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Internet and online life Chinese vocabulary list

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Elementary (HSK 1-3)

手机 手機

shǒujī cell phone / mobile phone

> 他没有手机。
> Tā méiyǒu shǒujī.
> He hasn't got a mobile phone.

电脑 電腦

diànnǎo computer

> 电脑好用吗?
> Diànnǎo hǎo yòng ma?
> Is the PC good?

上网 上網

shàngwǎng to go online / to connect to the Internet / to be uploaded to the Internet / to move in close to the net

> 你上网了吗?
> Nǐ shàngwǎngle ma?
> Have you been online?

网上 網上

wǎngshàng online

> 这可以在网上读。
> Zhè kěyǐ zài wǎngshàng dú.
> This can be read online.

聊天

liáotiān to chat / to gossip

> 别在上课的时候用手机聊天!
> Bié zài shàngkè de shíhou yòng shǒujī liáotiān!
> Don't chat on your phone during class!

网站 網站

wǎngzhàn website

> 这网站真好!
> Zhè wǎngzhàn zhēn hǎo!
> This site is amazing!

游戏 遊戲

yóuxì game / to play

> 我在玩游戏。
> Wǒ zài wán yóuxì.
> I am playing video games.

关注 關注

guānzhù to pay attention to / to follow sth closely / to follow (on social media) / concern / interest / attention

> 谢谢您的关注。
> Xièxie nín de guānzhù.
> Thank you for your attention.

Intermediate (HSK 4-6)

电子邮件 電子郵件

diànzǐyóujiàn email

> 这封电子邮件是谁发的?
> Zhè fēng diànzǐyóujiàn shì shéi fā de?
> Who sent this email?

短信

duǎnxìn text message / SMS

> 她发了一条短信。
> Tā fāle yìtiáo duǎnxìn.
> She sent a text.

密码 密碼

mìmǎ cipher / secret code / password / PIN

> 你知道密码吗?
> Nǐ zhīdào mìmǎ ma?
> Do you know the password?

网购 網購

wǎnggòu Internet shopping / to purchase online

> 现在很多人喜欢网购。
> Xiànzài hěn duō rén xǐhuan wǎnggòu.
> Many people like to shop online these days.

网友 網友

wǎngyǒu online friend / netizen / Internet user

> 她和那位网友聊了三年。
> Tā hé nà wèi wǎngyǒu liáole sān nián.
> She has been chatting with that online friend for three years.

视频 視頻

shìpín video

> 这个视频很快火了。
> Zhège shìpín hěn kuài huǒ le.
> The video quickly went viral.

转发 轉發

zhuǎnfā to transmit / to forward (mail, SMS, packets of data) / to pass on / to republish (an article from another publication)

> 请把这个通知转发给大家。
> Qǐng bǎ zhège tōngzhī zhuǎnfā gěi dàjiā.
> Please forward this notice to everyone.

信号 信號

xìnhào signal

> 我手机没信号。
> Wǒ shǒujī méi xìnhào.
> My cell phone doesn't have any reception.

网页 網頁

wǎngyè web page

> 请把这个网页发给我。
> Qǐng bǎ zhège wǎngyè fāgěi wǒ.
> Please send me this web page.

互联网 互聯網

hùliánwǎng Internet

> 这儿的互联网太慢了！
> Zhèr de hùliánwǎng tài mànle!
> The Internet here is so slow!

信息

xìnxī information / news / message

> 这是条有趣的信息。
> Zhè shì tiáo yǒuqù de xìnxī.
> That's an interesting piece of information.

网址 網址

wǎngzhǐ web address / URL

> 请把这个网址发给我。
> Qǐng bǎ zhège wǎngzhǐ fāgěi wǒ.
> Please send me this web address.

线下 線下

xiànxià offline / below the line

> 你喜欢线下买东西吗？
> Nǐ xǐhuan xiànxià mǎi dōngxi ma?
> Do you like shopping offline?

线上 線上

xiànshàng online

网络 網絡

wǎngluò network / Internet

> 我讨厌网络。
> Wǒ tǎoyàn wǎngluò.
> I hate the internet.

