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Words

和善
héshàn good-natured

新来的老师说话很和善。
Xīn lái de lǎoshī shuōhuà hěn héshàn.
The new teacher speaks in a very kind, friendly way.

外貌
wàimào profile / appearance

别只看外貌，要多了解他。
Bié zhǐ kàn wàimào, yào duō liǎojiě tā.
Don't just go by looks; get to know him better.

开朗 開朗
kāilǎng spacious and well-lit / open and clear / optimistic / cheerful / carefree

她开朗的个性使我觉得快乐。
Tā kāilǎng de gèxìng shǐ wǒ juéde kuàilè.
I get a kick out of her cheerful personality.

外向
wàixiàng extroverted (personality) / export-oriented

你弟弟是外向的孩子吗?
Nǐ dìdi shì wàixiàng de háizi ma?
Is your younger brother an extroverted kid?

内向 內向
nèixiàng reserved (personality) / introverted / domestic-oriented

内向的人适合当老师吗?
Nèixiàng de rén shìhé dāng lǎoshī ma?
Are introverted people suited to being teachers?

苗条 苗條
miáotiao slim / slender / graceful

我正在变苗条!
Wǒ zhèngzài biàn miáotiao!
I am getting slim!

坦率
tǎnshuài frank / candid / straightforward

他说话一向很坦率。
Tā shuōhuà yíxiàng hěn tǎnshuài.
He has always been very frank when he speaks.

固执 固執
gùzhí obstinate / stubborn / to fixate on / to cling to

你为什么这么固执呢?
Nǐ wèishénme zhème gùzhí ne?
Why are you so stubborn?

自私
zìsī selfish / selfishness

我不想自私。
Wǒ bùxiǎng zìsī.
I don't mean to be selfish.

狡猾
jiǎohuá crafty / cunning / sly

他笑得很狡猾，肯定有鬼主意。
Tā xiào de hěn jiǎohuá, kěndìng yǒu guǐzhǔyì.
He smiled slyly, so he must be up to something.

稳重 穩重
wěnzhòng steady / earnest / staid

他开车很稳重，我很放心。
Tā kāichē hěn wěnzhòng, wǒ hěn fàngxīn.
He drives very steadily, so I feel at ease.

慷慨
kāngkǎi vehement / fervent / generous / magnanimous

大自然很慷慨。
Dàzìrán hěn kāngkǎi.
Mother Nature is generous.

吝啬 吝嗇
lìnsè stingy / mean / miserly

他非常吝啬。
Tā fēicháng lìnsè.
He is very stingy with his money.

虚伪 虛偽
xūwěi false / hypocritical / artificial / sham

这真是彻底的虚伪!
Zhè zhēnshi chèdǐ de xūwěi!
This is pure hypocrisy!

傲慢
àomàn arrogant / haughty

别那么傲慢。
Bié nàme àomàn.
Don't be so arrogant!

文静 文靜
wénjìng (of a person's manner or character) gentle and quiet

> 妹妹性格文静，很爱看书。
> Mèimei xìnggé wénjìng, hěn ài kànshū.
> My younger sister is quiet and gentle, and loves reading.

憨厚
hānhou simple and honest / straightforward

> 他憨厚地笑了笑，没说话。
> Tā hānhou de xiàole xiào, méi shuōhuà.
> He smiled in his honest way and said nothing.

豪爽
háoshuǎng outspoken and straightforward / forthright / expansive

圆滑 圓滑
yuánhuá smooth and evasive / slick and sly

> 我同事说话总是很圆滑。
> Wǒ tóngshì shuōhuà zǒngshì hěn yuánhuá.
> My coworker always talks in a very smooth, noncommittal way.

孤僻
gūpì unsociable / withdrawn / reclusive

刻薄
kèbó unkind / harsh / cutting / mean / acrimony / to embezzle by making illegal deductions

> 他刻薄的话让我很难受。
> Tā kèbó de huà ràng wǒ hěn nánshòu.
> His cutting words really hurt me.

势利 勢利
shìlì snobbish

五官
wǔguān five sense organs of TCM (nose, eyes, lips, tongue, ears 鼻目口舌耳) / facial features

> 画人像时，要先画好五官。
> Huà rén xiàng shí, yào xiān huà hǎo wǔguān.
> When drawing a portrait, you should draw the facial features first.

长相 長相
zhǎngxiàng appearance / looks / profile / countenance

> 他的长相与年龄不符。
> Tā de zhǎngxiàng yǔ niánlíng bùfú.
> He doesn't look his age.

容貌
róngmào one's appearance / one's aspect / looks / features

> 他的容貌改变了许多。
> Tā de róngmào gǎibiànle xǔduō.
> He's changed a lot in his looks.

