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Words

这个 這個
zhège this / this

这个人是谁?
Zhège rén shì shéi?
Who is this person?

它
tā it
tuó camel

我想看看它。
Wǒ xiǎng kànkan tā.
I would like to see it.

什么 什麼
shénme what? / something / anything

什么是脸书?
Shénme shì Liǎnshū?
What's Facebook?

见 見
jiàn to see / to meet / to interview / to appear (to be sth) / opinion / view / marks the passive / to be (done to) / surname Jian / me
xiàn to appear

我不想见你。
Wǒ bùxiǎng jiàn nǐ.
I don't want to see you.

小
xiǎo small / tiny / young / prefix before a surname or given name, familiar or affectionate / few

有一个小问题。
Yǒu yí gè xiǎo wèntí.
There's one small problem.

问题 問題
wèntí question / problem / issue / topic

你有问题吗?
Nǐ yǒu wèntí ma?
Are you having problems?

再
zài again / once more / re- / to reappear / to reoccur / further / beyond this point of time / more / then (after sth, and not until then) / no matter how ... (followed by an adjective or verb, and then (usually) 也[ye3] or 都[dou1] for emphasis) / (used to introduce additional information, as in 再則|再则[zai4 ze2], 再就是[zai4 jiu4 shi4] etc)

再找时间吧。
Zài zhǎo shíjiān ba.
Let's do it another time.

做
zuò to make / to produce / to write / to compose / to do / to engage in / to hold (a party etc) / to assume (an air or manner) / to be (an intermediary, a good student etc) / to become (husband and wife, friends etc) / to serve as / to be used for

不做不知道。
Bú zuò bù zhīdào.
You'll never know unless you try.

这些 這些
zhèxiē these

这些是新的。
Zhèxiē shì xīn de.
These are the new ones.

听
tīng to listen to / to hear / to heed / to obey / a can (loanword from English "tin") / classifier for canned beverages / to let be / to allow / to administer / to deal with
yǐn smile (archaic)

你们在听吗?
Nǐmen zài tīng ma?
Are you listening?

公司
gōngsī company / firm / corporation

他的公司2005年开的。
Tā de gōngsī èr líng líng wǔ nián kāi de.
His company was set up in 2005.

事
shì matter / thing / item / work / affair / to serve / to wait on

我还有点事。
Wǒ hái yǒudiǎn shì.
I still have things left to do.

号 號

hào number designation (e.g. 237號房間|237号房间[er4 san1 qi1 hao4 fang2 jian1] "Room 237") / size / type / category (e.g. 五號電池|五号电池[wu3 hao4 dian4 chi2]) / day of the month (e.g. 七號|七号[qi1 hao4] "the 7th") / bugle / trumpet / name / appellation (e.g. 國號|国号[guo2 hao4], 年號|年号[nian2 hao4], 遼寧號|辽宁号[Liao2 ning2 Hao4]) / signal / bugle call (e.g. 起床號|起床号[qi3 chuang2 hao4]) / mark / sign / to call out / to command / to mark / to label / to assign a number / sick or wounded person / shop; business firm / to feel (the pulse) (used in 號脈|号脉[hao4 mai4]) / classifier for numbered people or items
háo to wail / to howl

> 她二十五号去。
> Tā èr shíwǔ hào qù.
> She is going on the 25th.

叫

jiào to call / to order / to be called / to shout / to ask / by (indicates agent in the passive mood)

> 你去叫他来。
> Nǐ qù jiào tā lái.
> Tell him to come.

两 兩

liǎng two / a few / tael, unit of weight equal to 50 grams (modern) or 1⁄16 of a catty 斤[jin1] (old) / both / some
liàng vehicle / chariot

> 这两本都是宋本。
> Zhè liǎng běn dōu shì Sòng běn.
> Both of these are Song Dynasty block-printed editions.

知道

zhīdào to know / to become aware of

> 你知道吗?
> Nǐ zhīdào ma?
> Do you know?

三

sān three / 3 / surname San

> 一，二，三!
> Yī, èr, sān!
> One, two, three!

本

běn classifier for books, periodicals, files etc / root / stem / origin / source / original / inherent / originally / initially / one's own / this / this / the current (year etc) / capital / principal

> 我是岩本和人。
> Wǒ shì yán běn hé rén.
> I am Kazuto Iwamoto.

们 們

men plural marker for pronouns, and nouns referring to individuals

> 学生们，听好了!
> Xuéshengmen, tīng hǎole!
> Listen up, students!

家

jiā family / noun suffix for a specialist in some activity, such as a musician or revolutionary, corresponding to English -ist, -er, -ary or -ian / home / household engaged in a trade / person of a certain status / refers to the philosophical schools of pre-Han China / used in 傢伙|家伙[jia1 huo5] and 傢俱|家俱[jia1 ju4] / my (sister, uncle etc) / classifier for families or businesses / domesticated / tame / surname Jia
jia suffix attached to nouns for people, indicating a kind of person

> 我有一个家。
> Wǒ yǒu yí gè jiā.
> I have a home.

吃

chī to eat / to consume / to eat at (a cafeteria etc) / to absorb / to suffer (shock, injury, defeat etc) / to eradicate / to destroy

> 我吃了。
> Wǒ chīle.
> I've eaten. / I ate.

天

tiān sky / day / heaven

外

wài outside / in addition / external / foreign

分

fēn to distinguish (good and bad) / to divide / to separate / fraction / minute (unit of time) / to distribute / to allocate / branch of (an organization) / sub- (as in 分局[fen1 ju2]) / a point (in sports or games) / degree / extent / one tenth (of certain units) / unit of length equivalent to 0.33 cm / minute (angular measurement unit) / 0.01 yuan (unit of money)
fèn ingredient / component / one's duty and rights / proper bounds / fate / luck / destined lot / natural endowment / innate quality / to expect / to reckon / part / share

> 现在7点30分了。
> Xiànzài qī diǎn sānshí fēnle.
> Right now it's 7:30.

