

BASICS OF

CHINESE

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VOCABULARY

HANDBOOK

wǒ

我

I/me

nǐ

你

you

nín

您

YOU

tā

他

he/him

tā

她

she/her

shì

是

is; are; am; yes; to be.

bù shì

不是

is not; are not;
not to be

Basic Greetings

bú yòng xiè - 不用谢 - You're welcome

duì bú qǐ - 对不起 - I'm sorry

qǐng wèn - 请问 - Excuse me

xièxiè - 谢谢 - Thank you!

duìbùqǐ - 对不起 - Sorry

Asking Questions

shén me - 什么 - What

zěn me - 怎么 - How

zài nǎ lǐ ? - 在哪里? - Where?

shén me shí hou? - 什么时候? - When?

shéi - 谁 - Who?

How are you? - Nǐ hǎo ma? - 你好吗?

Hello? Wèi (喂) - This particular greeting is used when answering a phone call.

回头见 - huí tóu jiàn - This phrase is used if you plan to see the person in the near future.

你有什么爱好?
nǐ yǒu shén me ài hào?

诶, 什么事?
ēi, shén me shì?

太酷了!
tài kù le!

真的吗?
zhēn de ma?

不会吧?
bù huì ba

What do you like to do?
What's happening here?
This is amazing!
What? Really?
Are you serious?

我在这里 - Wǒ zài zhèlǐ - I am here.

你在那里 - Nǐ zài nàlǐ - You are there.

上海在中国 - Shànghǎi zài Zhōngguó
- Shanghai is in China.

猫在沙发上 - Māo zài shāfā shàng
- The cat is on the sofa.

我有一个妹妹 - Wǒ yǒu yī gè mèimei
- I have a younger sister.

我有一本书 - Wǒ yǒu yī běn shū - I have a book.

我是学生 - Wǒ shì xuéshēng - I am a student.

他是老师 - Tā shì lǎoshī - He is a teacher.

她是医生 - Tā shì yīshēng - She is a doctor.

这是书 - Zhè shì shū - This is a book.

这本书很重 - Zhè běn shū hěn zhòng
- This book is heavy.

0	líng	零	20	èr shí	二十
1	yī	一	21	èr shí yī	二十一
2	èr	二	30	sān shí	三十
3	sān	三	40	sì shí	四十
4	sì	四	50	wǔ shí	五十
5	wǔ	五	90	jiǔ shí	九十
6	liù	六	100	yì bǎi	一百
7	qī	七	101	yì bǎi líng yī	一百零一
8	bā	八	102	yì bǎi líng èr	一百零二
9	jiǔ	九	1000	yì qiān	一千
10	shí	十	1001	yì qiān líng yī	一千零一
11	shí yī	十一	10000	yì wàn	一萬

第三 dì sān third

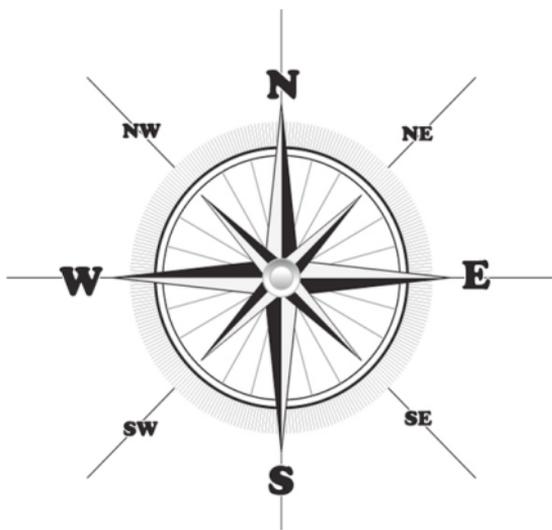
The number 10101 is read out:

一万零一百零一 yī wàn líng yī bǎi

The number 110 is read out: yāo yāo líng

běi 北 north

nán 南 south



dōng 东 east

xī 西 west

她很高 - Tā hěn gāo - She is tall.

我们很高兴 - Wǒmen hěn gāoxìng - We are happy.

我要一个三明治 - Wǒ yào yīgè sānmíngzhì
- I want a sandwich.

