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Elementary (HSK 1-3)

岁
suì years old / classifier for years (of age) / year / year (of crop harvests)

> 你十岁了吗?
> Nǐ shí suì le ma?
> Are you ten years old?

男
nán male / baron, the lowest of the five ranks of nobility 五等爵位[wu3 deng3 jue2 wei4]

> 您的孩子是男是女?
> Nín de háizi shì nán shì nǚ?
> Is your child a boy or a girl?

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

> 您的孩子是男是女?
> Nín de háizi shì nán shì nǚ?
> Is your child a boy or a girl?

喜欢 喜歡
xǐhuan to like / to be fond of

> 他们喜欢你。
> Tāmen xǐhuan nǐ.
> They like you.

学生 學生
xuésheng student / schoolchild

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

老师 老師
lǎoshī teacher

> 他是老师。
> Tā shì lǎoshī.
> He is a teacher.

医生 醫生
yīshēng doctor / medical practitioner

> 她是医生。
> Tā shì yīshēng.
> She is a doctor.

多大
duōdà how old? / how big? / how much? / so big / that much

工作
gōngzuò to work / to operate / job / work / task

> 他们有工作。
> Tāmen yǒu gōngzuò.
> They have jobs.

电话 電話
diànhuà phone call / telephone / phone number

> 我等你电话。
> Wǒ děng nǐ diànhuà.
> I'll wait for your call.

爱好 愛好
àihào interest / hobby / to like / to be fond of / to take pleasure in / to be keen on

> 你的爱好是什么?
> Nǐ de àihào shì shénme?
> What's your hobby?

生日
shēngrì birthday

> 今天是我生日。
> Jīntiān shì wǒ shēngrì.
> Today is my birthday.

习惯 習慣
xíguàn to be used to / habit / custom / usual practice

> 你会习惯的。
> Nǐ huì xíguàn de.
> You'll get used to it.

出生
chūshēng to be born

> 她去年出生。
> Tā qùnián chūshēng.
> She was born last year.

结婚 結婚
jiéhūn to marry / to get married
> 他们结婚了。
> Tāmen jiéhūnle.
> They got married.

兴趣 興趣
xìngqù interest (desire to know about sth) / interest (thing in which one is interested) / hobby
> 他还有兴趣吗?
> Tā háiyǒu xìngqù ma?
> Is he still interested?

邮箱 郵箱
yóuxiāng mailbox / post office box / email / email inbox
> 邮箱在哪里?
> Yóuxiāng zài nǎlǐ?
> Where is the mailbox?

Intermediate (HSK 4-6)

性别 性別
xìngbié sex / gender
> 你的性别是什么?
> Nǐ de xìngbié shì shénme?
> What is your gender?

年龄 年齡
niánlíng age
> 你的年龄是多少?
> Nǐ de niánlíng shì duōshǎo?
> How old are you?

职业 職業
zhíyè occupation / profession / vocation / professional
> 他的职业是医生。
> Tā de zhíyè shì yīshēng.
> He is a doctor by profession.

地址
dìzhǐ address
> 我忘记地址了。
> Wǒ wàngjì dìzhǐ le.
> I forgot the address.

国籍 國籍
guójí nationality
> 表上要写姓名和国籍。
> Biǎo shàng yào xiě xìngmíng hé guójí.
> You need to write your name and nationality on the form.

联系方式 聯繫方式
liánxìfāngshì contact details
> 她搬家后联系方式变了。
> Tā bānjiā hòu liánxìfāngshì biànle.
> Her contact details changed after she moved.

身份证 身份證
shēnfènzhèng identity card / ID
> 身份证你带来吗?
> Shēnfènzhèng nǐ dàilái ma?
> Have you brought your ID card with you?

民族
mínzú nationality / ethnic group
> 中国有56个民族。
> Zhōngguó yǒu wǔshíliù gè mínzú.
> There are 56 ethnic groups in China.

专业 專業
zhuānyè specialty / specialized field / main field of study (at university) / major / professional
> 那样很不专业。
> Nàyàng hěn bù zhuānyè.
> That was unprofessional.

家乡 家鄉
jiāxiāng hometown / native place
> 台湾是我的家乡。
> Táiwān shì wǒ de jiāxiāng.
> Taiwan is my home.

老家
lǎojiā native place / place of origin / home state or region
> 你老家在哪儿?
> Nǐ lǎojiā zài nǎr?
> Where is your family originally from?

证件 證件
zhèngjiàn certificate / papers / credentials / document / ID
> 我的证件丢了。
> Wǒ de zhèngjiàn diū le.
> I lost my papers.

身份
shēnfèn identity / aspect of one's identity (e.g. mayor, father, permanent resident) / role / capacity (as in "in his capacity as ..." 以[yi3] + ... + 的身份[de5 shen1 fen4]) / status (social, legal etc) / position / rank
> 她以律师的身份发言。
> Tā yǐ lǜshī de shēnfèn fāyán.
> She spoke in her capacity as a lawyer.

