lǎoshī 老师 teacher
le 了 (modal particle intensifying preceding clause)/(past tense marker)
lèi 累 cumbersome
lěng 冷 cold
lí 离 from/to depart/to go away/to leave
líkāi 离开 to depart/to leave
lǐ 里 in(OTHER)/mile(NOUN)
lǐwù 礼物 gift/present
lìshǐ 历史 historical (ADJT)/history(NOUN)
lìyòng 利用 exploit/make use of/to take advantage of/to use/to utilize
lìrú 例如 for example/for instance/such as
lìkè 立刻 at once/forthwith/immediate/prompt/promptly/straightway/thereupon
liǎ 俩 (a numeral-measure word) two/both
liánxì 联系 connection(NOUN)/to contact(VERB)
liǎn 脸 face
liànxí 练习 drill/exercise
liáng 凉快 nice and cold/pleasantly cool
liǎng 两 a few/both/ounce/some/tael/two
liàng 辆 (a measure word for vehicles)
liàng 亮 bright/light
liǎo 了 (modal particle intensifying preceding clause)/(past tense marker)
liǎojiě 了解 come to understand/find out/understand
líng 零 remnant/zero
lǐngdǎo 领导 lead/leadership/leading/to lead
liú 留 leave (message)/to keep/to preserve/to remain/to retain/to stay
liúniàn 留念 keep as a souvenir
liúxuéshēng 留学生 (foreign) exchange student/student studying abroad
liú 流 to circulate/to flow/to move/to spread
liù 六 six
lóu 楼 floor/house with more than 1 story/storied building
lù 路 (surname)/path/road/way

lùyīn 录音 (sound) recording
lǚxíng 旅行 travel
lǜ 绿 chlorine/green
luàn 乱 disorderly/in confusion
mā 妈妈 mama/mommy
má 麻烦 trouble/troublesome
mǎ 马 21st of month (tele.)/horse/Ma (a surname)
mǎshàng 马上 at once/immediately/right away
ma 嘛 (a modal particle)
ma 吗 morphine
mǎi 买 buy
mài 卖 to sell
mǎn 满 filled/Manchurian/packed/to fill/to fulfill
mǎnyì 满意 pleased/satisfied/to be pleased/to be satisfied
màn 慢 slow
máng 忙 busy
máo 毛 fur/hair/pore
mào 帽子 cap/hat
méi 没 (negative prefix for verbs)/have not/not
méiguān 没关系 it doesn't matter
méiyì 没意思 (adj) not interesting; boring/(adj) not worth talking about/(idiom)
unable to put forward an opinion; have no idea
méiyǒu 没有 doesn't exist/hasn't/haven't/to not be/to not have
měi 每 each/every
mèi 妹妹 (informal) younger sister
mén 门 door/field of endeavor/gate
ménkǒu 门口 doorway/gate
men 们 (plural marker for pronouns and a few animate nouns)
mǐ 米 (measure word) meter/rice
mǐfàn 米饭 (cooked) rice
miànbāo 面包 bread
miàntiáo 面条儿 (n) noodles
mínzú 民族 ethnic group/nationality
míngnián 明年 next year
míngtiān 明天 tomorrow
míng 名字 (a person's) name
mǔqīn 母亲 mother (formal)
mùqián 目前 at the present time/currently
ná 拿 to apprehend/to catch/to hold/to seize/to take
nǎ 哪 how/which

nǎlǐ 哪里 where(NOUN)
nà 那 how/which
nà 那个 that one
nà 那里 there(NOUN)
nà 那么 that(ADJT)
nàxiē 那些 those
nàyàng 那样 that kind/that sort
na 哪 how/which
na 呐 battle cry
nán 南 south
nánbiān 南边 (n) location to the south
nán 男 male
nán 难 difficult/difficult (to...)/difficulty/not good/problem
ne 呢 (question particle)
nèi 内 inner/inside/interior/internal/within
nèiróng 内容 content/details/substance
néng 能 able/can/capable/energy/may
nénggòu 能够 be capable of/can/is able
ng 嗯 (a groaning sound)
nǐ 你 you
nǐ 你们 you (plural)
nián 年 year
niánjí 年级 grade
niánjì 年纪 age
niánqīng 年轻 young
niàn 念 to read aloud
nín 您 you (formal)
níu 牛 bull/cow/ox
níunǎi 牛奶 milk
nóngcūn 农村 rural area/village
nóngmín 农民 peasant
nóngyè 农业 agriculture/farming
nǔlì 努力 great effort/strive/try hard
nv3 女 female/woman
nv3ér 女儿 daughter
nuǎn 暖和 nice and warm/warm
pá 爬 climb/crawl
pà 怕 to be afraid/to fear
pāi 拍 to beat/to clap/to hit/to pat/to slap/to take (a picture)
páiqiú 排球 volleyball
pài 派 clique/faction/group/school/to dispatch

