

爱	ài	eye	to love	羡慕 to admire
八	bā	bar	8	八点 8 o'clock
父	bàba	bar bar	Father	生父 Biological father
吧	ba	bar	Ok?	你看着办吧 Do as you please
白	bai	buy	White	黑白 Black and white
百	bǎi	buy	100	几百 Several hundred
帮助	bāngzhù	barng jua	Assistance	有帮助 Helpful
报纸	bàozhǐ	bow jr	Newspaper	报纸报导 Newspaper report
杯子	bēizi	bay zur	Cup	银杯子 Silver cup
北京	Běijīng	bay-jīng	Beijing	驻北京 Stationed in Beijing
本	běn	ben	Root	四本书 Four books
比	bǐ	bee	to compare	比不上 Can't compare with
别	bié	bier	to leave	别人 Other people
不客气	bù kèqi	boo ker chee	You are welcome	不客气 You are welcome
不	bù	boo	No	不谢 No need to thank
菜	cài	tie	Dish	菜农 Vegetable farmer
茶	chá	char	Tea	茉莉花茶 Jasmine tea
长	cháng	charng	Length	长久 (for a) long time
唱歌	chànggē	charng ger	to sing a song	唱歌 to sing a song
吃	chī	chee	to eat	好吃 Delicious
出	chū	choo	to go out	说不出 Unable to say
出租车	chūzūchē	choo zoo cher	Taxi	出租车 Taxi
穿	chuān	chuarn	to pierce	穿着 Clothes
船	chuán	chuarn	Boat	船货 Cargo
次	cì	see	Next in a sequence	次日 Next day
从	cóng	cong	From	从何 From where?
错	cuò	cong	Mistake	错用 To misuse
打电话	dǎ diànhuà	dar dee-en hwar	to ring	打电话 to ring
打篮球	dǎ lánqiú	da larn chow	Basketball	打篮球 Basketball
大	dà	dar	Big	大学 University
大学	dàxué	dar jiah	University	大学 University
但是	dànshì	darnshur	But	但是 However
倒	dǎo	dow	to collapse	倒地 To fall to the ground
的	de	der	of	的姐 Female taxi driver
得	de	der	Particle indicating effect	戳得住 Up to it
等	děng	duung	Equal to	等值 Of equal value
弟弟	dìdì	dee dee	Younger brother	弟弟 Younger brother
第一	dìyī	dee ee	First	第一步 First step
点	diǎn	dee-en	o'clock	三点半 3:30
电脑	diànnǎo	dee-en now	Computer	个人电脑 Personal computer
电视	diànshì	dee-en sher	Television	有线电视 Cable television
电影	diànyǐng	dee-en ying	Movie	电影票 Cinema ticket
东西	dōngxi	dong see	Thing	买东西 to do one's shopping
懂	dǒng	duung	to understand	懂眼 Expert
都	dōu	do	All	都会 Society, community
读	dú	do	to read	读书会 Study group
对	duì	dway	Correct	不对 Incorrect
对不起	duìbuqǐ	day boo chee	Unworthy	对不起 I am sorry
多	duō	door	Many	十多亿 Over one billion
多少	duōshao	door-shal	How much	多少有些 Somewhat
儿子	érzi	er-zu (i not sounded)	Son	神的儿子 The Son of God
二	èr	are	2	二月 February
饭馆	fànguǎn	fan-gwan	Restaurant	小饭馆 Tearoom, canteen
房间	fángjiān	fan jee-in	Room	开房间 Take a hotel room
非常	fēicháng	fay-charng	Unusual	非常多 Very many
飞机	fēijī	fayjee	Airplane	飞机师 Pilot
分钟	fēnzhōng	fen jong	Minute	三分钟热度 Brief enthusiasm
服务员	fúwùyuán	foowooyuan	Waiter	服务员 Server
高	gāo	gow	High	高价 High price
高兴	gāoxìng	gow sing	Happy	高高兴兴 In a good mood
告诉	gàosu	Gowsoo	to tell	告诉 to inform
哥哥	gēge	gerger	Older brother	哥哥 Older brother
个	gè	gur	Individual	个性 Individuality, personality

给	gěi	gay	to give	给以 to give
公共汽车	gōnggòngqìchē	goonggoongcheecher	Bus	公共汽车站 Bus stop
公斤	gōngjīn	goongjeen	Kilogram	公斤 Kilogram
公司	gōngsī	goongsee	Company	公司会议 Company meeting
工作	gōngzuò	gong-zore	to work	工作时间 Working hours
狗	gǒu	gow	Dog	唐狗 Mongrel
贵	guì	gway	Expensive	贵人 Respected person
过	guò	gwor	to go over	过不去 to make life difficult for
还	hái	high	Still	还是 Nevertheless
孩子	háizi	highz	Child	孩子们 Children
汉语	hànyǔ	han you	Man	汉语拼音 Hanyu Pinyin
好	hǎo	how	Good	你好 You good?
