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爱 ài

verb to love; to like; to cherish

EXAMPLE

我爱我的猫。

Wǒ ài wǒ de māo.
I love my cat.

她爱读书。

Tā ài dúshū.
She loves reading books.

八 bā

numeral eight; eighth; octa-

EXAMPLE

我有八本新书。

Wǒ yǒu bā běn xīn shū.
I have eight new books.

她将在八点钟到达。

Tā jiāng zài bā diǎn zhōng dàodá.
She will arrive at eight o'clock.

爸爸 bàba

noun father; dad; papa

EXAMPLE

我爸爸帮我辅导作业。

Wǒ bàba bāng wǒ fǔdǎo zuòyè.
My dad helps me with my homework.

我给爸爸打了电话。

Wǒ gěi bàba dǎle diànhuà.
I called my father on the phone.

杯子 bēizi

noun cup; glass; mug

EXAMPLE

这个杯子里装满了水。

Zhè ge bēi zi lǐ zhuāng mǎn le shuǐ.
This cup is full of water.

她为厨房买了一个新玻璃杯。

Tā wèi chú fáng mǎi le yí ge xīn bō li bēi.
She bought a new glass for the kitchen.

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本 běn

measure word root; [measure word for books]; volume

EXAMPLE

我为我的课买了一本书。

Wǒ wèi wǒ de kè mǎi le yī běn shū.
I bought one book for my class.

这本书是最新版本。

Zhè běn shū shì zuìxīn bǎnběn.
This book is the latest edition.

不客气 bú kè qì

phrase/interjection (when used as response to thanks); adjective (when describing behavior)

you're welcome; impolite; don't mention it

EXAMPLE

不用谢，我很乐意帮忙。

Búyòng xiè, wǒ hěn lèyì bāngmáng.
You're welcome for the help.

他对客人非常不客气。

Tā duì kèrén fēicháng bú kèqì.
He was very impolite to the guests.

不 bù

adverb not; no; without

EXAMPLE

我不喜欢咖啡。

Wǒ bù xǐhuān kāfēi.
I do not like coffee.

她还没准备好离开。

Tā hái méi zhǔnbèi hǎo líkāi.
She is not ready to leave.

北京 běijīng

noun Beijing; capital of China; Peking

EXAMPLE

北京是一个很大的城市。

Běijīng shì yīgè hěn dà de chéngshì.
Beijing is a very big city.

我想去北京旅游。

Wǒ xiǎng qù Běijīng lǚyóu.
I want to visit Beijing.

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菜 cài

noun vegetable; dish; cuisine

EXAMPLE

我在市场买了新鲜的蔬菜。

Wǒ zài shìchǎng mǎi le xīnxiān de shūcài.
I bought fresh vegetables at the market.

这家餐厅供应美味的本地菜。

Zhè jiā cāntīng gōngyīng měiwèi de běndì cài.
This restaurant serves delicious local food.

茶 chá

noun tea; beverage; infusion

EXAMPLE

我每天早上都喝茶。

Wǒ měitiān zǎoshang dōu hē chá.
I drink tea every morning.

这种绿茶非常新鲜。

Zhè zhǒng lǜchá fēicháng xīnxiān.
This green tea is very fresh.

吃 chī

verb to eat; to consume; to have a meal

EXAMPLE

我每天早上吃早餐。

Wǒ měitiān zǎoshang chī zǎocān.
I eat breakfast every morning.

她吃一个苹果当零食。

Tā chī yīgè píngguǒ dāng língshí.
She eats an apple for a snack.

出租车 chūzūchē

noun taxi; cab; hack

EXAMPLE

出租车在外面等着。

Chūzūchē zài wàimiàn děng zhe.
The taxi is waiting outside.

我需要叫一辆出租车。

Wǒ xūyào jiào yī liàng chūzūchē.
I need to call a cab.

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打电话 dǎdiànhuà

verb to make a telephone call; to phone; to ring up

EXAMPLE

我稍后会给我朋友打电话。

Wǒ shāohòu huì gěi wǒ péngyǒu dǎ diànhuà.
I will call my friend later.

她每天都给她妈妈打电话。

Tā měitiān dōu gěi tā māmā dǎ diànhuà.
She calls her mother every day.

大 dà

adjective big; large; great

EXAMPLE

大象是一种非常大的动物。

Dàxiàng shì yī zhǒng fēicháng dà de dòngwù.
The elephant is a very big animal.

我们住在一栋带花园的大房子里。

Wǒmen zhù zài yī dòng dài huāyuán de dà fángzi lǐ.
We live in a large house with a garden.

的 de

particle of; possessive marker; adjective marker

EXAMPLE

这是我朋友的书。

Zhè shì wǒ péngyou de shū.
This is my friend's book.

红色的车很快。

Hóngsè de chē hěn kuài.
The red car is very fast.

点 diǎn

measure word o'clock; spot; dot

EXAMPLE

我们三点见面。

Wǒmen sān diǎn jiànmiàn.
Let's meet at three o'clock.

纸上有一个小点。

Zhǐ shàng yǒu yī gè xiǎo diǎn.
There is a small dot on the paper.

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电脑 diànnǎo

noun computer; electronic brain; PC

EXAMPLE

我的电脑在桌子上。

Wǒ de diànnǎo zài zhuōzi shàng.

My computer is on the desk.

我用笔记本电脑做作业。

Wǒ yòng bǐjìběn diànnǎo zuò zuòyè.

I use a laptop for my schoolwork.

电视 diànshì

noun TV; television set; television broadcast

EXAMPLE

电视在客厅里。

Diànshì zài kètīng lǐ.

The television is in the living room.

我每天晚上都看电视节目。

Wǒ měitiān wǎnshàng dōu kàn diànshì jiémù.

I watch a television program every evening.

电影 diànyǐng

noun film; movie; cinema

EXAMPLE

我们昨晚看了一部电影。

Wǒmen zuó wǎn kàn le yī bù diànyǐng.

We watched a film last night.

这部电影非常受欢迎。

Zhè bù diànyǐng fēicháng shòu huānyíng.

This movie is very popular.

东西 dōngxi

noun thing; stuff; object

EXAMPLE

我为厨房买了个新东西。

Wǒ wèi chúfáng mǎi le gè xīn dōngxi.

I bought a new thing for my kitchen.

请把你的东西放在衣柜里。

Qǐng bǎ nǐ de dōngxi fàng zài yīguì lǐ.

Please put your stuff in the closet.