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## Introduction

This Pocket Dictionary is an indispensable companion for visitors to China and for anyone in the early stages of learning Chinese. It contains all the 3,000 or so Chinese words that are most commonly encountered in colloquial, everyday speech.

For the sake of clarity, only the common Chinese equivalents for each English word have been given. When an English word has more than one possible meaning, with different Chinese equivalents, each meaning is listed separately, with a clear explanatory gloss. The layout is clear and accessible, with none of the abbreviations and dense nests of entries typical of many small dictionaries.

The language represented in this dictionary is Modern Standard Chinese, which is also commonly known in English as Mandarin, and in China as *Putonghua* (literally 'Modern Standard Chinese') and Taiwan as *Guoyu* (literally 'national speech').

The People's Republic of China has a population of over 1.35 billion people, more than 90% of whom are ethnically Chinese. They speak a large number of related languages, often collectively referred to as 'Chinese dialects'. Many of these are mutually unintelligible in their spoken forms, although they are united by a common system of writing (see further below).

The main language groups are Mandarin, spoken in a broad area across the north and west of the country, Kan, Xiang, Wu, Northern Min, Southern Min, Hakka, and Cantonese. Most of these also contain within them a wide range of dialectal variation, especially as regards pronunciation and elements of vocabulary.

Modern Standard Chinese is based on the northern Mandarin dialects of the area surrounding the capital Beijing, and the standard pronunciation is that traditionally used in Beijing. Its use has been widely promoted as an instrument of national unity since the overthrow of the Manchu monarchy by the native Han Chinese in 1912, and especially since the founding of the PRC in 1949. Nowadays most people in China have a good knowledge of it even if they do not commonly speak it in daily life.

The written form of Chinese does not relate directly to the sounds of the language. Instead it makes use of a very large number of characters representing different syllables, to each of which is linked both a meaning and a sound. The meaning attached to each character is the same for each of the Chinese languages and dialects, although the way it is pronounced may well be different. In this way writing can serve as a means of communication between Chinese from

geographically separated regions who would not be able to understand each other's everyday speech.

The characters derived initially from the stylized representation of concrete objects, to which the abstract meanings needed for the expression of the whole language have been added by processes of combination and metaphor. The earliest written records of Chinese date back to the second millennium BCE, in the form of marks scratched on bones and shells used in a system of divination. The shapes of these characters are very different from the modern forms, but the development of the script from a directly representational system is already well advanced.

Classical Chinese literature dates from around 1500 BCE, and there has been some development of the characters over the succeeding centuries. Since the 1950s the government of the PRC has promoted the simplification of a number of characters that are complex in formation or contain a large number of strokes, and the reform has also been adopted in Singapore. All the Chinese words and phrases in this dictionary are written in these simplified characters. In Taiwan and Hong Kong the traditional forms of the characters are mostly still used, but the simplified forms are also readily understood.

In this dictionary every Chinese word and phrase is also given in the roman alphabet, following the official system of transcription promulgated in 1958 and known as *Hanyu Pinyin*. A guide to the pronunciation of the romanized forms is given on the following pages.

Chinese is a tonal language, and it is extremely important to use the correct tone in pronouncing each syllable. In this dictionary the tones are indicated by diacritical marks over the vowels.

The words and phrases in the Chinese-English section of the dictionary are arranged in English alphabetical order using the letters and diacritical marks of the Hanyu Pinyin system of romanization. Words that have the same spelling but different tones are listed in order of their tones: first, second, third, fourth and neutral tone. For example, 'āi short' comes before 'ai to love'. Words that have the same spelling and the same tone are listed according to the complexity of the Chinese characters. For example, 'gān dry' with three strokes comes before 'gān liver' with seven strokes.

Although the writing system and pronunciation of Chinese may be daunting for English speakers, grammatically it is not too problematic. There are no inflections as such (distinctions such as tense and number being indicated by various particles) and the word order is generally the same as in English.

## Pronunciation

The imitated pronunciation should be read as if it were English, bearing in mind the following main points:

### Consonants

**b, d, f, g, h, k, l, m, n, p, s, t, w, y** as in English

**c** like English **ts** in **its**

**j** like English **j** in **jee**

**q** like English **ch** in **cheer**, with a strong puff of air

**r** like English **ur** in **leisure**, with the tongue rolled back

**x** like English **see** (whole word)

**z** like English **ds** in **kids**

**ch** like English **ch** in **church**, with the tongue rolled back and a strong puff of air

**sh** like English **sh** in **she**, with the tongue rolled back

**zh** like English **j**, with the tongue rolled back

### Vowels

**a** like English **ar** in **far**

**e** like English **er** in **her**

**j** like English **ee** in **fee**

**o** like English **or** in **for**

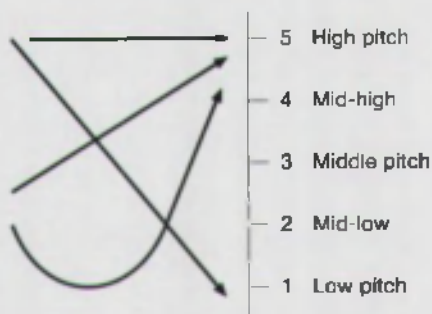
**u** like English **ue** in **sue**

**û** like French **u**

## Tones

A tone is a variation in pitch by which a syllable can be pronounced. In Chinese, a variation of pitch or tone changes the meaning of the word. There are four tones each marked by a diacritic. In addition there is a neutral tone which does not carry any tone marks. Below is a tone chart which describes tones using the 5-degree notation. It divides the range of pitches from lowest (1) to highest (5). Note that the neutral tone is not shown on the chart as it is affected by the tone that precedes it.

### Tone chart



The first tone is a high-level tone represented by a level tone mark ( - ). The second tone is a high-rising tone represented by a rising tone mark ( ˊ ). The third tone is a low-dipping tone represented by a dish-like tone mark ( ˋ ). The fourth tone is a high-falling tone represented by an falling tone mark ( ˋ ). The neutral tone is pronounced light and soft in comparison to other tones and is not marked by any tone mark. A syllable is said to take on a neutral tone when it forms part of a word or is placed in various parts of a sentence.





# Chinese-English

**B**

## A

ǎi 矮 short (not tall)  
ài 爱 to love  
Ài'ěrlán 爱尔兰 Ireland  
Ài'ěrlande 爱尔兰的 Irish  
(in general)  
Ài'ěrlánrén 爱尔兰人 Irish  
(people)  
aihào 爱好 hobby  
aihù 爱护 care for, love  
àiqíng 爱情 love  
àizībìng 艾滋病 AIDS  
àn 暗 dark  
ángguì 昂贵 costly  
ānjìng 安静 quiet  
ānlíng 按铃 to ring a bell  
ānmó 按摩 to massage  
ānpái 安排 to organize,  
to arrange; arrangements,  
planning  
ānquán 安全 secure, safe  
Àodàlià 澳大利亚 Australia  
Àodàliàde 澳大利亚的  
Australian (in general)  
Àodàliàrén 澳大利亚人  
Australian (people)  
Àolínpíkè Yùndònghuì  
奥林匹克运动会 Olympics  
Àomén 澳门 Macau  
Àoyùnhuì 奥运会 Olympics  
Àozhōu 澳洲 Australia  
Àozhōude 澳洲的 Australian  
(in general)  
Àozhōurén 澳洲人 Australian  
(people)  
āsīpīlín 阿司匹林 aspirin

bǎ 把 with regard to (object  
marker)  
bǎ ... jiāo gěi 把 ... 交给  
leave behind for safekeeping  
bàba 爸爸 father  
bàgōng 罢工 to go on strike  
bǎi 百 hundred  
bái jiàngyóu 白酱油 soy  
sauce (salty)  
bǎi zhuōzi 摆桌子 lay the  
table  
báicài 白菜 cabbage, Chinese  
bǎifēnbǐ 百分比 percentage  
bǎifēnzhi ... 百分之 ... percent  
bǎihuò shāngdiàn 百货商店  
department store  
báise 白色 white  
báitiān 白天 daytime  
bǎituō 摆脱 rid: get rid of  
bǎiwàn 百万 million  
bān 搬 to move from one  
place to another  
bàn 半 half  
bàn 瓣 cloves  
bàn'gōngshì 办公室 office  
bāngmáng 帮忙 to help  
bāngzhù 帮助 to assist,  
assistance  
bānjī 班机 flight  
bānjia 搬家 to move house  
bānjīhào 班机号 flight number  
bànluǒ 伴侣 partner (spouse)  
bànshúde 半熟的 rare  
(uncooked)  
bào 包 to pack, to wrap  
bào 报 newspaper  
bàogào 报告 report  
bàoguān 报关 declare  
(customs)  
bāoguǒ 包裹 package,  
parcel  
bǎohù 保护 to guard

## B

... ba ... 吧 let's (suggestion)  
bā 八 eight

**B** hankuò 包括 included, including  
 bǎolěi 堡垒 fortress  
 bǎoliú 保留 reservation  
 bǎoliúdì 保留地 reserve (for animals)  
 bǎomì 保密 to keep a secret  
 baopí 剥皮 to peel  
 bàoqiàn 抱歉 sorry  
 baowei 保卫 defend (in war)  
 bǎoxiǎn 保险 insurance  
 baoyuàn 抱怨 to complain  
 baozhèng 保证 guarantee  
 baozhuāng 包装 to pack  
 bāshí 八十 eighty  
 bǎshǒu 把手 handle  
 Bayuè 八月 August  
 bèi 背 back (part of body)  
 bei 被 by (passive voice marker)  
 bei jìnzhǐ de 被禁止的 forbidden  
 bèi shaohuǐ 被烧毁 burned down, out  
 bèi xiàzhe 被吓着 frightened  
 bei'ai 悲哀 sorrow  
 běibian 北边 north  
 Běijīng 北京 Beijing  
 beirù 被褥 bedding  
 bèixīn 背心 vest, undershirt  
 beizi 杯子 cup, glass (for drinking)  
 ben 笨 stupid  
 bèng 泵 pump  
 bengdài 绷带 bandage  
 bǐ 比 than  
 biànhǎo 变好 to get better (improve)  
 biànhù 辩护 to defend (with words)  
 biànhuài 变坏 spoiled (of food)  
 bianjiè 边界 boundary, border  
 bianlùn 辩论 to argue  
 biānmì 便秘 constipation  
 biāntiáo 便条 note (written)  
 biànwèide 变味的 spoiled (of food)

biānyuān 边缘 border, edge  
 biānzào 编造 make up, invent  
 biānzhì 编制 to weave  
 biǎo 表 watch (wristwatch)  
 biǎogé 表格 form (to fill out)  
 biǎomian 表面 surface  
 biǎoshì 表示 to express, to state  
 biǎoshì bùmǎn 表示不满 to frown (express dissatisfaction)  
 biāotí 标题 title (of book, film)  
 biǎoxiǎn 表现 behave  
 biǎoyǎn 表演 show (live performance)  
 biǎoyáng 表扬 to praise  
 biāozhì 标记 sign, symbol  
 biāozhūn 标准 level (standard)  
 bié zài zhèyàng 别再这样 stop it!  
 biéde 别的 anything else, other  
 bǐjiào 比较 to compare, rather, fairly  
 bǐjiào hǎo 比较好 better  
 bǐjìběn 笔记本 notebook  
 bǐkǒng 鼻孔 nostril  
 bīn'guǎn 宾馆 guesthouse, hotel  
 bīng 冰 ice  
 bìng 病 illness  
 bīngdòng 冰冻 frozen  
 bǐnggān 饼干 biscuit  
 bīngjǐnlíng 冰激凌 ice cream  
 bìngle 病了 sick, ill  
 bīngqǐlín 冰淇淋 ice cream  
 bìngrén 病人 patient (doctor's)  
 bīngxiāng 冰箱 refrigerator  
 bīngzhèn 冰镇 chilled  
 bǐrú 比如 for example  
 bǐsài 比赛 match, game, competition  
 bìxū 必须 must, to need  
 bìxū 必需 necessary  
 bǐyì 笔译 to translate

**bìyùn** 避孕 contraceptive  
**bìyùntào** 避孕套 condom  
**bìyùnyào** 避孕药 contraceptive pill  
**bízi** 鼻子 nose  
**bo dianhua** 拨打电话 to dial the telephone  
**bóbo** 伯伯 uncle (father's older brother)  
**bocai** 菠菜 spinach  
**bofu** 伯父 uncle (father's older brother)  
**bolang** 波浪 wave (in sea)  
**boli** 玻璃 glass (material)  
**boluo** 菠萝 pineapple  
**bómǔ** 伯母 aunt (wife of father's older brother)  
**bowù** 薄雾 mist  
**bówuguan** 博物馆 museum  
**boyin** 播音 to broadcast  
**bózi** 脖子 neck  
**bù** 不 not  
**bù** 布 cloth  
**bù** 步 step  
**hù chaochū qínglǐ zhiwai**  
 不超出情理之外 within reason  
**bù gaoxìng** 不高兴 unhappy  
**bù jíge** 不及格 to fail  
**bù kěnéng** 不可能 impossible  
**bú kèqì** 不客气 don't mention it! you're welcome!  
**bú kèqì de** 不客气的 impolite  
**bú zhèngquè** 不正确 wrong (incorrect)  
**búdàn ... érqiě** 不但...而且 not only...but also  
**búdaodéde** 不道德的 wrong (morally)  
**bùduì** 部队 troops  
**bùfen** 部分 part (not whole)  
**bùgù** 不顾 to ignore  
**búguì** 不贵 reasonable (price)  
**bùhǎoyìsi** 不好意思 embarrassed  
**bǔhuò** 捕获 to capture  
**bújiànle** 不见了 gone, finished  
**bùjiǔ** 不久 soon

**bùliào** 布料 fabric, textile  
**bùluò** 部落 tribe  
**bùmén** 部门 department  
**bùrán** 不然 else; or else  
**búshì** 不是 no, not (with verbs and adjectives)  
**bùtóng** 不同 difference (in quality)  
**bùtóngde** 不同的 another (different)  
**búxìng** 不幸 misfortune  
**hùxǔ** 不许 to forbid  
**búyào** 不要 don't!  
**bùzú** 不足 lacking  
**bùzúde** 不足的 scarce

## C

**cai** 猜 to guess  
**caichan** 财产 property  
**caidan** 菜单 menu  
**cáiliào** 材料 material, ingredient  
**caipiao** 彩票 lottery  
**cáiwù** 财物 belongings  
**caliàng** 擦亮 to polish  
**can** 餐 meal  
**cángqilái** 藏起来 to hide  
**cangguan** 参观 to go around, to visit  
**cangying** 苍蝇 fly (insect)  
**canjia** 参加 to attend, to join, to go along  
**canren** 残忍 cruel  
**canyǔ** 参与 to go along, to join in  
**cao** 草 grass  
**cáozáde** 嘈杂的 noisy  
**cáozáshēng** 嘈杂声 noise  
**caozuo xìtong** 操作系统 operating system (computer)  
**caxi** 擦洗 to scrub  
**céng** 层 story (building), layer, floor  
**cēng** 曾 ever, have already  
**cesuo** 厕所 bathroom, toilet  
**cèyàn** 测验 to test

**chá** 查 look up (find in book)  
**chá** 茶 tea  
**chabié** 差别 difference  
 (discrepancy in figures)  
**cháyóu** 柴油 diesel  
**cháng** 长 long (size)  
**cháng** 尝 to taste, to sample  
**changbǐngsháo** 长柄勺 ladle,  
 dipper  
**chángcháng** 常常 often  
**chángdí** 长笛 flute  
**chángdù** 长度 length  
**chángfangxíng** 长方形  
 rectangle  
**chàngge** 唱歌 to sing  
**chángshì** 尝试 to attempt  
**chángtú** 长途 long-distance  
**chángtú diànhuà** 长途电话  
 long-distance call  
**chángwèi** 尝味 to taste  
 (salty, spicy)  
**cháo** 朝 to, toward (a place)  
**chaochu** 超出 go beyond  
**chaojí shùchǎng** 超级市场  
 supermarket  
**chǎojià** 吵架 to argue  
**chaopiào** 钞票 note  
 (currency)  
**chaoshì** 超市 supermarket  
**cháoshī** 潮湿 damp, humid  
**Cháoxiǎn** 朝鲜 North Korea  
**Cháoxiǎnde** 朝鲜的 North  
 Korean (in general)  
**Cháoxiǎnyǔ** 朝鲜语 Korean  
 (language)  
**chaoxiě** 抄写 to copy  
**chātóu** 插头 plug (electric)  
**chāyì** 差异 difference (in  
 quality)  
**chazi** 叉子 fork  
**chazuò** 插座 socket (electric)  
**chē** 车 vehicle  
**chedào** 车道 lane (of a  
 highway)  
**chedǐ** 彻底 complete (thorough)  
**chefāng** 车房 garage (for  
 parking)  
**chekù** 车库 garage (for parking)

**cheng** 称 to weigh  
**chéng** 乘 times (multiplying)  
**chèng** 秤 scales  
**chéng yízhíxiàn** 成一直线  
 to line up  
**chéngběn** 成本 cost  
**chéngchē** 乘车 to ride  
 (transport)  
**chēngchū** 称出 to weigh out  
**chéngdù** 程度 degree, level  
**chénggōng** 成功 success  
**chénggōng** 成功 to succeed  
**chéngkè** 乘客 passenger  
**chéngpán** 称盘 scales  
**chéngren** 成人 adult  
**chéngren** 承认 to admit,  
 to confess  
**chengsè** 橙色 orange (color)  
**chéngshì** 城市 city  
**chéngshí de** 诚实的 honest  
**chéngshìde** 城市的 urban  
**chéngwéi** 成为 to become  
**chéngyuán** 成员 member  
**chénjiù** 陈旧 worn out  
 (clothes, machine)  
**chénliè** 陈列 to display  
**chénmènde** 沉闷的 dull  
 (weather)  
**chénmòde** 沉默的 silent  
**chénshan** 衬衫 shirt  
**chényī** 晨衣 dressing gown  
**chī** 吃 to eat  
**chī wǎnfàn** 吃晚饭 to eat  
 dinner  
**chī wǔfàn** 吃午饭 to eat  
 lunch  
**chī zǎofàn** 吃早饭 to eat  
 breakfast  
**chìbǎng** 翅膀 wing  
**chībǎo** 吃饱 full, eaten one's  
 fill  
**chǐcùn** 尺寸 measurements  
**chídào** 迟到 late  
**chījīng** 吃惊 astonished  
**chīsùde** 吃素的 vegetarian  
**chíxù** 持续 last (endure)  
**chóngbài** 崇拜 to worship  
**chóngfù** 重复 to repeat

chǒnghuàide 宠坏的 spoiled  
(of children)

chonglàng 冲浪 surf

chǒngwù 宠物 pet animal

chongxǐ 冲洗 to develop film

chóngzi 虫子 insect

chǒu 丑 ugly

chouban 筹办 to arrange

chóuhèn 仇恨 hatred

chòuqì 臭气 odor, bad smell

chóu 抽屉 drawer

chòuwei 臭味 smell, bad odor

chouyan 抽烟 smoke,  
to (tobacco)

chù 触 to touch

chú yú 除于 divided by

chū zhǔyi 出主意 to advise

chuan 穿 to put on (clothes)

chuan 船 boat, ship

chuanban 穿扮 to get dressed

chuang 床 bed

chuángdan 床单 bedsheet

chuángdiàn 床垫 mattress

chuanghu 窗户 window (in  
house)

chuangkǒu 窗口 window  
(for paying, buying tickets)

chuanglian 窗帘 curtain

chuàngzào 创造 to create

chuàngzuò 创作 to create

chuanrǎn de 传染的  
contagious

chuànròuqiān 串肉扦 skewer

chuanshuo 传说 legend

chuántǒngde 传统的  
traditional

chuánxùn 传讯 to call, to  
summon

chuánzhēn 传真 fax (message)

chuánzhēnjī 传真机 fax  
(machine)

chūbǎn 出版 to publish

chūchù 出处 source

chūfā 出发 departure

chūfàn 触犯 to offend

chūfáng 厨房 kitchen

chúfēi 除非 unless

chuhàn 出汗 to perspire

chuízhíde 垂直的 vertical

chūkǒu 出口 to export,  
export, exit

chúle ... yǐwài 除了 ... 以外  
apart from, besides, except

chùlǐ 处理 to handle, to  
manage

chulù 出路 way out

chūmíng 出名 famous

chǔn 蠢 stupid

chúnde 纯的 pure

chūntiān 春天 spring (season)

chūqù 出去 go out, exit

chūqù zǒuzou 出去走走  
go for a walk

chūshēng 出生 to be born

chūshēng rìqī 出生日期  
date of birth

chūshī 厨师 cook (person)

chūshòu 出售 for sale

chūxiàn 出现 appear, become  
visible

chūzáng 储藏 to store

chūzūqìche 出租汽车 taxi

cí 词 word

cìchuan 刺穿 pierce, penetrate

cǐde 雌的 female

cídiǎn 词典 dictionary

cípán 磁盘 diskette  
(computer)

cǐwài 此外 in addition

cìxiù 刺绣 embroidery

cìxù 次序 sequence, order

cìyào de 次要的 minor (not  
important)

cóng 从 from

cóng ... yàngzi kànlai  
从 ... 样子看来 by way of

cónglái méiyǒu 从来没有  
never

cónglín 丛林 jungle

cóngmíng 聪明 clever, smart,  
wise

cù 醋 vinegar

cūicù 催促 to urge, to push for

cūihuī 摧毁 destroyed, ruined

cūlǚde 粗鲁的 rough (not  
gentle)

cūliède 粗略地 roughly, approximately  
 cún 存 save, keep  
 cúnfang 存放 deposit (leave behind with someone)  
 cúnkuǎn 存款 deposit (put money in the bank)  
 cúnxīn 存心 intention  
 cúnzài 存在 to exist  
 cūnzhuāng 村庄 village  
 cuòde 错的 wrong (mistaken)  
 cuòwù 错误 error, mistake

## D

... de shíhòu ... 的时候 when, at the time  
 dǎ 打 to hit, to strike  
 dà 大 big, large  
 dà bùfèn 大部分 mostly  
 dǎ diànhuà 打电话 call on the telephone  
 dǎ fángyìzhēn 打防疫针 vaccination  
 dǎ heqiān 打呵欠 to yawn  
 dà jiànmai 大贱买 sale (reduced prices)  
 dǎ pēntì 打喷嚏 to sneeze  
 dà shuǐguān 大水罐 pitcher, jug  
 dǎ zhāohu 打招呼 greetings  
 dǎbài 打败 to defeat  
 dǎbàn 打扮 to get dressed  
 dàbiàn 大便 to defecate  
 dàbo 大伯 brother-in-law (husband's older brother)  
 dádào 达到 to attain, to reach  
 dǎfan 推翻 overturned  
 dáfu 答复 to reply, response  
 dàgài 大概 about (approximately), probably  
 dǎhuǒjī 打火机 lighter  
 dài 带 to carry  
 dài wèn'hǎo 代问好 to say hello  
 dàifu 大夫 doctor

dàitì 代替 to replace, instead of  
 dài zi 袋子 bag  
 dǎjī 打击 to strike, to hit  
 dǎjià 打架 to fight (physically)  
 dǎjiǎo 打扰 to bother, to disturb  
 dàjīngxiǎoguài de 大惊小怪的 fussy  
 dǎkāi 打开 to open  
 dǎléi 打雷 thunder  
 dàlóu 大楼 building  
 dàlù 大陆 continent  
 dàmén 大门 gate (main entrance)  
 dà mǐ 大米 rice (uncooked grains)  
 dàn'gāo 蛋糕 cake, pastry  
 dan'ge 耽搁 to delay  
 danbǎo 担保 to guarantee  
 dānchéngpiào 单程票 one-way ticket  
 dānchúnde 单纯的 plain (not fancy)  
 dāndiào 单调 bland  
 dāndú 单独 alone  
 dāngjīn 当今 nowadays  
 dāngrán 当然 of course  
 dāngrán kěyǐ 当然可以 certainly  
 dāngzhōng 当中 be in the middle of doing  
 dānshēn 单身 single (not married)  
 dànshì 但是 but, however  
 dānxīn 担心 to worry  
 dānyī 单— single (only one)  
 dǎo 岛 island  
 dào 到 to arrive  
 dào 倒 to pour  
 dào ... li 到 ... 里 into  
 dào bié 道别 to say goodbye  
 dào chù 到处 everywhere  
 dào dá 到达 arrival  
 daodòu 刀豆 kidney beans  
 Dào jiào 道教 Taoism  
 dǎo méi 倒霉 bad luck  
 dǎo méi de 倒霉的 unlucky  
 dào qiàn 道歉 to apologize



**daotian** 稻田 rice fields  
**dǎotui** 倒退 to reverse, to back up  
**dǎoxiàlái** 倒下来 to fall over  
**dàoxiè** 道谢 to say thank you  
**dǎoyóu** 导游 to guide someone somewhere  
**dǎozhuan** 倒转 upside down  
**daozi** 刀子 knife  
**daozi** 稻子 rice (plant)  
**dǎpòle** 打破了 broken, shattered  
**dǎrǎo** 打扰 to bother, disturb  
**dàshēng** 大声 loud  
**dàshǐ** 大使 ambassador  
**dàshǐguǎn** 大使馆 embassy  
**dàsuàn** 大蒜 garlic  
**dǎsuàn** 打算 to intend, to plan  
**dǎsuàn ... yòng de**  
 打算 ... 用的 intended for  
**dàtóuzhen** 大头针 pin  
**dàtuǐ** 大腿 thigh  
**dàxiàng** 大象 elephant  
**dàxiǎo** 大小 size  
**dàxué** 大学 university  
**dàyī** 大衣 coat, overcoat  
**dǎyìn** 打印 to print (computer)  
**dāyìng** 答应 to promise  
**dàyuē** 大约 around (approximately)  
**dǎzhàng** 打仗 to make war  
**dǎzhēn** 打针 injection  
**dǎzì** 打字 to type  
**dédào** 得到 to get, to receive  
**Déguó** 德国 Germany  
**Déguóde** 德国的 German (in general)  
**Déguórén** 德国人 German (people)  
**děi** 得 have to, must  
**dēng** 灯 light (lamp)  
**děng** 等 to wait for  
**děng yíxià** 等 -- 下 in a moment, just a moment  
**dēngshàng** 登上 to go up, to climb  
**dèngzi** 凳子 stool

**Déwén** 德文 German (language)  
**Déyǔ** 德语 German (language)  
**dézuì** 得罪 offend  
**dī** 低 low  
**dǐ** 底 bottom (base)  
**dì** 地 land  
**dì'èr** 第二 second (in sequence)  
**diàn** 电 electric  
**diǎn(zhōng)** 点(钟) o'clock  
**diǎncài** 点菜 to order (food)  
**diāndǎo** 颠倒 upside down  
**diàndòng lóutī** 电动楼梯 escalator  
**diànfēngshàn** 电风扇 fan (electrical)  
**diànhuà** 电话 telephone  
**diànhuà hàomǎ** 电话号码 telephone number  
**diànhuà liúyán** 电话留言 voicemail  
**diǎnlǐ** 典礼 ceremony  
**diànliú** 电流 electricity  
**diànnǎo** 电脑 computer  
**diànrì** 电器 electrical appliance  
**diànshì** 电视 television  
**diànshìjī** 电视机 TV set  
**diàntī** 电梯 lift, elevator  
**diǎnxíngde** 典型的 typical  
**diànyǐng** 电影 film, movie  
**diànyǐngyuàn** 电影院 cinema  
**diànzhū** 店主 shopkeeper  
**diànzi** 电子 electronic  
**diànzi** 垫子 tablemat  
**diànzi yóujiàn** 电子邮件 email (message)  
**diao** 雕 to engrave  
**diàochá** 调查 to research  
**diaokèpǐn** 雕刻品 carving  
**diào sù** 雕塑 sculpture, to sculpt  
**diào xià** 掉下 to fall  
**diǎoxiàng** 雕像 statue  
**diàoyú** 钓鱼 to fish  
**dìdi** 弟弟 brother (younger)  
**dìfang** 地方 place, space

**dìmèi** 弟妹 sister-in-law  
(wife of husband's younger brother)

**dìmiàn** 地面 ground, earth

**dǐng** 顶 top

**dǐngduān** 顶端 end (tip)

**dǐngfēng** 顶峰 peak, summit

**dìnggòu** 订购 / 定购 order  
(placed for goods)

**dìnghūn** 订婚 / 定婚 engaged  
(to be married)

**dìngqī** 定期 regular, normal

**dīngzi** 钉子 nail (spike)

**dìqiú** 地球 Earth, the world

**dìqū** 地区 area, region

**díquè** 的确 quite (very)

**dírén** 敌人 enemy

**dìsān** 第三 third (in a series)

**dītǎn** 地毯 carpet

**dìtú** 地图 map

**diūshī** 丢失 to lose, to mislay

**diūxià** 丢下 to leave behind  
by accident

**dìwèi** 地位 rank, station in life

**dìwèi gāo de** 地位高的  
ranking

**dìxí** 地席 mat

**dìxī** 弟媳 sister-in-law (wife of  
husband's younger brother)

**dìzhèn** 地震 earthquake

**dìzhǐ** 地址 address

**dǒng** 懂 understand

**dòng** 洞 hole

**dōngběi** 东北 north-east

**dōngbian** 东边 east

**dōngnán** 东南 south-east

**dǒngshìzhǎng** 董事长 director  
(of company)

**dōngtiān** 冬天 winter

**dòngwù** 动物 animal

**dòngwùyuán** 动物园 zoo

**dōngxī** 东西 object, thing

**dòngzuo** 动作 movement,  
motion

**dou** 都 all

**dòu** 豆 bean

**dòuchǐ** 豆豉 black beans

**dòufu** 豆腐 tofu, beancurd

**dù** 度 degrees (temperature)

**duǎn** 短 short (concise)

**duànkai** 断开 broken off

**duǎnkù** 短裤 shorts (short  
trousers)

**duǎnnèikù** 短内裤 shorts  
(underpants)

**duǎnzàn** 短暂 short time,  
a moment

**duǎnzàn de** 短暂的 brief

**dǔbó** 赌博 gamble

**dùchuán** 渡船 ferry

**duì** 队 team

**duì** 对 correct/toward  
(a person)

**duì ... zhòu méitou**  
对 ... 皱眉头 to frown

**duibuqǐ** 对不起 sorry!

**duìdài** 对待 to treat  
(behave towards)

**duìfù** 对付 make do

**duìhuàn** 兑换 change,  
exchange (money)

**duìhuànlǜ** 兑换率 exchange  
rate

**duìjiǎo de** 对角地 diagonally

**duìjiǎoxiàn** 对角线 diagonal

**dùlì de** 对立的 opposed, in  
opposition

**duìmiàn** 对面 opposite  
(facing)

**dùshǒu** 对手 rival, opponent

**duìxiàn** 兑现 to cash a  
check

**dují** 妒忌 to be jealous

**dúlì de** 独立的 own, on one's

**duo** 多 much, many

**Duo cháng?** 多长? how long?

**Duo dà suìshù?** 多大岁数?  
how old?

**Duo dà niánjì?** 多大年纪?  
how old?

**duo yídiǎnr** 多一点儿 more  
(comparative)

**Duo yuǎn?** 多远? how far?

**Duoshao qián?** 多少钱?  
how much?

**duoyú de** 多余的 unnecessary



duoyún 多云 cloudy,  
overcast  
dúpǐn 毒品 drug (recreational)  
dúyào 毒药 poison  
dùzi 肚子 stomach, belly

## E

é 蛾 moth  
é 鹅 goose  
é 额 forehead  
è 饿 hungry  
èr 二 two (numeral)  
ěrduo 耳朵 ear  
ěrhuan 耳环 earrings  
erqiě 而且 moreover  
èrshí 二十 twenty  
Èryuè 二月 February  
érzi 儿子 son  
éwaide 额外的 extra

## F

fā báirì mèng 发白日梦  
to daydream  
fā chuánzhēn 发传真 to fax  
fā diànzǐ yóujiàn 发电子邮件  
to email  
fā yīmèir 发依妹儿 to email  
fāchǒu 发臭 to stink  
fādòng 发动 to start  
fādòngjī 发动机 engine  
fādou 发抖 to shiver  
Fāguó 法国 France  
Fǎguóde 法国的 French  
(in general)  
Fāguórén 法国人 French  
(people)  
fākuan 罚款 fine (punishment)  
fāliàng 发亮 shiny  
fǎlǜ 法律 laws, legislation  
fāmíng 发明 to invent  
fān'guolai 翻过来 over; to  
turn over  
fāncài 饭菜 dish (particular  
food)

fāndǎo 翻倒 to turn over  
fǎnduì 反对 to object,  
to protest  
fàng 放 to put, to place  
fāngbiàn 方便 convenient  
fāngfǎ 方法 way, method  
fānggéde 方格的 checked  
(pattern)  
fāngjiān 房间 room (in hotel)  
fāngqīngle 放晴了 clear  
(of weather)  
fāngshaiyóu 防晒油  
sunscreen lotion  
fāngsōng 放松 to relax  
fānguǎn 饭馆 restaurant  
fāngwèn 访问 to pay a visit  
fāngxiāng 方向 direction  
fāngxíngde 方形的 square  
(shape)  
fāngyán 方言 dialect  
fāngzaode 仿造的 patterned  
fāngzi 房子 house  
fánmèn 烦闷 upset, unhappy  
fánnaode 烦恼的 troublesome  
fánrǎo 烦扰 bother,  
disturbance  
fānwéi 范围 area  
fǎnxiǎngde 反响的 reversed,  
backwards  
fānyì 翻译 to translate,  
translator, interpreter  
fǎnyìng 反应 to react,  
reaction, response  
fǎnyìng 反映 to reflect  
fāpiào 发票 invoice  
fāshāo 发烧 fever  
fāshēng 发生 happen, occur  
fāshēng shénme shì 发生什么  
事 what happened?  
Fǎwén 法文 French (language)  
fāxiàn 发现 to discover  
fāyīn 发言 to pronounce  
Fǎyǔ 法语 French (language)  
fāzhǎn 发展 development  
fēi 飞 to fly  
fēi 肺 lungs  
fēicháng 非常 really (very)  
fēifǎ 非法 illegal

fēihuà 废话 nonsense  
 fēijī 飞机 aeroplane, airplane  
 fēijīchǎng 飞机场 airport  
 Fēilǚbīn 菲律宾 Philippines  
 Fēilǚbīnde 菲律宾的 Filipino  
 (In general)  
 Fēilǚbīnren 菲律宾人 Filipino  
 (people)  
 Fēilǚbīnyǔ 菲律宾语 Filipino  
 (language)  
 fēiqiǎngzhìde 非强制的  
 optional  
 fēiwode 肥沃的 fertile  
 fēiyòng 费用 cost (expense)  
 féizào 肥皂 soap  
 fēn(zhōng) 分(钟) minute  
 fēnfā 分发 hand out  
 fēng 风 wind, breeze  
 fēng 缝 to sew  
 fēngbào 风暴 storm  
 fēnggé 风格 style  
 fēngjǐng 风景 view,  
 panorama  
 fēngkuángde 疯狂的 insane,  
 crazy  
 fēngmì 蜂蜜 honey  
 fēngsuǒ 封锁 closed (road)  
 fēngwèi fàncai 风味饭菜  
 cooking, cuisine  
 fēnháng 分行 branch  
 fēnhóngse 粉红色 pink  
 fēnjī 分机 extension  
 (telephone)  
 fēnkāi 分开 to divide, split up  
 fēnkāile 分开了 broken off  
 fēnlíde 分离的 separate  
 fēnmù 坟墓 grave  
 fēnnù 愤怒 anger  
 Fōjiào 佛教 Buddhism  
 Fōjiàode 佛教的 Buddhist  
 (in general)  
 Fōjiàotú 佛教徒 Buddhist  
 (people)  
 fǒuzé 否则 else: or else  
 fǔbài 腐败 corrupt  
 fǔběn 副本 copy  
 fǔbù 腹部 abdomen  
 fúcong 服从 to obey

fúcongde 服从的 obedient  
 fùdānde 负担得起  
 to afford  
 fúhé biao zhūn 符合标准  
 measure up to standard  
 fùjìn 附近 nearby  
 fǔlǎnde 腐烂的 rotten  
 fùmǔ 父母 parents  
 fùqián 付钱 to pay  
 fùqīn 父亲 father  
 fūren 夫人 madam  
 (term of address)  
 fúshǒuyǐ 扶手椅 armchair  
 fúwù 服务 service  
 fúwùyuán 服务员 waiter,  
 waitress  
 fùxìn 复信 to reply  
 (in writing)  
 fùyang 抚养 to raise  
 (children)  
 fùyìn 复印 to photocopy,  
 photocopy  
 fùyìnjiàn 复印件 photocopy  
 fùyǒude 富有的 wealthy  
 fùyù 富裕 well off, wealthy  
 fùyùde 富裕的 rich  
 fúzá 复杂 complicated  
 fùze 负责 to take care of,  
 to be responsible  
 fú Zhuang 服装 costume

## G

gài 盖 to build, to cover  
 gǎibiàn 改变 to change  
 (conditions, situations)  
 gǎibiàn zhūyì 改变主意  
 to change one's mind  
 gàizhāng 盖章 stamp (ink)  
 gǎizhèng 改正 to correct  
 gàizi 盖子 lid  
 gān 干 dry  
 gān 肝 liver  
 gàn 干 do  
 gǎn xìngqù 感兴趣  
 interested in  
 gānhei 干杯 cheers!