pángbiān 旁边 lateral/side
pǎo 跑 to escape/to run
pǎobù 跑步 to march/to run/to walk quickly
péng 朋友 friend
pèng 碰 to bump/to meet with/to touch
pīpíng 批评 criticism/to criticize
píjiǔ 啤酒 beer
piān 篇 (a measure word)/article/chapter/piece of writing/sheet
pián 便宜 inexpensive
piàn 片 disc/sheet
piào 漂亮 beautiful/pretty
piào 票 bank note/ticket
píngguǒ 苹果 apple
píng 瓶 (a measure word)/bottle/pitcher/vase
pò 破 broken/damaged/to break/to split/worn out
qī 七 7/seven
qí 骑 to ride (an animal or bike)/to sit astride
qǐ 起 to get up/to raise/to rise
qǐchuáng 起床 to get up
qǐlái 起来 beginning or continuing an action/stand up/upward movement
qìchē 汽车 automobile/car
qìshuǐ 汽水 pop/soda
qiānbǐ 铅笔 (lead) pencil
qiān 千 thousand
qián 钱 (surname)/coin/money
qián 前 ago/before/earlier/former/front/in front/previous
qiánbiān 前边 (n) the area in front of sth
qiǎn 浅 shallow
qiáng 墙 wall (NOUN)
qiáo 桥 bridge
qīngnián 青年 youth
qīng 轻 easy/gentle/hydrogen/light/soft
qīng 清楚 clear/clearly understood/distinct
qíng 晴 clear/fine (weather)
qíngkuàng 情况 circumstances/situation/state of affairs
qǐng 请 please (do sth)/to ask/to invite/to request/to treat (to a meal/ etc)
qǐngjià 请假 ask for time off
qǐngwèn 请问 may I ask...
qiū 秋 a swing/autumn/fall/harvest time
qiūtiān 秋天 autumn

qíu 球 ball/sphere
qǔdé 取得 to acquire/to get/to obtain
qù 去 to go/to leave/to remove
qùnián 去年 last year
quán 全 all/complete/entire/every/whole
quánbù 全部 complete/entire/whole
quántǐ 全体 all/entire
quèshí 确实 indeed/real/really/reliable/true
ránhòu 然後 after/after that/afterwards/then (afterwards)
ràng 让 have (someone do something)/permit/to allow/to ask/to let/to yield
rè 热 fervent/heat/hot (of weather)/to heat up/warm up
rèqíng 热情 cordial/enthusiastic/passion/passionate/passionately
rén 人 man/people/person
rén 人们 people
rénmín 人民 (the) people
rènhe 任何 any/whatever/whatsoever/whichever
rèn 认识 be acquainted with (a person)/to be familiar with/to know/to recognize
rènwéi 认为 to believe/to consider/to feel/to think
rènzhēn 认真 earnest/serious/take seriously/take to heart
rì 日 date/day/day of the month/Japan/sun
rìyǔ 日语 Japanese (language)
rì 日子 a (calendar) date/date/day/days of (someone's) life
róngyì 容易 easy/liable (to)/likely
ròu 肉 flesh/meat
sān 三 three
sànbù 散步 to go for a walk/to take a walk
shān 山 hill/mountain
shāngdiàn 商店 shop/store
shàng 上 above/above/first (of two parts)/higher/on/on top/previous/previous or last (week/ etc.)/to climb/to go into/to go up/upon/upper
shàngbiān 上边 upside
shàngkè 上课 to attend class
shànglái 上来 (v) approach/(v) come up/used after verb to indicate success
shàngqù 上去 (v) go upwards
shàngwǔ 上午 morning
shàngxué 上学 to attend school/to go to school
shǎo 少 few/lack/little

