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Words

素食
sùshí vegetarian food / to eat a vegetarian diet

他为了健康，开始素食。
Tā wèile jiànkāng, kāishǐ sùshí.
He started eating a vegetarian diet for his health.

减负 減負
jiǎnfù to alleviate a burden on sb

学校想给学生减负。
Xuéxiào xiǎng gěi xuésheng jiǎnfù.
The school wants to lighten the students' burden.

发愣 發愣
fālèng to stare blankly / to be in a daze

他坐在那里发愣。
Tā zuò zài nàli fālèng.
He sat there daydreaming.

夹子 夾子
jiāzi clip / clamp / tongs / folder / wallet

她用夹子把头发夹起来。
Tā yòng jiāzi bǎ tóufā jiā qǐlai.
She used a clip to pin up her hair.

欢聚 歡聚
huānjù to get together socially / to celebrate / party / celebration

全家人在老家欢聚。
Quánjiā rén zài lǎojiā huānjù.
The whole family gets together at the old family home.

通顺 通順
tōngshùn smooth / clear and coherent

你的作文写得通顺吗?
Nǐ de zuòwén xiě de tōngshùn ma?
Is your essay written coherently?

上火
shànghuǒ to get angry / to suffer from excessive internal heat (TCM)

吃太多辣的东西容易上火。
Chī tài duō là de dōngxi róngyì shànghuǒ.
Eating too much spicy food easily gives you excess internal heat.

不像话 不像話
bùxiànghuà unreasonable / shocking / outrageous

房租涨一倍，不像话!
Fángzū zhǎng yíbèi, búxiànghuà!
The rent doubled? That's outrageous!

兜售
dōushòu to hawk / to peddle

他挨家挨户兜售保险。
Tā āijiā'āihù dōushòu bǎoxiǎn.
He peddles insurance from door to door.

大大咧咧
dàdàliēliē carefree / offhand / casual

她大大咧咧，常常忘带钥匙。
Tā dàdà-liēliē, chángcháng wàng dài yàoshi.
She's so careless that she often forgets her keys.

摆平 擺平
bǎipíng to be fair / to be impartial / to settle (a matter etc)

这件事你能摆平吗?
Zhè jiàn shì nǐ néng bǎipíng ma?
Can you sort this matter out?

特例
tèlì special case / isolated example

公司为他的情况开了一个特例。
Gōngsī wèi tā de qíngkuàng kāile yí gè tèlì.
The company made a special exception for his situation.

粗心大意
cūxīndàyì negligent / careless / inadvertent

他责备了我的粗心大意。
Tā zébèi le wǒ de cūxīn-dàyì.
He reproached me for carelessness.

精打细算 精打細算
jīngdǎxìsuàn meticulous planning and careful accounting (idiom)

她买菜总是精打细算。
Tā mǎicài zǒngshì jīngdǎxìsuàn.
She always calculates carefully when buying groceries.

鸟巢 鳥巢
niǎocháo bird's nest / nickname for Beijing 2008 Olympic stadium

你去过北京的鸟巢吗?
Nǐ qùguo Běijīng de niǎocháo ma?
Have you ever been to the Bird's Nest in Beijing?

一事无成 一事無成

yīshìwúchéng to have achieved nothing / to be a total failure / to get nowhere

> 他四十岁了还一事无成。
> Tā sìshí suì le hái yíshìwúchéng.
> He's forty and still has achieved nothing.

叫板

jiàobǎn to signal the musicians (in Chinese opera, by prolonging a spoken word before attacking a song) / to challenge

> 他居然敢跟老板叫板。
> Tā jūrán gǎn gēn lǎobǎn jiàobǎn.
> He actually dares to challenge the boss.

熄火

xīhuǒ to go out / to put out (fire) / to die down / to stall

> 不要忘了熄火。
> Búyào wàngle xīhuǒ.
> Don't forget to put out the fire.

瑕疵

xiácī blemish / flaw / defect

> 他的演技绝对有瑕疵。
> Tā de yǎnjì juéduì yǒu xiácī.
> His acting is far from being perfect.

顺其自然 順其自然

shùnqízìrán to let nature take its course (idiom)

> 道家主张顺其自然。
> Dàojiā zhǔzhāng shùnqízìrán.
> Daoism advocates going along with nature.

首付

shǒufù down payment

> 他父母帮他付了首付。
> Tā fùmǔ bāng tā fùle shǒufù.
> His parents helped him pay the down payment.

不厌其烦 不厭其煩

bùyànqífán not to mind taking all the trouble (idiom) / to take great pains / to be very patient

不辞而别 不辭而別

bùcí'érbié to leave without saying good-bye

> 他不辞而别。
> Tā bùcí'érbié.
> He left without saying goodbye.

夜校

yèxiào evening school / night school

> 她在夜校上自卫术课程。
> Tā zài yèxiào shàng zìwèi shù kèchéng.
> She took night classes in the art of self-defense.

抑扬顿挫 抑揚頓挫

yìyángdùncuò cadenced / with modulated rhythm and tone

蔚蓝 蔚藍

wèilán azure / sky-blue

> 雨后的天空特别蔚蓝。
> Yǔ hòu de tiānkōng tèbié wèilán.
> The sky is especially blue after the rain.

贺信 賀信

hèxìn congratulatory letter or message

> 这封贺信写得又短又真诚。
> Zhè fēng hèxìn xiě de yòu duǎn yòu zhēnchéng.
> This congratulatory letter is short and sincere.

迭起

diéqǐ continuously arising / to arise repeatedly

> 会上争论迭起，大家都很累。
> Huìshàng zhēnglùn diéqǐ, dàjiā dōu hěn lèi.
> Arguments kept arising at the meeting, and everyone was tired.