好吃	hǎochī	howchee	Tasty	好吃 Delicious
号	hào	how	Ordinal number	号召 to call
喝	hē	her	to drink	喝掉 to finish (a drink)
和	hé	hur	And	平和 Gentle, mild
黑	hēi	hay	Black	黑加仑 Blackcurrant
很	hěn	hun	Very (Adverb)	很多时 Often
红	hóng	hoong	Red	小红帽 Little Red Riding Hood
后面	hòumiàn	hoe mee-in	Rear	后面 Afterwards
欢迎	huānyíng	hwar eeng	to welcome	欢迎光临 Welcome
回	huí	hway	to return	打来回 to make a round trip
回答	huídá	hwayda	to reply	回答 to answer
会	huì	hway	to be able to	他们会 They can
火车站	huǒchēzhàn	hwor cher jay	Train station	火车站 Train station
机场	jīchǎng	jee charng	Airport	国际机场 International airport
鸡蛋	jīdàn	jeedarn	Egg	鸡蛋炒饭 Egg fried rice
几	jǐ	jee	How much	几个 A few
家	jiā	jee-a	Home	家人 Family person
件	jiàn	jee-in	Item	器件 Component
叫	jiào	joo-are	to shout	叫车 Order a cab
教室	jiàoshì	jee-in shur	Classroom	阶梯教室 Lecture theatre
姐姐	jiějie	jay jay	Elder sister	姐姐 Elder sister
介绍	jièshào	jee shal	to introduce	简短介绍 Brief introduction
今天	jīntiān	jeen tee-en	Today	今天 Today
进	jìn	jeen	to advance	进来 To come in
近	jìn	jeen	Near	近来 Recently
九	jiǔ	jee-owe	9	一九一二年 1912 (the year)
就	jiù	jeo	At once	就地 Locally
觉得	juéde	ju-eh der	To think	觉得 To think
咖啡	kāfēi	coffee	Coffee	咖啡店 Café
开	kāi	kye	to open	开车 to drive (a vehicle)
开始	kāishǐ	kigh shur	to begin	开始营业 to open for business
看	kàn	kan	to look at	受看 Good looking
看见	kànjiàn	kan jee-in	to see	看见 to see
考试	kǎoshì	kow shur	to take an exam	考试卷 Exam answer sheet
可能	kěnéng	ker eng	Might	可能性 Possibility
可以	kěyǐ	ker ee	Can	不可以 May not
课	kè	ker	Subject	课本 Textbook
块	kuài	kweye	Lump	多模块 Many modules
快	kuài	kwi	Rapid	快件 Express delivery
快乐	kuàilè	kwi	Happy	快乐幸福 Cheerful
来	lái	lie	to come	天天来大学 Everyday come to University
老师	lǎoshī	lal-sher	Teacher	语文老师 Language teacher
了	le	le	to finish	了了 To settle a matter
累	lèi	lay	Tired	累垮 To be worn out
冷	lěng	lon	Cold	冷天 Cold weather
离	lí	ler	to leave	离任 To leave office
里	lǐ	lee	Inside	里面 Inside
两	liǎng	lee-ahng	Two	两下 For a little while
零	líng	ling	0	一百零一 101
六	liù	leo	6	星期六 Saturday
路	lù	luu	Road	走路 to walk

旅游	lǚyóu	luu yoe	Trip	旅游景点	Tourist attraction
妈妈	māmā	mama	Mother	妈妈	Mother
吗	ma	mar	Sentence ending to form a question	她姓力吗	She named Li?
