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Shopping Chinese vocabulary list

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Elementary (HSK 1-3)

买 買

mǎi to buy / to purchase

> 买一些苹果。
> Mǎi yìxiē píngguǒ.
> Buy some apples.

商店

shāngdiàn store / shop

> 他去了商店。
> Tā qùle shāngdiàn.
> He went to the store.

东西 東西

dōngxi thing / stuff / person
dōngxī east and west

> 你穿点东西。
> Nǐ chuān diǎn dōngxi.
> Get dressed.

衣服

yīfu clothes

> 我买衣服了。
> Wǒ mǎi yīfu le.
> I have bought some clothes.

想

xiǎng to desire / to want (to) / to think (about) / to think of / to devise / to think (that) / to believe (that) / to miss (feel wistful about the absence of)

> 我想你。
> Wǒ xiǎng nǐ.
> I miss you.

要

yào need to / should / will / shall / about to / to want / to need / to ask for / if (same as 要是[yao4 shi5]) / (used in 比 comparisons before an adjective) more; -er / important / gist; summary / to ask or tell someone to do something / to call on
yāo to demand / to coerce / to request / to threaten; to blackmail

> 我要喝水。
> Wǒ yào hēshuǐ.
> I'm going to drink water. I want to drink water.

大

dà big / large / great / greatly / freely / fully / important; major / older (than another person) / eldest (as in 大姐[da4 jie3]) / father / uncle (father's brother) / honorific prefix for things of the other party / farther off in time (as in 大前天)
dài used in 大夫 dàifu (doctor) and 大王 dàiwáng (king, in opera/stories)
tài most / excessively / peaceful / secure

> 他们非常大。
> Tāmen fēicháng dà.
> They are very big.

小

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

> 这本书很小。
> Zhè běn shū hěn xiǎo.
> This book is very small.

多

duō many / much / more / a lot of / too many / in excess / multi- / poly- / how (to what extent) / (after a numeral) ... odd

> 你想多了！
> Nǐ xiǎng duō le!
> You thought too much! → You over-thought things, or presumed too much.

少

shǎo few / less / seldom / to stop (doing sth) / don't (do sth) / to lack / to be missing / for a short while / slightly
shào young / young master (of a wealthy family) / junior (lowest rank within a grade)

> 什么也没少。
> Shénme yě méi shǎo.
> Nothing is missing.

有

yǒu to have / there is / having / with / -ful / -ed / -al (as in 有意[you3 yi4] intentional) / to be as much as; to reach (in estimates) / to occur; to arise / some / certain (indefinite) / (prefix with no meaning)
yòu and / plus (linking a round number to a smaller remainder)

> 他有很多书。
> Tā yǒu hěn duō shū.
> He has books galore.

卖 賣

mài to sell / to betray / to show off or flaunt / to spare no effort

> 这个卖不卖?
> Zhège mài bú mài?
> Is that for sale?

超市

chāoshì supermarket (abbr. for 超級市場|超级市场[chao1 ji2 shi4 chang3])

> 你去过超市了吗?
> Nǐ qùguo chāoshìle ma?
> Did you go to the supermarket?

新

xīn new / newly / meso- (chemistry)

> 他是新来的。
> Tā shì xīn lái de.
> He's a newcomer.

便宜

piányi cheap / inexpensive / a petty advantage / to let sb off lightly
biànyí convenient

> 这个很便宜。
> Zhège hěn piányi.
> This is cheap.

贵 貴

guì expensive / highly valued / precious / noble / of high rank / (honorific) your / short name for Guizhou 貴州|贵州[Gui4 zhou1]

> 商场里的东西贵不贵?
> Shāngchǎng lǐ de dōngxi guì bú guì?
> Are things in the mall expensive?

件

jiàn item / component / classifier for events, things, clothes etc

> 他一件也没买。
> Tā yí jiàn yě méi mǎi.
> He didn't buy even a single one.

