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Words

自始至终 自始至終
zìshǐzhìzhōng from start to finish (idiom)

自始至终，她都没有说一句话。
Zìshǐzhìzhōng, tā dōu méiyǒu shuō yíjù huà.
From start to finish, she didn't say a single word.

评委 評委
píngwěi evaluation committee / judging panel / judging panel member / adjudicator (abbr. for 評選委員會委員|评选委员会委员[ping2 xuan3 wei3 yuan2 hui4 wei3 yuan2])

一位评委问了我一个难题。
Yí wèi píngwěi wèn le wǒ yí gè nántí.
One of the judges asked me a difficult question.

鞠躬
jūgōng to bow / to bend down

我向老师鞠躬，表示敬意。
Wǒ xiàng lǎoshī jūgōng, biǎoshì jìngyì.
I bowed to my teacher to show my respect.

大名鼎鼎
dàmíngdǐngdǐng grand reputation / renowned / famous

他是大名鼎鼎的科学家。
Tā shì dàmíngdǐngdǐng de kēxuéjiā.
He is a famous scientist.

宽厚 寬厚
kuānhòu tolerant / generous / magnanimous / thick and broad (build) / thick and deep (voice)

他有一副宽厚的肩膀。
Tā yǒu yífù kuānhòu de jiānbǎng.
He has broad, solid shoulders.

扣留
kòuliú to detain sb / to hold sb against their will / to withhold (property, documents, funds etc)

他被警察扣留了一晚。
Tā bèi jǐngchá kòuliúle yì wǎn.
He was held by the police for a night.

核对 核對
héduì to check / to verify / to audit / to examine

付款前，请核对收货地址。
Fùkuǎn qián, qǐng héduì shōuhuò dìzhǐ.
Please verify the delivery address before paying.

温度计 溫度計
wēndùjì thermometer / thermograph

温度计指向十度。
Wēndùjì zhǐxiàng shí dù.
The thermometer reads 10 degrees.

绿地 綠地
lǜdì green area (e.g. urban park or garden)

小区中间有一大片绿地。
Xiǎoqū zhōngjiān yǒu yí dàpiàn lǜdì.
There is a large green area in the middle of the neighborhood.

诉苦 訴苦
sùkǔ to grumble / to complain / grievance

她向妈妈诉苦，说工作太累。
Tā xiàng māma sùkǔ, shuō gōngzuò tài lèi.
She complained to her mom that work was too tiring.

远见 遠見
yuǎnjiàn foresight / discernment / vision

一个好的领导需要有远见。
Yí gè hǎo de lǐngdǎo xūyào yǒu yuǎnjiàn.
A good leader needs to have vision.

倒数 倒數
dàoshǔ to count backwards (from 10 down to 0) / to count down / from the bottom (lines on a page) / from the back (rows of seats)
dàoshù inverse number / reciprocal (math.)

开始发射倒数。
Kāishǐ fāshè dàoshǔ.
Begin the launch countdown.

冰雹
bīngbáo hail / hailstone

冰雹把车窗砸碎了。
Bīngbáo bǎ chēchuāng zásuìle.
The hail smashed the car windows.

哭笑不得
kūxiàobùdé lit. not to know whether to laugh or cry (idiom) / both funny and extremely embarrassing / between laughter and tears

我真是哭笑不得。
Wǒ zhēnshi kūxiàobùdé.
I do not know whether to take it as a compliment or an insult.

惨痛 慘痛

cǎntòng bitter / painful / deeply distressed

> 他付出了惨痛的代价。
> Tā fùchūle cǎntòng de dàijià.
> He paid a bitter price.

振作

zhènzuò to bestir oneself / to pull oneself together / to cheer up / to uplift / to stimulate

> 别哭了，振作一点吧。
> Bié kūle, zhènzuò yìdiǎn ba.
> Stop crying and cheer up a bit.

末日

mòrì last day / end / final days / doomsday / Judgment Day (in Christian eschatology)

> 那家老工厂终于走到了末日。
> Nà jiā lǎo gōngchǎng zhōngyú zǒu dàole mòrì.
> That old factory has finally reached its end.

海绵 海綿

hǎimián sea sponge / dried sea sponge / sponge (made from polyester or cellulose etc) / foam rubber

> 洗碗的海绵该换了。
> Xǐwǎn de hǎimián gāi huàn le.
> The sponge for washing dishes needs replacing.

蜜月

mìyuè honeymoon

> 去加拿大渡蜜月要花很多钱。
> Qù Jiānádà dù mìyuè yào huā hěn duō qián.
> A honeymoon in Canada costs a lot of money.

谈及 談及

tánjí to talk about / to mention

> 她谈及孩子时，眼睛亮了。
> Tā tánjí háizi shí, yǎnjing liàngle.
> When she mentioned her children, her eyes lit up.

走投无路 走投無路

zǒutóuwúlù to be at an impasse (idiom) / in a tight spot / at the end of one's rope / desperate

> 我们被逼得走投无路了。
> Wǒmen bèi bī de zǒutóuwúlù le.
> We were driven to the wall.

赶赴 趕赴

gǎnfù to hurry / to rush

> 记者连夜赶赴灾区。
> Jìzhě liányè gǎnfù zāiqū.
> The reporters hurried to the disaster area overnight.

酷似

kùsì to strikingly resemble

> 她的笑容酷似她妈妈。
> Tā de xiàoróng kùsì tā māma.
> Her smile strikingly resembles her mother's.

千军万马 千軍萬馬

qiānjūnwànmǎ magnificent army with thousands of men and horses (idiom) / impressive display of manpower / all the King's horses and all the King's men

> 胃里如同千军万马开过。
> Wèi lǐ rútóng qiānjūn-wànmǎ kāiguo.
> An army marches on its stomach.