英俊
yīngjùn handsome

> 他极其英俊。
> Tā jíqí yīngjùn.
> He is tremendously handsome.

秀气 秀氣
xiùqi delicate / graceful

魁梧
kuíwú tall and sturdy

丰满 豐滿
fēngmǎn ample / well developed / fully rounded

> 小说里的人物写得很丰满。
> Xiǎoshuō lǐ de rénwù xiě de hěn fēngmǎn.
> The characters in the novel are very well rounded.

品德
pǐndé moral character

> 招人时，公司也看品德吗？
> Zhāo rén shí, gōngsī yě kàn pǐndé ma?
> When hiring, does the company also look at moral character?

神情
shénqíng look / expression

> 她神情紧张地等着医生。
> Tā shénqíng jǐnzhāng de děng zhe yīshēng.
> She waited for the doctor with a nervous look on her face.

英勇
yīngyǒng heroic / gallant / valiant

> 消防员英勇地冲进火场。
> Xiāofángyuán yīngyǒng de chōngjìn huǒchǎng.
> The firefighter bravely rushed into the fire.

俊
jùn handsome / smart / eminent / talented
zùn (dialectal pronunciation of 俊[jun4]) / cool / neat

> 他长得很俊，大家都夸他。
> Tā zhǎng de hěn jùn, dàjiā dōu kuā tā.
> He is very handsome, and everyone compliments him.

人格
réngé personality / integrity / dignity

> 不能侮辱别人的人格。
> Bùnéng wǔrǔ biéren de réngé.
> You must not insult other people's dignity.

理智
lǐzhì reason / intellect / rationality / rational

> 他终于恢复了理智。
> Tā zhōngyú huīfùle lǐzhì.
> He finally came to his senses.

相貌
xiàngmào facial features / looks

> 不能只凭相貌判断一个人。
> Bùnéng zhǐ píng xiàngmào pànduàn yí gè rén.
> You can't judge a person by looks alone.

野蛮 野蠻
yěmán barbarous / uncivilized

> 打人是很野蛮的行为。
> Dǎ rén shì hěn yěmán de xíngwéi.
> Hitting people is a barbarous act.

君子
jūnzǐ nobleman / person of noble character

> 他以君子之道生活。
> Tā yǐ jūnzǐ zhī dào shēnghuó.
> He lived a moral life.

秃 禿
tū bald (lacking hair or feathers) / barren / bare / denuded / blunt (lacking a point) / unsatisfactory / lacking something

> 树被砍光了，山都秃了。
> Shù bèi kǎn guāng le, shān dōu tūle.
> The trees were all cut down, and the mountain has gone bare.

保守
bǎoshǒu to keep / conservative / to guard

> 我们很保守。
> Wǒmen hěn bǎoshǒu.
> We're conservative.

性情
xìngqíng nature / temperament

> 他的性情古怪。
> Tā de xìngqíng gǔguài.
> He's a strange character.

神态 神態
shéntài appearance / manner / bearing / deportment / look / expression / mien

> 她说话时神态很自然。
> Tā shuōhuà shí shéntài hěn zìrán.
> She had a very natural manner when she spoke.

苍白 蒼白
cāngbái pale / wan

> 他有点苍白。
> Tā yǒudiǎn cāngbái.
> He looks kind of pale.

沉着 沉著
chénzhuó steady / calm and collected / not nervous

> 司机沉着地把车停好。
> Sījī chénzhuó de bǎ chē tíng hǎo.
> The driver parked the car steadily.

镇定 鎮定
zhèndìng calm / unperturbed / cool

> 她镇定地回答了所有问题。
> Tā zhèndeng de huídále suǒyǒu wèntí.
> She answered all the questions unperturbed.

乖
guāi obedient, well-behaved / clever / perverse / abnormal / shrewd / alert / contrary to reason / irregular

> 你今天乖吗？
> Nǐ jīntiān guāi ma?
> Did you behave today?

野心
yěxīn ambition / wild schemes / careerism

> 他是个很有野心的人。
> Tā shì gè hěn yǒu yěxīn de rén.
> He was a man of great ambition.

仪表 儀表
yíbiǎo appearance / bearing / meter (i.e. measuring instrument)

> 仪表坏了，速度看不到。
> Yíbiǎo huàile, sùdù kàn budào.
> The meter is broken, so I can't see the speed.

卓越
zhuóyuè outstanding / surpassing / distinguished / splendid

> 她在工作中表现卓越。
> Tā zài gōngzuò zhōng biǎoxiàn zhuóyuè.
> She performs outstandingly at work.

果断 果斷
guǒduàn firm / decisive

> 你做事能不能果断一点？
> Nǐ zuòshì néng bùnéng guǒduàn yìdiǎn?
> Could you be a bit more decisive when you do things?