手机 手機

shǒujī cell phone / mobile phone

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

店

diàn shop / store / inn / old-style hotel

> 这是他的店。
> Zhè shì tā de diàn.
> This is his shop.

书店 書店

shūdiàn bookstore

> 她在书店工作。
> Tā zài shūdiàn gōngzuò.
> She works at the bookstore.

商场 商場

shāngchǎng shopping mall / shopping center / department store / emporium / the business world

> 我想去商场。
> Wǒ xiǎng qù shāngchǎng.
> I'd like to go to the mall.

长 長

cháng long / length / strong point / forte / to excel at / to be skilled in
zhǎng to grow / to develop / to increase / to enhance / elder / chief / head

> 他有长头发。
> Tā yǒu cháng tóufa.
> He has long hair.

包

bāo bag / container / package / wrapper / bundle / packet / to cover / to wrap / to hold / to hold or embrace / stuffed bun / surname Bao / to take charge of / to contract (to or for) / to include

> 你的包开着。
> Nǐ de bāo kāizhe.
> Your bag's open.

药店 藥店

yàodiàn pharmacy / drugstore

> 药店就在医院旁边。
> Yàodiàn jiù zài yīyuàn pángbiān.
> The pharmacy is right next to the hospital.

旧 舊

jiù old / opposite: new 新 / worn (with age) / former

> 那本书很旧。
> Nà běn shū hěn jiù.
> That book is very old.

双 雙

shuāng pair / two / double / even (number) / both / surname Shuang

> 她有双蓝眼睛。
> Tā yǒu shuāng lán yǎnjing.
> She has blue eyes.

一样 一樣

yīyàng same / equal to / the same as / like / just like / one item / one kind of thing

> 我和你一样。
> Wǒ hé nǐ yíyàng.
> You and I are the same.

别的 別的

biéde else / other

> 我想吃别的。
> Wǒ xiǎng chī biéde.
> I want to eat something else.

鞋

xié shoe

> 这鞋不好走。
> Zhè xié bù hǎo zǒu.
> These shoes are uncomfortable to walk in.

试 試
shì to test / to try / examination / test / experiment

> 我试过。
> Wǒ shìguo.
> I've tried that.

选择 選擇
xuǎnzé choice / option / alternative / to select / to pick

> 你必须做选择。
> Nǐ bìxū zuò xuǎnzé.
> You have to choose.

合适 合適
héshì suitable / fitting / appropriate

> 这对我正合适。
> Zhè duì wǒ zhèng héshì.
> That suits me all right.

满意 滿意
mǎnyì satisfied / pleased / to one's satisfaction

> 他们满意了。
> Tāmen mǎnyìle.
> They were satisfied.

短
duǎn short / brief / weak point / fault / to lack

> 短回答是是。
> Duǎn huídá shì shì.
> The short answer is yes.

瘦
shòu thin / to lose weight / (of meat) lean / (of clothing) tight / (of land) unproductive

> 我瘦了一点。
> Wǒ shòule yìdiǎn.
> I've lost a little weight.

裙子
qúnzi skirt

> 你的裙子很可爱。
> Nǐ de qúnzi hěn kě'ài.
> Your skirt is very cute.

换 換
huàn to change (clothes etc) / to substitute / to switch / to exchange / to convert (currency)

> 我想换房间。
> Wǒ xiǎng huàn fángjiān.
> I'd like to change my room.

需要
xūyào to need / to want / to demand / to require / needs

> 你不需要钱。
> Nǐ bù xūyào qián.
> You don't need money.

Intermediate (HSK 4-6)

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.

购物 購物
gòuwù shopping

> 我喜欢购物。
> Wǒ xǐhuan gòuwù.
> I like shopping.

逛
guàng to stroll / to visit

> 你想陪我逛公园吗?
> Nǐ xiǎng péi wǒ guàng gōngyuán ma?
> Would you like to take a stroll around the park with me?