简历 簡歷
jiǎnlì curriculum vitae (CV) / résumé / biographical notes
> 你的简历上为什么没有照片?
> Nǐ de jiǎnlì shàng wèishénme méiyǒu zhàopiān?
> Why is there no photo on your CV?

年纪 年紀
niánjì age
> 我比他年纪还大。
> Wǒ bǐ tā niánjì hái dà.
> I am yet older than he is.

学历 學歷
xuélì educational background / academic qualifications
> 请问您的学历是什么?
> Qǐngwèn nín de xuélì shì shénme?
> May I ask what your educational background is?

故乡 故鄉
gùxiāng home / homeland / native place
> 我突然很想念我的故乡。
> Wǒ tūrán hěn xiǎngniàn wǒ de gùxiāng.
> I suddenly feel nostalgic for my homeland.

成人
chéngrén to reach adulthood / an adult

> 你儿子现在成人了。
> Nǐ érzi xiànzài chéngrén le.
> Your son has come of age.

成年
chéngnián to grow to adulthood / fully grown / adult / the whole year

> 他儿子明年就成年了。
> Tā érzi míngnián jiù chéngnián le.
> His son will be an adult next year.

电子邮箱 電子郵箱
diànzǐyóuxiāng email inbox

> 他留了电子邮箱给我。
> Tā liúle diànzǐyóuxiāng gěi wǒ.
> He left me his email address.

特长 特長
tècháng personal strength / one's special ability or strong points

> 您的特长是什么？
> Nín de tècháng shì shénme?
> What's your speciality?

婚姻
hūnyīn marriage / matrimony

> 有些人害怕婚姻。
> Yǒuxiē rén hàipà hūnyīn.
> Marriage frightens some people.

才能
cáinéng talent / ability / capacity / only then can / can only if

> 我有很多才能。
> Wǒ yǒu hěn duō cáinéng.
> I have many abilities.

才华 才華
cáihuá talent

> 我不禁欣赏他的才华。
> Wǒ bùjīn xīnshǎng tā de cáihuá.
> I can't help admiring his talent.

血型
xuèxíng blood group / blood type

> 你的血型是什么？
> Nǐ de xuèxíng shì shénme?
> What's your blood group?

岁数 歲數
suìshu age (number of years old)

> 你多大岁数了？
> Nǐ duō dà suìshu le?
> How old are you?

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?

单身 單身
dānshēn unmarried / single / alone

> 你是单身吗？
> Nǐ shì dānshēn ma?
> Are you single?

籍贯 籍貫
jíguàn one's ancestral home (registered place of family origin, typically inherited patrilineally and recorded in official documents)

> 我籍贯是广东，生在上海。
> Wǒ jíguàn shì Guǎngdōng, shēng zài Shànghǎi.
> My ancestral home is Guangdong, but I was born in Shanghai.

户口 戶口
hùkǒu population (counted as number of households for census or taxation) / registered residence / residence permit / bank account

> 在这儿上学要有本地户口吗？
> Zài zhèr shàngxué yào yǒu běndì hùkǒu ma?
> Do you need a local household registration to attend school here?

履历 履歷
lǚlì background (academic and work) / curriculum vitae / résumé

宗教
zōngjiào religion

> 我不信宗教。
> Wǒ bú xìn zōngjiào.
> I don't follow any religion.

出身
chūshēn to be born of / to come from / family background / class origin

> 他出身于一个医生家庭。
> Tā chūshēn yú yí gè yīshēng jiātíng.
> He was born into a family of doctors.

信仰
xìnyǎng to believe in (a religion) / firm belief / conviction

> 我们信仰佛教。
> Wǒmen xìnyǎng Fójiào.
> We believe in Buddhism.

天赋 天賦
tiānfù gift / innate skill

> 我听说你很有天赋。
> Wǒ tīngshuō nǐ hěn yǒu tiānfù.
> I hear you're very talented.

智商
zhìshāng IQ (intelligence quotient)

> 老师说，智商高不等于成绩好。
> Lǎoshī shuō, zhìshāng gāo bù děngyú chéngjì hǎo.
> The teacher said that a high IQ doesn't mean good grades.

祖籍
zǔjí ancestral hometown / original domicile (and civil registration)

> 表格上要填写祖籍吗？
> Biǎogé shàng yào tiánxiě zǔjí ma?
> Do I need to fill in my ancestral domicile on the form?

专长 專長
zhuāncháng specialty / special knowledge or ability

> 做饭是我爸爸的专长。
> Zuòfàn shì wǒ bàba de zhuāncháng.
> Cooking is my dad's specialty.

志向
zhìxiàng ambition / goal / ideal / aspiration

> 你长大以后有什么志向？
> Nǐ zhǎngdà yǐhòu yǒu shénme zhìxiàng?
> What are your aspirations for when you grow up?

独身 獨身
dúshēn unmarried / single / alone

> 他一生独身。
> Tā yìshēng dúshēn.
> He remained single all his life.

Outside HSK

未婚
wèihūn unmarried

已婚
yǐhūn married