- gǎnchū 赶出 chase away,  
chase out
- gǎndào jīngyà 感到惊讶  
astonished
- gǎndào xīngfèn 感到兴奋  
excited
- gǎndào yíhàn 感到遗憾  
to regret
- gāngbǐ 钢笔 pen
- gāngcái 刚才 just now
- gāngkǒu 港口 harbor
- gāngmén 肛门 anus
- gāngtiě 钢铁 steel
- gǎnjī 感激 grateful
- gānjìng 干净 clean
- gǎnjué 感觉 feeling
- gānjúshǔde 柑橘属的 citrus
- gǎnkùài! 赶快 hurry up!
- gǎnmào 感冒 cold, flu
- gǎnqíng 感情 emotion
- gǎnxiè 感谢 to thank
- gānzào 干燥 dry (weather)
- gānzhe 甘蔗 sugarcane
- gāo 高 high, tall
- gāo'ěrfuqiú 高尔夫球 golf
- gāodu 高度 level (height)
- Gaomian 高棉 Cambodia
- Gaomiande 高棉的  
Cambodian (in general)
- Gaomianrén 高棉人  
Cambodian (people)
- Gaomianyǔ 高棉语  
Cambodian (language)
- gaosu 告诉 to let someone  
know
- gaowan 睾丸 testicles
- gāoxìng 高兴 glad, pleased,  
happy
- gāoyǎ 高雅 elegant
- gē 割 to cut
- gē 歌 song
- gèshì-gèyàng 各式各样  
every kind of
- gebie 个别 different, other
- gebo 胳膊 arm
- gege 哥哥 brother (older)
- gěi 给 to give
- gěi ... kàn 给 ... 看 to show
- gěi rén shēnkè yìnxàng  
给人深刻印象 to make an  
impression
- gěi rén shēnkè yìnxàng de  
给人深刻印象的 impressive
- gēn 根 root (of plant)
- gēn 跟 ... with
- gēn ... bǐjiào 跟 ... 比较  
compared with
- gēn ... liánxì 跟 ... 联系 to  
contact, get in touch with
- gēn shāngliang 跟 ... 商量  
to consult, talk over with
- gēnghǎo 更好 better
- gēngduōde 更多的 more of  
(things)
- gēnghuāile 更坏了 worse
- gēngshǎode 更少的 less  
(smaller amount)
- gēnjù 根据 based on,  
according to
- gēnsuí 跟随 following
- gēnzhe 跟着 to follow behind
- gōng'ānjú 公安局 police
- gōngchǎng 工厂 factory
- gōngchǐ 公尺 meter
- gōngdào 公道 reasonable  
(price)
- gōngdiàn 宫殿 palace
- gōnggòng 公共 public
- gōnggòngqìche 公共汽车 bus
- gōngjī 攻击 attack (in war)
- gōngjiàng 工匠 craftsperson
- gōngjīn 公斤 kilogram
- gōngjù 工具 tool
- gōnglǐ 公里 kilometer
- gōngmín 公民 citizen
- gōngpíng 公平 just, fair
- gōngsī 公司 company, firm
- gōngwénbāo 公文包  
briefcase
- gōngyú 公寓 apartment, flat
- gōngyuán 公园 garden,  
park
- gōngzī 工资 wages, salary
- gōngzuò 工作 job, work
- gōngzuò rényuán 工作人员  
staff

**gōngzuòrì** 工作日 day of the week  
**gǒu** 狗 dog  
**gòuwù** 购物 shop, go shopping  
**gǔ shíhòu** 古时候 olden times, in  
**guā** 瓜 melon  
**guā** 挂 to hang  
**guā húzi** 刮胡子 to shave  
**guāfū** 寡妇 widow  
**guāhào** 挂号 to register  
**guāhàoxìn** 挂号信 registered post  
**guān'guāng** 观光 sightseeing  
**guānbì** 关闭 shut  
**guānfū** 鳏夫 widower  
**guāngbō** 广播 broadcast  
**guǎngchǎng** 广场 square, town square  
**guāngdié** 光碟 CD  
**guǎngkuòde** 广阔的 broad, spacious  
**guāngpán** 光盘 CD  
**guāngpán yuèdúqì** 光盘阅读器 CD-ROM  
**guāngtūde** 光秃的 bald  
**Guǎngzhōu** 广州 Guangzhou (Canton)  
**Guǎngzhōuhuà** 广州话 Cantonese  
**guànjūn** 冠军 champion  
**guānkàn** 观看 to view, to look at, to watch  
**guānle** 关了 off (turned off)  
**guǎnlǐ** 管理 manage, succeed  
**guānmén** 关门 closed (door/shop)  
**guānshàngle** 关上了 closed  
**guānshuì** 关税 duty (import tax)  
**guāntóu** 罐头 can, tin  
**guānxìwǎng** 关系网 network  
**guānyú** 关于 concerning  
**guānyuán** 官员 officials (government)  
**gǔdài** 古代 ancient  
**gùdìngde** 固定的 regular, normal

**gūdu** 孤独 lonely  
**gūgu** 姑姑 aunt (father's younger sister)  
**guǐ** 鬼 ghost  
**guì** 贵 costly, expensive  
**guìbīn** 贵宾 guest of honor  
**guīdìngde** 规定的 compulsory  
**guīhuán** 归还 to return, to give back  
**guījiù** 归咎 to blame  
**guījù** 规矩 rules  
**guījùde** 规矩的 well-behaved  
**guītái** 柜台 counter (for paying, buying tickets)  
**guizi** 柜子 cupboard  
**gùjì** 古迹 remains (historical)  
**gūmǔ** 姑母 aunt (father's older sister)  
**gùn** 棍 stick, pole  
**gūniang** 姑娘 girl  
**guō** 锅 pan  
**guò** 过 cross, go over  
**guò yīhuìr** 过一会儿 later  
**guòcuò** 过错 fault  
**guode kuaihuó** 过得快活 to enjoy oneself  
**guòfēn** 过分 too much  
**guójí** 国籍 nationality  
**guójì** 国际 international  
**guójì xiàngqí** 国际象棋 chess  
**guójia** 国家 country (nation)  
**guǒjiāng** 果酱 jam  
**guòqùde** 过去的 past, former  
**guówài** 国外 abroad  
**guówáng** 国王 king  
**guòyè** 过夜 to stay overnight  
**Guóyǔ** 国语 Mandarin (language) (Taiwan and Hong Kong)  
**guǒzhī** 果汁 juice  
**gùshi** 故事 story (tale)  
**gùtǐde** 固体的 solid  
**gǔtóu** 骨头 bone  
**gǔwán** 古玩 antiques  
**gūzhang** 姑丈 uncle (husband of father's sister)

## H

- hai** 海 sea  
**hai meiyou** 还没有 yet: not yet  
**hǎilù yóujī** 海 / 陆邮寄  
 surface mail  
**hǎigǎng** 海港 port  
**hǎiguī** 海龟 turtle (sea)  
**haimian** 海绵 sponge  
**hàipà** 害怕 scared  
**hǎitan** 海滩 beach  
**hǎiwài** 海外 abroad  
**haiwan** 海湾 bay  
**hǎixiá** 海峡 strait  
**hǎixiān** 海鲜 seafood  
**hǎiyáng** 海洋 ocean  
**haizi** 孩子 child (offspring)  
**han** 喊 to cry out  
**han** 汗 sweat  
**hangkong yóujian** 航空邮件  
 airmail  
**Hánguó** 韩国 South Korea  
**Hánguóde** 韩国的 South  
 Korean (in general)  
**Hanguóren** 韩国人 South  
 Korean (people)  
**hāngxíng** 航行 to sail  
**hánhúde** 含糊的 vague  
**hankù** 汗裤 shorts (underpants)  
**hanqian qiyou** 含铅汽油  
 leaded petrol  
**hànshān** 汗衫 t-shirt  
**Hánwén** 韩文 Korean  
 (language)  
**Hanyu** 韩语 Korean (language)  
**Hanyǔ** 汉语 Chinese (language)  
**hānzai** 旱灾 drought  
**Hanzi** 汉字 character (Chinese)  
**hao** 蚝 oyster  
**hǎo** 好 well (good), nice, fine  
 (okay)  
**hǎochī** 好吃 delicious, tasty  
**hāohuáde** 豪华的 luxurious  
**hǎojíle** 好极了 wonderful  
**hǎokàn** 好看 beautiful (of  
 things)  
**hàomǎ** 号码 number  
**haomi** 毫米 millimeter
- hǎowánr** 好玩儿 fun  
**hǎoxiàng** 好象 to resemble  
**hǎoxiào** 好笑 funny  
**hǎozhuǎn** 好转 to get better  
**haozi** 耗子 rat  
**he** 喝 to drink  
**hé** 河 river  
**hé** 和 and  
**hé'ān** 河岸 bank (of river)  
**héchéngde** 合成的 synthetic  
**héfa** 合法 legal  
**héhuǒrén** 合伙人 partner  
 (in business)  
**heihújiāo** 黑胡椒 pepper  
 (black)  
**heijiāngyóu** 黑酱油 soy sauce  
 (sweet)  
**heì'àn** 黑暗 dark  
**heise** 黑色 black  
**hélándòu** 荷兰豆 snowpeas  
**hěn** 很 very, extremely  
**hen** 恨 to hate  
**henduo** 很多 a lot, many, much  
**héngguò** 横过 across  
**henkuai** 很快的 quickly  
**hěnsǎo** 很少 seldom  
**héping** 和平 peace  
**hépingde** 和平的 peaceful  
**héqǐ** 合起 to close, to cover  
**héqínglǐde** 合情理的 sensible  
**hese** 褐色 brown  
**heshí** 何时 when  
**heshì cídài** 盒式磁带 cassette  
**héshìde** 合适的 suitable,  
 fitting, compatible  
**hésuàn** 核算 count, calculate  
**hétóng** 合同 contract  
**hezi** 盒子 box (cardboard)  
**hezui** 喝醉 to be drunk  
**hóng pútaojiǔ** 红葡萄酒 red  
 wine  
**hongkao** 烘烤 roasted, grilled,  
 toasted  
**hongse** 红色 red  
**hongshuǐ** 洪水 flood  
**hou** 厚 thick (of things)  
**hòuhuī** 后悔 sorry, to feel  
 regretful

# hòulái

**H** hòulái 后来 afterwards, then  
 hóulóng 喉咙 throat  
 hòumian 后面 back, rear, tail  
 hòutian 后天 day after tomorrow  
 hòuyì 后裔 descendant  
 hóuzi 猴子 monkey  
 hú 壶 jug, pot  
 hú 湖 lake  
 huā 花 flower  
 huà 画 to draw  
 huācài 花菜 cauliflower  
 huàhuà 画画儿 paint a picture  
 huái 踝 ankle  
 huài 坏 bad  
 huàile 坏了 broken, does not work, off (gone bad)  
 huáiyí 怀疑 to suspect  
 huáiyùn 怀孕 pregnant  
 huàn 换 change, switch (clothes)  
 huángguā 黄瓜 cucumber  
 huánghun 黄昏 dusk  
 huángsè 黄色 yellow  
 huángyóu 黄油 butter  
 huánjìng 环境 surroundings, environment  
 huánrào 环绕 round, around  
 huānyíng 欢迎 to greet, to welcome, welcome!  
 huāpíng 花瓶 vase  
 huāqián 花钱 to spend (money)  
 huà 画儿 painting  
 huāshēngmǐ 花生米 peanut  
 huāyuán 花园 garden, yard  
 huàzhuāngpǐn 化妆品 cosmetics  
 húdié 蝴蝶 butterfly  
 hūhǎn 呼喊 to shout  
 huibào 汇报 to report  
 huīchén 灰尘 dust  
 huídá 回答 to answer, to respond (spoken)  
 huīfù 恢复 recover, resume  
 huìhuà 会话 conversation  
 huìhuà 绘画 painting  
 huíjiā 回家 to go home  
 huí lái 回来 to come back

huíqù 回去 to return, to go back  
 huise 灰色 gray  
 huítóu jiàn 回头见 see you later!  
 huíyì 回忆 memories  
 huìyì 会议 meeting  
 húluobo 胡萝卜 carrot  
 hùnhè 混合 to mix  
 hùnhéde 混合的 mixed  
 hūnlǐ 婚礼 wedding  
 hùnlùn 混乱 confused (in a mess)  
 hùnxiáo 混淆 to confuse  
 huǒ 火 fire  
 huò duō huò shǎo 或多或少 more or less  
 huǒban 伙伴 partner (spouse)  
 huǒchái 火柴 matches  
 huǒchē 火车 train  
 huǒchēzhàn 火车站 train station  
 huódòng 活动 activity  
 huǒshān 火山 volcano  
 huòshèngzhě 获胜者 winner  
 huóxià lái 活下来 to survive  
 huózhe 活着 to live (be alive), alive  
 huòzhě 或者 or  
 hūshì 忽视 to ignore  
 hùshi 护士 nurse  
 hútu 糊涂 confused (mentally)  
 húxū 胡须 beard  
 hùzhào 护照 passport

# J

jī 鸡 chicken  
 jǐ 几 several  
 jì 系 to tie  
 jì 寄 to post, to mail  
 jì bù ... yǒu bù 既不 ... 又不 neither ... nor  
 Jǐ ge? 几个? how many?  
 jǐ shí 几十 tens of, multiples of ten  
 jiā 加 to add



**jia** 家 home, family  
**jia xiangliao de** 加香料的  
 spicy  
**jiǎde** 假的 false (not true)  
**jiadìng** 假定 to suppose  
**jiage** 价格 cost (price), tariff  
**jiagong chǔlǐ** 加工处理 cured,  
 preserved  
**jiājù** 家具 furniture  
**jiāmòde** 假冒的 false  
 (imitation)  
**jian** 煎 to fry  
**jiǎn** 减 minus  
**jian** 件 piece, item  
**jian** 建 to build  
**jiàn** 键 key (computer)  
**jianbǎng** 肩膀 shoulder  
**jiancha** 检查 to inspect, to  
 examine  
**jianchí** 坚持 to stick to  
**jiandan** 简单 simple  
 (uncomplicated, modest)  
**jiandao** 剪刀 scissors  
**jiāndìng** 坚定 firm (definite)  
**jianduan** 尖端 end (tip), point  
**jianduǎn** 简短 brief  
**jiǎnféi** 减肥 to lose weight  
**jiang** 姜 ginger  
**jiang** 讲 to speak, to tell  
 (a story)  
**jianghuà** 讲话 speech  
**jiàngjià** 降价 to reduce  
**jiàngjià** 讲价 to bargain  
**jianglái** 将来 in future  
**jiangshī** 讲师 lecturer (at  
 university)  
**jiangyào** 将要 shall, will  
**jiàngyóu** 酱油 soy sauce  
**jiangzuò** 讲座 lecture  
**jianjué** 坚决 determined,  
 stubborn  
**jiànkāng** 健康 healthy  
**jiànli** 建立 to establish, to  
 set up  
**jiànmiàn** 见面 to meet  
**jiànpan** 键盘 keyboard (of  
 computer)  
**Jianpǔzhài** 柬埔寨 Cambodia

**Jiānpǔzhàide** 柬埔寨的  
 Cambodian (in general)  
**Jiānpǔzhàirén** 柬埔寨人  
 Cambodian (people)  
**Jiānpǔzhàiyǔ** 柬埔寨话  
 Cambodian (language)  
**jiǎnqǐ** 捡起 to pick up, to lift  
 (something)  
**jiǎnqù** 减去 less, minus  
**jianruì** 尖锐 sharp  
**jiǎnruò** 减弱 decline (get less)  
**jiǎnshǎo** 减少 to decrease  
**jiànshēn duànliàn** 健身锻炼  
 fitness training  
**jiànyì** 建议 to suggest,  
 suggestion  
**jiǎnzhí bù** 简直不 hardly  
**jiànzhù** 建筑 architecture  
**jiao** 交 to hand in  
**jiao** 教 to teach  
**jiǎo** 脚 foot  
**jiào** 叫 called, named  
**jiāo'àn** 骄傲 proud  
**jiāodàizhǐ** 胶带纸 tape  
 (adhesive)  
**jiàohan** 叫喊 to yell  
**jiàojuǎn** 胶卷 film (camera)  
**jiāoliú** 交流 to exchange  
 (opinions)  
**jiǎoluò** 角落 corner  
**jiàoshī** 教师 teacher  
**jiàoshī** 教士 priest  
**jiàotáng** 教堂 church  
**jiāotōng** 交通 traffic  
**jiàoǐng** 叫醒 awaken, wake  
 someone up  
**jiāoyì** 交易 to trade  
**jiàoyù** 教育 to educate,  
 education  
**jiǎozheng** 矫正 to correct  
**jiǎozhǐ** 脚趾 toe  
**jiǎozǐ** 饺子 dumpling  
**jiàqī** 假期 vacation  
**jiàqián** 价钱 price  
**jiāqín** 家禽 poultry  
**jiāre** 加热 heat, to  
**jiàri** 假日 holiday (vacation)  
**jiāshàng** 加上; in addition

- jiàshǐ** 驾驶 to steer  
**jiàshǐ zhízhào** 驾驶执照  
 license (for driving)  
**jiayouzhàn** 加油站 petrol  
 station  
**jiàzhí** 价值 value (cost)  
**jiǎzhuang** 假装 to pretend  
**jīběn** 基本 basic  
**jībìng** 疾病 disease  
**jìchéng** 继承 to succeed  
**jìchéngqì** 计程器 meter  
 (in taxi)  
**jīchǔ** 基础 base, foundation  
**jīdàn** 鸡蛋 egg  
**jìde** 记得 to remember  
**jīdu** 嫉妒 jealous  
**jídùde** 极度地 extremely  
**Jīdùjiào** 基督教 Christianity  
**Jīdùjiào de** 基督教的 Christian  
 (in general)  
**Jīdùtú** 基督徒 Christian  
 (people)  
**jiē** 接 to pick up (someone)  
**jiē** 街 street  
**jiē** 借 to borrow, to lend  
**jiě dàbiàn** 解大便 to defecate  
**jiē diànhuà** 接电话 to answer  
 the phone  
**jiě xiǎobiàn** 解小便 to urinate  
**jiébing** 结冰 freeze  
**jiěchú** 解除 rid: get rid of  
**jiēfu** 姐夫 brother-in-law  
 (wife's older sister's husband)  
**jiěgù** 解雇 to fire someone  
**jièguāng** 借光 excuse me!  
 (getting past)  
**jiéguǒ** 结果 resulting from,  
 as a result, result  
**jiéhūn** 结婚 marry, get married  
**jiějie** 姐姐 sister (older)  
**jiējìn** 接近 to approach (in  
 space)  
**jiějué** 解决 to resolve (a  
 problem)  
**jiémù** 节目 program, schedule  
**jiérì** 节日 holiday (festival)  
**jièshào** 介绍 to introduce  
 someone, to present
- jiēshì** 揭示 to reveal  
**jiěshì** 解释 to explain  
**jiēshòu** 接受 to accept  
**jiéshù** 结束 to complete,  
 to end  
**jièxiàn** 界线 line (mark)  
**jièyì** 介意 mind, to be  
 displeased  
**jièzhǐ** 戒指 ring (jewelry)  
**jígé** 及格 to pass (exam)  
**jǐge** 几个 several, some  
**jìhé** 集合 assemble, gather  
**jīhū** 几乎 nearly, almost  
**jìhuà** 计划 plan  
**jīhuāng** 饥荒 famine  
**jīhuì** 机会 chance,  
 opportunity  
**jìjié** 季节 season  
**jīlianggǔ** 脊梁骨 spine  
**jì mò** 寂寞 lonely  
**jīn** 金 gold  
**jīn** 筋 tendon  
**jīn** 紧 tight  
**jìn** 近 close to, nearby  
**jìn** 浸 to soak  
**jìn suǒ néng** 尽所能 do one's  
 best  
**jì nǚ** 妓女 prostitute  
**jìnbùle hěnduō** 进步了很多  
 get better, improve  
**jīng** 井 well (for water)  
**jīngchá** 警察 police officer  
**Jīngchájú** 警察局 police station  
**jīngcháng** 经常 frequent,  
 often  
**jīngfèi** 经费 funds, funding  
**jīnggào** 警告 to warn, warning  
**jīngguò** 经过 to undergo,  
 to go past  
**jīngjì** 经济 economy  
**jīnglǐ** 经理 manager  
**jīnglì** 经历 to experience  
**jīnglì** 精力 energy  
**jīngqí** 惊奇 surprised  
**jīngquède** 精确的 exact,  
 exactly  
**jīngyà** 惊讶 astonished  
**jīngyàn** 经验 experience



jīngyóu 经由 via  
 jìngzhēng 竞争 to compete  
 jìngzi 镜子 mirror  
 jìniànbeī 纪念碑 monument  
 jìniànpǐn 纪念品 souvenir  
 jǐnjí 紧急 urgent  
 jǐnjǐn 仅仅 barely, merely  
 jìnkǒu 进口 import, to import  
 jìnlái 进来 come in  
 jìnlù 进路 way in  
 jìnpào 浸泡 to soak, to immerse  
 jìnrù 进入 to enter  
 jīnshēn duǎnchēnku 紧身短衬裤 panties  
 jīnshǔ 金属 metal  
 jīnshǔxiàn 金属线 wire  
 jīntiān 今天 today  
 jīnwǎn 今晚 tonight  
 jìnyībùde 进一步的 further, additional  
 jīnzhāngde 紧张的 tense  
 jìnzǐ 禁止 prohibit  
 jìpǐn 祭品 sacrifice  
 jīròu 肌肉 muscle  
 jíshǎo 极少 few  
 jǐshí 几时 when  
 jìsuan 计算 calculate  
 jìsuanqì 计算器 calculator  
 jiǔ 九 nine  
 jiǔ 久 long (time)  
 jiǔ 酒 liquor, alcohol  
 jiù 旧 old (of things)  
 jiù lái 就来 on the way  
 jiǔba 酒吧 bar (serving drinks)  
 jiūfen 纠纷 dispute  
 jiǔfu 舅父 uncle (mother's brother)  
 jiùhùchē 救护车 ambulance  
 jiùjiu 舅舅 uncle (mother's brother)  
 Jiùmìng a! 救命啊 Help!  
 jiùmǔ 舅母 aunt (wife of mother's older/younger brother)  
 jiùsǎo 舅嫂 sister-in-law (wife of one's older/younger brother)  
 jiǔshí 九十 ninety  
 Jiuyue 九月 September

jiùzhěn 就诊 consultation (by doctor)  
 jìxiàlai 记下来 to note down  
 jíxiǎode 极小的 tiny  
 jīxiè 机械 machine, machinery  
 jìxù 继续 to continue  
 jìzhě 记者 reporter, journalist  
 jízhěn 急诊 emergency  
 jízhōng 集中 to concentrate  
 juǎnrù jiūfen 卷入纠纷 involved  
 juǎnxīncài 卷心菜 cabbage  
 jùdàde 巨大的 huge  
 juē 嚼 to chew  
 juése 角色 role  
 juéde 觉得 to feel  
 juéding 决定 to decide, decision  
 jùhào 句号 period (end of a sentence)  
 jùhuì 聚会 party (event)  
 jǔjué 咀嚼 to chew  
 jùjué 拒绝 to refuse, refusal  
 jùlí 距离 distance  
 jūmín 居民 resident, inhabitant  
 jūnduì 军队 army  
 jùyuàn 剧院 theater (drama)  
 júzi 桔子 orange (citrus)  
 jùzǐ 句子 sentence  
 júzīzhī 桔-汁 orange juice

## K

kache 卡车 truck  
 kafei 咖啡 coffee  
 kai 开 to turn on, to switch on, to open  
 kai wanxiao 开玩笑 to joke  
 kaichē 开车 to drive (a car), leave (train/bus)  
 kaichuan 开船 to sail  
 kaiduan 开端 beginning  
 kaigan 揩干 to wipe  
 kaiguan 开关 switch  
 kaile 开了 on (turned on)  
 kāiqiāng 开枪 to shoot

**kaishi** 开始 to begin, to start, beginning  
**kaishuǐ** 开水 boiled water  
**kaitóu** 开头 beginning  
**kaixīn** 开心 happy  
**kaizhān** 开展 to develop  
**kaizù** 开罪 to offend  
**kàn** 看 to look, to see, to watch (movie)  
**kānbìng** 看病 consultation (by doctor)  
**kānbudòng** 看不懂 not able to understand (by reading)  
**kānbujiàn** 看不见 can't see  
**kānbuqīngchū** 看不清楚 can't see clearly  
**kāndedòng** 看得懂 able to understand (by reading)  
**kāndeqīngchū** 看得清楚 can see clearly  
**kāndǒngle** 看懂了 understood (by reading)  
**kāngfù** 康复 recover from an injury or illness  
**kāngkaide** 慷慨的 generous  
**kāngshēngsù** 抗生素 antibiotics  
**kānguan** 看管 look after, watch over, guard  
**kàngyì** 抗议 to protest  
**kānjian** 看见 to see  
**kānshàngqù** 看上去 to look, to seem, to appear  
**kànshū** 看书 to read  
**kǎo** 烤 to bake, to roast, to grill  
**kaojìn** 靠近 close to, nearby  
**kaolù** 考虑 to consider, to think over  
**kaolú** 烤炉 oven  
**kaoshì** 考试 exam, test  
**kǎoya** 烤鸭 roast duck  
**ke** 渴 thirsty  
**kè** 课 lesson  
**kě huòde de** 可获得的 available  
**kě'ài** 可爱 cute, appealing, lovely

**kèbóde** 刻薄的 mean (cruel)  
**kèfú** 克服 to overcome  
**kělǐan** 可怜 pity  
**kěndìng** 肯定 sure  
**kěnéng** 可能 perhaps, probably, possible  
**kěnéngde** 可能地 possibly  
**kěnqiú** 恳求 to plead  
**kěpà** 可怕 terrible  
**kèren** 客人 guest  
**kèshàng** 刻上 to engrave  
**kesou** 咳嗽 to cough  
**késou yaoshuǐ** 咳嗽药水 cough syrup  
**késoushēng** 咳嗽声 cough  
**kěxī** 可惜 what a pity!  
**kēxué** 科学 science  
**kěyǐ** 可以 can, be able to  
**kěyòngde** 可用的 to make available  
**kèzhān** 客栈 lodge, small hotel  
**kōngde** 空的 empty  
**kōngdì** 空地 field, empty space  
**kōnggāo** 控告 to accuse  
**kǒnghè** 恐吓 to threaten  
**kōngjian** 空间 space  
**kǒngjù** 恐惧 fear  
**kōngqì** 空气 air  
**kōngqì wūrǎn** 空气污染 air pollution  
**kōngtiáo** 空调 air conditioning  
**kōngzhì** 控制 hold back  
**kǒudài** 口袋 pocket  
**kǒuyǎyuán** 口译员 interpreter  
**kū** 哭 to cry  
**kuài** 快 fast, rapid, quick  
**kuài!** 快! come on, let's go  
**kuài dào le** 快到了 on the way  
**kuài diǎnr** 快点儿 hurry up!  
**kuàizi** 筷子 chopsticks  
**kuan** 宽 wide  
**kuanchang** 宽敞 spacious  
**kuandù** 宽度 width  
**kuàngquānshuǐ** 矿泉水 mineral water

kuangre aihaozhe 狂热爱好者  
fan (admirer)  
kuanshù 宽恕 forgiveness,  
mercy  
kùde 苦的 bitter  
kùn 困 tired (sleepy)  
kùnnan 困难 difficult  
kuoda 扩大 to enlarge  
kuqì 哭泣 to weep  
kùzi 裤子 trousers, pant

## L

la 拉 to pull  
là 蜡 wax  
la 辣 hot (spicy)  
lǚcheng 旅程 trip, journey  
lǚguan 旅馆 hotel  
lái 来 to come  
lái yuèjīng 来月经 to  
menstruate  
laihui piao 来回票 return  
ticket  
lái lín 来临 to approach  
(in time)  
laiyuan (yú) 来源(于) to  
originate, to come from  
lājī 垃圾 garbage  
lājiao 辣椒 pepper (chilli)  
làjiàojiàng 辣椒酱 chilli  
sauce  
lǎnduò 懒惰 lazy  
lanqiú 篮球 basketball  
lanse 蓝色 blue  
lánzi 篮子 basket  
lǎo 老 old (of persons)  
lǎobǎn 老板 boss  
lǎohǔ 老虎 tiger  
laojia 劳驾 excuse me!  
(attracting attention)  
laolao 姥姥 grandmother  
(maternal)  
lǎoshī 老师 teacher  
lǎoshǔ 老鼠 rat  
Lǎowo 老挝 Laos  
Lǎowode 老挝的 Laotian  
(in general)

Laoworen 老挝人 Laotian  
(people)  
Lǎowoyǔ 老挝语 Laotian  
(language)  
lǎoye 老爷 grandfather  
(maternal)  
laxia 拉下 leave behind by  
accident  
lǎzhú 蜡烛 candle  
lei 累 tired (worn out)  
leihuaile 累坏了 exhausted  
leng 冷 cold  
lengquè 冷却 to cool  
lèshì 乐事 treat (something  
special)  
lí 梨 pear  
lián 连 even (also)  
lián 脸 face  
liang 量 to measure  
liǎng 两 two (measure)  
liàng 亮 light (bright)  
liǎng cì 两次 twice  
liang ge 两个 both  
lianggan 晾干 dry out  
(in the sun)  
liánghǎo zhùyuàn 良好祝愿  
best wishes  
liàngkuai 凉快 cool  
liangxie 凉鞋 sandals  
liangzhě dou bù 两者都不  
neither  
liánhuanhuì 联欢会 party  
(event)  
liánjie 连接 to connect  
together  
liánjiēdiǎn 连接点 connection  
(transport)  
liánjiēqiǎilái 连接起来 to join  
together  
liǎnrǔ 炼乳 condensed milk  
liánxì 联系 contact, connection  
liànxí 练习 to practise, practice  
liányīqún 连衣裙 dress, frock  
Liáoguó 寮国 Laos  
Liáoguóde 寮国的 Laotian  
(in general)  
Liáoguórén 寮国人 Laotian  
(people)

# Liaoguoyǔ

Liaoguóyǔ 寮国语 Laolian  
(language)

liǎojiě 了解 to realize, be  
aware of

liáotiānr 聊天儿 chat

líba 篱笆 fence

lǐbài 礼拜 week

Lǐbài'èr 礼拜二 Tuesday

Lǐbàiliù 礼拜六 Saturday

Lǐbàisan 礼拜三 Wednesday

Lǐbàisì 礼拜四 Thursday

Lǐbàitiān 礼拜天 Sunday

Lǐbàiwǔ 礼拜五 Friday

Lǐbàiyī 礼拜一 Monday

lièjiǔ 烈酒 spirits, hard liquor

lièkāile 裂开了 cracked

lǐfadian 理发店 barber

lǐhūn 离婚 to divorce

líkai 离开 to depart

lìkè 立刻 immediately

lílehūn 离了婚 divorced

lìliang 力量 force, power,  
strength

lǐmian 里面 inside

lí míng 黎明 dawn

líng 零 zero

lìng rén weinán de

令人为难的 embarrassing

lìng rén xīngfèn de

令人兴奋的 exciting

lìng rén yúkuàide 令人愉快的  
pleasant

lǐngdài 领带 tie, necktie

lǐngdǎo 领导 lead (to be a  
leader)

lǐngdǎorén 领导人 leader

língjiàn 零件 part (of machine)

língqián 零钱 change, small

lǐngshìguǎn 领事馆 consulate

lìngwài 另外 other  
(alternative)

lǐnjū 邻居 neighbor

lǐnyùjiǎn 淋浴间 shower  
(for washing)

lìrú 例如 such as, for  
example

lìrùn 利润 profit

lìshǐ 历史 history

lǐtáng 礼堂 hall

liú 留 to keep

liù 六 six

liúcún 留存 leave behind  
for safekeeping

liúli 流利 fluent

liùshí 六十 sixty

liúsuì 留宿 to stay overnight

liúxià 留下 to stay, to leave  
behind on purpose

liúxíng 流行 popular

liúxuè 流血 bleed

liúyán 留言 message

liúyánjī 留言机 answering  
machine

liúyì 留意 pay attention

liù yuè 六月 June

lǐwù 礼物 present (gift)

lìxī 利息 interest (bank)

lìzhī 荔枝 lychee

lǐzi 李子 plum

lìzǐ 例子 example

lóngde 聋的 deaf

lóu 楼 story (of a building)

lóushàng 楼上 upstairs

lòushuǐ 漏水 to leak

lóutī 楼梯 stairs

lóuting 楼厅 circle (theater  
seats)

lóuxia 楼下 downstairs

lù 路 road

luan-qī ba-zao 乱七八糟  
in a mess

lùbiao 路标 road sign

lùjūn 陆军 army

lǚkè 旅客 traveler

lúnzi 轮子 wheel

luòhòu 落后 backward

luosīdāo 螺丝刀 screwdriver

luotǐde 裸体的 naked,  
nude

luòxia 落下 to fall

luòxiàlai 落下来 to fall

luóxuánxíngde 螺旋形的  
spiral

lǜsè 绿色 green

lǚshī 律师 lawyer

lùtú 路途 journey

lùxiàn 路线 lane (of a highway)  
 lùxiàngdài 录像带 video cassette  
 lùxiàngjī 录像机 VCR, video recorder  
 lǚxíng 旅行 to travel, trip, journey  
 lǚxíng 履行 fulfill  
 lùyīn 录音 tape recording  
 lǚyóu zhǐnán 旅游指南 guidebook  
 lǚyóuzhě 旅游者 tourist, traveler  
 lúzi 炉子 cooker, stove