买	mǎi	my	to buy	买主	Customer
卖	mài	my	to sell	贩卖机	Vending machine
慢	màn	mahn	Slow	慢慢吞吞	Very slow
忙	máng	mahng	Busy	我忙	I am busy (lit. I busy)
猫	māo	mow	Cat	三毛猫	Tortoiseshell cat
没	méi	may	Has not	没有	Doesn't exist
没关系	méi guānxi	may gwan see	It does not matter	没关系	It does not matter
每	měi	may	Each	每年	Every year
妹妹	mèimei	maymay	Younger sister	妹妹	Younger sister
门	mén	mun	Door	门岗	Gate
米饭	mǐfàn	me fan	Cooked rice	米饭	Lit. Rice meal
明天	míngtiān	ming tee-en	Tomorrow	明天见	See you tomorrow
名字	míngzì	ming zur (i not sounded)	Name	相同名字	Same name
哪	nǎ	nar	Which	哪儿	Where
那	nà	na	That (one)	那个人	That person
男人	nánrén	nahn wren	A man	男人婆	Tomboy
呢	ne	nuh	Is it so (sentence ending for follow up question)	我姓王呢	I named Wang You
能	néng	nung	to be able to	能否	Whether or not
你	nǐ	nee	You	你姓什么	You named what?
年	nián	nee en	Year	一九一〇年	1914
您	nín	neen	you (polite form)	您姓什么	You named what?
牛奶	niúniǎi	neonuy	Milk	不加牛奶	Without milk
女儿	nǚér	nee are	Daughter	孙女儿	Granddaughter
女人	nǚrén	nuu wren	Woman	女人气	Femininity
旁边	pángbiān	parnbeein	Lateral	旁边	Beside
跑步	pǎobù	powboo	to run	跑步者	Runner
朋友	péngyou	pung yo	Friend	好朋友	Good friend
便宜	piányi	pi-en yi	Inexpensive	便宜货	A bargain
票	piào	pi-ow	Ticket	票价	Ticket price
漂亮	piàoliang	pee-ow lee-ong	Pretty	漂亮	Pretty
苹果	píngguǒ	ping gwar	Apple	苹果汁	Apple juice
七	qī	chee	7	七点	7 o'clock
妻子	qīzi	cheezu	Wife	妻子	Wife
起床	qǐchuáng	chee chwahng	to get up	起床号	Reveille
千	qiān	chee-in	1000	一字千金	One word worth 1000 in gold
钱	qián	chee-n	Money	钱币	Money
前面	qiánmiàn	chee-en mee-en	Ahead	前面	In front
晴	qíng	ching	Clear	晴天	Clear sky
请	qǐng	ching	Please	请坐	Please sit
去	qù	choo	to go	我天天去	I everyday go
去年	qùnián	chu ni-en	Last year	去年底	Late last year
让	ràng	rahng	to permit	让开	To step aside
热	rè	rur	to heat up	热带鱼	Tropical fish
人	rén	wren	Person	工人	Worker
认识	rènshi	wren shur	to know	理性认识	Cognition
日	rì	ugh	Sun	一月二日	January 2
三	sān	san	3	三月二日	March 2nd
商店	shāngdiàn	shan dee-en	Shop	连锁店	Chain store
上	shàng	shang	Up	上网	to go online
上班	shàngbān	sharng bahn	to go to work	上班时间	Rush hour
上午	shàngwǔ	shan woo	Morning	上午	Morning
少	shǎo	shal	Few	少之又少	Very few
谁	shéi	shay	Who	谁知	Who knows
身体	shēntǐ	shuun ti	Body	身体	Health
什么	shénme	shay ma	What	你姓什么	You named what?
