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Words

道
dào classifier for long thin things (rivers, cracks, shadows etc), barriers (walls, doors etc), questions (in an exam etc), commands, courses in a meal, steps in a process / road / path / to say (introducing a direct quotation, as in a novel) / way / reason / principle / the Way / the Dao / a skill / an art / a specialization / to express / to extend (polite words) / circuit (administrative division)
dǎo to lead / to guide / to clear a channel / to dredge

> 他们分道而行。
> Tāmen fēn dào ér xíng.
> They went their separate ways.

自然
zìrán natural / naturally / nature

> 自然充满了神秘。
> Zìrán chōngmǎnle shénmì.
> Nature is full of mysteries.

气 氣
qì to make angry / to annoy / to get angry / gas / air / smell / weather / vital energy / qi

> 啤酒没气了。
> Píjiǔ méi qì le.
> The beer is stale.

孙子 孫子
sūnzi grandson / son's son
sūnzǐ Sun Tzu, also known as Sun Wu 孫武|孙武[Sun1 Wu3] (c. 500 BC, dates of birth and death uncertain), general, strategist and philosopher of the Spring and Autumn Period (700-475 BC), believed to be the author of the “Art of War” 孫子兵法|孙子兵法[Sun1 zi3 Bing1 fa3], one of the Seven Military Classics of ancient China 武經七書|武经七书[Wu3 jing1 Qi1 shu1]

> 你读过孙子写的书吗?
> Nǐ dúguo sūnzi xiě de shū ma?
> Have you read the book Sunzi wrote?

哲学 哲學
zhéxué philosophy

> 哲学是什么?
> Zhéxué shì shénme?
> What is philosophy?

思想
sīxiǎng thought / thinking / idea / ideology

> 我试试思想。
> Wǒ shì shì sīxiǎng.
> I try to think.

经典 經典
jīngdiǎn the classics / scriptures / classical / classic (example, case etc) / typical

> 他喜欢读古代经典。
> Tā xǐhuan dú gǔdài jīngdiǎn.
> He likes reading the ancient classics.

传统 傳統
chuántǒng tradition / traditional

> 中华传统节日有很多。
> Zhōnghuá chuántǒng jiérì yǒu hěn duō.
> There are many traditional Chinese festivals.

理论 理論
lǐlùn theory / to argue / to take notice of

> 我的理论是这样。
> Wǒ de lǐlùn shì zhèyàng.
> That's my theory.

智慧
zhìhuì wisdom / intelligence

> 他很有智慧。
> Tā hěn yǒu zhìhuì.
> He's very wise.

道德
dàodé virtue / morality / ethics

> 他是个很有道德的人。
> Tā shì gè hěn yǒu dàodé de rén.
> He is a person of great virtue.

和谐 和諧
héxié harmonious / harmony / to censor

> 家庭和谐比什么都重要。
> Jiātíng héxié bǐ shénme dōu zhòngyào.
> Harmony in the family matters more than anything.

天下

tiānxià land under heaven / the whole world / the whole of China / realm / rule

> 天下没有白白得到的好处。
> Tiānxià méiyǒu báibái dédào de hǎochù.
> There are no benefits you get for nothing.

主张 主張

zhǔzhāng to advocate / to stand for / view / position / stand / proposition / viewpoint / assertion

> 你对这件事有什么主张?
> Nǐ duì zhè jiàn shì yǒu shénme zhǔzhāng?
> What is your view on this matter?

思想家

sīxiǎngjiā thinker

哲学家 哲學家

zhéxuéjiā philosopher

> 我弟弟说他长大以后想当哲学家。
> Wǒ dìdi shuō tā zhǎngdà yǐhòu xiǎng dāng zhéxuéjiā.
> My younger brother says he wants to be a philosopher when he grows up.

谦虚 謙虛

qiānxū modest / self-effacing / to make modest remarks

> 你太谦虚了。
> Nǐ tài qiānxūle.
> You're too modest.

诚信 誠信

chéngxìn honesty / trustworthiness / good faith

> 哲学课上讲到了诚信。
> Zhéxué kè shàng jiǎng dàole chéngxìn.
> Honesty and integrity came up in philosophy class.