shèhuì 社会 society
shēntǐ 身体 (human) body/health
shēn 深 deep/profound
shén 什么 what(OTHER)
shēng 声 (a measure word/ used for sounds)/noise/sound/tone/voice
shēngdiào 声调 note/tone
shēngyīn 声音 sound/voice
shēngchǎn 生产 manufacture/to produce
shēngcí 生词 new word
shēnghuó 生活 activity/life
shēng 生日 birthday
shěng 省 frugal/province/save/to leave out/to omit/to save (money)
shèng 剩 have as remainder
shènglì 胜利 victory
shī 师傅 a qualified worker/master
shí 十 ten
shífēn 十分 completely/fully/very
shí 时候 length of time/moment/period/time
shíjiān 时间 period/time
shítáng 食堂 dining hall
shíjiàn 实践 to fulfill/to practice/to put into practice
shíxiàn 实现 to achieve/to bring about/to implement/to realize
shǐyòng 使用 to apply/to employ/to make use of/to use
shìjiè 世界 world
shì 事 affair/item/matter/thing/work
shì 事情 affair/business/matter/thing
shì 是 am/are/is/to be/yes
shì 市 city/market
shì 试 examination/experiment/test/to test/to try
shōu 收 to accept/to collect/to receive
shǒu 手 convenient/hand
shǒubiǎo 手表 wrist watch
shǒudū 首都 capital (city)
shū 输 to lose/to transport
shū 舒服 comfortable
shū 书 book/letter
shú 熟 cooked/done/familiar/ripe/ripe/skilled
shǔ 数 to count
shù 树 tree
shùxué 数学 mathematic/mathematics
shuāng 双 both/double/pair/two

shéi 谁 who
shuǐ 水 river/water
shuǐguǒ 水果 fruit
shuǐpíng 水平 level (of achievement/ etc.)/standard
shuì 睡 to sleep
shuìjiào 睡觉 to go to bed/to go to sleep
shuō 说 persuade (politically)
shuōmíng 说明 caption/directions/explanation/to explain/to illustrate
sīxiǎng 思想 idea/thinking/thought
sǐ 死 inflexible/inpassable/rigid/to die/uncrossable
sì 四 four
sòng 送 to carry/to deliver/to give (as a present)/to present (with)/to see
off/to send
sùshè 宿舍 dormitory(NOUN)
suān 酸 ache/acid/sore/sour
suàn 算 regard as/to calculate/to compute/to figure
suīrán 虽然 although/even though
suì 岁 (a measure word)/year/years old
suǒyǐ 所以 as a result/therefore
suǒyǒu 所有 all/to have/to own/to possess
tā 他 he/him
tā 他们 they
tā 它 it
tā 它们 they (for inanimate objects)
tā 她 she
tā 她们 them (for females)/they
tái 抬 (of two or more persons) to carry/to lift/to raise
tài 太 extremely/greatest/highest/too (much)/very
tàiyáng 太阳 sun
tài 态度 approach/attitude/bearing/manner
tán 谈 (surname)/to chat/to converse/to discuss/to speak/to talk
tāng 汤 (surname)/soup
táng 糖 candy/sugar/sweets
tǎng 躺 to lie down/to recline
tǎolùn 讨论 to discuss/to talk over
tèbié 特别 especially/particular/special/unusual
téng 疼 (it) hurts/ache/love fondly/pain/sore
tī 踢 kick/play (football or soccer)
tí 提 carry (suspended)
tígāo 提高 increase/raise