举一反三 舉一反三

jǔyīfǎnsān to raise one and infer three / to deduce many things from one case (idiom)

> 他很聪明，学东西总能举一反三。
> Tā hěn cōngming, xué dōngxi zǒngnéng jǔyìfǎnsān.
> He is very smart and can always apply one thing he learns to many others.

五湖四海

wǔhúsìhǎi all parts of the country

> 大学里的同学来自五湖四海。
> Dàxué lǐ de tóngxué láizì wǔhúsìhǎi.
> The students at the university come from all over the country.

原汁原味

yuánzhīyuánwèi original / authentic

> 我想听原汁原味的英文歌。
> Wǒ xiǎng tīng yuánzhīyuánwèi de Yīngwén gē.
> I want to listen to English songs in their original form.

夺魁 奪魁

duókuí to win the championship / to take first place

> 我们班在比赛中夺魁了！
> Wǒmen bān zài bǐsài zhōng duókuíle!
> Our class won first place in the competition!

无价之宝 無價之寶

wújiàzhībǎo priceless treasure

> 孩子是妈妈的无价之宝。
> Háizi shì māma de wújiàzhībǎo.
> A child is a mother's priceless treasure.

污蔑

wūmiè to slander / to defame / to smear

茁壮 茁壯

zhuózhuàng healthy and strong / sturdy / thriving / vigorous / robust / flourishing

> 多吃蔬菜，孩子才能长得茁壮。
> Duō chī shūcài, háizi cái néng zhǎng de zhuózhuàng.
> Eat more vegetables, and the child will grow up healthy and strong.

一技之长 一技之長

yījìzhīcháng proficiency in a particular field (idiom) / skill in a specialized area (idiom)

> 她凭一技之长养活了全家。
> Tā píng yíjìzhīcháng yǎnghuole quánjiā.
> She supported her whole family with her special skill.

同舟共济 同舟共濟

tóngzhōugòngjì cross a river in the same boat (idiom) / fig. having common interests / obliged to collaborate towards common goals

> 我们必须同舟共济。
> Wǒmen bìxū tóngzhōugòngjì.
> We must pull together in the same boat.

吹捧

chuīpěng to flatter / to laud sb's accomplishments / adulation

> 媒体把他吹捧成了天才。
> Méitǐ bǎ tā chuīpěng chéng le tiāncái.
> The media have hyped him up as a genius.

宜居

yíjū livable

> 那里冬天太冷，不算宜居。
> Nàli dōngtiān tài lěng, búsuàn yíjū.
> Winters there are too cold, so it isn't really livable.

悲欢离合 悲歡離合

bēihuānlíhé joys and sorrows / partings and reunions / the vicissitudes of life

> 火车站里每天都有悲欢离合。
> Huǒchēzhàn lǐ měitiān dōu yǒu bēihuānlíhé.
> Every day at the train station there are partings and reunions.

情商

qíngshāng emotional intelligence / emotional intelligence quotient (EQ) (abbr. for 情緒商數|情绪商数[qing2 xu4 shang1 shu4]) / to ask a special favor of (sb)

> 情商低的人容易得罪别人。
> Qíngshāng dī de rén róngyì dézuì biéren.
> People with low emotional intelligence easily offend others.

挨家挨户 挨家挨戶

āijiā'āihù to go from house to house

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> Tā āijiā'āihù dōushòu bǎoxiǎn.
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朝气蓬勃 朝氣蓬勃

zhāoqìpéngbó full of youthful energy (idiom) / vigorous / energetic / a bright spark

> 来了个朝气蓬勃的年轻人。
> Láile gè zhāoqìpéngbó de niánqīngrén.
> A bright and lively young person has joined us.

温习 溫習

wēnxí to review (a lesson etc)

> 我明天去图书馆温习。
> Wǒ míngtiān qù túshūguǎn wēnxí.
> Tomorrow, I'm going to study at the library.

演技

yǎnjì acting / performing skills

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纸上谈兵 紙上談兵

zhǐshàngtánbīng lit. military tactics on paper (idiom) / fig. theoretical discussion that is worse than useless in practice / armchair strategist / idle theorizing / cf Zhao Kuo 趙括|赵括[Zhao4 Kuo4] leading an army of 400,000 to total annihilation at battle of Changping 長平之戰|长平之战[Chang2 ping2 zhi1 Zhan4] in 260 BC

> 别光说不做，纸上谈兵没有用。
> Bié guāngshuōbúzuò, zhǐshàngtánbīng méiyǒu yòng.
> Stop just talking and do something; idle theorizing is useless.

藤蔓

téngmàn vine
téngwàn vine

> 藤蔓缠绕着旧围墙。
> Téngwàn chánràozhe jiù wéiqiáng.
> Vines are twining around the old wall.

褒贬 褒貶

bāobiǎn to appraise / to pass judgment on / to speak ill of / praise and censure / appraisal

> 影片得到的评价褒贬不一。
> Yǐngpiàn dédào de píngjià bāobiǎn bù yī.
> The movie received mixed reviews.

酣睡

hānshuì to sleep soundly / to fall into a deep sleep

> 猫躺在沙发上酣睡。
> Māo tǎng zài shāfā shàng hānshuì.
> The cat is sleeping soundly on the sofa.

错别字 錯別字

cuòbiézì Chinese character error (collective term for 錯字|错字[cuo4 zi4] and 別字|别字[bie2 zi4])

> 我总是写错别字。
> Wǒ zǒngshì xiě cuòbiézì.
> I always make typos.