## M

(yī) mǐ (一)米 meter  
 mǎ 马 horse  
 mǎchē 马车 cart (horsecart)  
 māfan 麻烦 trouble  
 māfānde 麻烦的 troublesome  
 mǎi 买 to buy  
 mài 卖 to sell  
 mǎi dōngxi 买东西 to shop, to go shopping  
 mǎidiào 卖掉 sold  
 mǎiwán 卖完 sold out  
 májiàng 麻将 mahjong  
 Mǎláixīyà 马来西亚 Malaysia  
 Mǎláixīyàde 马来西亚的 Malaysian (in general)  
 Malaixīyàrén 马来西亚人 Malaysian (people)  
 māma 妈妈 mother  
 māmùde 麻木的 numb  
 mǎn 满 full  
 màn 慢 slow  
 máng 忙 busy (doing something)  
 māngguǒ 芒果 mango  
 mànmande 慢慢地 slowly  
 mǎnyì 满意 to satisfy  
 mǎnyìde 满意的 satisfied  
 mǎnzú 满足 to satisfy  
 māo 猫 cat  
 máojīn 毛巾 towel  
 màopáihuò 冒牌货 false (imitation)  
 máoxiàn 毛线 wool  
 máoyī 毛衣 jumper, sweater  
 màoyì 贸易 trade  
 màozi 帽子 hat  
 mǎshàng 马上: at once  
 máyóu 麻油 sesame oil  
 měi 每 each, every  
 měi 美 beautiful  
 měi cì 每次 every time  
 méi gǎnshàng 没赶上: to miss (bus, flight)  
 měi ge dìfang 每个地方 everywhere  
 měi ge rén 每个人 everybody, everyone  
 měi jiàn shì 每件事 everything  
 měi nián de 每年的 annual  
 měi yè de 每夜的 nightly  
 méi yìsi 没意思 boring  
 měi zhōu 每周 weekly  
 mèifu 妹夫 brother-in-law (wife's younger sister's husband)  
 méiguānxi 没关系 never mind!  
 Měiguó 美国 United States  
 Měiguóde 美国的 American (in general)  
 Měiguórén 美国人 American (people)  
 měihǎo 美好 pretty (of places, things)  
 měilǐ 美丽 pretty (of places, things)  
 mèimei 妹妹 sister (younger)  
 méiyǒu 没有 no, not, without  
 méiyǒu shénme 没有什么 nothing  
 mén 门 door  
 mèn 闷 dull (boring)  
 mèng 梦 dream  
 mí 迷 fan (admirer)  
 miànbāo 面包 bread  
 miánbù 棉布 cotton  
 Miǎndiàn 缅甸 Burma  
 Miǎndiānde 缅甸的 Burmese (in general)

**M** Miandiānrén 缅甸人 Burmese (people)  
 Miǎndiànyǔ 缅甸语 Burmese (language)  
 miànduì 面对 to face, to stand up to  
 miǎnfèi 免费 free of charge  
 miānfěn 面粉 flour  
 miánhuā 棉花 cotton wool  
 miánjiǎ 面颊 cheek  
 miánjù 面具 mask  
 miántiāo 面条 noodles  
 miǎo 秒 second (instant)  
 miǎoshù 描述 to describe  
 miáotiáode 苗条的 slender  
 mǐfàn 米饭 rice (cooked)  
 mǐhóutáo 猕猴桃 kiwi fruit  
 mǐhuò 迷惑 puzzled  
 mǐlù 迷路 lost (can't find way)  
 mìmi 秘密 secret  
 míngjiào 名叫 called, named  
 míngbái 明白 understand  
 míngdān 名单 list  
 míngliàng 明亮 bright  
 mìnglìng 命令 to order, to command, command  
 míngnián 明年 next year  
 míngpái 名牌 brand name  
 míngquēde 明确的 definite  
 míngshèng 名胜 place of interest  
 míngtiān 明天 tomorrow  
 míngxiǎnde 明显地 apparently  
 míngxìnpiàn 明信片 postcard  
 míngzhì 明智 sensible  
 míngzì 名字 name, given name  
 mínzú fúzhuāng 民族服装 costume  
 mínzúde 民族的 national  
 mìshū 秘书 secretary  
 mō 摸 to touch  
 mófǎng 模仿 to copy someone or something  
 mógu 蘑菇 mushrooms  
 moshēngren 陌生人 stranger  
 moshuǐ 墨水 ink

mótuōchē 摩托车 motorcycle  
 mǒu ge dìfāng 某个地方 somewhere  
 mǒuchù 某处 somewhere  
 mùdì 目的 goal, purpose  
 mùdìdì 目的地 destination  
 mùlù 目录 list  
 mùqiánde 目前的 at the present moment  
 mǔqīn 母亲 mother  
 mùshī 牧师 priest  
 Mùsīlín 穆斯林 Muslim  
 mùtóu 木头 wood  
 mùzhīde 木制的 wooden

**N**

ná 拿 to bring  
 nǎ (ge) 哪(个) which?  
 nà 那 that  
 nǎ yī zhǒng? 哪一种? what kind of?  
 nǚ'ér 女儿 daughter  
 nàbian 那边 over there, there  
 nǎilào 奶酪 cheese  
 nǎinai 奶奶 grandmother (paternal)  
 nàixīn 耐心 patient (calm)  
 nálái 拿来 to bring  
 nǎlǐ 哪里 where  
 nàlǐ 那里 there  
 nánbian 南边 south  
 nándé 难得 rarely, seldom  
 nánguò 难过 sad  
 nánhái'ér 男孩儿 boy  
 nánkàn 难看 ugly  
 nán péngyou 男朋友 boyfriend  
 nánrén 男人 man  
 nánwéiqíng 难为情 embarrassing  
 nánxìng 男性 male  
 nǎo 脑 brain  
 nǎozi 脑子 mind, brain  
 nǎr 哪儿 where  
 nàr 那儿 there  
 nǎr dōu bú zài 哪儿都不在 nowhere



nàxiē 那些 those  
 ná'ǒu 拿走 to take, to remove  
 nèicún 内存 RAM (computer)  
 nèidì 内弟 brother-in-law  
 (wife's younger brother)  
 nèijiù 内疚 to feel guilty  
 nèikù 内裤 underpants  
 nèixiong 内兄 brother-in-law  
 (wife's older brother)  
 neiyī 内衣 underwear,  
 undershirt  
 néng 能 can, may  
 nénglì 能力 ability  
 ní 泥 mud  
 nǐ 你 you  
 Nǐ hǎo 你好 hello, hi  
 nǐ hǎo ma 你好吗 how are  
 you?  
 nǐ kan 你看 look!  
 nián 年 year  
 niánlíng 年龄 age  
 niánqīng 年轻 young  
 niánqīngrén 年轻人 youth  
 niǎo 鸟 bird  
 niǎocháo 鸟巢 nest  
 nílóng 尼龙 nylon  
 nǐmen 你们 you (plural)  
 nín 您 you (polite)  
 níngkě 宁可 rather than  
 níngméng 柠檬 lemon,  
 citrus  
 nítǔ 泥土 earth, soil  
 niú 牛 cow  
 niúǎi 牛奶 milk  
 niúròu 牛肉 beef  
 nóng 浓 thick (of liquids)  
 nòng gānjìng 弄干净 to clean  
 nòng hútu 弄糊涂 confused  
 (mentally)  
 nòngcuò 弄错 mistaken  
 nònggan 弄干 to dry  
 nònghuài 弄坏 break, shatter  
 nǚ chènshān 女衬衫 blouse  
 nǚ 女的 female  
 nǚfú 女服 dress, frock  
 nǚhái 女孩 girl  
 nǚlì 努力 effort  
 nuòmǐ 糯米 glutinous rice

nǚpéngyou 女朋友 girlfriend  
 nǚrén 女人 woman  
 nǚshén 女神 goddess  
 nǚshì 女士 lady  
 nǚwáng 女王 queen  
 nǚxu 女婿 son-in-law

## O

ǒu'ěr 偶尔 rarely, seldom  
 ǒurán 偶然 by chance  
 ǒurándé 偶然的 accidentally,  
 by chance  
 ǒutù 呕吐 to be sick (vomit)  
 Ouzhou 欧洲 Europe

## P

pá 扒 to pickpocket  
 pà 怕 afraid  
 páichéng yíxiàn 排成一线  
 to line up  
 paichì 排斥 bar (blocking way)  
 paidù 排队 to queue, to line up  
 paimài 拍卖 to auction  
 paimàidiào 拍卖掉 auctioned  
 off  
 páizhào 牌照 license, permit  
 pandeng 攀登 to climb up  
 (hills, mountains)  
 pang 胖 fat, plump  
 pangbian 旁边 next to, side  
 pangxie 螃蟹 crab  
 pánzi 盘子 dish, plate  
 pǎo 跑 to run  
 paoqì 抛弃 to desert, to  
 abandon  
 páshàng 爬上 climb onto  
 pashou 扒手 pickpocket  
 péi 陪 to accompany  
 pèi'ou 配偶 spouse  
 péngliào 棚寮 shack  
 pengtiao 烹调 cooking,  
 cuisine  
 péngwū 棚屋 hut, shack  
 péngyou 朋友 friend

**péngzhāng** 膨胀 expand, grow larger  
**pēnlì** 喷嚏 sneeze  
**penwùqì** 喷雾器 spray  
**pian** 骗 to cheat  
**piànkè** 片刻 moment (instant)  
**pianyi** 便宜 inexpensive, cheap  
**pianzi** 骗子 someone who cheats  
**piao** 票 ticket  
**piaojia** 票价 fare  
**piaoliang** 漂亮 pretty (of women)  
**pifū** 皮肤 skin  
**pige** 皮革 leather  
**pigu** 屁股 buttocks  
**píjuānde** 疲倦的 weary  
**píng** 平 level (even, flat)  
**píngdeng** 平等 equality  
**píngděngde** 平等的 equal  
**píngguǒ** 苹果 apple  
**pínghuá** 平滑 even (smooth)  
**pínghuáde** 平滑的 smooth (of surfaces)  
**píngjī** 评击 attack (with words)  
**píngjìng** 平静 calm, still, quiet  
**píngjūn** 平均 average (numbers)  
**píngmù** 屏幕 screen (of computer)  
**píngtānde** 平坦的 flat, smooth  
**píngyuán** 平原 plain (level ground)  
**píngzi** 瓶子 bottle  
**pínjǐde** 贫瘠的 barren  
**pīnxiě** 拼写 to spell  
**pīnyīn** 拼音 combine sounds into syllables  
**píyǐngxì** 皮影戏 shadow play  
**pòhuài** 破坏 to damage  
**pǔbiānde** 普遍地 generally  
**pùbù** 瀑布 waterfall  
**pùkèpái** 扑克牌 cards, game  
**pǔshíde** 朴实的 modest, simple  
**pǔsù** 朴素 plain (not fancy)  
**pútāo** 葡萄 grapes

**putaojiǔ** 葡萄酒 wine  
**pùtōngde** 普通的 common, frequent  
**Pùtōnghuà** 普通话 Mandarin (language)

## Q

**qī** 七 seven  
**qí** 旗 flag  
**qǐ fǎnyìng** 起反应 to react  
**qí zìxíngchē** 骑自行车 ride, to (bicycle)  
**qǐ zuòyòng** 起作用 to function, to work  
**qiān** 千 thousand  
**qián** 钱 money  
**qiǎn** 浅 shallow  
**qiàn** 欠 to owe  
**qiānbao** 钱包 wallet, purse  
**qiānhǒu** 铅笔 pencil  
**qiánbì** 钱币 currency  
**qiāng** 墙 wall  
**qiāngdàde** 强大的 powerful  
**qiǎngjiù** 抢救 to rescue  
**qiángpò** 强迫 force, compel  
**qiāngzhìxìngde** 强制性的 compulsory  
**qiāngzhuàng** 强壮 strong  
**qiánjìn** 前进 advance, go forward  
**qiánmiàn** 前面 front  
**qiānmíng** 签名 to sign, signature  
**qiántian** 前天 day before yesterday  
**qiānwàn** 千万 ten million  
**qiānxū** 谦虚 modest, simple  
**qiānzhèng** 签证 visa  
**qiáo** 桥 bridge  
**qiào** 俏 pretty (of women)  
**qiāoda** 敲打 to beat, to strike  
**qiāokèlì** 巧克力 chocolate  
**qiāomén** 敲 [ ] to knock  
**qìchē** 汽车 car, automobile  
**qìchēzhàn** 汽车站 bus station



qǐchuāng 起床 get up (from bed)

qǐdǎo 祈祷 to pray, prayer

qǐdòng 启动 to start (machines)

qiezi 茄子 eggplant

qìfēn 气氛 atmosphere, ambience

qǐgài 乞丐 beggar

qíguài 奇怪 strange

qìhòu 气候 climate

qínmǎ 骑马 ride, to (horse)

qǐmǎ 起码 at least

qíncài 芹菜 celery

qínfèn 勤奋 hardworking, industrious

qīng 轻 light (not heavy)

qǐng 请 please

qīngchū 清楚 clear

qīngjìe 清洁 cleanliness

qíngkuàng 情况 situation, how things are

qínglǎng 晴朗 sunny

qínglǐ 情理 reason

qīngnián 青年 youth (young person)

qǐngqiú 请求 to request

qīngshaonián 青少年 teenager

qīngtāng 清汤 soup (clear)

qīngtóng 青铜 bronze

qǐngwèn 请问 excuse me (attracting attention)

qíngxù 情绪 emotion

qīngzǎo 清早 early in the morning

Qīngzhēn 清真 Muslim

Qīngzhēnjiào 清真教 Islam

Qīngzhēnjiàode 清真教的 Islamic

Qīngzhēnjiàotu 清真教徒 Muslim (people)

Qīngzhēnsì 清真寺 mosque

qīngzhǒng 青肿 bruise

qīngzhù 庆祝 to celebrate

qīnpèi 钦佩 to admire

qīnqi 亲戚 relatives, family

qīnyǎn mùdù 亲眼目睹 to witness

qīnzǔi 亲吻 kiss

qióng 穷 poor (not rich)

qīpiàn 欺骗 to deceive

qīshí 七十 seventy

qíshí 其实 actually

qìshuǐ 汽水 soft drink

qítā 其他 other

qítède 奇特的 fancy

qǐtū 企图 attempt

qiū 丘 hill

qiú 球 ball

qiūtiān 秋天 autumn

qīwàng 期望 to expect

qìyóu 汽油 petrol, gasoline

qìyóuzhàn 加油站 petrol station

qǐyuán 起源 origin

qìyuē 契约 contract

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qīzi 妻子 wife

qǐzi 起子 screwdriver

qǔ 取 to fetch

qù 去 to go

qù nǎlǐ 去哪里 where to?

quán'gāo 劝告 advice

quánbù 全部 complete (whole)

quánbùde 全部的 entirety, whole

quánbùde 全部地 completely

quánjǐng 全景 panorama

quánlì 权力 authority (power)

quánlì 权利 rights

quánmiànde 全面的 general, all-purpose

quánwei 权威 authority (person in charge)

qùdiào 去掉 to get rid of

quediǎn 缺点 defect

quediào 缺掉的 missing (absent)

quèdìng 确定 sure

quēfādē 缺乏的 scarce

quēqiè 确切 exact, exactly

quèrèn 确认 to confirm

queshǎo 缺少 lacking

quēxí 缺席 absent

qùgoujì 去垢剂 detergent

qùguo 去过 to have been  
somewhere  
qùnián 去年 last year  
qúnzi 裙子 skirt  
qǔxiāo 取消 to cancel  
qǔxiào 取笑 to laugh at

**R**

rán'ér 然而 nevertheless  
ràng 让 let, allow  
ràng mǒurén dache  
让某人搭车 lift (ride in car)  
ránhòu 然后 then  
rè 热 hot (temperature)  
rén 人 people, person  
réncí 仁慈 forgiveness,  
mercy, kind  
rende 认得 to recognize  
reng 扔 to throw  
rengdiao 扔掉 to throw away,  
to throw out  
réngongde 人工的 artificial  
rengrán 仍然 still, even now  
rènhé dìfang 任何地方  
anywhere  
rènhé rén 任何人 anybody,  
anyone  
rènhé shì 任何事 anything  
rènhé yī ge 任何一个 either  
rénkǒu 人口 population  
rénqíng 人情 human feelings  
rénqíngwèi 人情味 human  
touch  
rènshi 认识 to know, to be  
acquainted with  
rènwéi 认为 to reckon, to  
have an opinion  
Rìběn 日本 Japan  
Rìběnde 日本的 Japanese  
(in general)  
Rìběnrén 日本人 Japanese  
(people)  
rìchángde 日常的 daily  
rìchéngbiǎo 日程表 Itinerary  
rìchū 日出 sunrise  
rìjì 日记 diary

rìluò 日落 sunset  
rìqī 日期 date (of the month)  
Rìyǔ 日语 Japanese  
(language)  
róngqiā 融洽 harmonious  
róngxǔ 容许 allowed to  
róngyì 容易 simple (easy)  
ròu 肉 meat  
ròutāng 肉汤 broth, soup  
ròuwán 肉丸 meatball  
ruǎn 软 soft  
ruǎnjiàn 软件 software  
(computer)  
rúccǐ 如此 such  
rǔfáng 乳房 breasts  
rúguǒ 如果 if  
Rújiào 儒教 Confucianism  
Rújiāsīxiǎng 儒家思想  
Confucianism  
rùkǒu 入口 entrance, way in  
rǔlào 乳酪 cheese  
rùnhóutáng 润喉糖 cough lolly  
ruò 弱 weak  
rǔzhào 乳罩 bra

**S**

(shǔyú) ... de (属下)... 的  
of, from  
sāhuang 撒谎 lie, tell a  
falsehood  
sǎizi 塞子 plug (bath)  
sān 三 three  
sǎn 伞 umbrella  
sānfēnzhīyī 三分之一  
third (1/3)  
sāngfū 丧夫 widowed  
sàngqī 丧妻 widower  
sānjiǎokù 三角裤 briefs  
sānjiǎoxíng 三角形 triangle  
sānshí 三十 thirty  
Sānyuè 三月 March  
sànzhuāngde 散装的 loose  
(not in packet)  
sǎo 扫 sweep, to  
saoluàn 骚乱 disturbance  
sàozhōu 扫帚 broom

saozǐ 嫂子 sister-in-law  
 (wife of husband's older brother)  
 senlín 森林 forest  
 sha 杀 to kill  
 shafa 沙发 couch, sofa  
 shamo 沙漠 desert (arid land)  
 shan 山 mountain  
 shandian 闪电 lightning  
 shandǐng 山顶 peak, summit  
 shāng xīngqī 上星期 last week  
 shāngchē 上车 to board  
 (bus, train)  
 Shàngdì 上帝 God  
 shangdiàn 商店 shop, store  
 shanghai 伤害 to hurt, injury  
 Shànghǎi 上海 Shanghai  
 shāngháng 商行 firm, company  
 shāngkǒu 伤口 cut (injury),  
 wound  
 shāngliang 商量 discuss  
 shàngmian 上面 above  
 shāngqù 上去 to go up, to  
 climb  
 shāngrén 商人 businessperson  
 shāngshēng 上升 to rise, to  
 ascend  
 shāngǔ 山谷 valley  
 shāngguāngdēng 闪光灯 flash  
 (camera)  
 shàngwǎng kǎfēiguǎn  
 上网咖啡馆 Internet café  
 shàngwǎng qù chōnglàng  
 上网去冲浪 surfing on the  
 Internet  
 shàngwéi 尚未 not yet  
 shāngyè 商业 business  
 shānhú 珊瑚 coral  
 shānlán 栅栏 fence  
 shānpō 山坡 slope  
 shānyáng 山羊 goat  
 shànzi 扇子 fan (for cooling)  
 shao 烧 to burn  
 shǎo 少 few  
 shāohuǐ 烧毁 burned down  
 shāokǎo 烧烤 to grill  
 shǎoliàngde 少量的 small  
 amount  
 shaoshang 烧伤 burn (injury)

shaota 烧塌 burned down,  
 out  
 shaowei 稍微 slightly  
 sháozi 勺子 spoon  
 shayú 鲨鱼 shark  
 shāzhù 刹住 brake, to brake  
 shāzi 沙子 sand  
 shé 蛇 snake  
 shéi/shuí 谁 who?  
 shèjí 涉及 to involve  
 shèjídào 涉及到 involved  
 shèlùjī 录像机 video recorder  
 shēn 深 deep  
 shén 神 god  
 shèn 肾 kidney  
 shēn'gāo 身高 height  
 (body)  
 Shéndào 神道 Shinto  
 shénfù 神父 priest  
 shēng 生 to give birth  
 shēngchǎn 生产 to produce  
 shèngdàde 盛大的 great,  
 impressive  
 shēngde 生的 raw, uncooked,  
 rare  
 shēnghuó 生活 life, live  
 (be alive)  
 shēngmìng 生命 life  
 shēngqì 生气 cross, angry,  
 annoyed  
 shēngrì 生日 birthday  
 shēngrì kuàilè 生日快乐  
 happy birthday!  
 shèngxiàde 剩下的 remainder,  
 leftover  
 shēngyīn 声音 sound,  
 noise, voice  
 shèngyúde 剩余的 rest,  
 remainder  
 shēngzi 绳子 string, rope  
 shénhuà 神话 myth  
 shénjīngbīng 神经病 crazy  
 shénme 什么 what? pardon  
 me? what did you say?  
 shénme dìfang 什么地方  
 somewhere  
 shénme shíhou 什么时候  
 when

**S** shēnmǔ 婶母 aunt (wife of father's younger brother)

shēnqǐng 申请 to apply

shénshèng 神圣 holy

shénshèngde 神圣的 sacred

shēntǐ 身体 body

shēnyè 深夜 late at night

sheshì 摄氏 centigrade

shetou 舌头 tongue

shèxiàng 摄像 to videotape

shèxiàngdài 录像带 video cassette

shí 十 ten

shǐ 屎 shit

shì 是 be, exist

shì 试 to try

shǐ rén nankan 使人难堪 embarrassing

shǐ téngtòng 使疼痛 to ache

shǐ xiànrù 使陷入 to involve

shí yì 十亿 billion

shí'èr 十二 twelve

Shí'èryuè 十二月 December

shībài 失败 failure

shìbīng 士兵 soldier

shìchǎng 市场 market

shìchuan 试穿 try on (clothes)

shìdāngde 适当的 appropriate

shìde 湿的 wet

shìde 是的 yes, indeed!

shìfang 释放 to release

shìgù 事故 accident

shìhede 适合的 fitting, suitable

shíhuì 实惠 economical

shíjì 实际 really (in fact)

shìjì 世纪 century

shíjiān 时间 time

shìjiàn 事件 happening, incident, event

shìjiè 世界 world

shíkè 时刻 point (in time)

shíkèbiǎo 时刻表 timetable, schedule

shìmín 市民 citizen

shípǔ 食谱 recipe

shíqī 时期 period (of time)

shìqing 事情 matter, issue

shìqū 市区 downtown

shísan 十三 thirteen

shìshí 事实 fact

shísì 十四 fourteen

shítou 石头 rock, stone

shíwan 十万 hundred thousand

shīwàng 失望 disappointed

shíwǔ 十五 fifteen

shíwù 食物 food

shìwù 事物 thing

shìwù zhāolǐngchù

失物招领处 lost property

shìxiān 事先 earlier, beforehand

shìxiàng 事项 item, individual thing

shìyàn 试验 test

shìyàng 式样 pattern, design

shīyè 失业 unemployed

shíyī 十一 eleven

shìyìng 适应 to adapt to an new environment

shìyīshì 试衣室 fitting room

Shíyíyuè 十一月 November

Shíyuè 十月 October

shìzhèn 市镇 town

shìzhōng 时钟 clock

shìzhōngxīn 市中心 center of city

shìzhuāng biǎnyǎn 时装表演 fashion show

shízìlùkǒu 十字路口

crossroads, intersection

shìzōngle 失踪了 missing (lost person)

shǒu 手 hand

shòu 瘦 thin (of persons)

shòu huānyíng 受欢迎 popular

shòu míhuò 受迷惑 puzzled

shòu tòngkǔ 受痛苦 to suffer

shòudào 收到 to receive

shóude 熟的 ripe, cooked

shòudiǎntǒng 手电筒

flashlight, torch

shòufèi 收费 fee

shòugōngyìpǐn 手工艺品 handicraft

- shouhuòyuán 售货员 sales assistant
- shoují 收集 to gather
- shoujù 收据 receipt
- shoukuān 收款 to collect payment
- shoushāng 受伤 hurt (injured)
- shoushí 收拾 tidy up
- shoushì 首饰 jewelry
- shǒutǎobāo 手提包 briefcase
- shǒutuīche 手推车 cart (pushcart)
- shouwǎn 手腕 wrist
- shouxī 熟悉 familiar with
- shòuxiǎode 瘦小的 slight
- shouyīnjī 收音机 radio
- shǒuyìrén 手艺人 craftsman
- shǒuzhài 守斋 to fast
- shǒuzhǐ 手指 finger
- shǒuzhuó 手镯 bracelet
- shū 书 book
- shū 输 to lose, to be defeated
- shǔ 数 count
- shù 树 tree
- shuā 刷 to brush
- shuāidǎo 摔倒 fall over
- shuāngbèi 双倍 double
- shuāngkǒu 爽口 delicious
- shuāzi 刷子 brush
- shǔbiāo 鼠标 mouse (computer)
- shucai 蔬菜 vegetable
- shúde 熟的 ripe
- shūfǎ 书法 calligraphy
- shūfu 舒服 comfortable
- shūfu 叔父 uncle (father's younger brother)
- shuǐ 水 water
- shuǐguǒ 水果 fruit
- shuǐjiào 睡觉 to sleep
- shuǐniú 水牛 buffalo (water buffalo)
- shuǐtǒng 水桶 bucket
- shuǐyī 睡衣 nightclothes, pyjamas
- shuǐzhē 睡着 asleep
- shùjīn 束紧 to tie
- shùjù luxiàngjī 数据录像机 DVD
- shúliànde 熟练的 skilful
- shùliàng 数量 amount
- shūmǔ 叔母 aunt (wife of father's younger brother)
- shùnbiān wèn yíxià 顺便问一下 by the way
- shùnli 顺利 to go smoothly
- shùnlù baifǎng 顺路拜访 to stop by, to pay a visit
- shuō 说 to speak, to say
- shuōhuāng 说说 to lie, to tell a falsehood
- shūqián 输钱 to lose money
- shùrén 熟人 acquaintance
- shūshu 叔叔 uncle (father's younger brother)
- shuǐyú 属于 belong to
- shūzhuō 书桌 desk
- shūzi 梳子 comb
- shùzì 数字 figure, number
- sǐ 死 to die
- sì 四 four
- sīchóu 丝绸 silk
- sīdài 丝带 ribbon
- sìfēnzhīyī 四分之一 quarter
- sìhū 似乎 to seem
- sījī 司机 driver
- sǐjī 死机 crashed (computer)
- sīkai 撕开 to rip open
- sǐle 死了 dead
- sīrende 私人的 private
- sìshí 四十 forty
- sǐwáng 死亡 death
- sīxiǎng 思想 thoughts
- sìyuàn 寺院 temple (Chinese)
- Sìyue 四月 April
- sòng 送 to send
- songdòngde 松动的 loose (wobbly)
- suan 酸 sour
- suàn 算 count
- suanjú 酸桔 lime, citrus
- suanpan 算盘 abacus
- suanlián 酸甜 sweet and sour
- suantòng 酸痛 sore, painful

sùdù 速度 speed  
 Sūgélán 苏格兰 Scotland  
 Sūgélán de 苏格兰的 Scottish  
 (in general)  
 Sūgélán rén 苏格兰人 Scots  
 suì 岁 years old  
 suǐ piàn 碎片 piece, portion,  
 section  
 suī rán 虽然 although, though  
 sù liào 塑料 plastic  
 sù liào dài 塑料袋 plastic bag  
 sǔn huài 损坏 to damage  
 sūn nǚ 孙女 granddaughter  
 (son's daughter)  
 sūn zǐ 孙子 grandson (son's son)  
 suǒ 锁 lock  
 suǒ shàng 锁上 to lock  
 suǒ yǐ 所以 so, therefore  
 suǒ yǒu 所有 possessions  
 suǒ yǒu wù 所有物 belongings  
 suǒ zhù 锁住 locked

## T

tā 他 he, him  
 tā 她 she, her  
 tǎ 塔 tower  
 tā de 他的 his  
 tā de 她的 her, hers  
 tài 太 too (excessive)  
 tài duō 太多 too much  
 tài dù 态度 attitude  
 tái fēng 台风 typhoon  
 Tàiguó 泰国 Thailand  
 Tàiguó de 泰国的 Thai  
 (in general)  
 tái jiē 台阶 steps, stairs  
 tài tai 太太 madam (term of  
 address), Mrs  
 tài yáng 太阳 sun  
 Tàiyǔ 泰语 Thai (language)  
 tā men 他们 they, them  
 tā men de 他们的 their,  
 theirs  
 tāng 汤 soup (spicy stew)  
 táng 糖 sugar  
 tàng 烫 to iron (clothing)

tāng cù 糖醋 sweet and sour  
 táng guǒ 糖果 sweets, candy  
 tāng xià 躺下 to lie down  
 tán huà 谈话 to talk  
 tán huáng 弹簧 spring (metal  
 part)  
 tán lùn 谈论 talk about  
 tān zi 摊子 stall (of vendor)  
 tān zi 毯子 blanket  
 tào 套 set  
 tāo lùn 讨论 to discuss,  
 discussion  
 táo pǎo 逃跑 run away  
 táo zi 桃子 peach  
 tè bié 特别 special  
 tè bié de 特别地 especially  
 tè diǎn 特点 characteristic  
 tí 提 to carry  
 tiān 天 day  
 tián 甜 sweet  
 tiǎn 舔 to lick  
 tián jiāng yóu 甜酱油 soy  
 sauce (sweet)  
 tián biǎo 填表 to fill out (form)  
 tiān huā bǎn 天花板 ceiling  
 tiān kōng 天空 sky  
 tiān píng 天平 scales  
 tiān qì 天气 weather  
 tiān qì yù bào 天气预报  
 weather forecast  
 tián shí 甜食 sweet, dessert  
 Tiānzhǔjiào 天主教 Catholic  
 Tiānzhǔjiào de 天主教的  
 Catholic (in general)  
 Tiānzhǔjiàotú 天主教徒  
 Catholic (people)  
 tiào 跳 to jump  
 tiáo jiàn 条件 condition  
 (subjective/objective)  
 tiáo kuǎn 条款 item, individual  
 thing  
 tiáo wèi zhī 调味汁 sauce  
 tiào wǔ 跳舞 to dance  
 tiāo xuǎn 挑选 to select, to  
 pick, to choose  
 tiǎo zhàn 挑战 challenge  
 tí dào 提到 to mention  
 tiě 铁 iron (metal)

tiědào 铁道 railroad, railway  
 tiělù 铁路 railroad, railway  
 tígāo 提高 raise, lift  
 tígòng 提供 offering  
 tímu 题目 topic  
 tīng 听 to listen  
 tíng 停 to stop, to cease  
 tīngbudǒng 听不懂 not able  
 to understand (by hearing)  
 tīngbujian 听不见 didn't hear  
 tīngbuqīngchu 听不清楚  
 heard unclearly  
 tíngchē 停车 to park (car)  
 tīngdedǒng 听得懂 able to  
 understand (by hearing)  
 tīngdǒngle 听懂了 understood  
 (by hearing)  
 tīnghuà 听话 obedient  
 tīngjiàn 听见 to hear  
 tíngzhǐ 停止 to stop, to  
 halt  
 tíqi 提起 to lift, to raise  
 tǐwēn 体温 temperature  
 (body)  
 tíxǐng 提醒 to remind  
 tǐyàn 体验 to experience  
 tǐzhòng 体重 body weight  
 tīzi 梯子 ladder  
 tóng 铜 bronze, copper  
 tòng 痛 sore, painful  
 tōngcháng 通常 normal,  
 normally  
 tóngchuáng 床 cot  
 tōngguò 通过 through, past  
 tòngkǔ 痛苦 suffering  
 tóngshí 同时 meanwhile  
 tóngshì 同事 co-worker,  
 colleague  
 tōngxìn 通信 to correspond  
 (write letters)  
 tóngyàng 同样 identical  
 tóngyàngde 同样地 likewise  
 tóngyì 同意 to agree  
 tóngyīde 同一的 identical  
 tōngzhī 通知 to inform,  
 notice  
 tóngzhì 同志 comrade  
 tou 偷 to steal

tóu 头 head  
 tou qianbao 偷钱包 to  
 pickpocket  
 toufa 头发 hair  
 tóujīn 头巾 headaddress  
 tóupiàn 投票 to vote  
 tóusù 投诉 to complain,  
 complaint  
 tóuténg 头疼 have a headache  
 tóutóng 头痛 have a headache  
 tóuxián 头衔 title (of person)  
 touyun 头晕 dizzy  
 tú 图 drawing  
 tuánǚ 团体 group  
 tuchu 突出 to stick out  
 tuī 推 to push  
 tuǐ 腿 leg  
 tuīchí 推迟 to postpone, to  
 delay  
 tuījiàn 推荐 to recommend  
 tuìxiu 退休 retired  
 tun 吞 to swallow  
 tuo 脱 to take off (clothes)  
 tuopán 托盘 tray  
 tuoxié 拖鞋 slippers  
 tuōyuánxíngde 椭圆形的 oval  
 (shape)  
 tūrán 突然 suddenly  
 túshūguǎn 图书馆 library  
 tūtóude 秃头的 bald  
 tǔzhùde 土著的 indigenous  
 (in general)  
 tǔzhùrén 土著人 indigenous

## W

wàiguode 外国的 foreign  
 waiguoren 外国人 foreigner  
 waimào 外貌 appearance,  
 looks  
 waimian 外面 outside  
 waisheng 外甥 nephew  
 (maternal)  
 waishengnǚ 外甥女 niece  
 (maternal)  
 wàisūnnǚ 外孙女  
 granddaughter (maternal)



**wàisūnzi** 外孙子 grandson  
 (maternal)  
**waitàn** 外套 jacket  
**wàiyī** 外衣 coat, jacket  
**waizǔfù** 外祖父 grandfather  
 (maternal)  
**wàizǔfùmǔ** 外祖父母  
 grandparents (maternal)  
**wàizǔmǔ** 外祖母 grandmother  
 (maternal)  
**wǎn** 晚 late at night  
**wǎn** 碗 bowl  
**wan** 万 ten thousand  
**wánchéng** 完成 to complete  
 (finish)  
**wǎndiǎn** 晚点 delayed (train,  
 bus etc)  
**wǎndòu** 豌豆 peas  
**wǎnfàn** 晚饭 dinner, evening  
 meal  
**wǎng** 网 net  
**wǎng** 往 to, toward (a place)  
**wǎngcháng** 往常 usual  
**wàngjì** 忘记 to forget  
**wàngle** 忘了 forgotten  
**wǎngqiú** 网球 tennis  
**wǎngùde** 顽固的 stubborn,  
 determined  
**wǎngluò** 网络 network  
**wǎngzhàn** 网站 website  
**wánjiéle** 完结了 finished  
 (complete)  
**wanjù** 玩具 toy  
**wanle** 完了 over, finished  
**wǎnpíde** 淘皮的 naughty  
**wánquán** 完全 completely  
**wǎnr** 玩儿 to play, to have fun  
**wǎnshàng** 晚上 evening  
**wànwàn** 万万 hundred  
 million  
**wazi** 袜子 socks  
**wei/wèi** 喂 hello! (on phone)  
**wèi** 为 for  
**wei** 喂 to feed  
**wei ... fúwù** 为 ... 服务  
 to serve  
**wèi ... nǐngdìng de** 为 ... 拟定的  
 intended for ...