下载 下載

xiàzǎi to download

> 你可以在网上下载这首歌。
> Nǐ kěyǐ zài wǎngshàng xiàzǎi zhè shǒu gē.
> You can download this song online.

软件 軟件

ruǎnjiàn software

> 电脑里的软件需要更新了。
> Diànnǎo lǐ de ruǎnjiàn xūyào gēngxīn le.
> The software on the computer needs updating.

账号 賬號

zhànghào account number / account / username

> 我有一个推特账号。
> Wǒ yǒu yí gè Tuītè zhànghào.
> I have a Twitter account.

登录 登錄

dēnglù to register / to log in

> 请先登录再购物。
> Qǐng xiān dēnglù zài gòuwù.
> Please log in before you shop.

直播

zhíbō to broadcast live / live broadcast / to livestream / direct seeding

> 她每晚都在家直播做饭。
> Tā měiwǎn dōu zàijiā zhíbō zuòfàn.
> She livestreams herself cooking at home every night.

点赞 點贊

diǎnzàn to like / to upvote (on social media)

> 他每次都给我点赞。
> Tā měicì dōu gěi wǒ diǎnzàn.
> He gives my posts a like every time.

上传 上傳

shàngchuán to upload

> 文件太大，上传不了。
> Wénjiàn tài dà, shàngchuán bu liǎo.
> The file is too big to upload.

搜索

sōusuǒ to search (a place, a database, online etc) / to search for (sth)

> 在网上搜索一下就知道了。
> Zài wǎngshàng sōusuǒ yíxià jiù zhīdàole.
> Just search online and you'll find out.

在线 在線

zàixiàn online / connected to the Internet / (coll.) (of a person) mentally focused / engaged / (of skills, performance etc) sharp / on point / functioning at a high level

> 他总是在线。
> Tā zǒngshì zàixiàn.
> He is always online.

数据 數據

shùjù data

> 这个数据一点也不准确。
> Zhège shùjù yìdiǎn yě bù zhǔnquè.
> This data isn't accurate at all.

平台 平臺

píngtái platform / terrace / flat-roofed building

> 你在哪个平台买的票？
> Nǐ zài nǎge píngtái mǎi de piào?
> Which platform did you buy the tickets on?

用户 用戶
yònghù user / consumer / subscriber / customer

> 新用户可以免费试用吗?
> Xīn yònghù kěyǐ miǎnfèi shìyòng ma?
> Can new users try it for free?

浏览 瀏覽
liúlǎn to skim over / to browse

> 我只是浏览一下。
> Wǒ zhǐshì liúlǎn yíxià.
> I'm just browsing.

私信
sīxìn private correspondence / personal letter / personal message (PM) / to message sb

互动 互動
hùdòng to interact / interactive

> 你经常和邻居互动吗?
> Nǐ jīngcháng hé línjū hùdòng ma?
> Do you often interact with your neighbors?

群聊
qúnliáo group chat / to have a group chat

> 我被拉进了一个新群聊。
> Wǒ bèi lā jìnle yí gè xīn qúnliáo.
> I got added to a new group chat.

链接 鏈接
liànjiē to link / to catenate / link (on a web page) / hyperlink

> 不要点击那个链接。
> Búyào diǎnjī nàge liànjiē.
> Don't click on that link.

社交媒体 社交媒體
shèjiāoméitǐ social media

> 奶奶也在玩社交媒体。
> Nǎinai yě zài wán shèjiāoméitǐ.
> Grandma uses social media too.

评论 評論
pínglùn comment / commentary / to comment on / to discuss

> 不要删评论。
> Búyào shān pínglùn.
> Don't delete the comments.

流量
liúliàng flow rate / throughput of passengers / volume of traffic / discharge / data traffic / network traffic / website traffic / mobile data

> 我这个月的流量用完了。
> Wǒ zhège yuè de liúliàng yòng wánle.
> I've used up all my mobile data this month.

浏览器 瀏覽器
liúlǎnqì browser (software)

> 你用什么浏览器?
> Nǐ yòng shénme liúlǎnqì?
> What browser are you using?