逛街
guàngjiē to take a walk / to window-shop / to stroll down the street

> 姐姐一逛街就忘了时间。
> Jiějie yí guàngjiē jiù wàngle shíjiān.
> My sister loses track of time whenever she goes shopping around the stores.

商品
shāngpǐn commodity / goods / merchandise

> 这家店的商品很便宜。
> Zhè jiā diàn de shāngpǐn hěn piányi.
> The goods in this shop are very cheap.

质量 質量
zhìliàng quality (i.e. degree of excellence) / mass / quality and quantity

> 数量不如质量。
> Shùliàng bùrú zhìliàng.
> Quality is more important than quantity.

售货员 售貨員
shòuhuòyuán sales clerk / sales associate / retail salesperson

顾客 顧客
gùkè customer / client

> 今天顾客比较少。
> Jīntiān gùkè bǐjiào shǎo.
> There's not very many customers today.

说明书 說明書
shuōmíngshū manual / directions / synopsis (of a play or film) / specification (patent)

> 吃药前，请先看药的说明书。
> Chīyào qián, qǐng xiān kàn yào de shuōmíngshū.
> Before taking the medicine, please read the directions first.

快递 快遞
kuàidì express delivery

> 请帮我拆这个快递。
> Qǐng bāng wǒ chāi zhège kuàidì.
> Please help me open this package.

市场 市場
shìchǎng market / marketplace / market / bazaar

> 我要去市场。
> Wǒ yào qù shìchǎng.
> I will go to the market.

购买 購買
gòumǎi to purchase / to buy

> 您现在不必购买任何东西。
> Nín xiànzài búbì gòumǎi rènhé dōngxi.
> You don't have to buy anything right now.

货 貨
huò goods / money / to sell / commodity

> 我们帮你叫货。
> Wǒmen bāng nǐ jiào huò.
> We will help you order the stock.

牌子
páizi sign / trademark / brand

> 你喜欢什么牌子的酸奶?
> Nǐ xǐhuan shénme páizi de suānnǎi?
> What's your favorite brand of yogurt?

购物袋 購物袋
gòuwùdài shopping bag

挑
tiāo to carry on a shoulder pole / classifier for loads carried on a shoulder pole / to choose / to pick / to nitpick
tiǎo to raise / to dig up / to poke / to prick / to prop up on a pole / to incite / to stir up

> 这只狗挑了。
> Zhè zhī gǒu tiāole.
> This dog jumped.

品牌
pǐnpái brand / brand name

> 她只穿这个品牌的鞋。
> Tā zhǐ chuān zhège pǐnpái de xié.
> She only wears shoes from this brand.

退
tuì to retreat / to withdraw / to reject / to return (sth) / to decline

> 这双鞋不合适，能退吗?
> Zhè shuāng xié bù héshì, néng tuì ma?
> These shoes don't fit well. Can I return them?

退货 退貨
tuìhuò to return merchandise / to withdraw a product

> 这件衣服打折了，还能退货吗?
> Zhè jiàn yīfu dǎzhéle, hái néng tuìhuò ma?
> This piece of clothing is on sale. Can it still be returned?

货物 貨物
huòwù goods / commodity / merchandise

> 货物运到保税区要几天?
> Huòwù yùn dào bǎoshuìqū yào jǐtiān?
> How many days does it take for goods to reach the bonded area?

产品 產品
chǎnpǐn goods / merchandise / product

> 本产品产自中国。
> Běn chǎnpǐn chǎn zì Zhōngguó.
> This product was made in China.

用品
yòngpǐn articles for use / products / goods

> 急需医疗用品。
> Jíxū yīliáo yòngpǐn.
> There is an urgent need for medical supplies.

包装 包裝
bāozhuāng to wrap / to package (goods etc) / packaging / packing materials / to present attractively / to craft an image / to package (sb or sth)

> 请你分开包装好吗?
> Qǐng nǐ fēnkāi bāozhuāng hǎo ma?
> Could you wrap this separately, please?

样式 樣式
yàngshì type / style

> 有其他样式吗?
> Yǒu qítā yàngshì ma?
> Do you have other types?

