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Words

以前
yǐqián before / ago / formerly / previous

> 他以前做过。
> Tā yǐqián zuòguo.
> He has done it before.

以后 以後
yǐhòu after / later / afterwards / following / later on / in the future

> 以后请注意点。
> Yǐhòu qǐng zhùyì diǎn.
> Please take more care in the future.

刚才 剛才
gāngcái just now / a moment ago

> 他刚才到了。
> Tā gāngcái dàole.
> He had just arrived.

先
xiān beforehand / first / earlier / for the time being / for now / my late (in referring to deceased relatives older than oneself) / at first / originally

> 先谢谢您了。
> Xiān xièxie nín le.
> Thanking you in advance.

然后 然後
ránhòu then / after that / afterwards

> 对，然后呢?
> Duì, ránhòu ne?
> Yes, and?

常常
chángcháng frequently / often

> 她常常感冒。
> Tā chángcháng gǎnmào.
> She caught colds often.

周末 週末
zhōumò weekend

> 你周末过得怎么样?
> Nǐ zhōumò guò de zěnmeyàng?
> Did you have a good weekend?

刚 剛
gāng just / only a short while ago / hard / firm / strong / barely / only just / exactly / precisely

> 他刚去。
> Tā gāng qù.
> He's just gone.

马上 馬上
mǎshàng at once / right away / immediately / on horseback (i.e. by military force) / on a horse

> 好，马上来!
> Hǎo, mǎshàng lái!
> Okay, I'm coming!

一直
yīzhí continuously / always / all the way through / straight (in a straight line)

> 一直向前走!
> Yìzhí xiàngqián zǒu!
> Keep going straight ahead!

总是 總是
zǒngshì always

> 他总是在笑。
> Tā zǒngshì zài xiào.
> He is always laughing.

有时候 有時候
yǒushíhou sometimes

> 我有时候六点起床，有时候七点。
> Wǒ yǒushíhou liù diǎn qǐchuáng, yǒushíhou qī diǎn.
> Sometimes I get up at six, and sometimes at seven.

最近
zuìjìn recently / nearest / soon

> 你最近怎样?
> Nǐ zuìjìn zěnyàng?
> How are you getting along these days?

刻
kè quarter (hour) / moment / to carve / to engrave / to cut / oppressive / classifier for short time intervals

> 这个杯子上刻着我的名字。
> Zhège bēizi shàng kèzhe wǒ de míngzi.
> My name is engraved on this cup.

差
chà not up to standard / inferior / to fall short / to lack / different / wrong / mistaken
chā difference / discrepancy / a little / somewhat / slightly / difference (amount remaining after a subtraction)
chāi person sent on such an errand / job / official post / to send (on an errand)
chài to recover from illness
cī uneven / irregular / not uniform
chá mistaken / erroneous
cuō to stumble / to slip
jiē alas

> 他们差六岁。
> Tāmen chà liù suì.
> The difference in their ages is six years.

礼拜天 禮拜天
lǐbàitiān Sunday

后天 後天
hòutiān the day after tomorrow / life after birth (the period in which one develops through experiences, contrasted with 先天[xian1 tian1]) / acquired (not innate or congenital) / a posteriori

> 请后天来吧。
> Qǐng hòutiān lái ba.
> Please come the day after tomorrow.

前天
qiántiān the day before yesterday

> 他前天到北京的。
> Tā qiántiān dào Běijīng de.
> He arrived in Beijing the day before yesterday.

迟到 遲到
chídào to arrive late

> 你总是迟到。
> Nǐ zǒngshì chídào.
> You are always late.

平时 平時
píngshí ordinarily / in normal times / in peacetime

> 今天比平时还忙。
> Jīntiān bǐ píngshí hái máng.
> Today's even busier than normal.

最后 最後
zuìhòu final / last / ultimate / finally / in the end

> 最后她没有来。
> Zuìhòu tā méiyǒu lái.
> After all she did not come.

终于 終於
zhōngyú at last / in the end / finally / eventually

> 他终于来了。
> Tā zhōngyú láile.
> He's finally here!

后来 後來
hòulái afterwards / later / newly arrived

> 你后来还来过这儿吗?
> Nǐ hòulái hái láiguo zhèr ma?
> Have you been here since?

不久
bùjiǔ not long (after) / before too long / soon / soon after

> 他们刚结婚不久。
> Tāmen gāng jiéhūn bùjiǔ.
> They got married recently.

刚刚 剛剛
gānggang just recently / just a moment ago

> 刚刚好。
> Gānggang hǎo.
> Just right.

一刻
yīkè a quarter of an hour / 15 minutes / a moment / an instant

> 三点一刻，我在门口等你。
> Sāndiǎn yíkè, wǒ zài ménkǒu děng nǐ.
> I'll wait for you at the door at a quarter past three.

工作日
gōngzuòrì workday / working day / weekday

> 周末的人比工作日多。
> Zhōumò de rén bǐ gōngzuòrì duō.
> There are more people on weekends than on weekdays.

前年
qiánnián the year before last

> 她是前年去的。
> Tā shì qiánnián qù de.
> She left the year before last.

礼拜 禮拜
lǐbài to attend a religious service / week / Sunday

后年 後年
hòunián the year after next

礼拜六 禮拜六
lǐbàiliù Saturday

礼拜一 禮拜一
lǐbàiyī Monday

礼拜五 禮拜五
lǐbàiwǔ Friday

礼拜二 禮拜二
lǐbài'èr Tuesday

礼拜三 禮拜三
lǐbàisān Wednesday

礼拜四 禮拜四
lǐbàisì Thursday