生病	shēngbìng	shungbing	to fall ill	生病	To fall ill
生日	shēngrì	shunggri	Birthday	生日快乐	Happy birthday
十	shí	sher	10	二十	20
时候	shíhou	shur how	Time	时候	Time
时间	shíjiān	shur jee-an	Time	时间表	Timetable

是	shì	sher	to be	那是英国人	That is English person
事情	shìqing	sher ching	Affair	军事情报	Military intelligence
手表	shǒubiǎo	sher bi-ow	Wristwatch	手表	Wristwatch
手机	shǒujī	sher jee	Mobile phone	平板手机	Phablet
书	shū	shoe	Book	图书馆	Library
水	shuǐ	shway	Water	水果	Fruit
水果	shuǐguǒ	shway gwor	Fruit	水果	Fruit
睡觉	shuǐjiào	sway jee ow	to sleep	睡觉	to sleep
说话	shuōhuà	show wa	to speak	说话算数	To keep a promise
四	sì	sir (i not sounded)	4	三月四日	March 4th
送	sòng	sung	to deliver	送交	To hand over
岁	suì	sway	Year	年岁	Years of age
所以	suǒyǐ	swar ee	Therefore	所以然	The reason why
他	tā	tah	He	他不姓王	He not named Wang
她	tā	tah	She	她姓力	She named Li
它	tā	tah	It	它们	They
太	tài	tie	Highest	大半	More than half, mostly
踢足球	tī zúqiú	ti jucho	to play football	踢足球	To play football
题	tí	ti	Topic	题目	Title
天气	tiānqì	tee-en chee	Weather	鬼天气	Awful weather
跳舞	tiàowǔ	ti-ow woo	to dance	跳舞	to dance
听	tīng	ting	to listen	听不见	Not to be able to hear
同学	tóngxué	tong shu eh	Classmate	同班同学	Classmate
外	wài	wie	Outside	外事	Foreign affairs
完	wán	wahn	to finish	完全	Complete
玩	wán	wahn	Toy	玩伴	Playmate
晚上	wǎnshang	wahn sharng	Evening	晚上好	Good evening
喂	wèi	way	Hello	喂	Hello, answering the phone
为什么	wèishénme	way shurnme	Why	为什么	Why
问	wèn	wun	to ask (a question)	请问	May I ask ..?
问题	wèntí	wunti	Question	安全问题	Safty issue
我	wǒ	wore	I	我姓王	I named Wang
我们	wǒmen	wore mun	We	我们	Our
五	wǔ	woo	5	星期五	Friday
西瓜	xīguā	sheegwah	Watermelon	西瓜	Watermelon
希望	xīwàng	sheewong	to wish for	希望	To desire
洗	xǐ	shee	to wash	洗手	To wash one's hands
喜欢	xǐhuan	see when	to like	招人喜欢	Charming
下	xià	shear	Below	下雨	to rain
下车	xiàwǔ	shia woo	to get off a vehicle	下车	Get off a bus
下雨	xiàyǔ	shar you	to rain	下雨	To rain
先生	xiānsheng	she-en sung	Mister	好好先生	Yes man
现在	xiànzài	she-en j-eye	Now	现在式	Present tense
想	xiǎng	she-ang	to think	想得美	In your dreams
向	xiàng	shee-eng	Towards	向北	Northward
小	xiǎo	she-ow	Small	小人	Dishonourable person
小姐	xiǎojiě	shal jear	Young lady	空中小姐	Stewardess
小时	xiǎoshí	sh-ow shur	Hour	半小时	Half hour
笑	xiào	shee-ow	Laugh	笑容	Smiling expression
些	xiē	shear	Some	哪些	Which ones
写	xiě	shear	to write	手写	to write by hand
谢谢	xièxie	shear shear	To thank	谢谢	Thank you
新	xīn	sheen	New	新年	New Year
星期	xīngqī	shing chee	Week	星期	Week
姓	xìng	sheeng	to be surnamed	你姓什么	You named what?