实用 實用
shíyòng to apply in practice / practical / functional / pragmatic / applied (science)

> 这个网站很实用。
> Zhège wǎngzhàn hěn shíyòng.
> This website is very useful.

商家
shāngjiā merchant / business / enterprise

> 很多商家都在打折。
> Hěn duō shāngjiā dōu zài dǎzhé.
> Many businesses are offering discounts.

消费者 消費者
xiāofèizhě consumer

> 消费者可以退货吗?
> Xiāofèizhě kěyǐ tuìhuò ma?
> Can consumers return goods?

好评 好評
hǎopíng favorable criticism / positive evaluation

> 老板，我会给你们好评的!
> Lǎobǎn, wǒ huì gěi nǐmen hǎopíng de!
> Boss, I'll give you a good review!

挑选 挑選
tiāoxuǎn to choose / to select

> 挑选一个吧。
> Tiāoxuǎn yí gè ba.
> Choose one.

过期 過期
guòqī to be overdue / to exceed the time limit / to expire (as in expiration date)

> 我的护照过期了。
> Wǒ de hùzhào guòqī le.
> My passport has expired.

保质期 保質期
bǎozhìqī shelf life / expiration date

> 这种牛奶的保质期很短。
> Zhèzhǒng niúnǎi de bǎozhìqī hěn duǎn.
> The shelf life of this milk is very short.

出售
chūshòu to sell / to offer for sale / to put on the market

> 这房子不出售。
> Zhè fángzi bù chūshòu.
> This house is not for sale.

名牌
míngpái famous brand / nameplate / name tag

> 这双名牌鞋子太贵了。
> Zhè shuāng míngpái xiézi tài guìle.
> This pair of brand-name shoes is too expensive.

营业 營業
yíngyè to do business / to trade

> 星期日营业吗?
> Xīngqīrì yíngyè ma?
> Are you open for business on Sunday?

试用 試用
shìyòng to try sth out / to be on probation

> 我刚入职，还在试用。
> Wǒ gāng rù zhí, hái zài shìyòng.
> I just started the job and am still on probation.

赠送 贈送
zèngsòng to present as a gift

> 朋友赠送了我一束花。
> Péngyou zèngsòngle wǒ yíshù huā.
> A friend gave me a bunch of flowers.

配送
pèisòng to put together an order and deliver it (i.e. 配貨|配货[pei4 huo4] and 送貨|送货[song4 huo4]) / to deliver (goods)

> 蔬菜会在早上七点配送。
> Shūcài huì zài zǎoshang qī diǎn pèisòng.
> The vegetables will be delivered at seven in the morning.

二手
èrshǒu indirectly acquired / second-hand (information, equipment etc) / assistant

> 不，是二手的。
> Bù, shì èrshǒu de.
> No, it's second-hand.

便利店
biànlìdiàn convenience store

> 我在便利店买了肉包吃了。
> Wǒ zài biànlìdiàn mǎile ròu bāo chīle.
> I bought meat buns at the convenience store and ate them.

退换 退換
tuìhuàn to exchange (a purchased item)

> 衣服坏了，他去退换了。
> Yīfu huàile, tā qù tuìhuànle.
> The clothes were damaged, so he went to return and exchange them.

退换货 退換貨
tuìhuànhuò to return a product for another item

> 退换货要多长时间?
> Tuìhuànhuò yào duō cháng shíjiān?
> How long does a return or exchange take?

收银台 收銀台
shōuyíntái checkout counter / cashier's desk

> 请到收银台付钱吧。
> Qǐng dào shōuyíntái fùqián ba.
> Please go to the cashier's desk to pay.

肥
féi fertilizer / fertile / fat / manure / to become rich by illegal means / loose-fitting or large / to fertilize

> 这猫是很肥。
> Zhè māo shì hěn féi.
> This cat is very fat.