tìyù 体育 physical culture/physical training/sports
tiān 天 day/heaven/sky
tiānqì 天气 weather
tiáo 条 a strip/article/item/measure word for long/ thin things (i.e. ribbon/ river/ etc.)
tiáojiàn 条件 condition/factor/prerequisite
tiào 跳 hop/jump/skip (a grade)/to beat/to bounce/to leap
tiàowǔ 跳舞 to dance
tīng 听 hear/listen/obey
tīngjiàn 听见 hear
tīngshuō 听说 to hear told
tīngxǐe 听写 dictate/dictation
tíng 停 to halt/to stop
tǐng 挺 be straight and stiff/rather (good)
tōng 通 go through/know well/open/to communicate/to connect
tōngguò 通过 by means of/through/to adopt/to get through/to pass through/to switch over/via
tōngzhī 通知 inform/notice/notification/notify
tóngshí 同时 at the same time/simultaneously
tóngxué 同学 (fellow) classmate
tóngyì 同意 to agree/to approve/to consent
tóngzhì 同志 comrade
tòng 痛快 jolly
tóu 头 head
tūrán 突然 abrupt/sudden/unexpected
túshūguǎn 图书馆 library
tuánjié 团结 (hold a) rally/join forces
tuī 推 push/refuse (responsibility)/shove
tuǐ 腿 leg
tuì 退 retreat/to decline/to move back/to withdraw
tuō 脱 to escape/to get away from/to shed/to take off
wà 袜子 socks/stockings
wài 外 external/foreign/in addition/outside
wàibiān 外边 (n) exterior surface/(n) outside/(n) place other than one's home
town
wàiguó 外国 foreign (country)
wàiyǔ 外语 foreign language
wán 完 complete/entire/to be over/to finish/whole
wánchéng 完成 accomplish/complete

wánquán 完全 complete/entirely/totally/whole
wán 玩儿 to play
wǎn 碗 bowl/cup
wǎn 晚 evening/late/night
wǎnfàn 晚饭 supper
wǎnhuì 晚会 evening party
wǎn 晚上 in the evening
wàn 万 (surname)/10/000
wǎng 往 past/previous/to go (in a direction)/towards
wàng 忘 to forget/to neglect/to overlook
wēixiǎn 危险 danger/dangerous
wéi 为 act as/take...to be/to be/to become/to do/to serve as
wēidà 伟大 great/large/mighty
wèi 喂 (interjection) hello/hey/telephone greeting/to feed (someone or some animal)
wèi 位 (measure word for persons)/location/place/position/seat
wéi 为 act as/take...to be/to be/to become/to do/to serve as
wèi 为了 for the purpose of/in order to/so as to
wèishén 为什么 why(NOUN)
wénhuà 文化 civilization/cultural/culture
wénxué 文学 literature
wénxuéjiā 文学家 man of letters/writer
wényì 文艺 literature and art
wénzhāng 文章 article/essay
wèn 问 to ask
wènǎo 问好 say hello to/send one's regards to
wèntí 问题 issue/problem/topic
wǒ 我 I/me/myself
wǒ 我们 ourselves/us/we
wòshǒu 握手 to shake hands
wū 屋子 house/room
wǔ 五 5/five
wǔfàn 午饭 lunch
wùlǐ 物理 physical/physics
xī 西 west
xībiān 西边 (n) west side; to the west of
xīwàng 希望 to desire/to hope/to wish for
xíguàn 习惯 custom/habit/to be used to/usual practice
xǐ 喜欢 to be fond of/to like
xǐ 洗 to bathe/to wash
xǐzǎo 洗澡 bathe

xì 系 be/bind/connection/relation/tie up
xì 细 fine/minutely/slender/thin
xià 下 below/down(wards)/latter/lower/next (week/ etc.)/second (of two parts)/to decline/to go down/under/underneath
xiàbiān 下边 (n) under
xiàkè 下课 class is over
xiàlái 下来 (verb suffix indicating continuation/ etc.)
xiàqù 下去 go down (descend)/go on (continue)
xiàwǔ 下午 afternoon
xià 夏 summer/Xia (proper name)
xiàtiān 夏天 summer
xiān 先 early/first/former/in advance/prior
xiān 先生 (title of respect)/mister/sir/teacher
xiàndài 现代 modern age/modern era/modern times
xiànzài 现在 at present/current/modern/now/nowadays/present
xiāngxìn 相信 be convinced (that something is true)/believe/to accept sth. as true
xiāng 香 (of food)
savory/appetizing/fragrant/incense/popular/scented/sweet
xiāngjiāo 香蕉 banana
xiǎng 想 to believe/to miss/to suppose/to think/to want/to wish
xiǎng 响 (a measure word for sound)/loud/to make a sound/to ring/to sound
xiàng 像 (look)
like/appearance/elephant/image/look/portrait/resemble/seem/similar (to)/to appear/to look/to seem
xiàng 向 direction/guide/opposite to/part/side/to/towards
xiāo 消息 information/news
xiǎo 小 few/small/tiny/young
xiǎo 小姐 miss/young lady
xiǎoshí 小时 hour
xiào 笑 laugh/smile
xiē 些 (a measure word)/few/several/some
xié 鞋 shoe
xiě 写 to write
xiè 谢谢 to thank
xīnkǔ 辛苦 exhausting/hard/with much toil
xīn 新 meso- (chem.)/new/newly
xīnnián 新年 New Year