问 問

wèn to ask / to inquire

> 他问你什么?
> Tā wèn nǐ shénme?
> What did he ask you?

现在 現在

xiànzài now / at present / currently

> 这里，现在。
> Zhèlǐ, xiànzài.
> Here and now.

一些

yīxiē some / a few / a little / (following an adjective) slightly ...er

> 给他一些时间。
> Gěi tā yìxiē shíjiān.
> Give him some time.

时间 時間

shíjiān time / time / time

> 你时间多吗?
> Nǐ shíjiān duō ma?
> Do you have a lot of time?

时候 時候

shíhou time / length of time / moment / period

> 你什么时候来?
> Nǐ shénme shíhou lái?
> When will you come?

学生 學生

xuésheng student / schoolchild

> 我是学生。
> Wǒ shì xuésheng.
> I am a student.

国 國

guó country / nation / state / national / surname Guo

住

zhù to live / to reside / to stay / (result complement indicating firmness or a stable achieved state) / to stop / to cease

> 他住在东京。
> Tā zhù zài Dōngjīng.
> He lives in Tokyo.

这里 這裡

zhèlǐ here

> 我在这里。
> Wǒ zài zhèlǐ.
> I am here.

元

yuán era (of a reign) / Yuan dynasty (1279–1368) / currency unit (esp. Chinese yuan) / first / original / primary / argument / variable / basic / fundamental / constituent / part / meta- / (geology) eon / surname Yuan

呢

ne used in questions to link back to prior discourse or context ("what about...?", "and...?") / used at the end of a wh-question or a wondering / indicating that a state or situation still holds / indicating an action in progress / used to mark a slight pause or emphasis in speech
ní dense wool fabric (used for coats and jackets)

> 你呢?
> Nǐ ne?
> And you?

女

nǚ woman / female / daughter
nǜ to give a daughter in marriage
rǔ you

开 開

kāi to open (transitive or intransitive) / (of ships, vehicles, troops etc) to start / to turn on / to put in operation / to operate / to run / to hold (a meeting, party etc) / away / off / to boil / to write out (a prescription, check, invoice etc) / to fire (a gun) / carat (gold)

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怎么 怎麼

zěnme how? / what? / why?

> 他怎么没来?
> Tā zěnme méi lái?
> What prevented him from coming?

二

èr two / 2 / stupid

> 一，二，三!
> Yī, èr, sān!
> One, two, three!

谁 誰

shéi who
shuí who / whom / anyone / surname Shui

> 下一个是谁?
> Xià yí gè shì shéi?
> Who is next?

吧

ba (modal particle indicating suggestion or surmise) / ...right? / ...OK? / ...I presume.
bā bar (loanword) (serving drinks, or providing Internet access etc) / to puff (on a pipe etc) / bang
biā smack!

> 不对吧?
> Bú duì ba?
> That's not right, is it?

太

tài too (much) / very / extremely / highest / greatest

> 太好了!
> Tài hǎole!
> Great!

点 點

diǎn point / dot / spot / speck / dot stroke in Chinese characters / decimal point / point in time or space / o'clock / to touch briefly / to tap / to mark with a dot / to check off (on a list) / to nod (one's head) in agreement / to beckon by moving (one's hand) up and down / to order (food etc) / to select / to mention / to bring up (a topic or person) / to hint at / to imply / to administer (eye medicine etc) in drops / to light (a fire, a lamp etc) / to ignite / a small amount / a bit / (after a verb or adjective) a bit more / classifier for small amounts

> 9点可以吗?
> Jiǔ diǎn kěyǐ ma?
> Would 9 o'clock be all right?

水

shuǐ water / (after a name) ... River / to swim (used mostly in 會水|会水[hui4 shui3] and 水性[shui3 xing4]) / Shui ethnic group / additional cost / extra income / lacking in substance / shoddy / classifier for washings of a garment / surname Shui

> 请再给我一些水。
> Qǐng zài gěi wǒ yìxiē shuǐ.
> I would like some more water.

回

huí to go back / to return / to turn back / to turn around / to reply / to answer / Hui ethnic group (Chinese Muslims) / classifier for literary divisions (acts of a play, sections or chapters of a classic book) / classifier for occurrences or times / to curve / to return / to revolve

> 我在回波士顿。
> Wǒ zài huí Bōshìdùn.
> I'm on my way back to Boston.

请 請

qǐng please (do sth) / to ask / to invite / to request / to treat (to a meal etc)
qìng autumn court audience

> 请看看这里。
> Qǐng kànkan zhèlǐ.
> Please take a look at this.

第

dì (prefix indicating ordinal number, as in 第六[di4 liu4] "sixth") / residence of a high official / grades in which successful candidates in the imperial examinations were placed / but / however / only / just

> 他是第一个来的。
> Tā shì dì yī gè lái de.
> He was the first to come.

你们 你們

nǐmen you (plural)

> 你们住这里。
> Nǐmen zhù zhèlǐ.
> You live here.

吗 嗎

ma question particle (for yes-no questions) / particle ending a rhetorical question / particle marking a pause within a sentence
má what?
mǎ used in 吗啡 mǎfēi (morphine)

> 你知道吗?
> Nǐ zhīdào ma?
> Do you know?

找

zhǎo to try to find / to look for / to find / to seek / to call on sb / to return / to give change

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> Let's do it another time.