我要吃三明治 - Wǒ yào chī sānmíngzhì - I'm going to
eat a sandwich / I want to eat a sandwich.

她要去北京 - Tā yào qù Běijīng
- She's going to go to Beijing.

我们要走了 - Wǒmen yào zǒu le
- We're going to leave.

我没有车 - Wǒ méiyǒu chē - I don't have a car.

他们没有钱 - Tāmen méiyǒu qián
- They don't have money.

他没有学位 - Tā méiyǒu xuéwèi
- He doesn't have a degree.

我不喜欢啤酒 - Wǒ bù xǐhuan píjiǔ - I don't like beer.

我不要去纽约 - Wǒ búyào qù Niǔyuē
- I'm not going to New York.

我不想念他们 - Wǒ bù xiǎngniàn
tāmen - I don't miss them.

这是你的 - Zhè shì nǐde - This is yours.

那是小李的书 - Nà shì Xiǎo Lǐ de
shū - That is Xiao Li's book.

这是我的电话号码 - Zhè shì wǒde diànhuà
hàomǎ - This is my phone number.

这是他们的房子 - Zhè shì tāmen de
fángzi - This is their house.

这条裤子是黑色的 - Zhè tiáo kùzi shì
hēisè de - These trousers are black.

她是一个很重要的人 - Tā shì yīgè hěn zhòngyào
de rén - She is a very important person.

VEGETABLES

西红柿	xīhóngshì	tomato
牛肉	niúròu	beef
猪肉	zhūròu	pork
羊肉	yáng ròu	mutton, lamb
鸡肉	jīròu	chicken
白菜	báicài	chinese cabbage
卷心菜	juǎnxīncài	cabbage
胡萝卜	húluóbo	carrot
豌豆	wāndòu	pea
马铃薯	mǎlíngshǔ	potato
土豆	tǔdòu	
黄瓜	huángguā	cucumber
洋葱	yángcōng	onion
地瓜	dìguā	sweet potato
蘑菇	mógu	mushroom
橄榄	gǎnlǎn	olive
橄榄油	gǎn lǎn yóu	olive oil
青椒	qīngjiāo	green pepper (+)
甜椒	tiánjiāo	bell pepper (-)

FRUITS

水果类	shuǐguǒ lèi	FRUITS
菠萝	bōluó	pineapple
西瓜	xīguā	watermelon
香蕉	xiāngjiāo	banana
橙子	chéngzi	orange
苹果	píngguǒ	apple
柠檬	níngméng	lemon
樱桃	yīngtáo	cherry
桃子	táozǐ	peach
梨	lí	pear
椰子	yēzi	coconut
草莓	cǎoméi	strawberry
黑莓	hēiméi	blackberry
葡萄	pútáo	grapes
芒果	mángguǒ	mango
杏子	xìngzi	apricot
石榴	shíliú	pomegranate

我和我哥哥要去北京 - Wǒ hé wǒ gēgē yào qù Běijīng - My brother and I are going to Beijing.

我喜欢米饭和面条 - Wǒ xǐhuan mǐfàn hé miàntiáo - I like rice and noodles.

我和你一样 - Wǒ hé nǐ yīyàng -
You and I are the same.

你喜欢他吗？ - Nǐ xǐhuan tā ma? - Do you like him?
这是你的吗？ - Zhè shì nǐde ma? - Is this yours?

你要去上海吗？ - Nǐ yào qù Shànghǎi ma?
- Are you going to go to Shanghai?

Do you speak English? - 你会说英语
吗？ - nǐ huì shuō yīngyǔ ma?

How do you say ... in Mandarin? - ... 中文
怎么说？ - ... zhōngwén zěnmě shuō.

I don't understand - 我听不懂 - wǒ tīngbùdǒng.

Please say that again - 请你说一
遍 - Qǐng nǐ zàishuō yībiàn.

Can You Speak Slowly? - 请说慢一点 - Qǐng shuō màn yīdiǎn.

I don't know - 我不知道 - wǒ bù zhīdào.

I am very glad to meet you - 很高兴认识您 - Hěn gāo xìng rèn shí nín.