xīnwén 新闻 news
xīn 心 heart/mind
xìn 信 evidence/letter/sign/to believe/true
xìnfēng 信封 envelope
xīngqī 星期 week
xīngqīrì 星期日 Sunday
xíng 行 a row/profession/professional
xìngfú 幸福 blessed/happiness/happy
xìng 姓 family name/name/surname
xiū 休息 rest/to rest
xūyào 需要 needs/to demand/to need/to require/to want
xǔduō 许多 a lot of/many/much
xué 学 learn/-ology/science/study
xué 学生 student
xuéxí 学习 to learn/to study
xuéxiào 学校 school
xuéyuàn 学院 college/educational institute/faculty/school
xuě 雪 snow
yā 呀 (final part.)
yánjiū 研究 research
yánsè 颜色 color
yǎn 眼睛 eye
yǎnchū 演出 (acting) play/perform
yànhuì 宴会 banquet
yáng 羊 (surname)/sheep
yàng 样子 air/aspect/looks/manner
yāoqiú 要求 request/require/stake a claim (to something)/to ask/to demand
yào 药 drug/medicine
yào 要 ask/coerce/demand/request
yào 要是 if
yě 也 also/too
yěxǔ 也许 maybe/perhaps
yè 页 leaf/page
yè 夜 night
yī 一 a(n)/one/single
yídìng 一定 a certain (extent/
etc.)/certainly/fixed/given/necessarily/particular/surely
yígòng 一共 all together
yíhuì 一会儿 a while
yíkuài 一块儿 (adv) together/(n) at the same location

yíqiè 一切 all/every/everything
yíxià 一下儿 a little bit/a little while
yíyàng 一样 equal to/just like/like/same/the same as
yìbān 一般 common/general/ordinary/same
yìdiǎn 一点儿 a bit/a little
yìqǐ 一起 together
yìxiē 一些 a few/a little/some
yìzhí 一直 all along/always/continuously/from the beginning of ... up to ...
yīshēng 医生 doctor
yīyuàn 医院 hospital
yī 衣服 clothes
yǐ 椅子 chair
yǐ 已经 already
yǐhòu 以后 after/afterwards/following/in the future/later/later on
yǐqián 以前 before/formerly/previous
yǐwéi 以为 believe/consider (that)
yìshù 艺术 art
yì 亿 a hundred million/calculate
yìjiàn 意见 opinion/view
yì 意思 idea/meaning/opinion
yìyì 意义 meaning/significance
yīnwèi 因为 because/on account of/owing to
yīnyuè 音乐 music
yīn 阴 (of weather) overcast/cloudy/feminine/moon/negative (electric.)/shady/Yin
yínháng 银行 bank
yīngyǔ 英语 English (language)
yīnggāi 应该 must/ought to/should
yíng 赢 to beat/to profit/to win
yǐngxiǎng 影响 influence/to effect/to influence
yǒngyuǎn 永远 eternal/forever
yòng 用 to use
yóuqí 尤其 especially/particularly
yóujú 邮局 post office
yóupiào 邮票 (postage) stamp
yóuyǒng 游泳 swim
yǒu 有 there are/there is/to be/to exist/to have
yǒu 有的 (there are) some (who are...)/some (exist)
yǒumíng 有名 famous/well-known
yǒushí 有时候 sometimes