发票 發票
fāpiào invoice / receipt / bill / uniform invoice (abbr. for 統一發票|统一发票[tong3 yi1 fa1 piao4])

> 你这张发票中奖了!
> Nǐ zhè zhāng fāpiào zhòngjiǎng le!
> Your invoice has won a prize!

售后服务 售後服務
shòuhòufúwù after-sales service

尺寸
chǐcun size / dimensions / measurements (esp. of clothes) / propriety

> 您知道您的尺寸吗?
> Nín zhīdào nín de chǐcun ma?
> Do you know your size?

款式
kuǎnshì pattern / style / design
kuǎnshi elegant / elegance / good taste

> 今年流行什么款式的外套?
> Jīnnián liúxíng shénme kuǎnshì de wàitào?
> What sort of coats are in fashion this year?

百货 百貨
bǎihuò general merchandise

> 这家店卖各种百货。
> Zhè jiā diàn mài gèzhǒng bǎihuò.
> This shop sells all kinds of general merchandise.

采购 採購
cǎigòu to procure (for an enterprise etc) / to purchase

> 你在哪儿采购这些水果的?
> Nǐ zài nǎr cǎigòu zhèxiē shuǐguǒ de?
> Where did you buy this fruit?

畅销 暢銷
chàngxiāo to sell well / bestselling / chart-topping

> 这是今年最畅销的书。
> Zhè shì jīnnián zuì chàngxiāo de shū.
> This is the bestselling book this year.

Intermediate (HSK 4-6), part 2

店铺 店鋪
diànpù store / shop

> 她在网上开了一家店铺。
> Tā zài wǎngshàng kāile yìjiā diànpù.
> She opened a shop online.

定制 定製

dìngzhì custom-made / made-to-order / to have sth custom made

> 我想定制一个生日蛋糕。
> Wǒ xiǎng dìngzhì yí gè shēngrì dàngāo.
> I'd like to have a birthday cake made to order.

比价 比價

bǐjià to compare prices / to compare offers / price ratio / price parity / rate of exchange

性价比 性價比

xìngjiàbǐ cost-performance ratio

> 买东西时，你看重性价比吗？
> Mǎi dōngxi shí, nǐ kànzhòng xìngjiàbǐ ma?
> When you shop, do you care about cost-performance ratio?

下单 下單

xiàdān to place an order / to order

> 你在网上下单了吗？
> Nǐ zài wǎngshàng xiàdān le ma?
> Have you placed an order online?

代购 代購

dàigòu to buy (on behalf of sb)

Advanced (HSK 7-9)

尺码 尺碼

chǐmǎ size / fitting (of apparel)

> 有大一点的尺码吗？
> Yǒu dà yìdiǎn de chǐmǎ ma?
> Do you have a bigger size?

实体店 實體店

shítǐdiàn brick and mortar business / physical (rather than online) retail store

> 在实体店可以先试再买。
> Zài shítǐdiàn kěyǐ xiān shì zài mǎi.
> In a physical store you can try things before you buy.

耐用

nàiyòng durable

> 买手机最好选耐用的。
> Mǎi shǒujī zuìhǎo xuǎn nàiyòng de.
> When buying a phone, it's best to choose a durable one.

货架 貨架

huòjià shelf for goods / shop shelf

> 货架上的牛奶都卖完了。
> Huòjià shàng de niúnǎi dōu màiwánle.
> The milk on the shelves is all sold out.

专卖店 專賣店

zhuānmàidiàn specialty store

> 专卖店的服务员很热情。
> Zhuānmàidiàn de fúwùyuán hěn rèqíng.
> The staff at the specialty store are very friendly.

试衣间 試衣間

shìyījiān fitting room

购物车 購物車

gòuwùchē shopping cart

> 牛奶放进购物车了吗？
> Niúnǎi fàngjìn gòuwùchē le ma?
> Did you put the milk in the shopping cart?

网店 網店

wǎngdiàn online shop

> 很多人开网店做生意。
> Hěn duō rén kāi wǎngdiàn zuòshēngyì.
> Many people run online shops to do business.