论坛 論壇
lùntán forum (for discussion)

> 你想去那个国际论坛吗?
> Nǐ xiǎng qù nàge guójì lùntán ma?
> Do you want to go to that international forum?

病毒
bìngdú virus

> 经常洗手能防病毒吗?
> Jīngcháng xǐshǒu néng fáng bìngdú ma?
> Can washing your hands often protect against viruses?

隐私 隱私
yǐnsī secrets / private business / privacy

> 上网时要保护好隐私。
> Shàngwǎng shí yào bǎohù hǎo yǐnsī.
> You need to protect your privacy when you go online.

通信
tōngxìn to correspond (by letter, email etc) / to send or receive messages through telecommunications

> 我和那位老朋友一直通信。
> Wǒ hé nà wèi lǎopéngyou yìzhí tōngxìn.
> I have always corresponded with that old friend.

网 網
wǎng net / web / network / to net / to catch with a net

> 我在网路上卖衣服。
> Wǒ zài wǎng lùshang mài yīfu.
> I sell clothing online.

推送
tuīsòng server push

> 你每天会看几条推送?
> Nǐ měitiān huì kàn jǐ tiáo tuīsòng?
> How many push notifications do you read each day?

远程 遠程
yuǎnchéng remote / long distance / long range

> 这是一种远程武器。
> Zhè shì yìzhǒng yuǎnchéng wǔqì.
> This is a long-range weapon.

传输 傳輸
chuánshū to transmit / transmission

> 这个文件传输得太慢了。
> Zhège wénjiàn chuánshū de tài mànle.
> This file is transmitting too slowly.

点击 點擊
diǎnjī to hit / to press / to strike (on the keyboard) / to click (a web page button)

> 不要点击那个链接。
> Búyào diǎnjī nàge liànjiē.
> Don't click on that link.

联网 聯網
liánwǎng to connect (or be connected) to a network / to network

> 这台电视可以联网吗?
> Zhè tái diànshì kěyǐ liánwǎng ma?
> Can this TV connect to the internet?

网恋 網戀
wǎngliàn online love affair / cyberdate / Internet dating

Advanced (HSK 7-9)

微信
wēixìn Weixin or WeChat (mobile text and voice messaging service developed by Tencent 騰訊|腾讯[Teng2 xun4])

> 能加你微信吗?
> Néng jiā nǐ Wēixìn ma?
> Can I have your number?

验证码 驗證碼
yànzhèngmǎ verification code / CAPTCHA, a type of challenge-response test (computing)

> 验证码发到你手机了。
> Yànzhèngmǎ fā dào nǐ shǒujī le.
> The verification code has been sent to your phone.

网民 網民
wǎngmín netizen / Internet user / online community member

> 网民应该保护自己的信息。
> Wǎngmín yīnggāi bǎohù zìjǐ de xìnxī.
> Internet users should protect their own information.

粉丝 粉絲
fěnsī bean vermicelli / mung bean starch noodles / cellophane noodles / fan / enthusiast for sb or sth (loanword from "fans")

> 我是足球的忠实粉丝。
> Wǒ shì zúqiú de zhōngshí fěnsī.
> I'm a big football fan.

网红 網紅
wǎnghóng Internet celebrity / influencer / popular on the Internet

网速 網速
wǎngsù internet speed / network speed

宽带 寬帶
kuāndài broadband

> 宽带坏了，我打电话问问。
> Kuāndài huàile, wǒ dǎdiànhuà wèn wèn.
> The broadband is down, so I'll call and ask.

服务器 服務器
fúwùqì server (computer)

> 服务器下线了。
> Fúwùqì xiàxiàn le.
> The server was down.

搜索引擎
sōusuǒyǐnqíng search engine

> 不懂就用搜索引擎查查。
> Bù dǒng jiù yòng sōusuǒyǐnqíng zhāzhā.
> If you don't understand, look it up on a search engine.

博客
bókè a blog / a blogger

微博
wēibó microblogging / microblog / Weibo (Chinese social media platform)

> 你看到那条微博了吗?
> Nǐ kàndào nà tiáo Wēibó le ma?
> Did you see that microblog post?