**Wei'ěrsī** 威尔斯 Wales  
**Wei'ěrsīde** 威尔斯的 Welsh  
 (in general)  
**Wēi'ěrsīren** 威尔斯人 Welsh  
 (people)  
**Wei'ěrsīyǔ** 威尔斯语 Welsh  
 (language)  
**wěiba** 尾巴 tail  
**wèichéngshúde** 未成熟的  
 unripe  
**wěidà** 伟大 great, impressive  
**wèidànde** 味淡的 mild  
 (not spicy)  
**wèidào** 味道 taste, flavor  
**wèihūnfū** 未婚夫 fiancé  
**wèihūnqī** 未婚妻 fiancée  
**wèijīng** 味精 MSG  
**wèishénme** 为什么 why?  
 what for?  
**weixiǎn** 危险 danger  
**weixiǎn de** 危险的  
 dangerous  
**weixíngde** 微型的 mini  
**wéiyī** 唯一 sole, only  
**wèiyú** 位于 to be situated, to  
 be located  
**wén** 闻 to smell  
**wěn** 吻 kiss  
**wèn** 问 to enquire, to ask  
 about  
**wèndù** 温度 temperature  
 (heat)  
**wèn hòu** 问候 greetings  
**wénhuà** 文化 culture  
**wénjiàn** 文件 document,  
 letter  
**wénjù** 文具 stationery  
**wēnuǎn** 温暖 warmth  
**wēnuǎnde** 温暖的 mild  
 (not cold)  
**wēnquán** 温泉 hot spring  
**wēnróude** 温柔的 mild (not  
 severe)  
**wèntí** 问题 question, problem  
**wénxué** 文学 literature  
**wényǎde** 文雅的 gentle  
**wénzhāng** 文章 article (in  
 newspaper)



wénzi 蚊子 mosquito  
 wǒ 我 I, me  
 wóde tian 我的天 goodness!  
 wǒde 我的 my, mine  
 wǒmen 我们 we, us  
 wǒmende 我们的 our, ours  
 woshì 卧室 bedroom  
 wū 屋 room (in house)  
 wǔ 五 five  
 wù 雾 fog  
 wūdiǎn 污点 stain  
 wūdǐng 屋顶 roof  
 wūfàn 午饭 lunch, midday meal  
 wūgòu 污垢 dirt, filth  
 wūguī 乌龟 turtle (land)  
 wǔhuì 舞会 dance  
 wùhuì 误会 misunderstanding  
 wùjiě 误解 mistaken  
 wúli 无礼 impolite  
 wúliáo 无聊 bored  
 wúlùn héshí 无论何时 whenever  
 wùpǐn 物品 item, individual thing  
 wǔqì 武器 weapon  
 wūrǎn 污染 pollution  
 wūrǔ 侮辱 to insult  
 wǔshí 五十 fifty  
 wúxiànzhì 无限制 free of restraints  
 wúyè 午夜 midnight  
 wúyòngde 无用的 useless  
 Wúyuè 五月 May  
 wúzhī 无知 ignorant

## X

xī 吸 to suck  
 xī 稀 thin (of liquids)  
 xǐ 洗 to wash  
 xǐ ge lǐnyù 洗个淋浴 to take a shower  
 xǐ'ài 喜爱 to prefer  
 xī'nán 西南 south-west  
 xiā 虾 prawn  
 xià 下 down, downward

xià dìngdān 下订单 to order something  
 xià yī ge 下一个 next (in line, sequence)  
 xià'è 下颚 lower jaw  
 xiàba 下巴 chin  
 xiàchē 下车 get off (bus/train)  
 xiàchuan 下船 get off (boat)  
 xià fēijī 下飞机 get off (plane)  
 xiàhu 吓唬 frightened  
 xiàjiàng 下降 to decline (get less)  
 xiá lù 狭路 lane (alley)  
 xiān 先 first, earlier, beforehand  
 xiān 咸 salty  
 xiàn 线 thread  
 xiān bǐnggān 咸饼干 cracker, salty biscuit  
 xiān jiàngyóu 咸酱油 soy sauce (salty)  
 xiàndàide 现代的 modern  
 xiāng 香 incense, fragrant  
 xiāng 箱 box  
 xiǎng 想 to think, to ponder  
 xiàng 向 toward  
 xiàng 巷 alley, lane  
 xiàng 象 to look like  
 xiàng ... tí yìjiàn 向 ... 提意见 to advise  
 xiàng qián 向前 forward  
 xiàng zhè zhǒng de 象这样的 such as, for example  
 xiāngbinjiǔ 香槟酒 champagne  
 xiāngdāng 相当 quite (fairly)  
 xiǎngfǎ 想法 thoughts  
 xiāngfǎn 相反 opposite (contrary)  
 Xiānggǎng 香港 Hong Kong  
 xiānggé 相隔 apart  
 xiāngjiāo 香蕉 banana  
 xiàngjiāo 橡胶 rubber (material)  
 xiàngliàn 项链 necklace  
 xiāngliào 香料 spices  
 xiāngmáo 香茅 lemon grass  
 xiǎngniàn 想念 to miss (loved one)

xiàngpíca 橡皮擦 rubber (eraser)

xiàngqí 象棋 Chinese chess

xiàngshàng 向上 up, upward

xiangshí de rén 相识的人 acquaintance

xiǎngshòu 享受 to enjoy

xiangshuǐ 香水 perfume

xiang sìde 相似的 similar

xiangtóng 相同 alike

xiangxià 乡下 country (rural area)

xiàngxià 向下 down, downward

xiǎngxiàng 想象 to imagine, to fancy

xiangxiàng 相象 to resemble

xiangxin 相信 to believe

xiangya 象牙 ivory

xiangyan 香烟 cigarette

xiangzhuang 相撞 to collide

xiangzi 箱子 suitcase, chest (box)

xianjué tiaojian 先决条件 condition (pre-condition)

xiànkǎn 现款 cash, money

xiànmù 羡慕 envy

xiānshēng 先生 Mr (term of address)

xiànshìqǐ 显示器 monitor (of computer)

xiānzài 现在 now, nowadays, presently

xiānzhù 陷住 stuck, won't move

xiǎo 小 little (small)

xiào 笑 to smile, to laugh

xiǎobiàn 小便 to urinate

xiǎodianzi 小垫子 mat

xiǎofèi 小费 tip (gratuity)

xiaoguǒ 效果 effect, result

xiǎohái 小孩 child (young person)

xiǎohuà 笑话 joke

xiǎohúzi 小胡子 moustache

xiǎojiě 小姐 Miss (term of address)

xiǎokāng 小康 well off, wealthy

xiǎolǚguǎn 小旅馆 lodge, small hotel

xiǎolǎoshǔ 小老鼠 mouse (animal)

xiǎoqì 小气 mean (stingy)

xiaopian 消遣 pastime

xiǎorénwù 小人物 nobody

xiaoshan 小山 hill

xiǎoshí 小时 hour

xiǎoshū 小叔 brother-in-law (husband's younger brother)

xiǎoshuō 小说 novel

xiǎotiānbǐng 小副饼 cookie, sweet biscuit

xiǎotou 小偷 pickpocket

xiaoxia 小虾 shrimp, prawn

xiaoxīn 小心 careful

xiǎoxīnde 小心的 cautious

xiàtiān 夏天 summer

xiawǔ 下午 afternoon (3 pm to dusk)

xiàxīngqī 下星期 next week

xiàxuě 下雪 to snow

xiayǔ 下雨 to rain

xiǎzhǎi 狭窄 narrow

xībei 西北 north-west

xībian 西边 west

xìchángde 细长的 slim

xié 鞋 shoes

xiě 写 to write

xié`ède 邪恶的 wicked

xieding 协定 agreement

xiewei 些微 slight

xiexie 谢谢 thank you

xiezhù 协助 assistance, to assist

xiězuò 写作 composition, writings

xífàjì 洗发剂 shampoo

Xīfāngde 西方的 Western

Xīfāngrén 西方人 Westerner

xífū 媳妇 daughter-in-law

xīgāi 膝盖 knee

xīguā 西瓜 watermelon

xíguàn 习惯 used to

xīhóngshì 西红柿 tomato

xǐhuān 喜欢 to be fond of

xīhuǒ 熄火 to stall (car)

xīlanhuacai 西兰花菜 broccoli  
 xīmiè 熄灭 go out (fire, candle)  
 xīn 新 new  
 xìn 信 to mail, to post, letter  
 xìnfēng 信封 envelope  
 xíng 行 okay  
 xǐng 醒 awake  
 xìng 姓 surname  
 xìngbié 性别 sex, gender  
 xíngchéng 形成 to form shape  
 xíngdòng 行动 action  
 xìngfèn 兴奋 excited  
 xìnggé 性格 character (personality)  
 xìng xíngwéi 性行为 sex, sexual activity  
 xǐnglái 醒来 awake, wake up  
 xíngli 行李 baggage, luggage  
 xìngmíng 姓名 name  
 xīngqī 星期 week  
 Xīngqī'èr 星期二 Tuesday  
 Xīngqīliù 星期六 Saturday  
 Xīngqīrì 星期日 Sunday  
 Xīngqīsan 星期三 Wednesday  
 Xīngqīsì 星期四 Thursday  
 Xīngqītiān 星期天 Sunday  
 Xīngqīwǔ 星期五 Friday  
 Xīngqīyī 星期一 Monday  
 xīngxīng 星星 star  
 xìngyùnde 幸运地 luckily, fortunately  
 xìngyùnde 幸运的 lucky  
 xíngzhuàng 形状 shape  
 Xīnjiāpō 新加坡 Singapore  
 Xīnjiāpōde 新加坡的 Singaporean (in general)  
 Xīnjiāpōrén 新加坡人 Singaporean (people)  
 xīnlǎng 新郎 bridegroom  
 xīnnián hǎo 新年好 happy new year!  
 xīnniáng 新娘 bride  
 xìnren 信任 to trust  
 xīnwén 新闻 news  
 xīnwénjiè 新闻界 press, journalism  
 xìnxī 信息 information

xīnxiān 新鲜 fresh  
 Xīnxīlán 新西兰 New Zealand  
 Xīnxīlánde 新西兰的 things pertaining to New Zealand  
 Xīnxīlánrén 新西兰人 New Zealander  
 xìnxīn 信心 confidence  
 xìnyǎng 信仰 belief, faith  
 xìnyòngkǎ 信用卡 credit card  
 xīnzàng 心脏 heart  
 xiōngdìjīemèi 兄弟姐妹 siblings  
 xiōngmǐngde 凶猛的 fierce  
 xiōngqiāng 胸腔 chest (breast)  
 xīshēng 牺牲 to sacrifice  
 xǐshǒujiān 洗手间 restroom, bathroom  
 xísú 习俗 custom, tradition  
 xiūbǔ 修补 to mend  
 xiūchēháng 修车行 garage (for repairs)  
 xiūchǐ 羞耻 shame, disgrace  
 xiùhuāde 绣花的 embroidered  
 xiūjiàtiān 休假天 day off  
 xiūlǐ 修理 to repair  
 xiūxi 休息 rest, to relax  
 xǐwǎn 洗碗 to wash the dishes  
 xīwàng 希望 to wish, to hope  
 xīyǐn 吸引 to attract  
 xīyǒude 稀有的 rare (scarce)  
 xǐzǎo 洗澡 to bathe, to take a bath  
 xīzhuāng 戏装 costume  
 xuǎnju 选举 election  
 xuǎnzé 选择 to choose, choice  
 xǔduo 许多 lots of  
 xué 学 to learn, to study  
 xuě 雪 snow  
 xuè 血 blood  
 xuéfèi 学费 fee  
 xuèguǎn 血管 blood vessel  
 xuějiā(yān) 雪茄(烟) cigar  
 xuéshēng 学生 student, pupil  
 xuéxí 学习 to learn  
 xuéxiào 学校 school  
 xuèyā 血压 blood pressure  
 xūgòu 虚构 to make up, to invent

xǔkězhèng 许可证 permit  
 xunfúde 驯服的 tame  
 xùnliàn 训练 training  
 xúnwènchù 询问处 information desk  
 xúnzhǎo 寻找 to search for  
 xuyào 需要 to need, need

## Y

(yī che) huòwù (一车) 货物 load  
 ... yang de rén? ... 样的人? one who, the one which  
 ya 压 press, to  
 yá 牙 tooth, teeth  
 yagao 牙膏 toothpaste  
 yajīn 押金 advance money, deposit  
 yālì 压力 pressure  
 yan 烟 smoke  
 yán 盐 salt  
 yan'gé 严格 strict, severe  
 yǎnchū 演出 performance  
 yandong 岩洞 cave  
 yáng 羊 sheep  
 yangběn 样本 sample  
 yangcong 洋葱 onion  
 yángguang 阳光 sunlight  
 yangròu 羊肉 lamb, mutton  
 yangmao 羊毛 wool  
 yǎngyù 养育 bring up (children)  
 yangzi 样子 appearance  
 yanhua 烟花 fireworks  
 yànhuì 宴会 banquet  
 yǎnjiǎng 演讲 speech, to make a  
 yǎnjīng 眼睛 eye  
 yǎnjìng 眼镜 glasses, spectacles  
 yanjiū 研究 research  
 yanlei 眼泪 tears  
 yánlì 严厉 severe  
 yǎnméi 眼眉 eyebrow  
 yannì 淹溺 to drown  
 yānqī 延期 to postpone  
 yánsè 颜色 color

yanshuǐ 淹水 flood  
 yǎnshuō 演说 speech, to make a  
 yansǐ 淹死 to drown  
 yánsù 严肃 serious (not funny)  
 yànwù 厌恶 to dislike  
 yànwùde 厌恶的 disgusting  
 yánzhe 沿着 to follow along  
 yánzhòng 严重 serious (severe)  
 yáo 摇 to shake  
 yǎo 咬 to bite  
 yào 要 to want, to request  
 yào 药 drug (medicine)  
 yáobǎi 摇摆 to swing  
 yàobùrán 要不然 else, or else  
 yaodài 腰带 belt  
 yàodiàn 药店 pharmacy, drugstore  
 yàofang 药方 prescription  
 yàofáng 药房 drugstore, pharmacy  
 yáohuǎng 摇晃 to shake something  
 yàopiàn 药片 pills, tablets  
 yaoqing 邀请 to invite, invitation  
 yāoqiú 要求 to demand, to request  
 yàoshi 要是 if  
 yàoishi 钥匙 key (to room)  
 yàowǎn 药丸 pills  
 yáshuā 牙刷 toothbrush  
 yǎzhìde 雅致的 elegant  
 Yàzhōu 亚洲 Asia  
 Yàzhōude 亚洲的 Asian (in general)  
 Yàzhōurén 亚洲人 Asian (people)  
 yazi 鸭子 duck  
 yě 也, as well, also  
 yè 页 page  
 yè 夜 night  
 yě shì 也是 too (also)  
 yěhù 也不 nor  
 yěshēngde 野生的 wild  
 yěxǔ 也许 maybe, perhaps  
 yéye 爷爷 grandfather (paternal)

- yezi 椰子 coconut  
 yezi 叶子 leaf  
 yèzǒnghuì 夜总会 nightclub  
 yī 一 one  
 yì 亿 hundred million  
 yī cì 一次 once  
 yī dǎ 一打 dozen  
 yī fān fēng shùn 一帆风顺  
 bon voyage!  
 yī fèn 一份 portion, serve  
 yǐ fùkuǎn 已付款 paid  
 yī ge rén 一个人 alone  
 yī shuāng 一双 pair of, a  
 yī tào xīfú 一套西服 suit,  
 business  
 yībān 一般 average (so-so,  
 just okay)  
 yībān 一半 half  
 yībeizi 一辈子 lifetime  
 yībùfèn 一部分 partly  
 Yìdàlì 意大利 Italy  
 Yìdàlìde 意大利的 Italian (in  
 general)  
 Yìdàlìrén 意大利人 Italian  
 (people)  
 Yìdàlìyǔ 意大利语 Italian  
 (language)  
 yīdiǎn búcuò 一点不错 exact-  
 ly just so!  
 yīdiǎnr 一点儿 little (not much)  
 yīdìng 一定 sure, certain  
 yí dòng diànhuà 移动电话  
 mobile phone  
 yīfu 衣服 clothes, clothing  
 yīfu 姨夫 uncle (husband of  
 mother's sister)  
 yīgong 一共 altogether, in total  
 yīhàn 遗憾 regret  
 yīhande 遗憾地 regrettably  
 yīhuìr 一会儿 later  
 yīhūn 已婚 married  
 yìjiàn yìzhì 意见一致 agreed  
 yìjiàn 意见 opinion, advice  
 yíjiāo 移交 to hand over  
 yíjiě 姨姐 sister-in-law  
 (wife's older sister)  
 yǐjīng 已经 already  
 yīkào 依靠 to depend on  
 yīliáo 医疗 medical  
 yímèi 姨妹 sister-in-law  
 (wife's younger sister)  
 yímèir dìzhǐ 依妹儿地址 email  
 address  
 yímèir 依妹儿 email (message)  
 yímǔ 姨母 aunt (wife's mother's  
 older/younger sister)  
 yín 银 silver  
 yīn'ān 阴暗 dull (weather)  
 yīncáng 隐蔽 hidden  
 yīncǐ 因此 therefore  
 yīndào 阴道 vagina  
 Yīndù 印度 India  
 Yīndùde 印度的 Indian (in  
 general)  
 Yīndùnìxīyà 印度尼西亚  
 Indonesia  
 Yīndùrén 印度人 Indian  
 (people)  
 Yīndùyǔ 印度语 Indian  
 (language)  
 yíng 赢 to win  
 yīng'er 婴儿 baby  
 yīng'erchuāng 婴儿床 cot  
 yìngbì 硬币 coin  
 yìngde 硬的 stiff  
 yīnggāi 应该 ought to  
 Yīngguó 英国 England,  
 United Kingdom  
 Yīngguóde 英国的 British  
 (in general)  
 Yīngguórén 英国人 English  
 (people)  
 yíngjiù 营救 to rescue  
 yīngjùn 英俊 handsome  
 yìngpán 硬盘 hard disk/drive  
 (computer)  
 Yíngtewǎng 英特网 Internet  
 Yīngwén 英文 English  
 (language)  
 yǐngxiāng 影响 to affect, to  
 influence  
 yǐngxiǎnglì 影响力 influence  
 Yīngyǔ 英语 English (language)  
 yìngzhǐbǎn 硬纸版 cardboard  
 yǐngzi 影子 shadow  
 yínháng 银行 bank (finance)

**yīnjīng** 阴茎 penis  
**yīnliangchù** 阴凉处 shade  
**yīnlǐào** 饮料 drink, refreshment  
**Yīnní** 印尼 Indonesia  
**Yīnníde** 印尼的 Indonesian  
 (in general)  
**Yīnnírén** 印尼人 Indonesian  
 (people)  
**Yīnníyǔ** 印尼语 Indonesian  
 (language)  
**yīnqǐ xiànmù de** 引起羡慕的  
 envious  
**yīntiān** 阴天 overcast, cloudy  
**yīnwèi** 因为 because  
**yìxiàng** 印象 impression  
**yǐnxíng yǎnjìng** 隐形眼镜  
 contact lens  
**yīnyuè** 音乐 music  
**yīnyuèhuì** 音乐会 concert  
**yīnyuètīng** 音乐厅 concert  
 hall  
**yìqǐ** 一起 together  
**yǐqian** 以前 ago, before  
 (in time)  
**yìqiè** 一切 everything  
**yīshēng** 医生 doctor  
**yìshí** 意识 awareness  
**yìshí dào** 意识到 aware  
**yìshù** 艺术 art  
**yìshùjiā** 艺术家 artist  
**yìsi** 意思 meaning  
**Yísilánjiào** 伊斯兰教 Islam  
**Yísilánjiàode** 伊斯兰教的  
 Islamic  
**yìtú** 意图 intention  
**yìxià** 以下 following  
**yìxiē** 一些 some, a little  
**yíxīn** 疑心 suspicion  
**yíyàng** 一样 same  
**yíyuàn** 医院 hospital  
**Yīyuè** 一月 January  
**yízhí** 一直 straight ahead  
**yìzhì** 以致 in order that, so that  
**yìzhì** 抑制 to restrain  
**yǐzi** 椅子 chair  
**yòng** 用 to use, by means of  
**yòng zì mǔ pīnxiě** 用字母拼写  
 to spell

**yongbào** 拥抱 to embrace  
**yonggan** 勇敢 brave, daring  
**yònggōng** 用功 hardworking,  
 industrious  
**yòngguāng** 用光了 finished  
 (none left)  
**yongjǐ** 拥挤 busy (crowded)  
**yǒngjiǔde** 永久的 permanent  
**yongren** 佣人 servant  
**yongyì** 用意 to mean (intend)  
**yongyǒu** 拥有 to own  
**yongyuán** 永远 for ever  
**yóu** 油 oil  
**yǒu** 有 there is, there are  
**yǒu ... yǒu** 又 ... 又  
 both ... and  
**you bāndiān de** 有斑点的  
 spotted (pattern)  
**yǒu lǐmào de** 有礼貌的 well-  
 mannered  
**yǒu nénglì** 有能力 to be  
 capable of  
**yǒu rénqíngwèi de** 有人情味  
 的 human  
**yǒu xìnxīn** 有信心 to have  
 confidence  
**yǒu xīwàng de** 有希望地  
 hopefully  
**you xīyǐnlì de** 有吸引力的  
 attractive  
**yǒu yìsi** 有意思 interesting  
**yǒu zhìxù de** 有秩序地  
 orderly, organized  
**yòubian** 右边 right-hand side  
**yǒuhíngde** 有病的 ill, sick  
**yǒudúde** 有毒的 poisonous  
**yǒuguan** 有关 about  
 (regarding), concerning  
**youhao** 友好 friendly  
**youhui** 优惠 discount  
**youjú** 邮局 post office  
**yóukè** 游客 tourist  
**youmei** 优美 beautiful  
 (of places)  
**yǒuming** 有名 famous  
**youmòde** 幽默的 humorous  
**yóunì** 油腻 fat, grease  
**yóupiao** 邮票 stamp (postage)



youqī 油漆 to paint (house, furniture), paint  
 youqian 有钱 well off, wealthy  
 yóuqíshì 尤其是 particularly, especially  
 yóuqù 有趣 interesting  
 youren 有人 somebody, someone  
 yòurén 诱人 attractive  
 yǒushí 有时 sometimes  
 yǒutiāowénde 有条纹的 striped  
 yóuxì 游戏 game  
 yǒuxiào 有效 valid  
 yóuxiùde 优秀的 excellent  
 youyong 游泳 to swim  
 youyòng 有用 useful  
 yóuyǒngchí 游泳池 swimming pool  
 yóuyǒngyī 游泳衣 swimming costume  
 yóuyú 鱿鱼 squid  
 yóuzhā 油炸 fried  
 yǒuzīyǒuwèide 有滋有味的 tasty  
 yǒuzuì 有罪 guilty (of a crime)  
 yú 于 on (of dates)  
 yú 鱼 fish  
 yǔ 雨 rain  
 yǔ ... xiāngbǐ 与 ... 相比 compared with  
 yuǎn 远 far  
 yuánliang 原谅 to forgive  
 yuánquān 圆圈 circle  
 yuánrén 猿人 ape  
 yuànwàng 愿望 desire  
 yuánxíngde 圆形的 round (shape)  
 yuanyīn 原因 reason, cause  
 yuánzhūbǐ 圆珠笔 ballpoint pen  
 yuànzi 院子 courtyard  
 yùdìng 预定 to reserve (ask for in advance)  
 yuè 月 month  
 yuedìng 约定 to fix (a time, appointment)

yuèfù 岳父 father-in-law (wife's father)  
 yueguò 越过 to go past  
 yuehao 约好 to fix (a time, appointment)  
 yuèjīngqī 月经期 period (menstrual)  
 yueliang 月亮 moon  
 yuèmǔ 岳母 mother-in-law (wife's mother)  
 Yuenan 越南 Vietnam  
 Yuènande 越南的 Vietnamese (in general)  
 Yuènanrén 越南人 Vietnamese (people)  
 Yuènányǔ 越南语 Vietnamese (language)  
 yueqì 乐器 musical instrument  
 yǔfùkuān 预付款 advance money, deposit  
 yùgāng 浴缸 bathtub  
 yùkuàide 愉快的 enjoyable  
 yúliù 鱼露 fish sauce  
 yùmǐ 玉米 corn, grain  
 yun yīfu 熨衣服 to iron (clothing)  
 yùndòng 运动 sports  
 yùndǒu 熨斗 iron (for clothing)  
 yùnqì 运气 luck  
 yunsòng 运送 to deliver  
 yǔnxǔ 允许 to allow, to permit  
 yùpén 浴盆 bathtub  
 yúshì 于是 thus, so  
 yùshì 浴室 bathroom  
 yǔyán 语言 language  
 yuyī 浴衣 bathrobe  
 yùyuē 预约 appointment

## Z

zài 在 at  
 zài 再 again  
 zài 载 to carry  
 zài ... de qiánmiàn 在 ... 的前面 in front of ...  
 zài ... dǐxià 在 ... 底下 under



**zài ... duìmiàn** 在 ... 对面  
 across from ...  
**zài ... hòumiàn** 在 ... 后面  
 behind ...  
**zài ... lǐ** 在 ... 里 inside of  
**zài ... pangbian** 在 ... 旁边  
 beside ...  
**zài ... qījian** 在 ... 期间 during  
**zài ... shàng** 在 ... 上 on ...  
 at ...  
**zài ... wài** 在 ... 外 outside  
**zài ... wàimiàn** 在 ... 外面  
 outside of ...  
**zài ... yǐhòu** 在 ... 以后 after ...  
**zài ... zhè yīdài** 在 ... 这一带  
 around ... (nearby)  
**zài ... zhīzhong** 在 ... 之中  
 among ...  
**zai ... zhījian** 在 ... 之间  
 between ...  
**zài ... zhouwéi** 在 ... 周围  
 around ... (surrounding)  
**zai jia** 在家 at home  
**zai nǎlǐ/nǎr** 在哪里 / 哪儿  
 where  
**zài qínglǐ zhī nèi** 在情理之内  
 within reason  
**zài yī (ge)** 再一 (个) another  
 one (same again)  
**zàijiàn** 再见 goodbye  
**zainàn** 灾难 disaster  
**zànchéng** 赞成 agreed  
**zang** 脏 dirty  
**zànglǐ** 葬礼 funeral  
**zánmen** 咱们 we, us  
 (includes the one addressed)  
**zanmende** 咱们的 our  
 (includes the one addressed)  
**zànshí** 暂时 temporary  
**zànyáng** 赞扬 praise  
**zao** 糟 bad  
**zǎo** 早 early  
**zǎofàn** 早饭 breakfast,  
 morning meal  
**zǎorì kangfú** 早日康复 get  
 well soon!  
**zǎoshang** 早上 morning  
**zàoyīn** 噪音 noise

**zazhì** 杂志 magazine  
**zéguài** 责怪 to blame  
**zéi** 贼 thief  
**zengjia** 增加 to rise, to increase  
**zengjia tǐzhòng** 增加体重  
 to gain weight  
**zengzhǎng** 增长 grow larger, to  
**zěnmē** 怎么 how?  
**zérèn** 责任 duty (responsibility)  
**zhài** 债 debt  
**zhaijiè** 斋戒 to fast  
**zhàn** 站 to stand, stop  
 (bus, train)  
**zhàndòu** 战斗 battle  
**zhǎng** 长 grow, be growing  
 (plant)  
**zhàng'ài** 障碍 hindrance  
**zhǎngbei** 长辈 elder  
**zhǎngda** 长大 grow up (child)  
**zhàngdan** 账单 bill  
**zhàngfu** 丈夫 husband  
**zhǎnlǎn** 展览 display  
**zhǎnxiǎn** 展现 to reveal  
 (make visible)  
**zhànxiàn** 占线 engaged  
 (telephone)  
**zhānxìngde** 粘性的 sticky  
**zhányǒu** 占有 to possess  
**zhànzhēng** 战争 war  
**zhǎo** 找 to look for, to seek  
**zhaogu** 照顾 to take care of  
**zhàoguǎn** 照管 to take care of  
**zháohuǒ** 着火 on fire  
**zhàojiàn** 召见 to call, to  
 summon  
**zhaopái** 招牌 signboard  
**zhaopian** 照片 photograph  
**zhaoshǒu** 招手 to wave  
**zhàoxiàng** 照相 to photograph  
**zhàoxiàngjī** 照相机 camera  
**zhè** 这 this  
**zhédié** 折叠 to fold  
**zhéduàn** 折断 to break apart  
**zhéduànle** 折断了 broken,  
 snapped (of bones, etc.)  
**zhèlǐ** 这里 here  
**zhème, name** 这么, 那么 so  
 (degree)

- zhen 针 needle  
 zhen diuliǎn! 真丢脸 shame!  
 what a shame!  
 zhenchéngde 真诚的 truly  
 zhende 真的 really (in fact),  
 true  
 zhende ma? 真的吗? really?  
 zheng 争 fight over, to  
 zhèng 挣 to earn  
 zhěng ge 整个 whole, to be  
 complete  
 zhèngcháng 正常 normal  
 zhèngchángde 正常地 normal,  
 normally  
 zhengchǎo 争吵 to argue  
 zhèngdǎng 政党 party  
 (political)  
 zhengde 蒸的 steamed  
 zhèngfangxíng 正方形 square  
 (shape)  
 zhèngfǔ 政府 government  
 zhěngjié 整洁 tidy  
 zhèngjù 证据 proof  
 zhengliúshuǐ 蒸馏水 distilled  
 water  
 zhènglùn 争论 argument  
 zhèngmíng 证明 to prove  
 zhengqì 蒸汽 steam  
 zhěngqí 整齐 tidy  
 zhèngquè 正确 right, correct  
 zhèngrén 证人 witness  
 zhèngshìde 正式的 official, formal  
 zhèngshū 证书 certificate  
 zhèngtǐ lái kàn 整体来看  
 on the whole  
 zhèngzhì 政治 politics  
 zhenjūn 真菌 fungus  
 zhěntou 枕头 pillow  
 zhènyǔ 阵雨 shower (of rain)  
 zhenzhu 珍珠 pearl  
 zhèr 这儿 here  
 zhètáng 蔗糖 sugarcane  
 zhèxiē 这些 these  
 zhèyàng 这样 thus, so  
 zhèyàngde 这样的 such  
 zhǐ 只 just, only  
 zhǐ 纸 paper  
 zhì 炙 grill, to  
 zhī'ér 侄儿 nephew  
 (paternal)  
 zhīchí 支持 to back up  
 zhīchū 指出 point out  
 zhīdao 知道 to know  
 (be aware of)  
 zhí dào 直到 until  
 zhíde 直的 straight  
 (not crooked)  
 zhíde 值得 to be worth,  
 value, good  
 zhīfu 支付 payment  
 zhīhuī 指挥 to command  
 zhǐjiǎ 指甲 nail (finger, toe)  
 zhīliáo 治疗 to treat  
 (medically)  
 zhīmá 芝麻 sesame seeds  
 zhīnǚ 侄女 niece  
 (paternal)  
 zhīqián 之前 beforehand,  
 earlier  
 zhìshǎo 至少 at least  
 zhīshì 知识 knowledge  
 zhǐshì 只是 sole, only  
 zhǐshì 指示 instruct, tell to  
 do something  
 zhǐtòngyào 止痛药 painkiller  
 zhíwù 植物 plant  
 zhíwùyuán 植物园 botanic  
 gardens  
 zhìxù 秩序 order  
 zhíyè 职业 occupation,  
 profession  
 zhǐyǒu 只有 only  
 zhìzào 制造 to manufacture  
 zhǐzé 指责 accuse, to  
 zhǐzhang 纸张 sheet (of  
 paper)  
 zhǐzhào 执照 license,  
 permit  
 zhīzi 侄子 nephew  
 (paternal)  
 zhong 钟 clock  
 zhòng 种 to plant  
 zhòng 重 heavy  
 zhong/xiǎoxuéshēng  
 中 / 小学生 schoolchild  
 Zhongguó 中国 China

# Zhōngguóde

Zhōngguóde 中国的 Chinese  
(in general)