yǒuxie 有些 some/somewhat
yǒuyì 有意思 interesting
yǒuhǎo 友好 friendly (relations)
yǒuyì 友谊 companionship/fellowship/friendship
yòu 右 right (-hand)
yòu 又 (once) again/again/also/both... and...
yú 鱼 fish
yúkuài 愉快
cheerful/cheerily/delighted/delightful/happy/pleasant/pleasantly/pleasing
yǔ 雨 rain
yǔfǎ 语法 grammar
yǔyán 语言 (spoken) language
yùdào 遇到 to come across/to meet/to run into
yùxí 预习 to prepare a lesson
yuán 元 (dynasty)/dollar/first/primary
yuánlái 原来 at first/former/formerly/original/originally
yuánliàng 原谅 to excuse/to forgive/to pardon
yuán 圆 (of the moon) full/circle/circular/round/spherical/tactful/to justify/unit of Chinese currency (Yuan)
yuǎn 远 distant/far/remote
yuànyì 愿意 ready/to want/to wish/willing (to do sth)
yuè 月 month/moon
yuè 月亮 moon
yuèqiú 月球 (the) Moon
yún 云 say
yùndòng 运动 campaign/movement/sports
zài 再 again/another/once more/re-/second
zàijiàn 再见 good bye/goodbye
zài 在 (located) at/exist/in
zài 在 (located) at/exist/in
zán 咱 we (incl.)
zán 咱们 we (including the person spoken to)
zāng 脏 dirty/filthy
zǎo 早 early/morning
zǎo 早晨 early morning
zǎofàn 早饭 breakfast
zěn 怎么 how(NOUN)
zěnmeyàng 怎么样 how about(NOUN)
zěnyàng 怎样 how/why
zēngjiā 增加 to increase/to raise

zhǎnlǎn 展览 exhibition/show/to exhibit/to put on display
zhàn 占 to divine
zhàn 站 station/to halt/to stand/to stop
zhāng 张 (a measure word)/(a surname)/open up
zhǎng 长 always/constantly/forever/length/long
zhǎngwò 掌握 grasp
zháojí 着急 feel anxious/worry
zhǎo 找 to call on (sb)/to find/to look for/to look for/to return/to seek/to try to find
zhàogù 照顾 show some consideration/take (good) care of/to attend to/to look after
zhàoxiàng 照相 take a photograph
zhè 这 these/this
zhè 这个 this
zhè 这里 here(NOUN)
zhè 这么 so much(NOUN)
zhèxiē 这些 these
zhèyàng 这样 like this/such/such/this (kind of/ sort of)/this way
zhē 着 catch/receive/suffer
zhēn 真 genuine/real/true
zhēnzhèng 真正 genuine/real/true
zhěngqí 整齐 neat/tidy
zhèng 正 Chinese 1st month of year
zhèngquè 正确 correct/proper
zhèngzài 正在 in the process of (doing something or happening)/while (doing)
zhèngfǔ 政府 government
zhèngzhì 政治 political/politics
zhī 只 (a measure word/ for birds and some animals/ etc.)/only/single
zhī 支 (a measure word)/branch/division/to draw money/to erect/to raise/to support/to sustain
zhīdào 知道 be aware of/know
zhī 知识 intellectual/knowledge/knowledge-related
zhī 指 finger/to direct/to indicate/to point
zhī 只 (a measure word/ for birds and some animals/ etc.)/only/single
zhīhǎo 只好 to be forced to/to have to
zhǐ 纸 paper
zhōng 中 among/center/China/Chinese/during/in/middle/while (doing sth)/within

zhōngjiān 中间 betwixt/intermediate/mid/middle
zhōngwén 中文 Chinese language
zhōngwǔ 中午 midday/noon
zhōngxué 中学 middle school
zhōng 钟 (ancient measure)/(surname)
zhōngtóu 钟头 hour(NOUN)
zhǒng 种 kind/race (of people)/seed/type/type
zhòng 重 a layer/again/iteration/repetition/to double/to repeat
zhòngyào 重要 important/major/significant
zhōu 周
(surname)/all/attentive/circuit/complete/cycle/encircle/every/lap/though
tful/week
zhōuwéi 周围 encompass/surrounding
zhū 猪 hog/pig/swine
zhǔyào 主要 main/major/primary/principal
zhǔ 主意 decision/idea/plan
zhù 住 to dwell/to live/to reside/to stop
zhùyì 注意 (pay) attention (to)/take note of
zhù 祝 invoke/pray to/to express good wishes/wish
zhuāng 装 adorn/adornment/clothing/costume/dress
zhǔnbèi 准备 preparation/prepare
zhuō 桌子 desk/table
zìjǐ 自己 (reflexive pronoun)/own/self
zìxíngchē 自行车 bicycle
zì 字 character/letter/symbol/word
zǒngshì 总是 always
zǒu 走 to go/to move/to walk
zúqiú 足球 football (British English)/soccer (American English)