假货 假貨

jiǎhuò counterfeit article / fake / dummy / simulacrum

> 市场上充斥着便宜的假货。
> Shìchǎng shàng chōngchìzhe piányi de jiǎhuò.
> The market is flooded with cheap fakes.

选购 選購

xuǎngòu to select and purchase / to buy

柜台 櫃檯

guìtái sales counter / front desk / bar / (of financial trading, medicines etc) OTC (over-the-counter)

> 他独自坐在柜台旁。
> Tā dúzì zuò zài guìtái páng.
> He was sitting at the counter by himself.

订购 訂購

dìnggòu to place an order / to subscribe

> 我从德国订购了那些书。
> Wǒ cóng Déguó dìnggòule nèixiē shū.
> I ordered those books from Germany.

礼品 禮品

lǐpǐn gift / present

> 你们这里有礼品店吗？
> Nǐmen zhèlǐ yǒu lǐpǐn diàn ma?
> Do you have a gift shop here?

招牌

zhāopai signboard / shop sign / reputation of a business

> 红色的招牌很显眼。
> Hóngsè de zhāopai hěn xiǎnyǎn.
> The red sign is very eye-catching.

集市

jíshì market / bazaar / fair

> 我奶奶爱去集市买菜。
> Wǒ nǎinai ài qù jíshì mǎicài.
> My grandmother loves going to the market to buy vegetables.

讨价还价 討價還價

tǎojiàhuánjià to haggle over price / to bargain

> 这里是超市，不能讨价还价。
> Zhèlǐ shì chāoshì, bùnéng tǎojià-huánjià.
> This is a supermarket, so you can't haggle over prices.

橱窗 櫥窗

chúchuāng display window

> 她站在橱窗前看了很久。
> Tā zhàn zài chúchuāng qián kànle hěn jiǔ.
> She stood in front of the display window looking for a long time.

预售 預售

yùshòu to sell in advance

> 新楼盘下个月开始预售。
> Xīn lóupán xiàgeyuè kāishǐ yùshòu.
> The new apartment complex goes on pre-sale next month.

定做

dìngzuò to have something made to order

> 新娘的礼服是定做的。
> Xīnniáng de lǐfú shì dìngzuò de.
> The bride's dress was custom-made.

专柜 專櫃

zhuānguì sales counter dedicated to a certain kind of product (e.g. alcohol)

> 专柜的店员很热情。
> Zhuānguì de diànyuán hěn rèqíng.
> The staff at the counter are very friendly.

原装 原裝

yuánzhuāng genuine / intact in original packaging (not locally assembled and packaged)

> 修车时最好用原装零件。
> Xiūchē shí zuìhǎo yòng yuánzhuāng língjiàn.
> It's best to use genuine parts when repairing a car.

试穿 試穿

shìchuān to try wearing clothes / fitting trial

> 这条裙子可以试穿吗?
> Zhè tiáo qúnzi kěyǐ shìchuān ma?
> May I try on this skirt?

Outside HSK

海淘

hǎitáo online purchase of goods dispatched from overseas

> 这双鞋是我在网上海淘买的。
> Zhè shuāng xié shì wǒ zài wǎngshàng hǎitáo mǎi de.
> I bought these shoes online from overseas.

正品

zhèngpǐn certified goods / quality product / normal product / A-class goods

> 这双鞋有证明，是正品。
> Zhè shuāng xié yǒu zhèngmíng, shì zhèngpǐn.
> These shoes come with a certificate, so they're genuine.

差评 差評

chàpíng poor evaluation / adverse criticism

> 他给这家餐厅打了个差评。
> Tā gěi zhè jiā cāntīng dǎle gè chàpíng.
> He gave this restaurant a bad review.

缺货 缺貨

quēhuò lack of supplies / unavailable goods

> 店员说这个颜色暂时缺货。
> Diànyuán shuō zhège yánsè zànshí quēhuò.
> The shop assistant said this color is temporarily out of stock.