Zhōngguórén 中国人 Chinese  
(people)

zhōngjian 中间 center,  
middle

zhǒnglèi 种类 sort, type

zhòngliàng 重量 weight

zhòngshì 重视 to value

zhōngtóu 钟头 hour

Zhōngwén 中文 Chinese  
(language)

zhōngwǔ 中午 midday,  
afternoon

zhōngyāng 中央 central

zhōngyào 重要 important,  
importance

zhòngyào de 重要的 major  
(important)

zhōngyū 忠于 to stick to

zhōngyū 终于 finally

zhòngzhí 种植 to grow, to  
cultivate

zhōngzhǐ 终止 to end (finish)

zhōngzhuǎnzhan 中转站  
connection (transport)

zhǒngzi 种子 seed

zhōu 洲 continent

zhǒu 肘 elbow

zhòuméi 皱眉头 frown

zhōumò 周末 weekend

zhōuqīxìng piántóutòng  
周期性偏头痛 migraine

zhōuwéi de shìwù 周围的事物  
surroundings

zhu 猪 pig

zhǔ 煮 to boil

zhù 住 to stay, to live

zhù 柱 post, column

zhù hǎo 祝好 best wishes

zhù nǐ hǎoyùn 祝你好运  
good luck!

zhuǎn 转 to turn around

zhuǎnche 转车 to change  
bus/train

zhuàngche 撞车 crashed (car)

zhuānghuò 装货 to load up

zhuāngmǎn 装满 to fill

zhuāngpèi 装配 to assemble,  
to put together

zhuāngshì 装饰 to decorate

zhuàngshí 壮实 stout

zhuāngshìpǐn 装饰品  
ornament

zhuàngtài 状态 condition  
(status)

zhuānjiā 专家 expert

zhuànqián 赚钱 to make  
money (in business)

zhuazhe 抓握 to hold,  
to grasp

zhuazhù 抓住 to catch

zhūbǎo 珠宝 jewelry

zhǔdeide 煮得透的  
well-cooked, well-done

zhùdiàn 住店 check in

zhùdiàn shǒuxù 住店手续  
check in formalities

zhǔfèile 煮沸了 boiled

zhùhè nǐ 祝贺你  
congratulations!

zhuī 追 to chase

zhuīqiú 追求 to seek, to  
pursue

zhuīqiú xiǎngshòu 追求享受  
play around

zhǔjī 主机 computer (main)

zhújiànde 逐渐地 gradually

zhǔnbèi 准备 to prepare,  
to get ready

zhǔnbèihǎole 准备好了  
prepared, ready

zhǔnshí 准时 on time

zhǔnxǔ 准许 to permit,  
to allow

zhuōbù 桌布 tablecloth

zhuólù 着陆 to land (plane)

zhuózi 桌子 table

zhǔrén 主人 host

zhūròu 猪肉 pork

zhùrù 注入 to inject

zhǔshóule 煮熟了 cooked

zhùsù 住宿 accommodations

zhǔyào 主要 main, most  
important

zhǔyào de 主要的 mainly

zhǔyì 主意 idea  
 zhùyì 注意 to notice, look out!  
 zìcóng 自从 since  
 zìdiǎn 字典 dictionary  
 zīgé 资格 qualification  
 zǐgong 子宫 uterus  
 zìháo 自豪 pride  
 zìjǐ 自己 self  
 zìjǐ 自给 self-sufficient  
 zìjǐde 自己的 own, personal  
 zìmǔ 字母 alphabet  
 zìrán fēngjǐng 自然风景  
 scenery  
 zìránde 自然的 natural  
 zìránjiè 自然界 nature  
 zǐsè 紫色 purple  
 zīshì 姿势 gesture  
 zǐtóng 紫铜 copper  
 zìwǒ jièshào 自我介绍 to  
 introduce oneself  
 zìxíngchē 自行车 bicycle  
 zìyóu 自由 freedom  
 zìyóude 自由的 free,  
 independent  
 zìzūn 自尊 self-respect,  
 self-esteem  
 zìzūnxīn 自尊心 pride  
 zōngjiào 宗教 religion  
 zōnglǐ 总理 prime minister  
 zōngsè 棕色 brown  
 zǒngshì 总是 always  
 zǒngtǒng 总统 president  
 zǒu 走 leave, depart  
 zǒudédao de jùlí 走  
 得到的距离 walking  
 distance  
 zǒuláng 走廊 corridor  
 zǒulù 走路 on foot  
 zǒuzī 走私 to smuggle (illegal  
 goods)  
 zu 租 to hire, to rent  
 zǔ'ài 阻碍 to hinder  
 zuànshí 钻石 diamond  
 zǔfù 祖父 grandfather  
 (paternal)  
 zǔfùmǔ 祖父母 grandparents  
 (paternal)  
 zúgòu 足够 enough

zuǐ 嘴 mouth  
 zuì 最 most (superlative)  
 zuì hǎo 最好 best  
 zuìchūde 最初的 original  
 zuǐchún 嘴唇 lips  
 zuìduō 最多 most (the most of)  
 zuìfán 罪犯 criminal  
 zuìhòu 最后 last (final)  
 zuìhòude 最后的 finally  
 zuìhuài 最坏的 worst  
 zuìshǎo 最少 least (smallest  
 amount)  
 zǔmǔ 祖母 grandmother  
 (paternal)  
 zūnjìng 尊敬 to respect  
 zūnyán 尊严 respect  
 zūnzhòng 尊重 respect  
 zuò 坐 to sit  
 zuò 做 to act, to make  
 zuò bairimèng 做白日梦  
 to daydream  
 zuò huǒchē 坐火车 by rail  
 zuò'ài 做爱 make love  
 zuǒbian 左边 left-hand side  
 zuòcài 做菜 to cook  
 zuòchē 坐车 to ride (in car)  
 zuòchū nǚlì 做出努力  
 to make an effort  
 zuòde hǎo! 做得好 well done!  
 zuòfàn 做饭 cook, to  
 zuòguo 做过 to have done  
 something  
 zuòhaole 做好了 done  
 (finished)  
 zuòjiā 作家 writer  
 zuòmèng 做梦 to dream  
 zuotian 昨天 yesterday  
 zuowǎn 昨晚 last night  
 zuòwèi 座位 seat  
 zuòwén 作家 composition,  
 writings  
 zuòxiàlai 坐下来 to sit down  
 zuǒyòu 左右 approximately  
 zúqiú 足球 soccer  
 zǔxiān 祖先 ancestor  
 zǔzhǐ 阻止 to prevent  
 zǔzhuang 组装 to assemble,  
 to put together



# English-Chinese

# A

## A

abacus suanpan 算盘  
abdomen fùbù 腹部  
ability nénglì 能力  
able to néng/kěyǐ 能 / 可以  
able to understand (reading)  
kàndedǒng 看得懂  
able to understand (hearing)  
tīngdedǒng 听得懂  
about (approxmately) dàyuē  
大约  
about (regarding) yǒuguān  
有关  
above shàngmiàn 上面  
abroad guówài 国外  
absent quēxí 缺席  
accept, to jiēshòu 接受  
accident shìgù 事故  
accidentally, by chance  
óuránde 偶然地  
accommodations zhùsù 住宿  
accompany, to péi 陪  
according to gēnjù 根据  
accuse, to zhǐzé 指责  
ache, to tòng 痛  
acquaintance shùrén 熟人  
acquainted, to be rènshi  
mǒurén 认识某人  
across héngguò 横过  
across from zài ... duìmiàn  
在 ... 对面  
act, to zuò 做  
action xíngdòng 行动  
activity huódòng 活动  
actually qíshí 其实  
add, to jiā 加  
address dìzhǐ 地址  
admire, to qīnpèi 钦佩  
admit, confess chéngren 承认  
adult chéngren 成人  
advance, go forward qiánjìn  
前进

advance money, deposit  
yùfùkuǎn/yājīn

预付款 / 押金

advice quàn`gào 劝告

advise, to chū zhǔyì 出主意

aeroplane fēijī 飞机

affect, to yǐngxiǎng 影响

affection gānqíng 感情

afford, to fùdāndeqi 负担得起

afraid pà 怕

after zài ... yǐhòu 在 ... 以后

afternoon (3 pm to dusk)

xiàwǔ 下午

afternoon (midday) zhongwǔ

中午

afterwards, then hòulái 后来

again zài 再

age niánlíng 年龄

ago yǐqian 以前

agree, to tóngyì 同意

agreed! zànchéng 赞成

agreement xiédìng 协定

air kongqì 空气

air conditioning kongtiáo

空调

airmail hángkōng yóujiàn

航空邮件

airplane fēijī 飞机

airport fēijīchǎng 飞机场

a little yīdiǎnr 一点儿

a lot hěnduo 很多

alcohol, liquor jiǔ 酒

alike xiāngtóng 相同

alive huózhe 活着

all yīqiè 一切

alley, lane xiàng 巷

allow, permit yǔnxǔ 允许

allowed to róngxǔ 容许

almost jīhū 几乎

alone dāndú 单独

alphabet zìmǔ 字母

already yǐjīng 已经

also yě 也

altogether, in total yìgòng

一共

although suīrán 虽然

always zǒngshì 总是

ambassador dàshǐ 大使

America Měiguó 美国

American (in general)

Měiguóde 美国的

American (people) Měiguórén

美国人

among zài ... zhī zhōng

在...之中

amount shùliàng/shù mù

数量/数目

ancestor zǔxiān 祖先

ancient gǔdài 古代

and hé 和

anger fènnù 愤怒

angry shēngqì 生气

animal dòngwù 动物

ankle huái 踝

annoyed shēngqì 生气

another (different) bùtóngde

不同的

another (same again) zài yī

(ge) 再一个

annual měi nián de 每年的

answer, to (spoken) huídá

回答

answer, to (written) dá fù 答复

answer the phone jiē diànhuà

接电话

answering machine liúyánjī

留言机

antiques gǔwán 古玩

anus gangmén 肛门

anybody, anyone rèn hé rén

任何人

anything rèn hé shì 任何事

anywhere rèn hé dìfāng

任何地方

ape yuánrén 猿人

apart xiānggé 相隔

apart from chúle ... yǐwài

除了...以外

apartment gōngyù 公寓

apologize, to dàoqiàn 道歉

apparently míngxiǎnde

明显地

appear, become visible

chūxiàn 出现

appearance, looks

yàngzi/waimào 样子/外貌

apple píngguǒ 苹果

appliance, electrical diànqì

电器

apply, to (for permission)

shēnqǐng 申请

appointment yuēhuì/yùyuē

约会/预约

approach, to (in space) jiējìn

接近

approach, to (in time) lái lín

来临

appropriate shìdāngde

适当的

approximately dàyuē 大约

Aprl Sìyuè 四月

architecture jiànzhù 建筑

area dìqū/fānwéi 地区/范围

argue, to zhēngchǎo 争吵

argument zhēnglùn/biānlùn

争论/辩论

arm gēbo 胳膊

armchair fúshouyǐ 扶手椅

army jūnduì/bùduì/lùjūn

军队/部队/陆军

around (approximately)

dàyuē/zuoyou 大约/左右

around (nearby) fùjìn 附近

around (surrounding)

zài ... zhōuwéi 在...周围

arrange, to chǒubān 筹办

arrangements, planning ānpái

安排

arrival, to arrive dàodá 到达

art yìshù 艺术

article (in newspaper/journal)

wénzhāng 文章

artificial réngōngde 人工的

artist yìshùjiā 艺术家

ashamed, embarrassed

nánwéiqíng 难为情

Asia Yàzhōu 亚洲

ask about, to wèn 问



ask for, to yàoqiú 要求  
 asleep shuìzhe 睡着  
 assemble, gather jíhé 集合  
 assemble, put together  
 zhuāngpèi/zǔzhuāng  
 装配 / 组装  
 assistance, to assist  
 bāngzhù/xiézhù 帮忙 / 协助  
 astonished chījīng/gǎndào  
 jīngyà 吃惊 / 感到惊讶  
 as well yě 也  
 at zài 在  
 at home zài jiā 在家  
 at least qǐmǎ/zhìshǎo  
 起码 / 至少  
 atmosphere, ambience qìfēn  
 气氛  
 at night yèlǐ 夜里  
 at once mǎshàng/lǐkè  
 马上 / 立刻  
 attack (in war) gōngjī 攻击  
 attack (with words) píngjī  
 评击  
 attain, reach dá dào 达到  
 attempt qǐtú 企图  
 attempt, to chángshì 尝试  
 attend, to cānjiā 参加  
 at the latest zuìchí 最迟  
 attitude tàidu 态度  
 attract xīyǐn 吸引  
 attractive yǒu xīyǐnlì de/  
 yǒurén 有吸引力的 / 诱人  
 auction, to pāimài 拍卖  
 auctioned off pāimàidiào  
 拍卖掉  
 August Bāyuè 八月  
 aunt (father's older/younger  
 sister) gūmǔ, gūgu  
 姑母 / 姑姑  
 aunt (wife of father's older  
 brother) bómǔ 伯母  
 aunt (wife of father's younger  
 brother) shūmǔ/shénmǔ  
 叔母 / 婶母  
 aunt (wife of mother's older/  
 younger brother) jūmǔ 舅母  
 aunt (wife's mother's older/  
 younger sister) yímǔ 姨母

Australia Àodàliyà/Àozhōu  
 澳大利亚 / 澳洲  
 Australian (in general)  
 Àodàliyade/Àozhōude  
 澳大利业的 / 澳洲的  
 Australian (people)  
 Àodàliyaren/Àozhōurén  
 澳大利亚人 / 澳洲人  
 authority (person in charge)  
 quánwēi 权威  
 authority (power) quánlì 权力  
 automobile, car qìchē 汽车  
 autumn qiūtiān 秋天  
 available kěhuòdéde 可获得的  
 available, to make kěyòngde  
 可用的  
 average (numbers) píngjūn  
 平均  
 average (so-so, just okay)  
 yīban 一般  
 awake xǐng 醒  
 awake, wake up xǐnglái 醒来  
 awaken, wake someone up  
 jiào xǐng 叫醒  
 aware yìshí dào 意识到  
 awareness yìshí 意识

## B

baby yīng'er 婴儿  
 back (part of body) bèi 背  
 back, rear hòumiàn 后面  
 back, to go huíqu 回去  
 back up, to zhīchí 支持  
 backward luòhòu 落后  
 bad huài/zāo 坏 / 糟  
 bad luck daoméi 倒霉  
 bag dāizi 袋子  
 baggage xíngli 行李  
 bake, to kǎo 烤  
 bald guāngtūde 光秃的  
 ball qiú 球  
 ballpoint pen yuánzhūbǐ  
 圆珠笔  
 banana xiāngjiāo 香蕉  
 bandage bēngdài 绷带  
 bank (finance) yínháng 银行

# bank (of river)

**B** bank (of river) hé'àn 河岸  
 banquet yànhuì 宴会  
 bar (blocking way) páichì 排斥  
 bar (serving drinks) jiǔbā 酒吧  
 barber lífādian 理发店  
 barely jīnjīn/jīhū méiyǒu  
 仅仅 / 几乎没有  
 bargain, to jiǎngjià 讲价  
 barren pínjìde 贫瘠的  
 base, foundation jīchǔ 基础  
 based on gēnjù 根据  
 basic jīběn 基本  
 basis jīchǔ 基础  
 basket lánzi 篮子  
 basketball lánqiú 篮球  
 bathtub yùgāng, yùpén  
 浴缸 / 浴盆  
 bathe, take a bath xǐzǎo 洗澡  
 bathe, swim yóuyǒng 游泳  
 bathrobe yùyī 浴衣  
 bathroom yùshì/xǐshǒujiān/  
 cèsuǒ 浴室 / 洗手间 / 厕所  
 battle zhāndòu 战斗  
 bay hǎiwān 海湾  
 be, exist shì/yǒu 是 / 有  
 beach hǎitān 海滩  
 bean dòu 豆  
 beancurd doufu 豆腐  
 beard húxū 胡须  
 beat (to defeat) dǎbài 打败  
 beat (to strike) qiāodǎ 敲打  
 beautiful (of people) měi/měilì  
 美 / 美丽  
 beautiful (of places) yōuměi  
 优美  
 beautiful (of things) hǎokàn  
 好看  
 because yīnwèi 因为  
 become, to chéngwéi 成为  
 bed chuáng 床  
 bedding beiru 被褥  
 bedclothes shuāyī 睡衣  
 bedroom wòshì 卧室  
 bedsheet chuángdān 床单  
 beef niúròu 牛肉  
 before (in front of) zài ...  
 qiánmiàn 在 ... 前面  
 before (in time) yǐqián 以前

beforehand, earlier zhīqián  
 之前  
 begin, to kaishǐ 开始  
 beginning kāitóu/kaiduan  
 开头 / 开端  
 behave biǎoxiǎn 表现  
 behind zài ... hòumiàn  
 在 ... 后面  
 Beijing Běijīng 北京  
 belief, faith xìnyǎng 信仰  
 believe, to xiāngxìn 相信  
 belongings suǒyǒuwù/cáiwù  
 所有物 / 财物  
 belong to shuǐyú 属于  
 below xiàmiàn 下面  
 belt yaodài 腰带  
 beside zài ... pāngbian  
 在 ... 旁边  
 besides chu cǐ zhīwài  
 除此之外  
 best zuì hǎo 最好  
 best wishes zhù hǎo/  
 liánghǎo zhùyuàn  
 祝好 / 良好祝愿  
 better hǎojiào hǎo/gèng hǎo  
 比较好 / 更好  
 better, get (be cured)  
 hǎozhuǎn 好转  
 better, get (improve)  
 jìnbùle hěnduō/biànhǎo  
 进步了很多 / 变好  
 between zài ... zhījian  
 在 ... 之间  
 bicycle zìxíngchē 自行车  
 big dà 大  
 bill zhàngdan 账单  
 billion shí yì 十亿  
 bird niǎo 鸟  
 birth, to give shēng 生  
 birthday shēngrì 生日  
 biscuit bǐnggān 饼干  
 bit (slightly) yídiǎnr 一点儿  
 bite, to yǎo 咬  
 bitter kǔde 苦的  
 black hēisè 黑色  
 black beans dòuchí 豆豉  
 blame, to zéguài/guāijiù  
 责怪 / 归咎

bland dāndiào 单调  
 blanket lǎnzi 毯子  
 bleed, to liúxuè 流血  
 blood xuè 血  
 blood vessel xuèguǎn 血管  
 blouse nǚ chènshān 女衬衫  
 blue lán sè 蓝色  
 board, to (boat) shàngchuán  
 上船  
 board, to (bus, train) shàngchē  
 上车  
 boat chuán 船  
 body shēntǐ 身体  
 body weight tǐzhòng 体重  
 boil, to zhǔ 煮  
 boiled zhǔguòde 煮过的  
 bone gǔtǒu 骨头  
 bon voyage! yī fān fēng shùn  
 一帆风顺  
 book shū 书  
 border (between countries)  
 biānjiè 边界  
 border, edge biānyuán 边缘  
 bored mèn/wúliáo 闷/无聊  
 boring mēi yìsi 没意思  
 born, to be chūshēng 出生  
 borrow, to jiè 借  
 boss lǎobǎn 老板  
 botanic gardens zhíwùyuán  
 植物园  
 both liǎng ge 两个  
 both... and yòu ... yòu  
 又...又  
 bother, disturb dǎrǎo/dǎjiǎo  
 打扰/打搅  
 bother, disturbance fánrǎo  
 烦扰  
 bottle píngzi 瓶子  
 bottom (base) dǐ 底  
 bottom (buttocks) pìgu 屁股  
 boundary, border biānjiè 边界  
 bowl wǎn 碗  
 box xiāng 箱  
 box (cardboard) hézi 盒子  
 boy nánhái 男孩儿  
 boyfriend nán péngyou 男朋友  
 bra rǔzhāo 乳罩  
 bracelet shǒuzhuó 手镯

brain nǎo 脑  
 brake, to brake shāchē/shāzhù  
 刹车/刹住  
 branch (company) fēnháng  
 分行  
 brand name míngpái 名牌  
 brave, daring yǒnggǎn 勇敢  
 bread miānbāo 面包  
 break, shatter nònghuai 弄坏  
 break apart, to zhédùan 折断  
 break down, to (car, machine)  
 huàile 坏了  
 breakfast, morning meal  
 zǎofàn 早饭  
 breakfast, to eat chī zǎofàn  
 吃早饭  
 breasts rǔfāng 乳房  
 bride xīnniàng 新娘  
 bridegroom xīnláng 新郎  
 bridge qiáo 桥  
 brief jiǎnduǎn 简短  
 briefcase shǒutāobāo/  
 gōngwénbāo  
 手提包/公文包  
 briefs sānjiǎokù 三角裤  
 bright míngliang 明亮  
 bring, to nǎi lái 拿来  
 bring up (children) yǎngyù  
 养育  
 bring up, to (topic) tídao 提到  
 Britain Yīngguó 英国  
 British (in general) Yīngguóde  
 英国的  
 British (people) Yīngguó rén  
 英国人  
 broad, spacious guǎngkuòde  
 广阔的  
 broadcast, program guǎngbō  
 广播  
 broadcast, to bōyīn 播音  
 broccoli xīlánhuācài 西兰花菜  
 broken, does not work, spoiled  
 huàile 坏了  
 broken, shattered dǎpòle  
 打破了  
 broken, snapped (of bones,  
 etc.) zhédùanle 折断了  
 broken off duānkāi 断开

bronze tóng/qīngtóng

铜 / 青铜

broom sàozhou 扫帚

broth, soup ròulang 肉汤

brother (older) gēge 哥哥

brother (younger) dìdì 弟弟

brother-in-law (husband's

older brother) dàbó 大伯

brother-in-law (husband's

younger brother) xiǎoshū

小叔

brother-in-law (wife's older

brother) nèixiong 内兄

brother-in-law (wife's older

sister's husband) jiēfu 姐夫

brother-in-law (wife's younger

brother) nèidì 内弟

brother-in-law (wife's younger

sister's husband) mèifu 妹夫

brown hèsè/zōngsè

褐色 / 棕色

bruise qīngzhǒng 青肿

brush shuazi 刷子

brush, to shua 刷

bucket shuǐlǒng 水桶

Buddhism Fójiào 佛教

Buddhist (in general) Fójiàode

佛教的

Buddhist (people) Fójiàotú

佛教徒

buffalo (water buffalo) shuǐniú

水牛

build, to gài/jian 盖 / 建

building dàlou 大楼

burn (injury) shaoshang 烧伤

burn, to shao 烧

burned down, out bèi shaohuǐ/

shaota 被烧毁 / 烧塌

Burma Miǎndiàn 缅甸

Burmese (in general)

Miǎndiànde 缅甸的

Burmese (people)

Miǎndiànrén 缅甸人

bus gōnggōngqìchē 公共汽车

bus station qìchēzhàn 汽车站

business shāngyè 商业

businessperson shāngrén

商人

busy (doing something)

máng 忙

busy (crowded) yōngjǐ 拥挤

busy (telephone) zhānxiàn

占线

but dànshì 但是

butter huāngyóu 黄油

butterfly húdié 蝴蝶

buttocks pìgu 屁股

buy, to mǎi 买

by means of yòng 用

by the way shùnbian wen

yìxià 顺便问一下

## C

cabbage juānxīncài 卷心菜

cabbage, Chinese báicai 白菜

cake, pastry dàn'gāo 蛋糕

calculate jìsuan/hesuan

计算 / 核算

calculator jìsuānjī 计算机

call, summon zhàojiàn/

chuánxùn 召见 / 传讯

call on the telephone

dǎ diànhuà 打电话

called, named míng jiào 名叫

calm píngjìng 平静

Cambodia Gaomian/

Jiānpuzhài 高棉 / 柬埔寨

Cambodian (in general)

Gaomiānde/Jiānpūzhàide

高棉的 / 柬埔寨的

Cambodian (people)

Gaomiānrén/Jiānpūzhàirén

高棉人 / 柬埔寨人

camera zhàoxiàngjī 照相机

can, be able to kěyǐ 可以

can, may néng 能

can, tin guàntóu 罐头

cancel qǔxiāo 取消

candle làzhú 蜡烛

candy, sweets tangguo

糖果

can't see kàn bujiàn 看不见

can't see clearly

kàn buqīngchu 看不清楚

Cantonese (In general)  
 Guǎngzhōude 广州的  
 Cantonese (language)  
 Guǎngzhōuhuà 广州话  
 Cantonese (people)  
 Guǎngzhōurén 广州人  
 capable of, to be yǒu nénglì  
 有能力  
 capture, to bǔhuò 捕获  
 car, automobile qìchē 汽车  
 cardboard yìngzhǐbǎn 硬纸板  
 cards, game pūkèpái 扑克牌  
 care for, love àihù 爱护  
 care of, to take zhàogu 照顾  
 careful xiǎoxīn 小心  
 carpet dìtǎn 地毯  
 carrot húlúóbo 胡萝卜  
 carry, to rí/dài/zài 提/带/载  
 cart (horsecart) mǎchē 马车  
 cart (pushcart) shǒutuìchē  
 手推车  
 carve, to diāokè 雕刻  
 carving diāokèpǐn 雕刻品  
 cash, money xiànkǎn 现款  
 cash a check, to duìxiàn 兑现  
 cassette héshì cídài 盒式磁带  
 cat māo 猫  
 catch, to zhuāzhù 抓住  
 Catholic (religion) Tiānzhūjiào  
 天主教  
 Catholic (in general)  
 Tiānzhūjiàode 天主教的  
 Catholic (people)  
 Tiānzhūjiàotú 天主教徒  
 cauliflower huācài 花菜  
 cause yuányīn 原因  
 cautious xiǎoxīnde 小心的  
 cave yāndòng 岩洞  
 CD guāngpán/guāngdié  
 光盘/光碟  
 CD-ROM guāngpán yuèduqì  
 光盘阅读器  
 ceiling tiānhuābǎn 天花板  
 celebrate, to qìngzhù 庆祝  
 celery qíncǎi 芹菜  
 center (of city) (shì) zhōngxīn  
 (市) 中心  
 center, middle zhōngjian 中间

central zhōngyāng 中央  
 century shìjì 世纪  
 ceremony diǎnlǐ 典礼  
 certain, sure yīdìng 一定  
 certainly! dāngrán kěyǐ  
 当然可以  
 certificate zhèngshu 证书  
 chair yǐzi 椅子  
 challenge tiǎozhàn 挑战  
 champion guānjūn 冠军  
 chance, by òurán 偶然  
 chance, opportunity jīhuì  
 机会  
 change, exchange (money)  
 duìhuàn 兑换  
 change, small língqián 零钱  
 change, switch (clothes)  
 huàn 换  
 change, to (bus/train)  
 zhuānchē 转车  
 change, to (conditions,  
 situations) gǎibiàn 改变  
 change one's mind gǎibiàn  
 zhǔyì 改变主意  
 character (Chinese) Hànzì  
 汉字  
 character (personality) xìnggé  
 性格  
 characteristic tèdiǎn 特点  
 chase, to zhuī 追  
 chase away, chase out  
 gānchū 赶出  
 cheap piányi 便宜  
 cheat, someone who cheats  
 piànzi 骗子  
 cheat, to piān 骗  
 check, verify jiǎnchá 检查  
 checked (pattern) fānggéde  
 方格的  
 cheek miànjiá 面颊  
 cheers! gānbei 干杯  
 cheese nǎilào/rǔlào  
 奶酪/乳酪  
 chess guójì xiàngqí 国际象棋  
 chest (box) xiāngzi 箱子  
 chest (breast) xiōngqiāng  
 胸腔  
 chew, to jué/jǔjué 嚼/咀嚼

chicken jī 鸡

child (offspring) háizi 孩子

child (young person) xiǎohái  
小孩

chilli pepper làjiāo 辣椒

chilli sauce làjiāojiàng 辣椒酱

chilled bingzhèn 冰镇

chin xiàba 下巴

China Zhongguó 中国

Chinese (in general)

Zhongguóde 中国的

Chinese (language) Zhongwén/  
Hanyǔ 中文 / 汉语

Chinese (people) Zhongguórén

中国人

Chinese chess Zhongguó

xiàngqí 中国象棋

chocolate qiǎokèlì 巧克力

choice xuǎnzé 选择

choose, to xuǎnzé 选择

chopsticks kuaizi 筷子

Christian (in general)

Jīdùtújiàode 基督教的

Christian (people) Jīdùtú

基督徒

Christianity Jīdùjiào 基督教

church jiàotáng 教堂

cigar xuějiāyan 雪茄烟

cigarette xiāngyan 香烟

cinema diànyǐngyuàn 电影院

circle yuánquan 圆圈

circle (theater) lóulíng 楼厅

citizen shìmín/gongmín

市民 / 公民

citrus ganjúshùde 柑橘属的

city chéngshì 城市

class, category zhǒnglèi 种类

classes (at university) kè 课

clean gānjìng 干净

clean, to nòng gānjìng 弄干净

cleanliness qīngjié 清洁

clear (of weather) fàngqíngle

放晴了

clever cōngmíng 聪明

climate qìhòu 气候

climb onto pàshàng 爬上

climb up (hills, mountains)

pāndēng 攀登

clock shízhōng/zhōng

时钟 / 钟

close, to cover héqǐ 合起

close to, nearby jìn/kāojìn

近 / 靠近

close together, tight kāojìn

要紧

closed (door/shop) guānmén/  
guānshàngle 关门 / 关上了

closed (road) fēngsuǒ 封锁

cloth bù 布

clothes, clothing yīfu 衣服

cloudy, overcast duōyún 多云

cloves bàn 瓣

co-worker, colleague tóngshì

同事

coat, jacket wàiyī 外衣

coat, overcoat dàyī 大衣

coconut yēzi 椰子

coffee kāfēi 咖啡

coin yìngbì 硬币

cold lěng 冷

cold, flu gǎnmào 感冒

colleague, co-worker tóngshì

同事

collect payment, to shōukuǎn

收款

collide, to xiāngzhuàng 相撞

collision zhuàngchē 撞车

color yánsè 颜色

comb shūzi 梳子

combine sounds into syllables

pīnyīn 拼音

come, to lái 来

come back huílái 回来

come in jìnlái 进来

come on, let's go kuài! 快!

comfortable shūfu 舒服

command, order mìnglìng

命令

command, to zhǐhuī 指挥

common, frequent pǔtōngde

普通的

company, firm gōngsī 公司

compare, to bǐjiào 比较

compared with yǔ ... xiāngbǐ

与 ... 相比

compete, to jìngzhēng 竞争



competition bǐsài 比赛  
 complain, to bàoyuàn 抱怨  
 complaint tóusù 投诉  
 complete (finished) jiéshù 结束  
 complete (thorough) chèdǐ

彻底

complete (whole) quánbù 全部  
 complete, to wánchéng 完成  
 completely wánquán/chèdǐ

完全 / 彻底

complicated fùzá 复杂

composition, writings

zuòwén/xiězuò 作文 / 写作

compulsory qiángzhìxìngde/  
 guīdìngde 强制性的 / 规定的

computer diànnǎo/jìsuànjī

电脑 / 计算机

computer (main) zhǔjī 主机

comrade tóngzhì 同志

concentrate, to jízhōng 集中

concerning yǒuguān/guānyú

有关 / 关于

concert yīnyuèhuì 音乐会

concert hall yīnyuètīng 音乐厅

condensed milk liànrǔ 炼乳

condition (pre-condition)

xianjué liáojiàn 先决条件

condition (status) zhuàngtài/  
 qíngkuàng 状态 / 情况

condition (subjective/objective)  
 tiáojiàn 条件

condom biyùnlào 避孕套

confectionery lánɡuǒ 糖果

confidence xīnxīn 信心

confidence, to have yǒu

xīnxīn 有信心

confirm quèrèn 确认

Confucianism Rújiāsīxiǎng/  
 Rújiào 儒家思想 / 儒教

confuse, to hùnxiao 混淆

confused (in a mess) hùnlùn

混乱

confused (mentally) hùtu 糊涂

confusing shǐ hùnlùn 使混乱

congratulations! zhùhè nǐ

祝贺你

connect together, to liánjiē

连接

connection (transport)

liánjiēdiǎn/zhōngzhuǎnzhàn

连接点 / 中转站

conscious of, to be yìshídao

意识到

consider (to have an opinion)

rènwéi 认为

consider (to think over) kǎolǚ

考虑

constipation biànmì 便秘

consulate lǐngshìguǎn 领事馆

consult, talk over with

gen ... shangliang 跟 ... 商量

consultation (by doctor)

kānbìng/jiùzhěn 看病 / 就诊

contact, connection liánxi

联系

contact, get in touch with

gen ... lianxi 跟 ... 联系

contact lens yīnxíng yǎnjìng

隐形眼镜

contagious chuánrǎnde

传染的

continent zhou/dàlù 洲 / 大陆

continue, to jìxù 继续

contraceptive biyùn 避孕

contraceptive pill biyùnyào

避孕药

contract hetóng/qiyue

合同 / 契约

convenient fāngbiàn 方便

conversation huìhuà 会话

cook (person) chùshī 厨师

cook (verb) zuòcài 做菜

cook, to zuòfan 做饭

cooked zhǔshoude 煮熟的

cooker, stove lúzi 炉子

cookie, sweet biscuit

xiǎotianhǐng 小甜饼

cooking, cuisine fēngwèi

fāncài/pēngtiào 风味饭菜 /

烹调

cool liánɡkuài 凉快

cool, to shǐ lěngque 使冷却

copper tóng/zītóng 铜 / 紫铜

copy fùběn 副本

copy (verb) chāoxiě/mófǎng

抄写 / 模仿



coral shanhú 珊瑚  
 corn, grain yùmǐ 玉米  
 corner jiǎoluò 角落  
 correct duì/zhèngquè  
 对 / 正确  
 correct, to jiǎozhèng/gǎizhèng  
 矫正 / 改正  
 correspond (write letters)  
 tōngxìn 通信  
 corridor zǒuláng 走廊  
 corrupt fubai 腐败  
 cosmetics huàzhuāngpǐn  
 化妆品  
 cost chéngběn 成本  
 cost (expense) fèiyòng 费用  
 cost (price) jiàgé 价格  
 costly guì/ángguì 贵 / 昂贵  
 costume mínzú fúzhuāng/  
 xìzhuāng 民族服装 / 戏装  
 cot ying'érchuáng/  
 tóngchuáng 婴儿床 / 童床  
 cotton miánbù 棉布  
 cotton wool mianhua 棉花  
 couch, sofa shafa 沙发  
 cough késousheng 咳嗽声  
 cough, to késou 咳嗽  
 cough lolly rùnhóutáng 润喉糖  
 cough syrup késou yàoshuǐ  
 咳嗽药水  
 could, might kěnéng 可能  
 count shǔ/suàn 数 / 算  
 count, reckon rènwéi 认为  
 counter (for paying, buying  
 tickets) guliái 柜台  
 country (rural area) xiāngxià  
 乡下  
 country (nation) guójiā 国家  
 courtyard yuànzi 院子  
 courtesy lǐmào 礼貌  
 cover, to gài 盖  
 cow mǔniú 母牛  
 crab pángxìè 螃蟹  
 cracked lièkai 裂开了  
 cracker, salty biscuit xián  
 hǐnggan 咸饼干  
 crafts shǒugōngyì 手工艺  
 craftsman gōngjiàng/  
 shǒuyìrén 工匠 / 手艺人

crashed (car) zhuāngchē 撞车  
 crashed (computer) sǐjī 死机  
 crazy fēngkuángde 疯狂的  
 create, to chuàngzào/  
 chuàngzào 创作 / 创造  
 credit card xìnyòngkǎ 信用卡  
 criminal zùifàn 罪犯  
 cross, angry shēngqì 生气  
 cross, go over yuèguò 越过  
 crossroads shízìlùkǒu  
 十字路口  
 crowded yōngjǐ 拥挤  
 cruel cǎnrěn 残忍  
 cry jiàohǎn 叫喊  
 cry, to kū 哭  
 cry out, to hǎn 喊  
 cucumber huángguā 黄瓜  
 cuisine, style of cooking  
 fēngwèicài 风味菜  
 culture wénhuà 文化  
 cup bēizi 杯子  
 cupboard gǔzi 柜子  
 cure (medical) zhìliào 治疗  
 cured, preserved bèi jiāgōng  
 chùlǐ 被加工处理  
 currency qiànbì 钱币  
 curtain chuānglián 窗帘  
 custom, tradition xí sú 习俗  
 cut (injury) shāngkǒu 伤口  
 cut, to gē 割  
 cute, appealing kě'ài 可爱