What is your name?- 您叫什么名字? - nín jiào shén me míng zì?

My name is Luo Lun Si - 我叫罗论丝 - wǒ jiào lúo lún sī.

I'm leaving - 我要走了 - Wǒ yào zǒule.

Where are you from? - 你从哪里来? - Nǐ cóng nǎlǐ lái?

I'm from the U.S - 我从美国来 - Wǒ cóng měiguó lái

How old are you? - 你多大了? - Nǐ duōdàle?

I'm twenty-five years old - 我二十五岁了 - Wǒ èrshíwǔ suìle.

My mobile phone is lost. 我手机丢了。
Wǒ shǒujī diūle.

My passport is lost. 我护照丢了。 Wǒ hùzhào diūle.

My wallet is lost. 我钱包丢了。 Wǒ qiánbāo diūle.

My baggage is lost. 我箱子丢了。 Wǒ xiāngzi diūle

What's the date today? 今天几号? Jīntiān jǐ hào?

It is September 1st.
今天九月1号。 Jīntiān jiǔ yuè 1 hào.

What time is it please? 请问现在几点了?
Qǐng wèn xiàn zài jǐ diǎn le?

It is 10:20 现在10点20。 Xiànzài Shí diǎn èrshí.

In the morning 上午 Shàngwǔ.

At noon, 中午 Zhōngwǔ.

In the afternoon 下午 Xiàwǔ.

Asking for directions

I'm lost 我迷路了。 Wǒ mílùle.

Where is ...? ...在哪里 ...Zài nǎlǐ?

Can you tell me how to go to ABC place, please?
请问怎么去ABC? Qǐng wèn zěn me qù ABC?

Where do you want to go? 你要去哪里?
Nǐ yào qù nǎlǐ?

Airport 机场 Jīchǎng

Railway Station 火车站 Huǒchē zhàn

Taxi 出租车 Chūzū chē

Subway 地铁 Dìtiě

Straight ahead 直走 Zhí zǒu

Turn left 左转 Zuǒ zhuǎn

Turn right 右转 Yòu zhuǎn

颜色
colors (yán sè)
红色
red (hóng sè)
黄色
yellow (huáng sè)
绿色
green (lǜ sè)
蓝色
blue (lán sè)
紫色
purple (zǐ sè)
桔色
orange (jú sè)
橙色
orange (chéng sè)

粉红色
pink (fěn hóng sè)
棕色
brown (zōng sè)
灰色
gray (huī sè)
金色
gold (jīn sè)
银色
silver (yín sè)
浅
light/er (color) (qiǎn)
深
dark/er (color) (shēn)
白色
white (bái sè)
黑色
black (hēi sè)

甜的	tián de	sweet
咸的	xián de	salty
糖	táng	sugar
盐	yán	salt
足够	zú gòu	enough, sufficient
盘子	pán zi	plate
杯子	bēi zi	cup
调羹	tiáo gēng	spoon
刀子	dāo zi	knife
纸巾	zhǐ jīn	paper towel, facial tissue
菜单	cài dān	menu

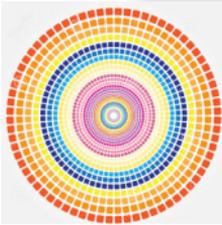
团



tuán

round, ball

周



zhōu

circle, cycle

三角

sān jiǎo
triangle



jǔ xíng
rectangle



矩形

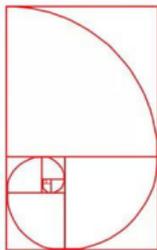
弧形

hú xíng
curve, arc



fāng xíng
square

方形



方块



fāng kuài
cube, cubic

to buy; to purchase

买 mǎi

你们可以上网买机票吗?

Nǐmen kěyǐ shàng wǎng mǎi jīpiào ma

Can you use the Internet
to buy airplane tickets?

to sell; to deceive

卖 mài

他写了很多书，有的卖得很好，
有的卖得不好。

Tā xiě le hěn duō shū, yǒude mài de
hěn hǎo, yǒude mài de bù hǎo.

He has written a lot of books.
Some sell well, but some don't.

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