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Words

年代
niándài a decade of a century (e.g. the Sixties) / age / era / period

> 九十年代的老歌很好听。
> Jiǔshí niándài de lǎogē hěn hǎotīng.
> The old songs from the nineties sound great.

延长 延長
yáncháng to prolong / to extend / to delay

> 冰箱能延长水果的保存时间。
> Bīngxiāng néng yáncháng shuǐguǒ de bǎocún shíjiān.
> A fridge can prolong how long fruit keeps.

期间 期間
qījiān period of time / time / time period / period

> 减肥期间要控制卡路里。
> Jiǎnféi qījiān yào kòngzhì kǎlùlǐ.
> When you're trying to lose weight, you need to watch your calories.

时期 時期
shíqī period / phase

> 那是困难时期。
> Nà shì kùnnan shíqī.
> Those were difficult times.

时代 時代
shídài age / era / epoch / period (in one's life) / Time, US weekly news magazine

> 时代在变化。
> Shídài zài biànhuà.
> Times are changing.

时刻 時刻
shíkè time / juncture / moment / period of time / constantly / always

> 这是一个伟大的时刻。
> Zhè shì yí gè wěidà de shíkè.
> This is a great moment.

随时 隨時
suíshí at any time / at all times / at the right time / whenever necessary

> 你可以随时来。
> Nǐ kěyǐ suíshí lái.
> Come on any day you like.

始终 始終
shǐzhōng from beginning to end / all along

> 我们始终都有死的一天。
> Wǒmen shǐzhōng dōu yǒu sǐ de yì tiān.
> We shall all die some day.

通常
tōngcháng usually / normally / regular / usual / normal

> 她通常很早起床。
> Tā tōngcháng hěn zǎo qǐchuáng.
> She usually gets up early.

以来 以來
yǐlái since (used after a specified time or event)

> 我去年以来就没再做了。
> Wǒ qùnián yǐlái jiù méi zài zuòle.
> I haven't done that since last year.

立刻
lìkè immediately / at once / right away

> 请立刻回来。
> Qǐng lìkè huílai.
> Please come back at once.

逐渐 逐漸
zhújiàn gradually

> 她逐渐开始明白。
> Tā zhújiàn kāishǐ míngbai.
> She gradually began to understand.

渐渐 漸漸
jiànjiàn gradually
chánchán lofty and steep (of rocks) / flowing down (of tears)

> 白天渐渐地越来越长。
> Báitiān jiànjiàn de yuèláiyuè cháng.
> The days are getting longer and longer.

曾经 曾經
céngjīng already / former / previously / (past tense marker used before verb or clause) / once / ever

> 他曾经是市长。
> Tā céngjīng shì shìzhǎng.
> He used to be the mayor.

当前 當前
dāngqián the present time / to be faced with

> 当前的任务是准备考试。
> Dāngqián de rènwu shì zhǔnbèi kǎoshì.
> The present task is to prepare for the exam.

如今
rújīn nowadays / now

> 如今很多人用手机付钱。
> Rújīn hěn duō rén yòng shǒujī fùqián.
> Nowadays many people pay with their phones.

未来 未來
wèilái future / tomorrow / approaching / coming / pending

> 你有光明的未来。
> Nǐ yǒu guāngmíng de wèilái.
> You have a bright future.

长期 長期
chángqī long-term / for a protracted period

> 他长期在外地工作。
> Tā chángqī zài wàidì gōngzuò.
> He has worked away from home for a long time.

短期
duǎnqī short-term

> 2月我们有个短期休假。
> Èr yuè wǒmen yǒu gè duǎnqī xiūjià.
> We had a short vacation in February.

临时 臨時
línshí temporary / as the time draws near / at the last moment / interim / ad hoc

> 这只是一个临时办法。
> Zhè zhǐshì yí gè línshí bànfǎ.
> This is only a temporary solution.

日历 日曆
rìlì calendar

> 我把日历挂在墙上。
> Wǒ bǎ rìlì guà zài qiáng shàng.
> I hang the calendar on the wall.

定期
dìngqī at set dates / at regular intervals / periodic / limited to a fixed period of time / fixed term

> 她以前定期来看我。
> Tā yǐqián dìngqī láikàn wǒ.
> She used to visit me regularly.

持续 持續
chíxù to continue / to last / to persist

> 物价持续上涨。
> Wùjià chíxù shàngzhǎng.
> Prices continued to rise.

连续 連續
liánxù continuous / in a row / serial / consecutive

> 他连续三年都得了第一名。
> Tā liánxù sān nián dōu dé le dìyīmíng.
> He has won first place for three consecutive years.