**D**  
 daily rìchāngde 日常的  
 damage pòhuài 破坏  
 damage, to sǔnhuài 损坏  
 damp chāoshī 潮湿  
 dance wǔhuì 舞会  
 dance, to tiàowǔ 跳舞  
 danger wēixiǎn 危险  
 dangerous wēixiǎnde 危险的  
 dark àn/heì'àn 暗 / 黑暗  
 date (of the month) rìqī 日期  
 date of birth chūshēng rìqī  
 出生日期  
 daughter nǚ'ér 女儿

daughter-in-law xífù 媳妇  
 dawn límíng 黎明  
 day tiān 天  
 day after tomorrow hòutiān  
 后天  
 day before yesterday qiántiān  
 前天  
 day of the week gongzuòrì  
 工作日  
 day off xiūjiatīan 休假天  
 daydream, to zuò bái rì mèng  
 做白日梦  
 dead sǐle 死了  
 deaf lóngde 聋的  
 death sǐwáng 死亡  
 debt zhài 债  
 deceive, to qīpiàn 欺骗  
 December Shí'èryuè 十二月  
 decide, to juédìng 决定  
 decision juédìng 决定  
 decline (get less) jiǎnruò/  
 jiǎnshǎo/xiàjiàng  
 减弱 / 减少 / 下降  
 decline (refuse) jùjué 拒绝  
 decorate, to zhuāngshì 装饰  
 decrease, to jiǎnshǎo 减少  
 deep shēn 深  
 defeat, to dǎbài 打败  
 defecate, to dàbiàn/jiě dàbiàn  
 大便 / 解大便  
 defect quēdiǎn 缺点  
 defend (in war) bǎowèi 保卫  
 defend (with words) biànhù  
 辩护  
 definite míngquède 明确的  
 degree, level chéngdù 程度  
 degrees (temperature) dù 度  
 delay, to dān'ge 耽搁  
 delayed (train, bus etc.)  
 wǎndiǎn 晚点  
 delicious hǎochī/shuǎngkǒu  
 好吃 / 爽口  
 deliver, to yùnsòng 运送  
 demand, to yāoqiú 要求  
 depart, to líkai 离开  
 department bùmén 部门  
 department store  
 bǎihuò shāngdiàn 百货商店

departure chūfa 出发  
 depend on, to yīkào 依靠  
 deposit (leave behind with  
 someone) cúnfàng 存放  
 deposit (put money in the bank)  
 cúnkuǎn 存款  
 descendant hòuyì 后裔  
 describe, to miáoshù 描述  
 desert (arid land) shāmò 沙漠  
 desert, to abandon pāoqì 抛弃  
 desire yuànwàng 愿望  
 desire, to xiǎng 想  
 desk shūzhuō 书桌  
 dessert tiánshí 甜食  
 destination mùdìdì 目的地  
 destroy, to pòhuài 破坏  
 destroyed, ruined cuīhuǐ 摧毁  
 detergent qūgōujì 去垢剂  
 determined, stubborn jiānjué  
 坚决  
 develop, to (film) chōngxǐ  
 冲洗  
 develop, to (happen) kāizhǎn  
 开展  
 development fāzhǎn 发展  
 diagonal duìjiǎoxiàn 对角线  
 diagonally duìjiǎode 对角地  
 dial, to (telephone) bō diànhuà  
 拨电话  
 dialect fāngyán 方言  
 diamond zuànshí 钻石  
 diary rìjì 日记  
 dictionary cídiǎn/zìdiǎn  
 词典 / 字典  
 die, to sǐ 死  
 difference (discrepancy in  
 figures) chābié 差别  
 difference (in quality) chāyì  
 差异  
 different, other bùtóng 不同  
 difficult kùnnán 困难  
 dinner, evening meal wǎnfàn  
 晚饭  
 dinner, to eat chī wǎnfàn  
 吃晚饭  
 direction fāngxiàng 方向  
 director (of company)  
 dǒngshìzhǎng 董事长

dirt, filth wūgòu 污垢  
 dirty zang 脏  
 disappointed shīwàng 失望  
 disaster zainan 灾难  
 discount youhui 优惠  
 discover, to faxiàn 发现  
 discussion, to discuss tāolùn 讨论  
 disease jībīng 疾病  
 diesel oil chāiyóu 柴油  
 disgusting yānwùde 厌恶的  
 dish, platter pánzi 盘子  
 dish (particular food) fāncài 饭菜  
 diskette cípán 磁盘  
 dislike, to yànwù 厌恶  
 display zhǎnlǎn 展览  
 display, to chénliè 陈列  
 dispute jiūfen 纠纷  
 distance jùlí 距离  
 disturb, to dǎrǎo/dǎjiǎo 打扰 / 打扰  
 disturbance saoluàn 骚乱  
 divide, split up fēnkāi 分开  
 divided by chū yú 除于  
 divorce, to líhūn 离婚  
 divorced lílehūn 离了婚  
 do, perform an action zuò 做  
 do one's best jìn suǒ néng 尽所能  
 doctor yīshēng/dàifu 医生 / 大夫  
 document, letter wénjiàn 文件  
 dog gǒu 狗  
 done (cooked) zhǔshóule 煮熟了  
 done (finished) zuòhǎole 做好了  
 don't! búyào 不要  
 don't mention it! bú kèqì 不客气  
 door mén 门  
 double shuāngbèi 双倍  
 doubt, to huāiyí 怀疑  
 down, downward xiàng xià 向下  
 downstairs lóuxià 楼下  
 downtown shìzhōngxīn 市中心

dozen yī dá 一打  
 draw, to huà 画  
 drawer chōutī 抽屉  
 drawing tú 图  
 dream mèng 梦  
 dream, to zuòmèng 做梦  
 dress, frock liányīqún 连衣裙  
 dressed, to get chuanban 穿扮

dressing gown chényī 晨衣  
 drink, refreshment yǐnliao 饮料  
 drink, to he 喝  
 drive, to (a car) kāichē 开车  
 drought hanzai 旱灾  
 drown, to yānnì/yānsǐ 淹溺 / 淹死  
 drug (medicine) yào 药  
 drug (recreational) dúpǐn 毒品  
 drugstore, pharmacy yàofáng 药房  
 drunk hezuì 喝醉  
 dry gān 干  
 dry (weather) gānzào 干燥  
 dry, to nònggan 弄干  
 dry out (in the sun) liànggan 晾干

duck yazi 鸭子  
 dull (boring) mēn 闷  
 dull (weather) yīn'àn 阴暗  
 dumpling jiǎozi 饺子  
 during zài ... qījian 在 ... 期间  
 dusk huánghūn 黄昏  
 dust huīchén 灰尘  
 duty (import tax) guānshuì 关税  
 duty (responsibility) zérèn 责任  
 DVD shùjù lùxiàngjī 数据录像机

**E**  
 each, every měi 每  
 ear ěrduo 耳朵  
 earlier, beforehand shìxiān 事先

early zǎo 早  
 early in the morning qīngzǎo  
 清早  
 earn, to zheng/zhuàn 挣 / 赚  
 earrings ěrhuán 耳环  
 earth, soil ní tǔ 泥土  
 Earth, the world dìqiú 地球  
 earthquake dìzhèn 地震  
 east dōnghian 东边  
 easy róngyì 容易  
 eat, to chī 吃  
 economical shíhuì 实惠  
 economy jīngjì 经济  
 edge biānyuán 边缘  
 educate, to jiàoyù 教育  
 education jiàoyù 教育  
 effect, result xiàoguǒ 效果  
 effort nǔlì 努力  
 effort, to make an zuòchū nǔlì  
 做出努力  
 egg jīdàn 鸡蛋  
 eggplant, aubergine qiézi 茄子  
 eight ba 八  
 eighteen shíba 十八  
 eighty bāshí 八十  
 either rènhé yī ge 任何一个  
 elbow zhǒu 肘  
 elder zhǎngbèi 长辈  
 election xuǎnjǔ 选举  
 electric diàndòngde 电动的  
 electricity diànlìu 电流  
 electronic diànzǐ 电子  
 elegant yǎzhìde/gaoyǎ  
 雅致的 / 高雅  
 elephant dàxiàng 大象  
 elevator diànlǐ 电梯  
 eleven shíyī 十一  
 else: anything else biéde 别的  
 else: or else (yào) bùrán/  
 fǒuze (要) 不然 / 否则  
 email (message)  
 diànzǐ yóujiàn/yīmèir  
 电子邮件 / 依妹儿  
 email, to fā diànzǐ yóujiàn/  
 fā yīmèir 发电子邮件 /  
 发依妹儿  
 email address diànzǐ  
 yóujiàn dìzhǐ 电子邮件地址

embarrassed nánwéiqíng  
 难为情  
 embarrassing shǐ rén nánkan  
 使人难堪  
 embassy dàshǐguǎn 大使馆  
 embrace, to yongbào 拥抱  
 embroidered xiùhuade 绣花的  
 embroidery cìxiù 刺绣  
 emergency jízhěn 急诊  
 emotion gǎnqíng/qíngxù  
 感情 / 情绪  
 empty kōngde 空的  
 end (finish) zhōngzhǐ 终止  
 end (tip) jiānduān/dǐngduān  
 尖端 / 顶端  
 end, to jiéshù 结束  
 enemy dǐren 敌人  
 energy jīnglì 精力  
 engaged (telephone)  
 zhànxiàn 占线  
 engaged (to be married)  
 dīnghūn 订婚  
 engine fādòngjī 发动机  
 England Yīngguó 英国  
 English (in general)  
 Yīngguóde 英国的  
 English (language) Yīngwén/  
 Yīngyǔ 英文 / 英语  
 English (people) Yīngguó rén  
 英国人  
 engrave, to kèshàng/diào  
 刻上 / 雕  
 enjoy, to xiǎngshòu 享受  
 enjoy oneself, to guòde  
 kuàihuò 过得快活  
 enjoyable yúkuàide 愉快的  
 enlarge, to kuòdà 扩大  
 enough zúgou 足够  
 enquire, to wèn 问  
 enter, to jìnrù 进入  
 entire quánhù 全部  
 entirety, whole quánhùde  
 全部的  
 entrance, way in rùkǒu  
 入口  
 envelope xìnfēng 信封  
 envious yǐnqǐ xiānmù de  
 引起羡慕的

environment, the huánjìng

环境

envy xiànmù 羡慕

equal píngděngde 平等的

equality píngděng 平等

error cuowù 错误

escalator diàndòng lóutī

电动楼梯

especially yóuqíshì 尤其是

establish, set up jiànlì 建立

Europe Ōuzhōu 欧洲

even (also) lián 连

even (smooth) pínghuá

平滑

evening wǎnshàng 晚上

event shìjiàn 事件

ever, have already céng 曾

every měi 每

every kind of gèshì-gèyàng

各式各样

every time měi cì 每次

everybody, everyone

mèi ge rén 每个人

everything měi jiàn shì/yìqiè

每件事 / 一切

everywhere měi ge dìfāng/

dào chù 每个地方 / 到处

exact, exactly jīngquēde/

quèqiè 精确的 / 确切

exactly! just so! yídiǎn búcuò

一点不错

exam, test kǎoshì 考试

examine, to jiǎnchá 检查

example lìzi 例子

example, for bǐrú 比如

excellent yóuxiù de 优秀的

except chú ... zhīwài

除 ... 之外

exchange, to (money, opinions)

duìhuàn 兑换

exchange rate duìhuànlǜ

兑换率

excited gǎndào xīngfèn

感到兴奋

exciting lìng rén xīngfèn de

令人兴奋的

excuse me! (apology) duìbuqǐ

对不起

excuse me! (attracting

attention) qǐngwèn 请问

excuse me! (getting past)

lǎojia 劳驾

exist, to cúnzài 存在

exit, way out chūkǒu 出口

expand, grow larger

péngzhāng 膨胀

expect, to qīwàng 期望

expenses feiyòng 费用

expensive guì 贵

experience jīngyàn 经验

experience, to tīyàn/jīnglì

体验 / 经历

expert zhuānjia 专家

explain, to jiěshì 解释

export, to export chūkǒu 出口

express, state biǎoshì 表示

extension (telephone) fēnjī

分机

extra ewaide 额外的

extremely jíduòde 极度地

eye yǎnjīng 眼睛

eyebrow yǎnmèi 眼眉

eyeglasses, spectacles

yǎnjìng 眼镜

## F

fabric, textile bùliào 布料

face liǎn 脸

face, to miànduì 面对

fact shìshí 是实

factory gōngchǎng 工厂

fail, to bù jíge/shībài

不及格 / 失败

failure shībài 失败

fall (season) qiūtiān 秋天

fall, to luòxià/diào xià

落下 / 掉下

fall over shuāidào/daoxiàlái

摔倒 / 倒下来

false (imitation) māopáihuò/

jiàmaode 冒牌货 / 假冒的

false (not true) jiàde 假的

family jiātíng 家庭

famine jīhuāng 饥荒

famous yǒumíng/chú míng  
有名 / 出名

fan (admirer) mí, kuángre  
ài hào zhě 迷, 狂热爱好者

fan (electrical) diàn fēng shàn  
电风扇

fan (for cooling) shàn zi 扇子

fancy qí tè de 奇特的

far yuǎn 远

fare piào jià 票价

fast, rapid kuài 快

fast, to shǒu zhai / zhai jiè  
守斋 / 斋戒

fat, grease yóu nǐ 油腻

fat, plump pàng 胖

father fu qin / bà ba 父亲 / 爸爸

father-in-law (wife's father)  
yuè fù 岳父

fault guò cuò 过错

fax (machine) chuán zhēn jī  
传真机

fax (message) chuán zhēn  
传真

fax, to fa chuán zhēn 发传真

fear kǒng jù 恐惧

February èr yuè 二月

fee shōu fèi 收费

feed, to wèi 喂

feel, to jué de 觉得

feeling gǎn jué 感觉

female nǚ de / cǐ de 女的 / 雌的

fence lǐ ba / shān lán  
篱笆 / 栅栏

ferry dù chuán 渡船

fertile féi wò de 肥沃的

festival jié rì 节日

fetch, to qǔ 取

lever fā shāo 发条

few jǐ shǎo / jǐ ge 极少 / 几个

fiance wèi hūn fū 未婚夫

fiancee wèi hūn qī 未婚妻

field, empty space kōng dì  
空地

fierce xiōng měng de 凶猛的

fifteen shí wǔ 十五

fifty wǔ shí 五十

fight, to (physically) dǎ jià 打架

fight over, to zhēng 争

figure, number shù zì 数字

Filipino (in general) Fēilǚ bīn de  
菲律宾的

Filipino (language) Fēilǚ bīn yǔ  
菲律宾语

Filipino (people) Fēilǚ bīn rén  
菲律宾人

Filipino (Tagalog) Fēilǚ bīn yǔ  
菲律宾语

fill, to zhuāng mǎn 装满

fill out (form) tián hiào 填表

film (camera) jiào juǎn 胶卷

film, movie diàn yǐng 电影

final zuì hòu 最后

finally zhōng yú 终于

find, to zhǎo 找

fine (okay) hǎo 好

fine (punishment) fá kuǎn 罚款

finger shǒu zhǐ 手指

finish wán chéng 完成

finish off, to jié shù 结束

finished (completed) wán jié le  
完结了

finished (none left)  
yong guāng le 用光了

fire huǒ 火

fire someone, to jiě gù 解雇

fireworks yān huā 烟花

firm (definite) jiān dìng 坚定

firm (mattress) jiān shí de  
坚实的

firm, company  
shāng háng / gōng sī 商行 / 公司

first, earlier, beforehand  
xiān 先

fish yú 鱼

fish, to diào yú 钓鱼

fish sauce yú lù 鱼露

fit, to (shì) shì hé (使) 适合

fitness training jiàn shēn  
duàn lian 健身锻炼

fitting, suitable shì hé de 适合的

fitting room shì yī shì 试衣室

five wū 五

fix, to (a time, appointment)  
yuē dìng 约定

fix, to (repair) xiū lǐ 修理

flag qí 旗



# flash (camera)

**F** flash (camera) shǎnguāngdēng  
 闪光灯  
 flashlight, torch shǒudiǎntǒng  
 手电筒  
 flavor wèidào 味道  
 flat, apartment gōngyù 公寓  
 flat, smooth píngtǎnde 平坦的  
 flight bānjī 班机  
 flight number hānjīhào 班机号  
 flood hóngshuǐ 洪水  
 floor lóu/céng 楼/层  
 flour miànfěn 面粉  
 flower huā 花  
 flush (wash) chōngxǐ 冲洗  
 fly (insect) cāngyíng 苍蝇  
 fly, to fēi 飞  
 flu gǎnmào 感冒  
 fluent liúlì 流利  
 flute chángdí 长笛  
 fog wù 雾  
 fold, to zhédié 折叠  
 follow along, to yǎnzhe 沿着  
 follow behind, to gēnzhe 跟着  
 following gēnsuí/yǐxià  
 跟随/以下  
 fond of, to be xǐ'ài 喜爱  
 food shíwù 食物  
 foot jiǎo 脚  
 for wèi 为  
 for ever yǒngyuǎn 永远  
 forbid, to bùxǔ 不许  
 forbidden bèi jìnzhǐ de  
 被禁止的  
 force lìliang 力量  
 force, compel qiángpò 强迫  
 forehead é 额  
 foreign wàiguóde 外国的  
 foreigner wàiguórén 外国人  
 forest sēnlín 森林  
 forget, to wàngjì 忘记  
 forget about, to hūlǜ 忽略  
 forgive, to yuánliang 原谅  
 forgiveness, mercy kuānshù  
 宽恕  
 forgotten wàngle 忘了  
 fork chāzi 叉子  
 form (to fill out) biǎogé 表格  
 formalities shǒuxù 手续

fortress bǎolěi 堡垒  
 fortunately xìngyùnde 幸运地  
 forty sìshí 四十  
 forward xiàng qián 向前  
 four sì 四  
 fourteen shísi 十四  
 France Fǎguó 法国  
 free of charge miǎnfèi 免费  
 free of restraints wúxiànzhì  
 无限制  
 freedom zìyóu 自由  
 freeze jiébing 结冰  
 French (in general) Fǎguóde  
 法国的  
 French (language) Fǎyǔ/Fǎwén  
 法语/法文  
 French (people) Fǎguórén  
 法国人  
 free, independent zìyóude  
 自由的  
 frequent jīngcháng 经常  
 fresh xīnxiān 新鲜  
 Friday Xīngqīwǔ/Lǐbàiwǔ  
 星期五/礼拜五  
 fried yóuzha 油炸  
 friend péngyou 朋友  
 friendly yǒuhǎo 友好  
 frightened bèi xiàzhe 被吓着  
 from cóng 从  
 front qiánmiàn 前面  
 front: in front of zài ... de  
 qiánmiàn 在...的前面  
 frown zhǒuméi 皱眉  
 frown, to duì ... zhòu méitóu  
 对...皱眉头  
 freeze (computer) sǐjī 死机  
 frozen bīngdòng 冰冻  
 fruit shuǐguǒ 水果  
 fry, to jiān 煎  
 fulfill lǚxíng 履行  
 full mǎn 满  
 full, eaten one's fill chībǎo  
 吃饱  
 fun, to have wǎn 玩儿  
 function, to work qǐ zuòyòng  
 起作用  
 funds, funding jīngfèi 经费  
 funeral zànglǐ 葬礼



fungus zhenjun 真菌  
 funny hǎoxiào 好笑  
 furniture jiājù 家具  
 further, additional jìnyībùde  
 进一步的  
 fussy dàjīngxiǎoguàide  
 大惊小怪的  
 future: in future jiānglái 将来

## G

gamble dūbó 赌博  
 game yóuxì 游戏  
 garage (for parking)  
 chēfāng/chekù 车房 / 车库  
 garage (for repairs)  
 xiūchēháng 修车行  
 garbage lājī 垃圾  
 garden, yard huāyuán 花园  
 gardens, park gōngyuán 公园  
 garlic dàsuàn 大蒜  
 garment yīfu 衣服  
 gasoline qìyóu 汽油  
 gasoline station jiāyóuzhàn  
 加油站  
 gate (main entrance) dàmén  
 大门  
 gather, to shoují 收集  
 gender xìngbié 性别  
 general, all-purpose  
 quánmiànde 全面的  
 generally pǔbiànde 普遍地  
 generous kāngkǎide 慷慨  
 gentle wényǎde 文雅的  
 German (in general) Déguóde  
 德国的  
 German (language) Déyǔ/  
 Déwén 德语 / 德文  
 German (people) Déguórén  
 德国人  
 Germany Déguó 德国  
 gesture zīshì 姿势  
 get, receive dédào 得到  
 get off (boat) xiàchuán 下船  
 get off (bus/train) xiàchē 下车  
 get on (boat) shàngchuán  
 上船

get on (bus/train) shàngchē  
 上车  
 get up (from bed) qǐchuáng  
 起床  
 get well soon! zǎorì kāngfù  
 早日康复  
 ghost guǐ 鬼  
 gift lǐwù 礼物  
 ginger jiāng 姜  
 girl nǚhái/guniang  
 女孩儿 / 姑娘  
 girlfriend nǚpéngyou 女朋友  
 give, to gěi 给  
 given name míngzì 名字  
 glad gāoxìng 高兴  
 glass (for drinking) bēizi 杯子  
 glass (material) bōli 玻璃  
 glasses, spectacles yǎnjìng  
 眼镜  
 glutinous rice nuòmǐ 糯米  
 go, to qù 去  
 go along, join in cānyǔ 参与  
 go around, visit cānguān 参观  
 go back huíqù 回去  
 go beyond chāochū 超出  
 go for a walk chūqù zǒuzou  
 出去走走  
 go home huíjiā 回家  
 go out (fire, candle) xīmiè 熄灭  
 go out, exit chūqù 出去  
 go to bed shuìjiào 睡觉  
 go up, climb dēngshàng 登上  
 goal mùdì 目的  
 goat shānyáng 山羊  
 God Shàngdì 上帝  
 god shén 神  
 goddess nǚshén 女神  
 gold jīn 金  
 golf gāo'ěrfuqiú 高尔夫球  
 gone, finished bújiànle 不见了  
 good hǎo 好  
 good luck! zhù nǐ hǎoyùn  
 祝你好运  
 goodbye zàijiàn 再见  
 goodness! wǒde tiān 我的天  
 goose é 鹅  
 government zhèngfǔ 政府  
 gradually zhújiànde 逐渐地

## grand, great

grand, great wěidàde 伟大的  
granddaughter (maternal)  
wàisunnü 外孙女  
granddaughter (paternal)  
sunnü 孙女  
grandfather (maternal)  
wàizǔfù/lǎoye 外祖父 / 姥爷  
grandfather (paternal)  
zǔfù/yéye 祖父 / 爷爷  
grandmother (maternal)  
wàizǔmǔ/lǎolao  
外祖母 / 姥姥  
grandmother (paternal)  
zǔmǔ/nǎinai 祖母 / 奶奶  
grandparents (maternal)  
wàizǔfùmǔ 外祖父母  
grandparents (paternal)  
zǔfùmǔ 祖父母  
grandson (maternal)  
wàisunzi 外孙子  
grandson (paternal) sūnzi  
孙子  
grapes pútao 葡萄  
grass cǎo 草  
grateful gǎnjī 感激  
grave fénmù 坟墓  
great, impressive wěidà 伟大  
green lǜsè 绿色  
greens shucài 蔬菜  
greet, to huanyíng 欢迎  
greetings wèn'hòu 问候  
grey huīsè 灰色  
grill, to shaokǎo 烧烤  
ground, earth dìmiàn 地面  
group tuántǐ 团体  
grow, be growing (plant)  
zhǎng 长  
grow, cultivate zhòngzhí 种植  
grow larger, to zengzhǎng  
增长  
grow up (child) zhǎngdà 长大  
Guangzhou (Canton)  
Guǎngzhōu 广州  
guarantee bǎozhèng 保证  
guarantee, to danbǎo 担保  
guard, to bǎohù 保护  
guess, to cāi 猜  
guest kèrén 客人

guest of honor guìbīn 贵宾  
guesthouse bīnguǎn 宾馆  
guide, lead dǎoyóu 导游  
guidebook lǚyóu zhǐnán  
旅游指南  
guilty (of a crime) yǒuzuì 有罪  
guilty, to feel nèijiù 内疚

## H

hair tóufa 头发  
half yībàn 一半  
hall lǐtáng 礼堂  
hand shǒu 手  
hand out fēnfā 分发  
hand over yíjiāo 移交  
handicap zhàng'ài 障碍  
handicraft shǒugōngyìpǐn  
手工艺品  
handle bǎshǒu 把手  
handle, to chùlǐ 处理  
handsome yīngjùn 英俊  
hang, to guà 挂  
happen, occur fāshēng 发生  
happened, what happened?  
fāshēng shénme shì?  
发生什么事?  
happening, incident shìjiàn  
事件  
happy kaixīn/gāoxìng  
开心 / 高兴  
happy birthday! shēngrì  
kuàilè! 生日快乐!  
happy new year! xīnnián hǎo  
新年好  
harbor gǎngkǒu 港口  
hard disk/drive (computer)  
yìngpán 硬盘  
hardly jiǎnzhí bù 简直不  
hardworking, industrious  
yònggōng/qínfèn  
用功 / 勤奋  
harmonious róngqià 融洽  
hat maotzi 帽子  
hate, to hèn 恨  
hatred chóuhèn 仇恨  
have, own yǒu 有

have been somewhere qùguo 去过  
 have done something zuòguo 做过  
 have to, must děi 得  
 he, him ta 他  
 head lóu 头  
 head for, toward cháo ...  
     qiánjìn 朝 ... 前进  
 headache tóuténg/tóutòng 头疼 / 头痛  
 headdress tóujīn 头巾  
 healthy jiànkāng 健康  
 hear, to tīngjiàn 听见  
 heart xīnzàng 心脏  
 heat, to jiārè 加热  
 heavy zhòng 重  
 height gāodù 高度  
 height (body) shēn'gāo 身高  
 hello, hi Nǐ hǎo 你好  
 hello! (on phone) wēi 喂  
 help! Jiùmìng a! 救命啊!  
 help, to bāngzhù/bāngmáng 帮助 / 帮忙  
 her, hers tāde 她的  
 here zhèbian/zhèlǐ/zhèr 这边 / 这里 / 这儿  
 hidden yīncáng 隐藏  
 hide, to cángqǐlái 藏起来  
 high gāo 高  
 hill qiū/xiǎoshān 丘 / 小山  
 hinder, to zǔ'ài 阻碍  
 hindrance zhàng'ài 障碍  
 hire, to zū 租  
 his tāde 他的  
 history lìshǐ 历史  
 hit, strike dǎ 打  
 hobby àihào 爱好  
 hold, to (event) jǔbái 举办  
 hold, to (grasp) zhuāzhe 抓着  
 hold back kòngzhì 控制  
 hole dòng 洞  
 holiday (festival) jiérì 节日  
 holiday (vacation) jiàri 假日  
 holy shénshèng 神圣  
 home, house jiā 家

honest chéngshí de 诚实的  
 honey fēngmì 蜂蜜  
 Hong Kong Xiānggǎng 香港  
 hope, to xīwàng 希望  
 hopefully yǒu xīwàng de 有希望地  
 horse mǎ 马  
 hospital yīyuàn 医院  
 host zhǔrén 主人  
 hot (spicy) là 辣  
 hot (temperature) rè 热  
 hot spring wēnquán 温泉  
 hotel lǚguǎn/bin'guǎn 旅馆 / 宾馆  
 hour xiǎoshí/zhongtóu 小时 / 钟头  
 house fángzi 房子  
 how? zěnmé 怎么  
 how are you? nǐ hǎo ma? 你好吗?  
 how far? Duō yuǎn? 多远?  
 how long? Duō cháng? 多长?  
 how many? Duōshǎo?/Jǐ ge? 多少 / 几个?  
 how much? Duōshǎo qián? 多少钱?  
 how old? Duō dà niánjì/ suìshù? 多大年纪 / 岁数?  
 however dànshì 但是  
 huge jùdàde 巨大的  
 human (feelings) rénqíngwèi 人情味  
 humid cháoshī 潮湿  
 humorous yóumòde 幽默的  
 hundred bǎi 百  
 hundred million yī/wànwàn 亿 / 万万  
 hundred thousand shíwàn 十万  
 hungry è 饿  
 hurry up! gǎnkuài! 赶快!  
 hurt (injured) shòushāng 受伤  
 hurt, to (cause pain) shānghài 伤害  
 husband zhàngfu 丈夫  
 hut, shack péngwū 棚屋

I, me wǒ 我

ice bing 冰

ice cream bingjiling/bingqilin

冰激凌 / 冰淇淋

idea zhǔyi 主意

identical tóngyīde/tóngyàng

同一的 / 同样

if rúguǒ/yàoshi 如果 / 要是

ignore, to bùgu/hūshì

不睬 / 忽视

ignorant wúzhī 无知

ill, sick yǒubìngde 有病的

illegal fēifǎ 非法

illness bìng 病

imagine, to xiǎngxiàng 想象

immediately lìkè 立刻

impolite bú kèqì/wúlǐ

不客气 / 无礼

import, to import jìnkǒu 进口

importance zhòngyào 重要

important zhòngyàode 重要的

impossible bù kěnéng 不可能

impression, to make an

gěi rén shēnkè yìnxiàng

给人深刻印象

impressive gěi rén shēnkè

yìnxiàng de 给人深刻印象的

in (time, years) zài 在

in, at (space) zài ... lì 在 ... 里

in addition cǐwài 此外

incense xiāng 香

incident shìjiàn 事件

included, including baokuo

包括

increase, to increase zēngjiā

增加

indeed! shìde 是的

indigenous (in general)

tǔzhùde 土著的

indigenous (people) tǔzhùrén

土著人

India Yìndù 印度

Indian (in general) Yìndùde

印度的

Indian (language) Yìndùyǔ

印度语

Indian (people) Yìndùrén

印度人

Indonesia Yìnní/Yìndùnìxīyà

印尼 / 印度尼西亚

Indonesian (in general)

Yìnníde 印尼的

Indonesian (language)

Yìnníyǔ 印尼语

Indonesian (people)

Yìnnírén 印尼人

inexpensive piányi 便宜

influence, to yǐngxiǎng

影响

inform, to tōngzhī 通知

information xīnxi 信息

information desk xúnwēnchù

询问处

inhabitant jūmín 居民

inject, to zhùrù 注入

injection dǎzhēn 打针

injured shòushang 受伤

injury shānghài 伤害

in order that, so that yǐzhì

以致

ink mòshuǐ 墨水

insane fēngkuángde

疯狂的

insect chóngzi 虫子

inside lǐmiàn 里面

inside of zài ... lì 在 ... 里

inspect, to jiǎnchá 检查

instead of dàitù 代替

instruct, tell to do something

zhǐshì 指示

insult wurú 侮辱

insult someone, to wūrú

mǔrén 侮辱某人

insurance bǎoxiǎn 保险

intend, to dǎsuàn 打算

intended for wèi ... nìdìng de

为 ... 拟定的

intention yìtú 意图

interest (bank) lìxī 利息

interested in gǎn xìngqù

感兴趣

interesting yǒuqù 有趣

international guójì 国际

Internet Yìngtèwǎng 英特网

interpreter fanyì/kǒuyìyuán

翻译 / 口译员

intersection shí zì lù kǒu

十字路口

into dào ... lì 到 ... 里

introduce oneself, to zì wǒ

jièshào 自我介绍

introduce someone, to

jièshào 介绍

invent, to fā míng 发明

invitation, to invite yāo qǐng

邀请

invoice fā piào 发票

involve, to shè jí 涉及

involved shè jí dào 涉及到

Ireland Ài'ěr lán 爱尔兰

Irish (in general) Ài'ěr lán de

爱尔兰的

Irish (people) Ài'ěr lán rén

爱尔兰人

iron (for clothing) yùndǒu 熨斗

iron (metal) tiě 铁

iron, to (clothing) yùn yī fu

熨衣服

Islam Yī sī lán jiào 伊斯兰教

island dǎo 岛

Italian (in general) Yì dà lì de

意大利的

Italian (language) Yì dà lì yǔ

意大利语

Italian (people) Yì dà lì rén

意大利人

Italy Yì dà lì 意大利

item, individual thing

wù pǐn / shì xiàng / tiáo kuǎn

物品 / 事项 / 条款

ivory xiàng yá 象牙

## J

jacket wài tào 外套

jail jiān yù 监狱

jam guǒ jiàng 果酱

January Yī yuè 一月

Japan Rì běn 日本

Japanese (in general) Rì běn de

日本的

Japanese (language) Rì wén /

Rì yǔ 日文 / 日语

Japanese (people) Rì běn rén

日本人

jaw, (lower) xià'è 下颌

jaw, (upper) shàng'è 上颌

jealous dù jì / jì du 妒忌 / 忌妒

jewelry zhū bǎo / shǒu shì

珠宝 / 首饰

job gōng zuò 工作

join, go along cān jiā 参加

join together, to lián jiē qǐ lái

连接起来

joke xiào huà 笑话

journalist jì zhě 记者

journey lù tú 路途

jug, pitcher hú 壶

juice guǒ zhī 果汁

July Qī yuè 七月

jump, to tiào 跳

June Liù yuè 六月

jungle cóng lín 丛林

just, fair gōng píng 公平

just now gāng cái 刚才

just, only zhǐ 只

## K

keep, to liú 留

key (computer) jiàn 键

key (to room) yaoshi 钥匙

keyboard (of computer)

jiàn pán 键盘

kidney shèn 肾

kidney beans daodou 刀豆

kill, murder sha 杀

kilogram gōng jīn 公斤

kilometer gōng lǐ 公里

kind, good (of persons)

rén cí 仁慈

kind, type zhǒng lèi 种类

king guó wáng 国王

kiss wěn 吻

kiss, to qīn zuǐ 亲嘴

kitchen chú fāng 厨房

kiwi fruit mī hóu táo 猕猴桃

knee xī gài 膝盖

knife daozi 刀子  
 knock, to qiaomén 敲门  
 know, be acquainted with  
 rènshi 认识  
 know, be informed zhīdao  
 知道  
 knowledge zhīshi 知识  
 Korea, North Chaoxian 朝鲜  
 Korea, South Hanguo 韩国  
 Korean (In general)  
 Hánguóde/Cháoxiǎnde  
 韩国的/朝鲜的  
 Korean (language) Hanwén/  
 Hányǔ/Cháoxiǎnyǔ  
 韩文/韩语/朝鲜语  
 Korean (North) Cháoxiǎnrén  
 朝鲜人  
 Korean (South) Hánguórén  
 韩国人