吃力

chīlì to entail strenuous effort / to toil at a task / strenuous / laborious / strain

> 我听英文讲座有点吃力。
> Wǒ tīng Yīngwén jiǎngzuò yǒudiǎn chīlì.
> I find it a bit of a strain to follow lectures in English.

唠叨 嘮叨

láodao to prattle / to chatter away / to nag / garrulous / nagging

> 我并不想唠叨你。
> Wǒ bìng bùxiǎng láodao nǐ.
> I don't mean to nag you.

唾液

tuòyè saliva

> 唾液的分泌会随年龄减少。
> Tuòyè de fēnmì huì suí niánlíng jiǎnshǎo.
> Saliva secretion decreases with age.

天花板

tiānhuābǎn ceiling (of a room) / upper limit / (slang) the very best (in a given field)

> 天花板上有洞。
> Tiānhuābǎn shàng yǒu dòng.
> There's a hole in the ceiling.

年报 年報

niánbào annual report / annual publication

> 会计正在整理今年的年报。
> Kuàijì zhèngzài zhěnglǐ jīnnián de niánbào.
> The accountant is putting together this year's annual report.

手动 手動

shǒudòng manual / manually operated / manual gear-change

> 请手动关闭这个程序。
> Qǐng shǒudòng guānbì zhège chéngxù.
> Please close this program manually.

破除

pòchú to eliminate / to do away with / to get rid of

> 新规定破除了旧的限制。
> Xīn guīdìng pòchúle jiù de xiànzhì.
> The new rules did away with the old restrictions.

粗略

cūlüè rough (not precise or accurate) / cursory

> 我只粗略看了一遍合同。
> Wǒ zhǐ cūlüè kànle yíbiàn hétong.
> I only took a cursory look at the contract.

胶囊 膠囊
jiāonáng capsule

> 小孩子不容易吞下胶囊。
> Xiǎoháizi bù róngyì tūn xià jiāonáng.
> Small children find it hard to swallow capsules.

锈 鏽
xiù to rust

> 这把旧剪刀已经锈了。
> Zhè bǎ jiù jiǎndāo yǐjīng xiù le.
> This old pair of scissors has already rusted.

出众 出眾
chūzhòng to stand out / outstanding

> 他的人品出众。
> Tā de rénpǐn chūzhòng.
> He's a man of outstanding character.

开销 開銷
kāixiāo to pay (expenses) / expenses / to dismiss (an employee)

> 我家每月的开销不小。
> Wǒ jiā měiyuè de kāixiāo bù xiǎo.
> My family's monthly expenses are not small.

恭维 恭維
gōngwei to compliment / to praise

> 她笑着说：这是在恭维我吗？
> Tā xiàozhe shuō: zhè shì zài gōngwei wǒ ma?
> She smiled and said, "Are you complimenting me?"

节俭 節儉
jiéjiǎn frugal / economical

> 节俭的人通常不会乱花钱。
> Jiéjiǎn de rén tōngcháng búhuì luànhuāqián.
> Frugal people usually don't spend money carelessly.

靴子
xuēzi boots

> 我想买些靴子。
> Wǒ xiǎng mǎi xiē xuēzi.
> I would like to purchase some boots.

友善
yǒushàn friendly

> 对他人要友善。
> Duì tā rén yào yǒushàn.
> Be kind to others.

和睦
hémù peaceful relations / harmonious

> 我们小区的邻居都很和睦。
> Wǒmen xiǎoqū de línjū dōu hěn hémù.
> The neighbors in our community all get along harmoniously.

拿手
náshǒu expert in / good at

> 运动我不拿手。
> Yùndòng wǒ bù náshǒu.
> I am not good at sports.

挺拔
tǐngbá tall and straight

> 他身材挺拔，一眼就能看到他。
> Tā shēncái tǐngbá, yìyǎn jiù néng kàndào tā.
> He has a tall, straight build, so you can spot him at once.

流转 流轉
liúzhuǎn to be on the move / to roam or wander / to circulate (of goods or capital) / flowing and smooth

> 货物在各个城市间流转。
> Huòwù zài gègè chéngshì jiān liúzhuǎn.
> Goods circulate between cities.

纪实 紀實
jìshí record of actual events / documentary (factual rather than fictional)

> 他喜欢纪实节目，不爱看电视剧。
> Tā xǐhuan jìshí jiémù, bú ài kàn diànshìjù.
> He likes documentary programs and doesn't enjoy TV dramas.

莅临 蒞臨
lìlín to arrive (esp. of notable person) / to visit (more formal than 光臨|光临[guang1 lin2])

> 感谢您莅临我们的婚礼。
> Gǎnxiè nín lìlín wǒmen de hūnlǐ.
> Thank you for honoring our wedding with your presence.

表白
biǎobái to explain oneself / to express / to reveal one's thoughts or feelings / declaration / confession

> 他鼓起勇气，向她表白了心意。
> Tā gǔqǐyǒngqì, xiàng tā biǎobáile xīnyì.
> He summoned his courage and told her how he felt.

魔术 魔術
móshù magic

> 友谊是魔术。
> Yǒuyì shì móshù.
> Friendship is magic.

佳节 佳節
jiājié festive day / holiday

> 祝您佳节愉快。
> Zhù nín jiājié yúkuài.
> Enjoy the holiday season.

常理
chánglǐ common sense / conventional reasoning and morals

> 按常理说，他早就该到家了。
> Àn chánglǐ shuō, tā zǎojiù gāi dào jiā le.
> By common sense, he should have gotten home long ago.