古代
gǔdài ancient times

> 他喜欢读古代经典。
> Tā xǐhuan dú gǔdài jīngdiǎn.
> He likes reading the ancient classics.

近代
jìndài the not-very-distant past / modern times, excluding recent decades / (in the context of Chinese history) the period from the Opium Wars until the May 4th Movement (mid-19th century to 1919) / capitalist times (pre-1949)

> 近代的发明让生活方便多了。
> Jìndài de fāmíng ràng shēnghuó fāngbiàn duō le.
> Modern inventions have made life much more convenient.

傍晚
bàngwǎn in the evening / when night falls / towards evening / at night fall / at dusk

> 今天傍晚做些事！
> Jīntiān bàngwǎn zuò xiē shì!
> Let's do something later this evening!

半夜
bànyè midnight / in the middle of the night

> 我半夜被冷醒了。
> Wǒ bànyè bèi lěng xǐngle.
> The cold woke me up in the middle of the night.

年初
niánchū beginning of the year

> 我年初换了新工作。
> Wǒ niánchū huàn le xīn gōngzuò.
> I changed to a new job at the beginning of the year.

尽快 儘快
jǐnkuài as quickly as possible / as soon as possible

> 他们会尽快。
> Tāmen huì jǐnkuài.
> They'll be quick.

事先
shìxiān in advance / before the event / beforehand / prior

> 你必须事先预约。
> Nǐ bìxū shìxiān yùyuē.
> You have to make a reservation.

此后 此後
cǐhòu after this / afterwards / hereafter

> 此后他再也没迟到过。
> Cǐhòu tā zàiyě méi chídàoguo.
> Afterwards he was never late again.

随后 隨後
suíhòu afterward / later / subsequently / following that

> 你先走，我随后就到。
> Nǐ xiān zǒu, wǒ suíhòu jiù dào.
> You go ahead, and I'll be there shortly.

自从 自從
zìcóng since (a time) / ever since

> 自从有了孩子，他很忙。
> Zìcóng yǒule háizi, tā hěn máng.
> Ever since they had a child, he has been very busy.

当年 當年

dāngnián in those days / back then / in those years / to be in the prime of life
dàngnián that very same year

> 当年他每天骑车去上班。
> Dāngnián tā měitiān qíchē qù shàngbān.
> Back then, he rode a bike to work every day.

近年来 近年來

jìnniánlái for the past few years

> 近年来，城里的公园多了。
> Jìnniánlái, chénglǐ de gōngyuán duō le.
> In recent years, there have been more parks in the city.

季度

jìdù quarter of a year / season (sports)

> 下个季度的计划还没定。
> Xià gè jìdù de jìhuà hái méi dìng.
> The plan for next quarter hasn't been decided yet.

近日

jìnrì the past few days / recently / the next few days

> 你近日身体怎么样?
> Nǐ jìnrì shēntǐ zěnmeyàng?
> How has your health been recently?

夜间 夜間

yèjiān nighttime / evening or night (e.g. classes)

> 夜间开车要特别小心。
> Yèjiān kāichē yào tèbié xiǎoxīn.
> You have to be extra careful driving at night.

近期

jìnqī near in time / in the near future / very soon / recent

> 近期我打算去看看爷爷。
> Jìnqī wǒ dǎsuàn qù kànkan yéye.
> I plan to go and visit my grandpa in the near future.

时常 時常

shícháng often / frequently

> 你时常忘记带钥匙吗?
> Nǐ shícháng wàngjì dài yàoshi ma?
> Do you often forget to bring your keys?

早晚

zǎowǎn (in reference to sth that is bound to happen) sooner or later / one of these days / at some time in the future / morning and evening / (this, or that) point of time

> 人早晚会死。
> Rén zǎowǎn huì sǐ.
> Man will die sooner or later.

午夜

wǔyè midnight

双休日 雙休日

shuāngxiūrì two-day weekend

时差 時差

shíchā time difference / time lag / jet lag

> 我时差还没倒过来呢。
> Wǒ shíchà hái méi dào guòlái ne.
> Actually, I still haven't gotten over my jet lag.

整点 整點

zhěngdiǎn time of day exactly on the hour (i.e. 12:00, 1:00 etc) / to make an inventory / point that has integer coordinates

> 火车整点出发，别迟到。
> Huǒchē zhěngdiǎn chūfā, bié chídào.
> The train leaves right on the hour, so don't be late.

闰年 閏年

rùnnián leap year / year with a thirteen intercalary month