

Greetings and politeness Chinese vocabulary: Elementary (HSK 1-3)

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Words

你好

nǐhǎo hello / hi

谢谢 謝謝

xièxie to thank / thanks / thank you

不冷，谢谢。

Bù lěng, xièxie.

I'm not cold, thanks.

不客气 不客氣

bùkèqì you're welcome / don't mention it / impolite / rude / blunt

对不起 對不起

duìbuqǐ I'm sorry / excuse me / I beg your pardon / to let (sb) down / to disappoint

你对不起我。

Nǐ duìbùqǐ wǒ.

You do me wrong.

没关系 沒關係

méiguānxi it doesn't matter

不，没关系。

Bù, méiguānxi.

No, there's no problem.

再见 再見

zàijiàn goodbye

我不会再见她。

Wǒ búhuì zàijiàn tā.

I won't see her again.

请 請

qǐng please (do sth) / to ask / to invite / to request / to treat (to a meal etc)

请上去。

Qǐng shàngqù.

Please go up.

您

nín you (courteous, as opposed to informal 你[nǐ])

多谢您的帮忙，再见！

Duōxiè nín de bāngmáng, zàijiàn!

Thanks a lot for your help, goodbye!

请问 請問

qǐngwèn Excuse me, may I ask...?

请问这是谁？

Qǐngwèn zhè shì shéi?

Who is this, please?

您好

nínhǎo hello (polite)

您好，我想买两个苹果。

Nínhǎo, wǒ xiǎng mǎi liǎng gè píngguǒ.

Hello, I'd like to buy two apples.

快乐 快樂

kuàilè happy / joyful

万圣节快乐！

Wànshèngjié kuàilè!

Happy Halloween!

新年快乐 新年快樂

xīnniánkuàilè Happy New Year!

老师，新年快乐！

Lǎoshī, xīnniánkuàilè!

Happy New Year, teacher!

生日快乐 生日快樂

shēngrìkuàilè Happy birthday

我给姐姐打电话说生日快乐。

Wǒ gěi jiějie dǎdiànhuà shuō shēngrìkuàilè.

I called my older sister to say happy birthday.

早上好

zǎoshanghǎo Good morning!

见到老师要说早上好。

Jiàndào lǎoshī yàoshuō zǎoshanghǎo.

When you see your teacher, you should say good morning.

不好意思

bùhǎoyìsi to feel embarrassed / to find it embarrassing / to be sorry (for inconveniencing sb)

不好意思，借过一下。

Bùhǎoyìsi, jièguò yíxià.

Sorry, excuse me, let me through.

欢迎 歡迎

huānyíng to welcome / welcome

中国欢迎你!

Zhōngguó huānyíng nǐ!

Welcome to China!

多谢 多謝

duōxiè many thanks / thanks a lot

多谢你昨天送我回家。

Duōxiè nǐ zuótiān sòng wǒ huíjiā.

Many thanks for taking me home yesterday.