休息	xiūxi	sheoshe	to rest	休息室	Lobby
学生	xuéshēng	shear sung	Student	高中学生	High school student
学习	xuéxí	shear see	to learn	刻苦学习	To study hard
学校	xuéxiào	sware shal	School	公立学校	Public school
雪	xuě	shu-eh	Snow	雪柜	Refridgerator
颜色	yánsè	enser	Color	各种颜色	Multicolored
眼睛	yǎnjīng	yahn jeeng	Eye	鼓眼睛	Protruding eyes
羊肉	yángròu	yahn groe	Lamb meat	羊肉馅	Minced lamb

药	yào	yow	Medicine	药剂师	Drugstore
要	yào	yow	Important	要地	Important location
也	yě	ee	Also	再也 (not)	any more
一	yī	ee	1	一月	January
衣服	yīfu	ee foe	Clothes	脱衣服	Undress
医生	yīshēng	ee shung	Doctor	内科医生	Medical doctor
医院	yīyuàn	ee you-en	Hospital	精神病医院	Psychiatric hospital
已经	yǐjīng	ee jeeng	Already	已经	Already
椅子	yǐzi	ee zur	Chair	椅子	Chair
一起	yīqǐ	ee chee	Together	在一起	Together
意思	yìsi	ee sur	Idea	有意思	Interesting
阴	yīn	een	Overcast	阴天	Cloudy day
因为	yīnwèi	een way	Because	因为	Owing to
游泳	yóuyǒng	yoe yoong	to swim	游泳池	Swimming pool
有	yǒu	yow	to have	有主见	to have strong views
右边	yòubian	yoe bi-in	Right side	有主见	to have strong views
鱼	yú	yuu	Fish	鱼饼	Fishcake
元	yuán	yewen	First	千位元	Kilobit
远	yuǎn	yewen	Far	远天	Heaven
月	yuè	you-eh	Moon	一月三日	January 3
运动	yùndòng	ywun doong	to move	运动场	Sports field
在	zài	zigh	to be located at	不在	Not to be present
再	zài	zigh	Again	再见	Goodbye (again see)
再见	zàijiàn	zigh jee-an	Goodbye	再见	Goodbye
早上	zǎoshang	zow sharng	Early morning	早上好	Good morning
怎么	zěnmē	ze mar	How	怎么了	What happened
怎么样	zěnmeyàng	ze migh yong	How	怎么样	How are things
张	zhāng	jarrng	to open up	张开	to post a notice
丈夫	zhàngfu	jarrng fuu	Husband	大丈夫	A man of character
找	zhǎo	jow	to look for	找回	to retrieve
这	zhè	jarr	This	这是中国人	This is Chinese person
着	zhe	jur	Particle for action	着呢	Emphasis at end of sentence
真	zhēn	jern	Really	真人	Actual person
正在	zhèngzài	jerng zigh	In the process of	正在	In the process of
知道	zhīdào	jee dow	to know	谁知道	Who would imagine
中国	Zhōngguó	jong war	China	中国人	Chinese person
中午	zhōngwǔ	jong woo	Noon	中午	Noon
住	zhù	joo	to live	居住	to live in a place
准备	zhǔnbèi	jeun bay	to prepare	准备好了	To be ready
桌子	zhuōzi	joe zur	Table	桌子	Table
字	zì	zur (i not sounded)	Written character	生字	New word
自行车	zìxíngchē	zur ching cher	Bicycle	自行车架	Bike rack
走	zǒu	zoe	to walk	走人	To leave
最	zuì	zoe	Most	最佳	Peak
昨天	zuótiān	zor tee-en	Yesterday	昨天	Yesterday
左边	zuǒbian	zwar bi-en	Left	左边	Left side
坐	zuò	zor	to sit	请坐	Please sit
做	zuò	zor	to do	做菜	to cook