**L**  
 lacking quēshǎo/bùzú  
 缺少/不足  
 ladder tīzi 梯子  
 ladle, dipper chángbǐngsháo  
 长柄勺  
 lady nǚshì 女士  
 lake hú 湖  
 lamb, mutton yangrou 羊肉  
 lamp deng 灯  
 land dì 地  
 land, to (plane) zhuólù 着陆  
 lane (alley) xiàng 巷  
 lane (of a highway) chedao  
 车道

language yǔyán 语言  
 Laos Lǎowo/Liǎoguó  
 老挝/寮国  
 Laotian (In general) Laowode/  
 Liǎoguóde 老挝的/寮国的  
 Laotian (people) Lǎowórén/  
 Liǎoguórén 老挝人/寮国人  
 large dà 大  
 last (endure) chíxù 持续  
 last (final) zuìhòu 最后  
 last night zuówǎn 昨晚

last week shàng xīngqī  
 上星期  
 last year qùnián 去年  
 late chídào 迟到  
 late at night shēnyè 深夜  
 later guò yíhuìr 过一会儿  
 laugh, to xiào 笑  
 laugh at, to qǔxiào 取笑  
 laws, legislation fǎlǜ 法律  
 lawyer lǚshī 律师  
 lay the table bǎi zhuōzi 摆桌子  
 layer céng 层  
 lazy lǎnduò 懒惰  
 lead (to be a leader) lǐngdǎo  
 领导  
 lead (tour guide) dǎoyóu 导游  
 leaded petrol hánqiān qìyóu  
 含铅汽油  
 leader lǐngdǎorén 领导人  
 leaf yèzi 叶子  
 leak, to lòushuǐ 漏水  
 learn, to xué/xuéxí 学/学习  
 least (smallest amount)  
 zuìshǎo 最少  
 least: at least zhìshǎo 至少  
 leather píge 皮革  
 leave (train/bus) kāiche 开车  
 leave, depart líkāi 离开  
 leave behind by accident laxià  
 拉下  
 leave behind for safekeeping  
 liúcún 留存  
 leave behind on purpose  
 liúxià 留下  
 lecture jiǎngzuò 讲座  
 lecturer (at university) jiǎngshī  
 讲师  
 left, remaining shèngxiàde  
 剩下的  
 left-hand side zuǒbian 左边  
 leg tuǐ 腿  
 legal héfǎ 合法  
 legend chuānshuō 传说  
 lemon, citrus níngméng 柠檬  
 lemongrass xiāngmáo 香茅  
 lend, to jiè 借  
 length cháng/chángdù  
 长/长度



less (smaller amount) gengshǎode 更少的  
 less, minus jiǎnqù 减去  
 lessen, reduce jiǎnshǎo 减少  
 lesson kè 课  
 let, allow ràng 让  
 let's (suggestion) ... ba ... 吧  
 let someone know, to gàosu 告诉  
 letter xìn 信  
 level (even, flat) píng 平  
 level (height) gāodù 高度  
 level (standard) biāozhǔn 标准  
 library túshūguǎn 图书馆  
 license (for driving) jiàoshǐ zhǐzhào 驾驶执照  
 license, permit zhǐzhào 执照  
 lick, to tiǎn 舔  
 lid gài 盖子  
 lie, tell a falsehood shuohuǎng/sahuǎng 说谎/撒谎  
 lie down, to tǎngxià 躺下  
 life shēnghuó/shēngmìng 生活/生命  
 lifetime yībèizi 一辈子  
 lift (ride in car) ràng mǎorén dāche 让某人搭车  
 lift, elevator diàntī 电梯  
 lift, raise tíqǐ 提起  
 light (bright) liàng 亮  
 light (lamp) dēng 灯  
 light (not heavy) qīng 轻  
 lighter dǎhuǒjī 打火机  
 lightning shǎndiàn 闪电  
 like, as hǎoxiàng 好象  
 like, be pleased by xǐhuan 喜欢  
 likewise tóngyàngde 同样的  
 lime, citrus suānjú 酸桔  
 line (mark) jièxiàn 界线  
 line (queue) páiduì 排队  
 line up, to páichéng yíxiàn 排成一线  
 lips zuǐchún 嘴唇  
 liquor, alcohol jiǔ 酒  
 list míngdān/mùlù 名单/目录  
 listen, to tīng 听

literature wénxué 文学  
 little (not much) yídiǎnr 一点儿  
 little (small) xiǎo 小  
 live (be alive) huózhè/shēnghuó 活着/生活  
 live (stay in a place) zhù 住  
 liver gan 肝  
 load (yī che) huòwù (一车) 货物  
 load up, to zhuānghuò 装货  
 located, to be wèiyú 位于  
 lock suǒ 锁  
 lock, to suǒshàng 锁上  
 locked suǒzhù 锁住  
 lodge, small hotel xiǎo lǚguǎn/kèzhàn 小旅馆/客栈  
 lonely gūdu/jì mò 孤独/寂寞  
 long (size) cháng 长  
 long (time) jiǔ 久  
 look! nǐ kàn 你看  
 look, seem, appear kànshàngqù 看上去  
 look after kànguǎn 看管  
 look at, see kàn 看  
 look for zhǎo 找  
 look like xiàng 象  
 look out! zhùyì 注意  
 look up (find in book) chá 查  
 loose (not in packet) sǎnzhuāngde 散装的  
 loose (wobbly) sōngdòngde 松动的  
 lose, be defeated shū 输  
 lose, mislay diūshī 丢失  
 lose money, to shuóqián 输钱  
 lost (can't find way) mílù 迷路  
 lost (missing) shīzōng 失踪了  
 lost property shīwù zhāolǐngchù 失物招领处  
 lots of xǔduo 许多  
 lottery cǎipiàn 彩票  
 loud dàshēng 大声  
 love àiqíng 爱情  
 love, to ai 爱  
 lovely kě'ài 可爱



low dī 底  
 luck yùnqì 运气  
 lucky xìngyùnde 幸运的  
 luggage xíngli 行李  
 lunch, midday meal wǔfàn 午饭  
 lunch, to eat chī wǔfàn 吃午饭  
 lungs fèi 肺  
 luxurious háohuáde 豪华的  
 lychee lìzhī 荔枝

## M

Macau Àomén 澳门  
 machine, machinery jīxiè 机械  
 madam (term of address) furen/taitai 夫人/太太  
 magazine zázhì 杂志  
 mahjong májiàng 麻将  
 mail, post xìn 信  
 mail, to jì 寄  
 main, most important zhǔyào 主要  
 mainly zhūyāode 主要的  
 major (important) zhòngyāode 重要的  
 make, to zuò/zhìzào 做/制造  
 make love zuò'ài 做爱  
 make up, invent xugòu/bianzào 虚构/编造  
 Malaysia Mǎláixīyà 马来西亚  
 Malaysian (in general) Mǎláixīyàde 马来西亚的  
 Malaysian (people) Mǎláixīyàrén 马来西亚人  
 male nánxìng 男性  
 man nánrén 男人  
 manage, succeed guǎnlǐ 管理  
 manager jīnglǐ 经理  
 Mandarin (language) Pǔtōnghuà/Guóyǔ 普通话/国语  
 mango mángguǒ 芒果  
 manners lǐmào 礼貌  
 manufacture, to zhìzào 制造  
 many, much hěnduō 很多

map dìtú 地图  
 March Sānyuè 三月  
 market shìchǎng 市场  
 married yǐhūn 已婚  
 marry, get married jiéhūn 结婚  
 mask miànjù 面具  
 massage, to ànmó 按摩  
 mat dīxī/xiǎodiànzi 地席/小垫子  
 match, game bǐsai 比赛  
 matches huǒchái 火柴  
 material, ingredient cáiliào 材料  
 matter, issue shìqing 事情  
 mattress chuāngdiàn 床垫  
 May Wúyuè 五月  
 may kěnéng 可能  
 maybe yěxǔ 也许  
 meal cān 餐  
 mean (cruel) kēbóde 刻薄的  
 mean, to (intend) yòngyì 用意  
 mean, to (word) biāoshì ... yìsi 表示 ... 意思  
 meaning yìsi 意思  
 meanwhile tóngshí 同时  
 measure, to liang 量  
 measure up fúhé biāozhǔn 符合标准  
 measurements chíchùn/dàxiǎo 尺寸/大小  
 meat ròu 肉  
 meatball ròuwan 肉丸  
 medical yīliáo 医疗  
 medicine yào 药  
 meet, to jiànmiàn 见面  
 meeting huìyì 会议  
 melon guā 瓜  
 member chéngyuán 成员  
 memories huìyì 回忆  
 mend, to xiūbǔ 修补  
 menstruate, to lái yuèjīng 来月经  
 mention, to tídao 提到  
 menu càidān 菜单  
 merely jǐnjǐn 仅仅  
 mess, in a luàn-qī ba-zao 乱七八糟

message liuyan/biàntiáo

留言 / 便条

metal jīnshǔ 金属

method fāngfǎ 方法

meter (yī) mǐ/gōngchǐ

(一) 米 / 公尺

meter (in taxi) jìchéngqì 计程器

midday zhōngwǔ 中午

middle, center zhōngjiān 中间

middle: be in the middle of

doing something

dāngzhōng 当中

midnight wǔyè 午夜

mild (not cold) wēnnuǎnde

温暖的

mild (not severe) wēnróude

温柔的

mild (not spicy) wèidānde

味淡的

milk niúniǎi 牛奶

millimeter háomǐ 毫米

million bǎiwàn 百万

mind, brain nǎozǐ 脑子

mind, to be displeased jièyì

介意

mineral water kuàngquánshuǐ

矿泉水

mini weixíngde 微型的

minor (not important) cìyào de

次要的

minus jiǎn 减

minute fēn (zhōng) 分 (钟)

mirror jìngzi 镜子

misfortune búxìng 不幸

Miss xiǎojiě 小姐

miss, to (bus, flight) méi

gǎnshàng 没赶上

miss, to (loved one) xiǎngniàn

想念

missing (absent) quediàode

缺少的

missing (lost person) shìzōngle

失踪了

mist bówù 薄雾

mistake cuòwù 错误

mistaken nòngcuo/wùjiě

弄错 / 误解

misunderstanding wùhuì 误会

mix, to hùnhé 混合

mixed hùnhéde 混合的

mobile phone shǒutī/yídong

dianhua 手提 / 移动电话

modern xiàndàide 现代的

modest, ample qiānxū/

pǔshíde 谦虚 / 朴实的

moment (in a moment)

děng yíxià 等一下

moment (instant) piānke 片刻

Monday Xīngqīyī/Lībàiyī

星期一 / 礼拜一

money qián 钱

monitor (of computer)

xiānshìqì 显示器

monkey hóuzi 猴子

month yuè 月

monument jìniànbēi 纪念碑

moon yuèliang 月亮

more (comparative)

duo yídiǎnr 多一点儿

more of (things) gèngduode

更多的

more or less huò duo huò

shǎo 或多或少

moreover érqǐě 而且

morning zǎoshang 早上

mosque Qīngzhēnsì 清真寺

mosquito wénzi 蚊子

most (superlative) zuì 最

most (the most of) zuìduo 最多

mostly dà bùfēn 大部分

moth é 蛾

mother mama/mǔqīn

妈妈 / 母亲

mother-in-law (husband's mother)

pòpo 婆婆

mother-in-law (wife's mother)

yuèmǔ 岳母

motor, engine fādòngjī 发动机

motor vehicle qìche 汽车

motorcycle mótuōche 摩托车

mountain shān 山

mouse (animal) xiǎolǎoshǔ

小老鼠

mouse (computer) shǔbiāo

鼠标

moustache xiǎohúzi 小胡子

# mouth

## M

mouth zuǐ 嘴  
 move, to (house) banjia 搬家  
 move from one place to another ban 搬  
 movement, motion dòngzuò/  
 xíngdòng 动作 / 行动  
 movie diànyǐng 电影  
 movie house diànyǐngyuàn  
 电影院  
 Mr xiānshēng 先生  
 Mrs làitai 太太  
 MSG wèijīng 味精  
 much, many duo 多  
 mud ní 泥  
 muscle jīròu 肌肉  
 music yīnyuè 音乐  
 musical instrument yuèqì 乐器  
 museum bówùguǎn 博物馆  
 mushrooms mógu 蘑菇  
 Muslim Qīngzhēn/Mùsílín/  
 Huíjiào 清真 / 穆斯林 / 回教  
 must bìxū 必须  
 mutton yáng ròu 羊肉  
 my, mine wǒ de 我的  
 myth shénhuà 神话

## N

nail (finger, toe) zhǐjiǎ 指甲  
 nail (spike) dīngzi 钉子  
 naked luǒtǐde 裸体的  
 name míngzi/xìngmíng  
 名字 / 姓名  
 narrow xiázhǎi 狭窄  
 nation, country guójia 国家  
 national mínzúde 民族的  
 nationality guójí 国籍  
 natural zìránde 自然的  
 nature zìránjiè 自然界  
 naughty wǎnpíde 顽皮的  
 nearby fùjìn 附近  
 nearly jīhū 几乎  
 neat, orderly zhěngjìde  
 整洁的  
 necessary bìxū 必需  
 neck bózi 脖子  
 necklace xiàngliàn 项链

necktie lǐngdài 领带  
 need xūyào 需要  
 need, to bìxū 必需  
 needle zhēn 针  
 neighbor línjū 邻居  
 neither liǎngzhě dou bu  
 两者都不  
 neither ... nor jì bù ... yòu bù  
 既不... 又不  
 nephew (paternal) zhí'ér/zhízi  
 侄儿 / 侄子  
 nephew (maternal) wàishēng  
 外甥  
 nest niǎocháo 鸟巢  
 net wǎng 网  
 network guānxìwǎng/wǎngluò  
 关系网 / 网络  
 never cónglái méiyǒu  
 从来没有  
 never mind! méiguānxi  
 没关系  
 nevertheless rán'ér 然而  
 new xīn 新  
 New Zealand Xīnxīlán  
 新西兰  
 New Zealander Xīnxīlánrén  
 新西兰人  
 news xīnwén 新闻  
 newspaper bào 报  
 next (in line, sequence)  
 xià yī ge 下一个  
 next to pángbian 旁边  
 next week xiàxīngqī  
 下星期  
 next year míngnián 明年  
 nice hǎo 好  
 niece (paternal) zhínǚ 侄女  
 niece (maternal) wàishēngnǚ  
 外甥女  
 night yè 夜  
 nightclothes, nightdress  
 shuōyī 睡衣  
 nightly měi yè de 每夜的  
 nine jiǔ 九  
 nineteen shíjiǔ 十九  
 ninety jiǔshí 九十  
 no, not (with nouns) méiyǒu  
 没有

no, not (with verbs and adjectives) búshì 不是  
 nobody xiǎorénwù 小人物  
 noise cáozáshēng/zaoyīn 嘈杂声 / 噪音  
 noisy cáozáde 嘈杂的  
 nonsense fèihuà 废话  
 noodles miàntiáo 面条  
 noon zhongwǔ 中午  
 nor yěbù 也不  
 normal, normally zhèngchángde/tōngcháng 正常地 / 通常  
 north běibian 北边  
 north-east dongběi 东北  
 north-west xīběi 西北  
 nose bízi 鼻子  
 nostril bīkǒng 鼻孔  
 not bù 不  
 not able to understand (by hearing) tīngbudǒng 听不懂  
 not able to understand (by reading) kànbudǒng 看不懂  
 not only ... but also búdan ... érqiě 不但... 而且  
 not yet hái méi 还没  
 note (currency) chaopiào 钞票  
 note (written) biàntiáo 便条  
 note down, to jìxiáilai 记下来  
 notebook bǐjìběn 笔记本  
 nothing méiyǒu shénme 没有什么  
 notice tōngzhī 通知  
 notice, to zhùyì 注意  
 novel xiǎoshuō 小说  
 November Shíyīyuè 十一月  
 now xiànzài 现在  
 nowadays dāngjīn 当今  
 nowhere nǎr dōu bù zài 哪儿都不在  
 nude luǒtǐde 裸体的  
 numb mánmùde 麻木的  
 number hàomǎ 号码  
 nurse hùshi 护士  
 nylon nílong 尼龙

## O

o'clock diǎn (zhong) (点) 钟  
 obedient fúcongde 服从的  
 obey, to fúcong 服从  
 object, to protest fǎnduì 反对  
 object, thing dongxi 东西  
 occasionally ōuránde 偶然地  
 occupation zhíyè 职业  
 ocean hǎiyáng 海洋  
 October Shíyuè 十月  
 odor, bad smell chòuqì 臭气  
 of, from shuǐyú ... de 属于... 的  
 of course dāngrán 当然  
 off (gone bad) huai le 坏了  
 off (turned off) guan le 关了  
 off: to turn something off guānshàng 关上  
 offend dézuì/chùfán 得罪 / 触犯  
 offer, suggest jiànyì 建议  
 offer (supply) tígōng 提供  
 office bàn'gōngshì 办公室  
 official, formal zhèngshìde 正式的  
 officials (government) guānyuán 官员  
 often jīngcháng 经常  
 oil yóu 油  
 okay xíng 行  
 old (of persons) lǎo 老  
 old (of things) jiù 旧  
 olden times, in gǔ shíhòu 古时候  
 Olympics Àolínpǐkè Yùndònghuì/Aoyùnhuì 奥林匹克运动会 / 奥运会  
 on (of dates) zài/yú 在 / 于  
 on (turned on) kāi le 开了  
 on, at zài ... shàng 在... 上  
 on: to turn something on kāi 开  
 on fire zháohuǒ 着火  
 on foot zǒulù 走路

## on the way

on the way kuài dào le 快到了

on the whole zhěngtǐ lái kàn

整体来看

on time zhǔnshí 准时

once yī cì 一次

one yī 一

one-way ticket dānchéngpiào

单程票

one who, the one which ...

yang de rén? ... 样的人?

onion yángcōng 洋葱

only zhǐyǒu 只有

open kāi 开

open, to dǎkāi 打开

operating system (computer)

caozuò xìtǒng 操作系统

opinion yìjiàn 意见

opponent duìshǒu 对手

opportunity jīhuì 机会

oppose, to fǎndù 反对

opposed, in opposition duìlìde

对立的

opposite (contrary) xiāngfǎn

相反

opposite (facing) duìmiàn

对面

optional fēiqiángzhìde

非强制的

or huòzhě 或者

orange, citrus júzi 桔子

orange (color) chéngsè 橙色

order (command) mìnglìng

命令

order (placed for food) diǎncài

点菜

order (placed for goods)

dīnggòu 订购

order, sequence cìxù 次序

order, to command mìnglìng

命令

order something, to yùdìng/

xià dīngdān 预订 / 下订单

orderly, organized

yǒu zhìxùde 有秩序地

organize, arrange ānpái

安排

origin qǐyuán 起源

original zuìchūde 最初的

originate, come from

láiyuán (yú) lái yuán (yú)

ornament zhuangshìpǐn

装饰品

other biéde/qíta 别的 / 其他

other (alternative) lìngwài

另外

ought to yīnggāi 应该

our (excludes the one

addressed) wǒmen 我们

our (includes the one

addressed) zánmen 咱们

out zài ... wài 在 ... 外

outside wàimiàn 外面

outside of zài ... wàimiàn

在 ... 外面

oval (shape) tuōyuánxíngde

椭圆形的

oven kǎolú 烤炉

over, finished wánle 完了

over: to turn over fān'guòlái

翻过来

over there nàbian 那边

overcast, cloudy yīntian 阴天

overcome, to kèfú 克服

overseas hǎiwài 海外

overturned dǎfān 打翻

owe, to qiàn 欠

own, on one's dúlìde

独立的

own, personal zìjǐde

自己的

own, to yōngyǒu 拥有

oyster háo 蚝

## P

pack, to hāozhuāng/shòushí

包装 / 收拾

package bāoguǒ 包裹

page yè 页

paid yǐ fùkuǎn 已付款

pain, painful tòng 痛

paint yóuqī 油漆

paint, to (a painting) huàhuàr

画画儿

paint, to (house) yóuqī 油漆

painting huàr/huàhuà

画儿 / 绘画

pair of, a yī shuāng 一双

pajamas shuānyī 睡衣

palace gōngdiàn 宫殿

pan guō 锅

panorama quánjǐng 全景

panties jǐnshēn duǎnchènku

紧身短衬裤

pants kùzi 裤子

paper zhǐ 纸

parcel baoguǒ 包裹

pardon me? what did you say?

shénme? 什么?

parents fùmǔ 父母

park gōngyuán 公园

park, to (car) tíngchē 停车

part (not whole) bùfēn 部分

part (of machine) língjiàn

零件

participate, to cānjiā 参加

particularly, especially

youqíshì 尤其是

partly bùfēn 部分

partner (in business) héhuǒrén

合伙人

partner (spouse) hanli/huǒban

伴侣 / 伙伴

party (event) jùhuì 聚会

party (political) zhèngdǎng

政党

pass, go past jīngguò 经过

pass, to (exam) jìgé 及格

passenger chéngkè 乘客

passport hùzhào 护照

past, former guòqùde 过去的

past: go past yuèguò 越过

pastime xiǎoqián 消遣

patient (calm) nàixīn 耐心

patient (doctor's) bìngrén

病人

pattern, design shìyàng 式样

patterned fǎngzàode 仿造的

pay, to fùqián 付钱

pay attention liúyì/zhùyì

留意 / 注意

payment zhīfù 支付

peace héping 和平

peaceful hépingde 和平的

peach taozi 桃子

peak, summit shāndǐng/

dǐngfēng 山顶 / 顶峰

peanut huāshēngmǐ 花生米

pear lí 梨

pearl zhēnzhū 珍珠

peas wāndou 豌豆

peel, to bāopí 剥皮

pen gāngbǐ 钢笔

pencil qiānbǐ 铅笔

penis yīnjīng 阴茎

people rén 人

pepper (black) hei hújiāo

黑胡椒

pepper (chilli) làjiāo 辣椒

percent bǎifēn zhī ...

百分之 ...

percentage bǎifēnbǐ 百分比

performance yǎnchū 演出

perfume xiāngshuǐ 香水

perhaps yěxǔ 也许

perhaps, probably kěnéng

可能

period (end of a sentence)

jùhào 句号

period (menstrual) yuèjīngqī

月经期

period (of time) shíqī 时期

permanent yǒngjiǔde 永久的

permit xǔkězhèng 许可证

permit, to allow

yǔnxǔ/zhǔnxǔ 允许 / 准许

person rén 人

personality xìnggé 性格

perspire, to chūhàn 出汗

pet animal chōngwù 宠物

petrol qìyóu 汽油

petrol station jiāyóuzhàn

加油站

pharmacy, drugstore yàodiàn

药店

Philippines Feilǚbīn 菲律宾

photocopy fùyìnjiàn 复印件

photocopy, to fùyìn 复印

photograph zhàopiàn 照片

photograph, to zhàoxiàng

照相



pick, choose

pick, choose tiaoxuǎn 挑选  
 pick up, to (someone) jiē 接  
 pick up, lift (something) jiǎnqǐ 捡起  
 pickpocket pǎshǒu/xiǎotou 扒手/小偷  
 pickpocket, to tōu qiánbao 偷钱包  
 picture huàr 画儿  
 piece, item jiàn/kuài 件/块  
 piece, portion, section suǐpiàn 碎片  
 pierce, penetrate cìchuan 刺穿  
 pig zhū 猪  
 pills yàowǎn/yàopiàn 药丸/药片  
 pillow zhěntou 枕头  
 pin dàtouzhen 大头针  
 pineapple bōluó 菠萝  
 pink fěnhóngsè 粉红色  
 pitcher, jug dàshuǐguan 大水罐  
 pity kělián 可怜  
 pity: what a pity! kěxī 可惜  
 place dìfang 地方  
 place, put fàng 放  
 plain (level ground) píngyuán 平原  
 plain (not fancy) pǎsù 朴素  
 plan jìhuà 计划  
 plan, to dǎsuan 打算  
 plane fēijī 飞机  
 plant zhíwù 植物  
 plant, to zhòng 种  
 plastic sùliào 塑料  
 plate pánzi 盘子  
 play, to wánr 玩儿  
 play around zhuānqíu xiǎngshòu 追求享受  
 plead, to biànhù/kěngqiú 辩护/恳求  
 pleasant líng rén yúkuàide 令人愉快的  
 please go ahead, please request for help qǐng 请  
 pleased gāoxìng/mǎnyì 高兴/满意

plug (bath) saizi 塞子  
 plug (electric) chatóu 插头  
 plum lízi 李子  
 plus jiashang 加上  
 pocket kǒudai 口袋  
 point (in time) shíkè 时刻  
 point, dot jiānduan 尖端  
 point out zhǐchū 指出  
 poison duyào 毒药  
 poisonous youdùde 有毒的  
 police gōng'anjú/jǐngchájú 公安局/警察局  
 police officer jǐngchá 警察  
 polish, to caliàng 擦亮  
 politics zhèngzhì 政治  
 polite yǒulǐmào 有礼貌  
 poor (not rich) qióng 穷  
 popular liúxíng 流行  
 population rénkou 人口  
 pork zhūròu 猪肉  
 port hǎigǎng 海港  
 portion, serve yī fèn 一份  
 possess, to zhānyǒu 占有  
 possessions suǒyǒu 所有  
 possible kěnéng 可能  
 possibly kěnéngde 可能的  
 post, column zhù 柱  
 post, mail jì 寄  
 post office yóujú 邮局  
 postcard míngxìnpiàn 明信片  
 postpone, to yǎnqī 延期  
 postponed, delayed tuīchí 推迟  
 pot hú 壶  
 poultry jiāqín 家禽  
 pour, to dào 倒  
 power lìliang 力量  
 powerful qiángdàde 强大的  
 practice, to practice liànxí 练习  
 praise zànyáng 赞扬  
 praise, to biāoyáng 表扬  
 prawn xià 虾  
 prayer, to pray qídǎo 祈祷  
 prefer, to xǐ'ài 喜爱  
 pregnant huáiyùn 怀孕  
 prepare, make ready zhǔnbèi 准备



prepared, ready zhǔnbèihǎole

准备好了

prescription yàofang 药方

present (here) xiànzài 现在

present (gift) lǐwù 礼物

present, to jiǎngyǎn 讲演

presently, nowadays xiànzài

现在

present moment, at the

mùqiánde 目前的

president zǒngtǒng 总统

press, journalism xīnwénjiè

新闻界

press, to ya 压

pressure yālì 压力

pretend, to jiǎzhuang 假装

pretty (of places, things)

měilì/měihǎo 美丽 / 美好

pretty (of women)

qiào/piàoliang 俏 / 漂亮

pretty, very xiǎngdāng 相当

prevent, to zǔzhǐ 阻止

price jiàqián 价钱

pride zìhào/jiāo'ào

自豪 / 骄傲

priest shénfù/mùshī

神父 / 牧师

prime minister zǒnglǐ 总理

print, to (from computer)

dǎyìn 打印

prison jiānyù 监狱

private sīrénde 私人的

probably dàgài 大概

problem wèntí 问题

produce, to shēngchǎn 生产

profession zhíyè 职业

profit lìrùn 利润

program, schedule jiémù 节目

promise, to dāyìng 答应

pronounce, to fāyīn 发音

proof zhèngjù 证据

property cáichǎn 财产

protest, to kàngyì 抗议

proud jiāo'ào 骄傲

prove, to zhèngmíng 证明

public gōnggòng 公共

publish, to chūbǎn 出版

pull, to lā 拉

pump bèng 泵

punctual zhūnshí 准时

pupil xuéshēng 学生

pure chúnde 纯的

purple zǐsè 紫色

purpose mùdì 目的

purse (for money) qiánbao

钱包

pursue zhuīqiú 追求

push, to tuī 推

put, place fàng 放

put off, delay tuīchí 推迟

put on (clothes) chuān 穿

puzzled shòu míhuò 受迷惑

pyjamas shuǐyī 睡衣

## Q

qualification zīgé 资格

quarter sìfēnzhīyī 四分之一

queen nǚwáng 女王

question wèntí 问题

queue, to line up páiduì 排队

quick kuài 快

quickly hěnkuàide 很快地

quiet ānjìng 安静

quite (fairly) xiāngdāng 相当

quite (very) díquè 的确

## R

radio shōuyīnjī 收音机

rail: by rail zuò huǒche

坐火车

railroad, railway tiělù 铁路

rain yǔ 雨

rain, to xiàyǔ 下雨

raise, lift tígāo 提高

raise, to (children) fūyǎng

抚养

RAM (computer) nèicún 内存

rank, station in life dìwèi 地位

ranking jíbié 级别

rare (scarce) xīyǒude 稀有的

rare (uncooked) bànshúde

半熟的

rarely, seldom nándé/dǒu'ěr

难得 / 偶尔

rat hàozi/lǎoshǔ 耗子 / 老鼠

rate, tariff jiàgé 价格

rate of exchange duìhuànlǜ

兑换率

rather, fairly bǐjiào 比较

rather than níngkě 宁可

raw, uncooked, rare shēngde

生的

reach, get to dá dào 达到

react to qǐ fǎnyìng 起反应

reaction, response fǎnyìng

反应

read, to kànshū 看书

ready zhǔnbèihǎole 准备好了

ready, to get zhǔnbèi 准备

ready, to make zhǔnbèihǎo

准备好

realize, be aware of yìshí dào

意识到

really (in fact) shíjì 实际

really (very) fēicháng 非常

really? zhēnde ma? 真的吗?

rear, tail hòumiàn 后面

reason yuányīn/qínglǐ

原因 / 情理

reasonable (price) gōngdào

公道

reasonable (sensible)

héqíng hélǐde 合情合理的

receipt shōujù 收据

receive, to shōudào 收到

recipe shípǔ 食谱

recognize, to rèn de 认得

recommend, to tuījiàn 推荐

recover (cured) kāngfù 康复

rectangle chángfāngxíng

长方形

red hóngsè 红色

reduce, to jiàngjià 降价

reduction jiǎnshǎo 减少

reflect, to fǎnyìng 反映

refrigerator bīngxiāng 冰箱

refusal, to refuse jùjué 拒绝

regarding yǒuguān 有关

region dìqū 地区

register, to guàhào 挂号

registered post guàhào xìn

挂号信

regret, to yīhàn 遗憾

regrettably líng rén yíhàn de

令人遗憾的

regular, normal dīngqī 定期

relatives, family qīnqī 亲戚

relax, to fāngsōng 放松

release, to shìfàng 释放

religion zōngjiào 宗教

remainder, leftover shèngxià de

剩下的

remains (historical) gǔjì 古迹

remember, to jì de 记得

remind, to tíxǐng 提醒

rent, to zū 租

repair, to xiūlǐ 修理

repeat, to chóngfù 重复

replace, to dài tì 代替

reply, response dá fù 答复

reply, to (in speech) huídá 回答

reply, to (in writing) fùxìn/dá fù

复信 / 答复

report bàogào 报告

report, to huìbào 汇报

reporter jìzhě 记者

request, to (formally) yāoqiú

要求

request, to (informally) qǐngqiú

请求

rescue, to qiǎngjiù 抢救

research yánjiū 研究

research, to diàochá/yánjiū

调查 / 研究

resemble xiāngxiàng 相像

reservation bǎoliú 保留

reserve (for animals) bǎoliú dì

保留的

reserve, to (ask for in advance)

yǔdìng 预订

resident, inhabitant jūmín 居民

resolve, to (a problem) jiějué

解决

respect zūnzhòng 尊重

respect, to zūnjìng 尊敬

respond, react fǎnyìng 反应

response, reaction dá fù 答复

responsibility zérèn 责任

responsible, to be fuzé 负责  
rest, remainder shèngyúde

剩余的

rest, to relax xiūxi 休息  
restaurant fǎnguǎn 饭馆  
restrain, to yìzhì 抑制  
restroom xǐshǒujiān 洗手间  
result jiéguǒ/xiàoguǒ  
结果 / 效果  
resulting from, as a result  
jiéguǒ 结果  
resume huīfú 恢复  
retired tuìxiū 退休  
return, go back huíqu 回去  
return, give back guīhuán 归还  
return home, to huíjiā 回家  
return ticket láihuípiào 来回票  
reveal, to (make known) jiēshì

揭示

reveal, to (make visible)  
zhǎnxiàn 展现  
reverse, to back up shǐ dǎotuí  
使倒退  
reversed, backwards  
fǎnxiàngde 反向的  
ribbon sīdài 丝带  
rice (cooked) mǐfàn 米饭  
rice (plant) dàozi 稻子  
rice (uncooked grains) dàomǐ  
大米

rice fields daotián 稻田  
rich fùyùde 富裕的  
rid: get rid of jiěchu/bǎituō  
解除 / 摆脱  
ride (in car) zuòchē 坐车  
ride, to (bicycle) qí zìxíngchē  
骑自行车  
ride, to (horse) qí mǎ 骑马  
ride, to (motorcycle) qí  
mōtuōchē 骑摩托车  
ride, to (transport) chéngchē

