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Words

针灸 針灸
zhēnjiǔ acupuncture and moxibustion / to give or have acupuncture and moxibustion

> 针灸对失眠有效吗?
> Zhēnjiǔ duì shīmián yǒuxiào ma?
> Is acupuncture effective for insomnia?

养生 養生
yǎngshēng to maintain good health / to raise a child or animal / curing (of concrete etc)

> 她喜欢早睡早起来养生。
> Tā xǐhuan zǎoshuìzǎoqǐ lái yǎngshēng.
> She likes to go to bed and get up early to keep healthy.

农历 農曆
nónglì the traditional Chinese calendar / the lunar calendar

> 今天是农历几号?
> Jīntiān shì nónglì jǐhào?
> What day of the lunar calendar is it today?

节气 節氣
jiéqi solar term

> 立春是第一个节气。
> Lìchūn shì dì yī gè jiéqi.
> The Beginning of Spring is the first solar term.

浑天仪 渾天儀
húntiānyí armillary sphere (astronomy)

圆周率 圓周率
yuánzhōulǜ the ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter (π)

> 古人很早就算过圆周率。
> Gǔrén hěn zǎo jiùsuànguo yuánzhōulǜ.
> People in ancient times calculated pi very early on.

算盘 算盤
suànpán abacus / plan / scheme

> 别猜了，我知道他的算盘。
> Bié cāile, wǒ zhīdào tā de suànpán.
> Stop guessing, I know what he's up to.

扁鹊 扁鵲
biǎnquè 秦越人[Qin2 Yue4 ren2] (407-310 BC), Warring States physician known for his medical skills, nicknamed Bian Que after the earliest known Chinese physician allegedly from the 黃帝|黃帝[Huang2 di4] era

> 你读过关于扁鹊的书吗?
> Nǐ dúguo guānyú Biǎn Què de shū ma?
> Have you read any books about Bian Que?

本草纲目 本草綱目
běncǎogāngmù Compendium of Medical Herbs 1596, compiled by Li Shizhen 李時珍|李时珍[Li3 Shi2 zhen1]

黄帝内经 黃帝內經
huángdìnèijīng The Yellow Emperor's Internal Canon, medical text c. 300 BC

都江堰
dūjiāngyàn Dujiangyan in Sichuan, a famous water engineering project and World Heritage Site

> 都江堰两千多年前就已经建成了。
> Dūjiāngyàn liǎng qiān duōnián qián jiù yǐjīng jiànchéngle.
> Dujiangyan was already built more than two thousand years ago.

天人合一
tiānrénhéyī oneness of heaven and humanity / the theory that man is an integral part of nature

> 天人合一是什么意思?
> Tiānrénhéyī shì shénme yìsi?
> What does the unity of heaven and man mean?

经络 經絡
jīngluò energy channels / meridian (TCM) / trick / tactic

穴位
xuéwèi acupuncture point / location of a grave

> 按摩时要找准穴位。
> Ànmó shí yào zhǎo zhǔn xuéwèi.
> When giving a massage, you need to find the right acupuncture points.

司南
sīnán ancient Chinese compass

九章算术 九章算術
jiǔzhāngsuànshù The Nine Chapters on the Mathematical Art

沈括

shěnkuò Shen Kuo (1031-1095), Chinese polymath, scientist and statesman of Song dynasty, author of Dream Pool Essays 夢溪筆談|梦溪笔谈[Meng4 Xi1 Bi3 tan2]

> 梦溪笔谈是沈括写的。
> Mèngxībǐtán shì Shěnkuò xiě de.
> Dream Pool Essays was written by Shen Kuo.

梦溪笔谈 夢溪筆談

mèngxībǐtán Dream Pool Essays by Shen Kuo 沈括[Shen3 Kuo4], book on various fields of knowledge, the first to describe the magnetic needle compass

> 我哥哥在读梦溪笔谈。
> Wǒ gēge zàidú Mèngxībǐtán.
> My older brother is reading Dream Pool Essays.

日晷

rìguǐ sundial

孙思邈 孫思邈

sūnsīmiǎo Sun Simiao (c. 581-682), doctor and herbalist of the Sui and Tang dynasty, author of Prescriptions Worth a Thousand in Gold 千金要方[Qian1 jin1 Yao4 fang1]

> 你听说过孙思邈吗?
> Nǐ tīngshuōguo Sūn Sīmiǎo ma?
> Have you heard of Sun Simiao?

鲁班 魯班

lǔbān Lu Ban, legendary master craftsman, called the father of Chinese carpentry

> 你听说过鲁班的故事吗?
> Nǐ tīngshuōguo Lǔ Bān de gùshi ma?
> Have you heard the stories about Lu Ban?

墨子

mòzǐ Mozi (c. 470–391 BC), founder of the Mohist School 墨家[Mo4 jia1], which flourished during the Warring States period (475–220 BC)

> 墨子不但会思考，还懂得造机械。
> Mòzǐ búdàn huì sīkǎo, hái dǒngde zào jīxiè.
> Mozi could not only think deeply but also build machinery.

赵州桥 趙州橋

zhàozhōuqiáo Zhaozhou Bridge over Xiao River 洨河[Xiao2 He2] in Zhao county 趙縣|赵县[Zhao4 Xian4], Shijiazhuang, Hebei, dating back to the Sui dynasty 隋代[Sui2 dai4] (581-617) and the world's oldest extant stone arch bridge

> 赵州桥已经有一千多年了。
> Zhàozhōu Qiáo yǐjīng yǒu yì qiān duōnián le.
> Zhaozhou Bridge is already more than a thousand years old.

冶炼 冶煉

yěliàn to smelt metal

炼丹 煉丹

liàndān to concoct pills of immortality

草药 草藥

cǎoyào herbal medicine

> 山上有很多可以做草药的植物。
> Shānshàng yǒu hěn duō kěyǐ zuò cǎoyào de zhíwù.
> There are many plants on the mountain that can be used as herbal medicine.

本草

běncǎo a book on Chinese (herbal) medicine / Chinese materia medica

> 你对本草感兴趣吗?
> Nǐ duì běncǎo gǎnxìngqù ma?
> Are you interested in Chinese materia medica?