网络安全 網絡安全
wǎngluò'ānquán cybersecurity

> 网络安全问题越来越多。
> Wǎngluò'ānquán wèntí yuèláiyuè duō.
> Cybersecurity problems are becoming more and more common.

黑客
hēikè (loanword) hacker

> 黑客偷走了很多用户的密码。
> Hēikè tōu zǒule hěn duōyònghù de mìmǎ.
> The hacker stole many users' passwords.

沉迷
chénmí to be engrossed / to be absorbed with / to lose oneself in / to be addicted to

> 他最近沉迷于手机游戏。
> Tā zuìjìn chénmí yú shǒujī yóuxì.
> He has been addicted to mobile games lately.

上瘾 上癮
shàngyǐn to get into a habit / to become addicted

> 抽烟很容易让人上瘾。
> Chōuyān hěn róngyì ràng rén shàngyǐn.
> Smoking easily makes people addicted.

后台 後台
hòutái backstage area / behind-the-scenes supporter / back-end / background

> 演员们都在后台化妆。
> Yǎnyuánmen dōu zài hòutái huàzhuāng.
> The actors are all putting on makeup backstage.

屏蔽
píngbì to screen / to block (sth or sb) / to shield / shield

> 我把他的消息都屏蔽了。
> Wǒ bǎ tā de xiāoxi dōu píngbì le.
> I've blocked all his messages.

封号 封號
fēnghào title granted to a person / to ban an (online) account

> 他因为发广告被封号了。
> Tā yīnwèi fā guǎnggào bèi fēnghào le.
> His account was banned for posting ads.

防火墙 防火牆
fánghuǒqiáng firewall

> 防火墙挡住了这个网站。
> Fánghuǒqiáng dǎngzhùle zhège wǎngzhàn.
> The firewall blocked this website.

主页 主頁
zhǔyè home page

> 请先打开公司的主页。
> Qǐng xiān dǎkāi gōngsī de zhǔyè.
> Please open the company's home page first.

云存储 雲存儲
yúncúnchǔ cloud storage

> 文件放在云存储里很方便。
> Wénjiàn fàng zài yúncúnchǔ lǐ hěn fāngbiàn.
> It's very convenient to keep files in cloud storage.

Outside HSK

公众号 公眾號
gōngzhònghào official account (esp. on WeChat)

短视频 短視頻
duǎnshìpín short video / video clip

> 我妹妹每天睡前刷短视频。
> Wǒ mèimei měitiān shuì qián shuā duǎnshìpín.
> My younger sister scrolls through short videos every night before bed.

表情包
biǎoqíngbāo image macro / visual meme / sticker package / emoticon collection

> 你能把那套表情包发给我吗?
> Nǐ néng bǎ nà tào biǎoqíngbāo fāgěi wǒ ma?
> Can you send me that sticker pack?

热搜 熱搜
rèsōu popular search query

> 你看今天的热搜了吗?
> Nǐ kàn jīntiān de rèsōu le ma?
> Did you see today's trending searches?

刷屏
shuāpíng to flood (on an Internet forum etc)

客户端 客戶端
kèhùduān client (computing)

> 请先下载手机客户端。
> Qǐng xiān xiàzǎi shǒujī kèhùduān.
> Please download the mobile app first.

云端 雲端
yúnduān high in the clouds / the cloud

> 你把文件存到云端了吗?
> Nǐ bǎ wénjiàn cún dào yúnduān le ma?
> Did you save the file to the cloud?

水军 水軍
shuǐjūn navy / person employed to post messages on the Internet (abbr. for 網絡水軍|网络水军[Wang3 luo4 shui3 jun1])

种草 種草
zhòngcǎo (slang) to spark interest in a product or idea (esp. on social media)

> 她给我种草了一支口红。
> Tā gěi wǒ zhòngcǎo le yìzhī kǒuhóng.
> She got me interested in a lipstick.

翻墙 翻牆
fānqiáng lit. to climb over the wall / fig. to breach the Great Firewall of China

人设 人設
rénshè character design (in games, manga etc) (abbr. for 人物設定|人物设定[ren2 wu4 she4 ding4]) / public image / (esp. a deliberately crafted) persona