

GLOSSARY



1. āiyā	哎呀	N: exclamation, interjection
2. bèn	笨	SV: be stupid, clumsy, awkward
3. běndì	本地	PW: local, native
4. bù	簿	N: book (for taking notes, keeping accounts)
a. diànhuàbù	电话簿	N: telephone directory
b. dēngjìbù	登记簿	N: register
c. bùzi	簿子	N: notebook
5. chǎng	厂	N: factory, mill, plant, yard
diànzǐchǎng	电子厂	N: electronics factory
6. chángtú	长途	N: long distance
7. chūmén	出门	VO: to go out (of the town)
8. dī	低	SV: be low
9. fángzi	房子	N: house (M: <u>-suǒr</u> , <u>-dòng</u>)
10. fángzū	房租	N: rent (for a house, flat, etc.)
11. fēnjī	分机	N: telephone extension
12. gōngchéngshī	工程师	N: engineer
13. gōnggòng diànhuàjiān	公共电话间	N: public telephone booth (or box)
14. gōngsī	公司	N: company, corporation
15. Héběi	河北	N: (a province in North China)
16. hétóng	合同	N: contract
17. huàwùyuán	话务员	N: telephone operator
18. jiàqián	价钱	N: price
19. jiàohào	叫号	VO: to call station to station

20. jiàorén	叫人	VO: to call person to person (phone call)
21. jìnchéng	进城	VO: to go into the city or town
22. jìnchūkǒu	进出口	N: imports and exports; entrances and exits
a. jìnkǒu	进口	N: imports; entrances
b. chūkǒu	出口	N: exports; exits
23. kē	科	N: section (a subdivision of an administrative unit)
chūkǒukē	出口科	N: export section
24. kǒudàir	口袋(儿)	N: pocket
25. kuān	宽	SV: be wide, be broad; width
26. měijīn	美金	N: American currency (lit. American gold)
27. méixiǎngdào	没想到	RV/IE: didn't expect/unexpected
28. rēng	扔	V: to throw, to toss, to cast
29. shàngjiē	上街	VO: to go into the street, to go downtown
30. shūfáng	书房	N: study room
31. tōng	通	V/RVE: to open, to pass through/to get through
a. tōngdiànhuà	通电话	PH: to put through a phone call
b. dǎtōngle	打通了	(The phone call has been put through.)
32. xiǎoxīn	小心	SV/V: be careful/to look out for
33. xiǎozìtiáo(r)	小字条(儿)	N: a scrap of paper
34. xīnr	信儿	N: message
35. yáncháng	延长	V: to lengthen, to extend, to prolong

36. yīngchǐ 英尺 M: an English foot
 chǐ 尺 M: a Chinese foot
37. yùjiàn 遇见 V: to meet, to run into
38. zhànxiàn 占线 VO: the (telephone) line's busy

Old words with new usage

39. lái 来 V: to send/to call
 Tā gěi nǐ lái xìn le ma? (Did he/she write to you?)
 Wǒ xīwàng tā míngtiān gěi (I'll call him/her again
 wǒ lái diànhuà. tomorrow.)
40. qù 去 V: to send/to call
 Nǐ gěi tā qù le jǐfēng (How many letters have you
 xìn le? written him/her so far?)
 Wǒ yào gěi tā qùge diànhuà. (I want to call him/her.)
41. jiào/ràng...(gěi) CV: by (agent marker)
 叫/让... (给)
 Diǎnxīn jiào/ràng xiǎoháimēn (gěi)chī le. (The pastry was eaten by
 the children.)
 Wǒde qián dōujiào/ràng háizi- (My money has been all
 men (gěi)yòng le. spent by my children.)

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| Àikèmǐ | 爱克米 | ACME |
| Fāng Bǎoshān | 方保山 | proper name |
| Wáng Mínlǐ | 王明理 | proper name |
| Zhāng Wéndé | 张文德 | proper name |
| Lǐzhā Tàilè | 理查·泰勒 | proper name |