乘车

right, correct zhèngquè 正确  
right-hand side yòubian 右边  
right now lìkè/mǎshàng  
立刻 / 马上  
rights quánlì 权利  
ring (jewelry) jièzhǐ 戒指

ring, to (bell) ānlíng 按铃  
ring, to (on the telephone)  
dǎ diànhuà 打电话  
rip open, to sīkai 撕开  
ripe shúde/shòude 熟的  
rise, ascend shàngshēng 上升  
rise, increase zēngjiā 增加  
rival duìshǒu 对手  
river hé 河  
road lù 路  
roast, grill kǎo 烤  
roasted, grilled, toasted  
hōngkǎo 烘烤  
rock shítóu 石头  
role juésè 角色  
roof wūdǐng 屋顶  
room (in hotel) fāngjiān 房间  
room (in house) wū 屋  
room, space kōngjiān 空间  
root (of plant) gēn 根  
rope shéngzi 绳子  
rotten fǔlǎnde 腐烂的  
rough (not gentle) cūlǚde  
粗鲁的  
roughly, approximately cūlǚde  
粗略的  
round (shape) yuánxíngde  
圆形的  
round, around huánrǎo 环绕  
rubber (eraser) xiāngpíca  
橡皮擦  
rubber (material) xiàngjiāo  
橡胶  
rude wúlǐde 无礼的  
rules guījù 规矩  
run, to pǎo 跑  
run away tàopǎo 逃跑

## S

sacred shèngshèngde 神圣的  
sacrifice jìpǐn 祭品  
sacrifice, to xīshēng 牺牲  
sad nánguò 难过  
safe ānquán 安全  
sail, to hángxíng/kaichuán  
航行 / 开船

salary gongzi 工资  
 sale (reduced prices) dà  
 jiānmài 大减卖  
 sale, for chūshòu 出售  
 sales assistant shòuhuòyuán

售货员

salt yán 盐  
 salty xián 咸  
 same yīyàng 一样  
 sample yàngběn 样本  
 sand shāzi 沙子  
 sandals liángxié 凉鞋  
 satisfied mǎnyǐde 满意的  
 satisfy, to mǎnzú 满足  
 Saturday Xīngqīliù/Lìbàiliù

星期六

sauce tiáowèizhī 调味汁  
 sauce (chilli) làjiāojiàng

辣椒酱

save, keep cún 存  
 say, to shuō 说  
 say hello dài wènzhāo 代问好  
 say goodbye dào bié 道别  
 say sorry dàoqiàn 道歉  
 say thank you dào xiè 道谢  
 scales chéng/tiānpíng

秤 / 天平

scarce bùzúde, quēfáde

不足的 / 缺乏的

scared hàipà 害怕  
 scenery zìrán fēngjǐng

自然风景

schedule shíkèbiǎo/  
 rìchéngbiǎo 时刻表 / 日程表

school xuéxiào 学校

schoolchild zhōng/  
 xiǎoxuéshēng 中 / 小学生

science kēxué 科学

scissors jiǎndāo 剪刀

Scotland Sūgélán 苏格兰

Scottish (in general) Sūgélánde

苏格兰的

Scottish, Scots Sūgélánrén

苏格兰人

screen (of computer) píngmù

屏幕

screwdriver qǐzi/lúosīdāo

起子 / 螺丝刀

scrub, to cǎixǐ 擦洗  
 sculpture, to sculpts diāosù

雕塑

sea hǎi 海

seafood hǎixiān 海鲜

search for, to xúnzhǎo 寻找

season jìjié 季节

seat zuòwei 座位

second (in sequence) dì'èr

第二

second (instant) miǎo 秒

secret mìmì 秘密

secret, to keep a bǎomì 保密

secretary mìshū 秘书

secure, safe ānquán 安全

see, to kànjiàn 看见

seed zhǒngzi 种子

seek, to zhǎo/zhuīqiú

找 / 追求

seem, to sìhū 似乎

see you later! huítóu jiàn

回头见

seldom hěnsǎo 很少

select, to tiāoxuǎn 挑选

self zìjǐ 自己

self-respect/self-esteem zìzūn

自尊

sell, to mài 卖

send, to sòng 送

sensible héqínglǐde/míngzhì

合情理的 / 明智

sentence jùzi 句子

separate fēnlíde 分离的

separate, to fēnkāi 分开

September Jiǔyuè 九月

sequence, order cìxù 次序

serious (not funny) yánsù 严肃

serious (severe) yánzhòng

严重

servant yòngérén 佣人

serve, to wéi ... fúwù

为... 服务

service fúwù 服务

sesame oil máyóu 麻油

sesame seeds zhīmá 芝麻

set tào 套

seven qī 七

seventeen shíqī 十七

seventy qīshí 七十  
 several jǐ 几  
 severe yánlì 严厉  
 sew, to féng 缝  
 sex, gender xìngbié 性别  
 sex, sexual activity xìng  
 xíngwéi 性行为  
 shack péngliáo 棚寮  
 shade yīnliángchù 阴凉处  
 shadow yǐngzi 影子  
 shadow play píyǐngxì 皮影戏  
 shake, to yáo 摇  
 shake something, to yáohuǎng  
 摇晃  
 shall, will jiāngyào 将要  
 shallow qiǎn 浅  
 shame, disgrace xiūchǐ 羞耻  
 shame: what a shame! zhen  
 diūlián! 真丢脸  
 shampoo xífàjì 洗发剂  
 Shanghai Shànghǎi 上海  
 shape xíngzhuàng 形状  
 shape, to form xíngchéng  
 形成  
 shark sháyú 鲨鱼  
 sharp jiǎnrù 尖锐  
 shave, to guā húzi 刮胡子  
 she, her tā 她  
 sheet (for bed) chuángdān  
 床单  
 sheet (of paper) zhǐzhāng  
 纸张  
 sheep yáng 羊  
 Shinto Shéndào 神道  
 shiny fāliàng 发亮  
 ship chuán 船  
 shirt chènshān 衬衫  
 shit shǐ 屎  
 shiver, to fādǒu 发抖  
 shoes xié 鞋  
 shoot, to (with a gun) kāiqiāng  
 开枪  
 shop, go shopping gòuwù/  
 mǎi dōngxi 购物 / 买东西  
 shop, store shāngdiàn 商店  
 shopkeeper diànzǔ 店主  
 short (concise) duǎn 短  
 short (not tall) āi 矮

short time, a moment duǎnzàn  
 短暂  
 shorts (short trousers) duǎnkù  
 短裤  
 shorts (underpants)  
 duǎnnèikù/hànkù  
 短内裤 / 汗裤  
 shoulder jiānbāng 肩膀  
 shout, to hūhān 呼喊  
 show (live performance)  
 biǎoyǎn 表演  
 show, to gěi ... kàn 给 ... 看  
 shower (for washing) línǚ  
 淋浴  
 shower (of rain) zhēnyǔ 阵雨  
 shower, to take a xǐ ge línǚ  
 洗个淋浴  
 shrimp, prawn xiǎoxiá 小虾  
 shut guānbì 关闭  
 shut, to guānshàng 关上  
 sibling xiōngdìjiěmèi  
 兄弟姐妹  
 sick, ill bìng 病了  
 sick to be (vomit) ōutù 呕吐  
 side pāngbian 旁边  
 sightseeing guān'guāng 观光  
 sign, road lùbiao 路标  
 sign, symbol biāoji 标记  
 sign, to qiānmíng 签名  
 signature qiānmíng 签名  
 signboard zhāopái 招牌  
 silent chénmòde 沉默的  
 silk sīchóu 丝绸  
 silver yín 银  
 similar xiàngsìde 相似的  
 simple (easy) róngyì 容易  
 simple (uncomplicated)  
 jiǎndān 简单  
 since zìcóng 自从  
 sing, to chàngge 唱歌  
 Singapore Xīnjiāpō 新加坡  
 Singaporean (in general)  
 Xīnjiāpōde 新加坡的  
 Singaporean (people)  
 Xīnjiāpōrén 新加坡人  
 single (not married) dānshēn  
 单身  
 single (only one) dānyī 单一

## sir (term of address)

sir (term of address) xiānsheng

先生

sister (older) jījīe 姐姐

sister (younger) mèimei 妹妹

sister-in-law (wife of husband's  
older brother) sāozǐ 嫂子sister-in-law (wife of husband's  
younger brother) dìxí/dìmèi

弟媳 / 弟妹

sister-in-law (wife of one's  
older/younger brother) jiùsǎo

舅嫂

sister-in-law (wife's older sister)  
yījīe 姨姐

sister-in-law (wife's sister) yízi

姨子

sister-in-law (wife's younger  
sister) yímèi 姨妹

sit down, to zuòxiá lái 坐下来

situated, to be wèiyú 位于

situation, how things are

qíngkuàng 情况

six liù 六

sixteen shíliù 十六

sixty liùshí 六十

size dàxiǎo 大小

skewer chuànrouqian 串肉扦

skillful shúliànde 熟练的

skin pífū 皮肤

skirt qúnzi 裙子

sky tiānkong 天空

sleep, to shuìjiào 睡觉

sleepy kùn 困

slender miáotiáode 苗条的

slight shǎoxǔ/xiewèi

少许 / 些微

slightly shaowèi 稍微

slim xìchángde 细长的

slippers tuōxié 拖鞋

slope shānpō 山坡

slow màn 慢

slowly mànmande 慢慢的

small xiǎo 小

smart cōngmíng 聪明

smell, bad odor chòuwèi

臭味

smell, to wén 闻

smile, to xiào 笑

smoke yān 烟

smoke, to (tobacco) chōuyan

抽烟

smooth (of surfaces)

píngguáde 平滑的

smooth (unproblematic) shùnlì

顺利

smuggle, to (illegal goods)

zǒuzī 走私

snake shé 蛇

sneeze pēntì 喷嚏

sneeze, to dǎ pēntì 打喷嚏

snow xuě 雪

snow, to xiàxuě 下雪

snowpeas hélándòu 荷兰豆

so (degree) zhème/nàme

这么 / 那么

so, therefore suǒyǐ 所以

so that yǐzhì 以致

soak, to jìn/jìnpào 浸 / 浸泡

soap fēizào 肥皂

soccer zuqiú 足球

socket (electric) chazuò 插座

socks wàzi 袜子

sofa, couch shāfa 沙发

soft ruǎn 软

soft drink qìshuǐ 汽水

software (computer) ruǎnjiàn

软件

sold mǎidiao 卖掉

sold out mǎiwán 卖完

soldier shìhīng / 士兵

sole, only zhīshì/wéiyī

只是 / 唯一

solid gùtǐde 固体的

solve, to (a problem) jiějué

解决

some yīxiē/jǐge 一些 / 几个

somebody, someone yǒurén

有人

something shénme 什么

sometimes yǒushí 有时

somewhere shénme dìfang /

mǒuchù 什么地方 / 某处

son érzi 儿子

son-in-law nǚxù 女婿

song gē 歌

soon bùjiǔ 不久



sore, painful lǒng/suāntōng

痛 / 酸刺

sorrow bei'ai 悲哀

sorry, to feel regretful hòuhuǐ

后悔

sorry! dulbuqi/baoqian

对不起 / 抱歉

sort, type zhǒnglèi 种类

sort out, deal with jiějué 解决

sound, noise shēngyīn 声音

soup (clear) qīngtāng 清汤

soup (spicy stew)

tāng/chóutāng 汤 / 稠汤

sour suān 酸

source chūchù/láiyuán

出处 / 来源

south nánbian 南边

south-east dōngnán 东南

south-west xī'nán 西南

souvenir jìniànpǐn 纪念品

soy sauce (salty) xián

jiàngyóu 咸酱油

soy sauce (sweet) tián

jiàngyóu 甜酱油

space kōngjiān/dìfāng

空间 / 地方

spacious kuānchāng 宽敞

speak, to jiǎng/shuō 讲 / 说

special tèbié 特别

spectacles yǎnjìng 眼镜

speech jiǎnghuà 讲话

speech, to make a yǎnjiǎng

演讲

speed sùdù 速度

spell, to yòng zìmǔ pīnxiě

用字母拼写

spend, to huāqián 花钱

spices xiāngliào 香料

spicy jiā xiāngliào de

加香料的

spinach bōcài 菠菜

spine jǐliángǔ 脊梁竹

spiral luóxuánxíngde

螺旋形的

spirits, hard liquor lièjiǔ

烈酒

spoiled (of children)

chōnghuài de 宠坏的

spoiled (of food) biānwèide

变味的

spoon sháozi 勺子

sponge hǎimián 海绵

sports yùndòng 运动

spotted (pattern) yǒu

bandiǎnde 有斑点的

spray pēnwùqì 喷雾器

spring (metal part) tánhuáng

弹簧

spring (of water)

kuànguānshuǐ 矿泉水

spring (season) chūntiān 春天

spouse pèi'ǒu 配偶

square (shape) zhèngfāngxíng

正方形

square, town square

guǎngchǎng 广场

squid yóuyú 鱿鱼

staff gōngzuò rényuán

工作人员

stain wūdiǎn 污点

stairs lóutī 楼梯

stall (of vendor) tǎnzi 摊子

stall, to (car) xīhuǒ 熄火

stamp (ink) gài zhāng 盖章

stamp (postage) yóupiào 邮票

stand, to zhàn 站

stand up, to miànduì 面对

star xīngxīng 星星

start, beginning kāishǐ 开始

start, to (machine) qǐdòng

启动

stationery wénjù 文具

statue diàoxiàng 雕像

stay, remain liúxià 留下

stay overnight, to liúsuì/ɡuoyè

留宿 / 过夜

steal, to tóu 偷

steam zhēngqì 蒸汽

steamed zhēngde 蒸的

steel gāngtiě 钢铁

steer, to jiàshǐ 驾驶

step bù 步

steps, stairs táijiē 台阶

stick, pole gùn 棍

stick out, to tūchū 突出

stick to, to jiānchí 坚持



**S** sticky zhànxìngde 粘性的  
 sticky rice nuòmǐ 糯米  
 stiff yìngde 硬的  
 still, even now réngrán 仍然  
 still, quiet píngjìngde 平静的  
 stingy lǐnsè 吝啬  
 stink, to fāchòu 发臭  
 stomach, belly dùzi 肚子  
 stone shítou 石头  
 stool dèngzi 凳子  
 stop (bus, train) zhàn 站  
 stop, to cease tíng 停  
 stop, to halt tíngzhǐ 停止  
 stop by, to pay a visit shùnliù  
 bàifāng 顺路拜访  
 stop it! bié zài zhèyàng  
 别再这样  
 store, shop shangdiàn 商店  
 store, to chūzàng 储藏  
 storm fēngbào 风暴  
 story (of a building) céng/lóu  
 层/楼  
 story (tale) gùshi 故事  
 stout zhuàngshí 壮实  
 stove, cooker lúzi 炉子  
 straight (not crooked) zhíde  
 直的  
 straight ahead yízhí zǒu  
 一直走  
 strat hǎixiá 海峡  
 strange qíguài 奇怪  
 stranger mòshēngrén 陌生人  
 street jiē 街  
 strength lìliang 力量  
 strict yán'gē 严格  
 strike, hit dǎjī 打击  
 strike, to go on bàogōng 罢工  
 string shéngzi 绳子  
 striped yǒutiáowénde  
 有条纹的  
 strong qiángzhuàng 强壮  
 stubborn, determined  
 wángùde 顽固的  
 stuck, won't move xiànzhù  
 陷住  
 student xuéshēng 学生  
 study, learn xué/xuexí  
 学/学习

stupid bèn/chǔn 笨/蠢  
 style fēnggé 风格  
 succeed, to jìchéng/  
 chénggōng 继承/成功  
 success chénggōng 成功  
 such zhèyàng/rúci  
 这样/如此  
 such as, for example lìrú 例如  
 suck, to xī 吮  
 suddenly turán 突然  
 suffer, to shòu tòngkǔ 受痛苦  
 suffering tòngkǔ 痛苦  
 sugar táng 糖  
 sugarcane gānzhè 甘蔗  
 suggestion, to suggest jiànyì  
 建议  
 suit, business yī tào xīfú  
 一套西服  
 suitable, fitting héshìde  
 合适的  
 suitcase xiāngzi 箱子  
 summer xiàtiān 夏天  
 summit, peak shāndǐng 山顶  
 sun tàiyáng 太阳  
 Sunday Xīngqī'tiān/ rì,  
 Lǐbàit'ian/rì 星期天/日,  
 礼拜天/日  
 sunlight yángguāng 阳光  
 sunny qínglǎng 晴朗  
 sunscreen lotion fángshàiyou  
 防晒油  
 sunrise rìchu 日出  
 sunset rìluò 日落  
 supermarket chāoji  
 shìchǎng/chāoshì  
 超级市场/超市  
 suppose, to jiǎdìng 假定  
 sure kěndìng/quèdìng  
 肯定/确定  
 surf chōnglàng 冲浪  
 surfing on the Internet  
 shàngwǎng qù chōnglàng  
 上网去冲浪  
 surface biǎomiàn 表面  
 surface mail hǎi-lù yóuji  
 海陆邮寄  
 surname xìng 姓  
 surprised jīngqí 惊奇

surprising shǐ rén jīngqí de  
使人惊奇的

surroundings huánjìng 环境

survive, to huóxiáilái 活下来

suspect, to huáiyí 怀疑

suspicion yíxīn 疑心

swallow, to tūn 吞

sweat hàn yǎn 汗

sweat, to chūhàn 出汗

sweep, to sǎo 扫

sweet (taste) tián 甜

sweet, dessert tiānshí 甜食

sweet and sour tángcù/  
suāntián 糖醋/酸甜

sweetcorn yùmǐ 玉米

sweets, candy lǎngguo 糖果

swim, to yóuyǒng 游泳

swimming costume  
yóuyǒngyī 游泳衣

swimming pool yóuyǒngchǐ  
游泳池

swing, to yāobai 摇摆

switch kaiguān 开关

switch, to change zhuǎn 转

switch on, turn on kāi 开

synthetic héchéngde 合成的

system xìtǒng 系统

## T

table zhuōzi 桌子

tablecloth zhuōbù 桌布

tablemat diǎnzi 垫子

tablets yàopiàn 药片

tail wěiba 尾巴

take, to remove nǎizou 拿走

take care of, to zhāoguan  
照管

take off (clothes) tuō 脱

talk, to tánhuà 谈话

talk about tánlùn 谈论

tall gāo 高

tame xúnfúde 驯服的

Taoism Dàojiào 道教

tape, adhesive jiāodāizhǐ  
胶带纸

tape recording lùyīn 录音

taste weidào 味道

taste, to (sample) cháng 尝

taste, to (salty, spicy)  
chángwei 尝味

tasty hǎochī 好吃

taxi chūzūqìche 出租汽车

tea chá 茶

teach, to jiāo 教

teacher jiāoshī/lǎoshī  
教师/老师

team duì 队

tear, to rǐp sikai 撕开

tears yǎnlèi 眼泪

teenager qīngshǎonián  
青少年

teeshirt hànshān 汗衫

teeth yǎ 牙

telephone diànhuà 电话

telephone number diànhuà  
hàomǎ 电话号码

television diànshì 电视

tell, to (a story) jiǎng 讲

tell, to (let know) gàosu 告诉

temperature (body) tǐwēn  
体温

temperature (heat) wēndù  
温度

temple (Chinese) sìyuàn 寺院

temporary zànshí 暂时

ten shí 十

ten million qiānwàn 千万

ten thousand wàn 万

tendon jīn 筋

tennis wǎngqiú 网球

tens of, multiples of ten jǐ shí  
几十

tense jǐnzhāngde 紧张的

terrible kēpà 可怕

test shìyàn 试验

test, to cèyàn 测验

testicles gāowán 睾丸

than bǐ 比

Thai (In general) Taiguode  
泰国的

Thai (language) Taiyǔ 泰语

Thai (people) Tàiguórén  
泰国人

Thailand Taiguó 泰国

thank, to

thank, to gǎnxiè 感谢  
 thank you xièxie 谢谢  
 that, those nà, nàxiē 那, 那些  
 theater (drama) jùyuàn 剧院  
 their, theirs tamen de 他们的  
 then ránhòu 然后  
 there nàbian/nàlǐ/nàr  
     那边 / 那里 / 那儿  
 there is, there are yǒu 有  
 therefore yīncǐ 因此  
 they, them tamen 他们  
 thick (of liquids) nóng 浓  
 thick (of things) hòu 厚  
 thief zéi 贼  
 thigh dàtuǐ 大腿  
 thin (of liquids) xī 稀  
 thin (of persons) shòu 瘦  
 thing dōngxi/shìwù 东西 / 事物  
 think, to have an opinion  
     rènwéi 认为  
 think, to ponder xiǎng/kǎolǜ  
     想 / 考虑  
 third (1/3) sānfēn zhī yī  
     三分之一  
 third (in a series) dìsān 第三  
 thirsty kě 渴  
 thirty sānshí 三十  
 this, these zhè, zhèxiē  
     这, 这些  
 though suīrán 虽然  
 thoughts xiǎngfǎ/sīxiǎng  
     想法 / 思想  
 thousand qiān 千  
 thread xiàn 线  
 threaten, to kǒnghè 恐吓  
 three sān 三  
 throat hóulóng 喉咙  
 through, past tōngguò 通过  
 throw, to reng 扔  
 throw away, throw out  
     rengdiào 扔掉  
 thunder dǎléi 打雷  
 Thursday Xīngqīsi/Lǐbàisi  
     星期四 / 礼拜四  
 thus, so zhèyàng/yúshì  
     这样 / 于是  
 ticket piào 票  
 tidy zhěngjìe 整洁

tidy up shōushí 收拾  
 tie, necktie lǐngdài 领带  
 tie, to jì 系  
 tiger lǎohǔ 老虎  
 tight jǐn 紧  
 time shíjiān 时间  
 time: from time to time yǒushí  
     有时  
 times (multiplying) chéng 乘  
 timetable shíkèbiāo 时刻表  
 tiny jíxiǎode 极小的  
 tip (end) jiānduān 尖端  
 tip (gratuity) xiǎofèi 小费  
 tired (sleepy) kùn 困  
 tired (worn out) lèi 累  
 title (of book, film) biāotí 标题  
 title (of person) tóuxián 头衔  
 to, toward (a person)  
     xiàng/duì 向 / 对  
 to, toward (a place) wǎng/cháo  
     往 / 朝  
 today jīntian 今天  
 toe jiǎozhǐ 脚趾  
 tofu dòufu 豆腐  
 together yìqǐ 一起  
 toilet cèsuǒ/xǐshǒujiān  
     厕所 / 洗手间  
 tomato xīhóngshì 西红柿  
 tomorrow míngtiān 明天  
 tongue shétou 舌头  
 tonight jīnwǎn 今晚  
 too (also) yě 也  
 too (excessive) tài 太  
 too much tài duō/guòfèn  
     太多 / 过分  
 tool gōngjù 工具  
 tooth yá 牙  
 toothbrush yáshuā 牙刷  
 toothpaste yáqāo 牙膏  
 top dǐng 顶  
 topic tímù 题目  
 torch, flashlight shǒudiàntǒng  
     手电筒  
 total yìgòng 一共  
 touch, to mō/chù 摸 / 触  
 tourist lǚyóuzhě/yóukè  
     旅游者 / 游客  
 toward (people/place) xiàng 向

towel máojīn 毛巾  
 tower tǎ 塔  
 town shìzhèn 市镇  
 toy wánjù 玩具  
 trade màoyì 贸易  
 trade, to exchange jiāoyì  
 交易  
 traditional chuántǒngde  
 传统的  
 traffic jiāotōng 交通  
 train huǒchē 火车  
 train station huǒchēzhàn  
 火车站  
 training xùnlìan 训练  
 translate, to fānyì/bǐyì  
 翻译 / 笔译  
 travel, to lúxíng 旅行  
 traveler lǚyóuzhě/lǚkè  
 旅游者 / 旅客  
 tray tuōpán 托盘  
 treat (something special) lèshì  
 乐事  
 treat, to (behave towards)  
 duìdài 对待  
 treat, to (medically) zhìliáo 治打  
 tree shù 树  
 triangle sānjiǎoxíng 三角形  
 tribe bùlùò 部落  
 trip, journey lǚxíng/lǚchéng  
 旅行 / 旅程  
 troops bùduì 部队  
 trouble máfan 麻烦  
 troublesome fánǎode/  
 máfande 烦恼的 / 麻烦的  
 trousers kùzi 裤子  
 truck kǎchē 卡车  
 true zhēnde 真的  
 truly zhēnchéngde 真诚的  
 trust, to xìnren 信任  
 try, to shì 试  
 try on (clothes) shìchuan 试穿  
 Tuesday Xīngqī'èr/Lǐbài'èr  
 星期二 / 礼拜二  
 turn around, to zhuǎn 转  
 turn off, to guānshang 关上  
 turn on, to kāi 开  
 turtle (land) wūguī 乌龟  
 turtle (sea) hǎiguī 海龟

TV diànshì 电视  
 twelve shí'èr 十二  
 twenty èrshí 二十  
 twice liǎng cì 两次  
 two (measure) liǎng 两  
 two (numeral) èr 二  
 type, sort zhǒnglèi 种类  
 type, to dǎzì 打字  
 typhoon táifēng 台风  
 typical diǎnxíngde 典型的

## U

ugly nankan/chǒu 难看 / 丑  
 umbrella sǎn 伞  
 uncle (father's older brother)  
 bófu/bobo 伯父 / 伯伯  
 uncle (father's younger brother)  
 shufu/shushu 叔父 / 叔叔  
 uncle (husband of father's  
 sister) gūzhàng 姑丈  
 uncle (husband of mother's  
 sister) yífū 姨夫  
 uncle (mother's brother)  
 jiùfu/jiùjiu 舅父 / 舅舅  
 under zài... dǐxia 在... 底下  
 undergo, to jīngguò 经过  
 underpants nèikù 内裤  
 undershirt nèiyī 内衣  
 understand dǒng/míngbai  
 懂 / 明白  
 understood (by hearing)  
 tīngdōng/tīngmíngbai  
 听懂 / 听明白  
 understood (by reading)  
 kàndǒng/kànmíngbai  
 看懂 / 看明白  
 underwear nèiyī 内衣  
 undressed, to get tuo yīfu  
 脱衣服  
 unemployed shīyè 失业  
 unfortunately yíhànde  
 遗憾地  
 unhappy bù gāoxìng 不高兴  
 United Kingdom Yīngguó  
 英国  
 United States Měiguó 美国

university dàxué 大学  
 unleaded petrol hánqián qìyóu  
 含铅汽油  
 unless chúféi 除非  
 unlucky dǎoméide 倒霉的  
 unnecessary duoyúde 多余的  
 unripe wèichéngshúde  
 未成熟的  
 until zhí dào 直到  
 up, upward xiàngshàng 向上  
 upset, unhappy fánmèn 烦闷  
 upside down diāndǎo 颠倒  
 upstairs lóushàng 楼上  
 urban chéngshìde 城市的  
 urge, to push for cuīcù 催促  
 urgent jǐnjí 紧急  
 urinate, to xiǎobiàn/jiě  
 xiǎobian 小便 / 解小便  
 us wǒmen 我们  
 us (includes the one  
 addressed) zánmen 咱们  
 use, to yòng 用  
 used to xíguàn 习惯  
 useful yǒuyòngde 有用的  
 useless wúyòngde 无用的  
 usual wǎngcháng 往常  
 usually tōngcháng 通常  
 uterus zǐgōng 子宫

## V

vacation jiàqī 假期  
 vaccination dǎ fángyìzhēn  
 打防疫针  
 vagina yīndào 阴道  
 vague hánhúde 含糊的  
 valid yǒuxiào 有效  
 valley shāngǔ 山谷  
 value (cost) jiàzhí 价值  
 value, good zhíde 值得  
 value, to zhòngshì 重视  
 vase huāpíng 花瓶  
 VCR lùxiàngjī 录像机  
 vegetable shūcài 蔬菜  
 vegetarian chīsùde 吃素的  
 vehicle chē 车  
 vertical chuīzhíde 垂直的

very, extremely hěn 很  
 vest, undershirt bèixīn 背心  
 via jīngyóu 经由  
 video cassette lùxiàngdài  
 录像带  
 video recorder lùxiàngjī  
 录像机  
 videotape, to shèxiàng 摄像  
 Vietnam Yuènan 越南  
 Vietnamese (in general)  
 Yuènande 越南的  
 Vietnamese (language)  
 Yuènányǔ 越南语  
 Vietnamese (people)  
 Yuènánrén 越南人  
 view, look at guānkan 观看  
 view, panorama fēngjǐng  
 风景  
 village cūnzhuāng 村庄  
 vinegar cù 醋  
 visa qiānzhēng 签证  
 visit cānguān 参观  
 visit, to pay a fǎngwèn 访问  
 voice shēngyīn 声音  
 voicemail diànhuà liúyán  
 电话留言  
 volcano huǒshān 火山  
 vomit, to ǒutù 呕吐  
 vote, to tóupiào 投票

## W

wages gōngzī 工资  
 wait for, to děng 等  
 waiter, waitress fúwùyuán  
 服务员  
 wake up xǐnglái 醒来  
 wake someone up jiào xǐng  
 叫醒  
 Wales Wei'ěrsī 威尔斯  
 walk, to zǒu 走  
 walking distance zǒudédào de  
 jùlí 走得到的距离  
 wall qiāng 墙  
 wallet qiānbao 钱包  
 want, to yào 要  
 war zhànzhēng 战争

war, to make dǎzhàng 打仗  
warm, warmth wēnnuǎnde

温暖的

warning, to warn jǐnggào

警告

wash, to xǐ 洗

wash the dishes xǐwǎn 洗碗

watch (wristwatch) biǎo 表

watch, to kàn/guānkàn

看 / 观看

watch over, guard kànguǎn

看管

water shuǐ 水

water buffalo shuǐniú 水牛

waterfall pùhù 瀑布

watermelon xīguā 西瓜

wave (in sea) bōlàng 波浪

wave, to zhāoshǒu 招手

wax là 蜡

way, method fāngfǎ 方法

way: by way of jīngyóu 经由

way in jìnlù 进路

way out chūlù 出路

we wǒmen 我们

we (includes the one

addressed) zánmen 咱们

weak ruò 弱

wealthy yǒuqián/fùyóude

有钱 / 富有的

weapon wǔqì 武器

wear, to chuan 穿

weary píjuǎnde 疲倦的

weather tiānqì 天气

weave, to biānzhi 编制

website wǎngzhàn 网站

wedding hūnlǐ 婚礼

Wednesday Xīngqīsan/

Lǐbàisan 星期三 / 礼拜三

week xīngqī/lǐbài 星期 / 礼拜

weekend zhōumò 周末

weekly měi zhōu/měi ge

xīngqī/měi ge lǐbài

每周 / 每个星期 / 每个礼拜

weep, to kūqì 哭泣

weigh, to cheng 称

weigh out, to chengchu 称出

weight zhòngliàng 重量

weight (body) tǐzhòng 体重

weight, to gain zēngjiā

tǐzhòng 增加体重

weight, to lose jiǎnféi 减肥

welcome!, welcome, to

huānyíng 欢迎

well (for water) jǐng 井

well (good) hǎo 好

well-behaved guījude 规矩的

well-cooked, well-done

zhǔdetòude 煮得透的

well-mannered yǒu lǐmào de

有礼貌的

well done! zuòde hǎo de

做得好的

well off, wealthy

fùyù/xiǎokāng 富裕 / 小康

Welsh (in general) Wēi'ěrsīde

威尔斯的

Welsh (language) Wēi'ěrsīyǔ

威尔斯语

Welsh (people) Wēi'ěrsīrén

威尔斯人

west xībian 西边

Westerner Xīfāngrén 西方人

wet shīde 湿的

what shénme 什么

what for wèishénme 为什么

what kind of nǎ yī zhǒng

那一种

what time shénme shíhou

什么时候

wheel lúnzi 轮子

when shénme shíhou/héshí/

jǐshí 什么时候 / 何时 / 几时

when, at the time ... de shíhou

... 的时候

whenever wúlùn héshí

无论何时

where zài nǎli/nǎr

在哪里 / 哪儿

where to qù nǎli/nǎr

去哪里 / 哪儿

which nǎ (ge) 哪 (个)

while, during zài ... qījian

在 ... 期间

white báise 白色

who shéi/shuí 谁

whole, all of quánbu 全部



7900 *copy*  
whole, to be complete

**W** whole, to be complete  
zhěng ge 整个  
why? wèishénme 为什么  
wicked xié'ede 邪恶的  
wide kuan 宽  
width kuandù 宽度  
widow guāfū 寡妇  
widowed sàngfū/sàngqī  
丧夫 / 丧妻  
widower guānfū 鳏夫  
wife qīzi 妻子  
wild yěshēngde 野生的  
will, shall jiāngyào 将要  
win, to yíng 赢  
wind, breeze fēng 风  
window (for paying, buying  
tickets) chuāngkǒu 窗口  
window (in house) chuānghu  
窗户  
wine pútaojiǔ 葡萄酒  
wing chìbǎng 翅膀  
winner huòshèngzhě  
获胜者  
winter dōngtiān 冬天  
wipe, to kāigan 揩干  
wire jīnshǔxiàn 金属线  
wise cōngmíng 聪明  
wish, to xīwàng 希望  
with gen 跟  
within reason zài qínglǐ zhī  
nèi 在情理之内  
without méiyǒu 没有  
witness zhèngrén 证人  
witness, to qīnyǎn mùdǔ  
亲眼目睹  
woman nǚrén 女人  
wonderful hǎojíle 好极了  
wood mùtóu 木头  
wooden mùzhìde 木制的  
wool máoxiàn, yángmáo  
毛线, 羊毛  
word cí 词  
work gōngzuò 工作  
work, to zuò 做  
work, to function qǐ zuòyòng  
起作用  
world shìjiè 世界  
worn out, tired lèi 累

worn out (clothes, machine)  
chénjiù 陈旧  
worry, to dānxīn 担心  
worse gènghuàide/gèngchāde  
更坏的 / 更差的  
worship, to chōngbái 崇拜  
worst zuìhuàide/zuìchāde  
最坏的 / 最差的  
worth, to be zhíde 值得  
wound shāngkǒu 伤口  
wrap, to bao 包  
wrst shǒuwǎn 手腕  
write, to xiě 写  
writer zuòjiā 作家  
wrong (false) búzhèngquède  
不正确的  
wrong (mistaken) cuòde 错的  
wrong (morally) búdàodede  
不道德的

## Y

yawn dà héqiān 打呵欠  
year nián 年  
years old suì 岁  
yell, to jiàohǎn 叫喊  
yellow huángsè 黄色  
yes shìde 是的  
yesterday zuótiān 昨天  
yet: not yet shàngwèi/hai  
méiyǒu 尚未 / 还没有  
you nǐ 你  
you (plural) nǐmen 你们  
you (polite) nín 您  
you're welcome! hú kèqi  
不客气  
young niánqīng 年轻  
youth (state of being young)  
niánqīngren 年轻人  
youth (young person) qīngnián  
青年

## Z

zero líng 零  
zoo dòngwuyuán 动物园