

GLOSSARY



1. biàn 变
Nèige hái'zi biànle, xiànzài hěn kèqīle.
Nèige dìfāng biànle, xiànzài shì yíge xuéxiào le.
V: to change, to change into, to be changed
(That child has changed; he is very polite [well-mannered] now.)
(That place has been changed; it is a school now.)
2. chēzhàn 车站
N: train/bus depot, station, stop
- a. chēpiào 车票
N: train/bus ticket
- b. fēijīpiào 飞机票
N: airplane ticket
- c. chuánpiào 船票
N: ship/boat/ferry ticket
3. dǎ zhàng 打仗
VO: to fight a battle, at war
- a. dǎ 打
V: to fight, to strike, to hit
- b. zhàng 仗
N: battle, war
(France and Germany have been at war four times.)
4. huàbào 画报
N: illustrated magazine or newspaper, pictorial
- Běijīng Huàbào 北京画报
N: Beijing Pictorial
5. jiěfàng 解放
V/N: to liberate/liberation
(They want to liberate the United States, the United Kingdom, and some not-yet-liberated countries.)
- Tāmen xiǎng jiěfàng Měiguó Yīngguó, hé méiyǒu jiěfàngde guójiā.
- a. Jiěfàngjūn 解放军
N: Liberation Army
- b. jiěfàngqū 解放区
N: liberation area (zone, district)
6. jiǔ 久
BF: a long time
- a. Hěn jiǔ méijiàn 很久没见
IE: Haven't seen you for/in a long time., Long time no see.
- b. bùjiǔ 不久
TW: soon, before long (not a long time)
(Before long they'll return.)
- Bùjiǔ tāmen jiù huílai.

7. kuàichēpiào 快车票 N: express train/bus ticket
- a. kuàichē 快车 N: express train/bus
- b. mànchē 慢车 N: local train/bus (Lit. slow train)
8. lǚxíng 旅行 V/N: to travel/travel
- a. lǚxíngshè 旅行社 N: travel agency
- b. jìhuà lǚxíng 计划旅行 VO: to plan a trip
- c. lǚxíng jìhuà 旅行计划 N: a travel plan
- d. lǚxíng zhīpiào 旅行支票 N: traveler's check
- Lǚxíngde shíhou, yīngdāng dài lǚxíng zhīpiào. (When you travel, you ought to carry traveler's checks.)
9. piào 票 N: ticket
- a. bànpào 半票 N: half fare
- Bú dào shíèrsuì de hái zǐ kě yǐ mǎi bànpào. (Children under 12 are half fare.)
- b. miǎnpào 免票 N: pass, free ticket, courtesy ticket
10. pǔtōng-kuàichē 普通—快车 N: (ordinary/regular) express train/bus
- a. pǔtōng 普通 SV/MA: to be common, ordinary/ordinarily
- b. pǔtōnghuà 普通话 N: Chinese-Mandarin (PRC expression)
- Nèige xuéshēng zài jiā li shuō Shànghǎihuà, zài xuéxiào shuō pǔtōnghuà. (That student speaks Shanghai dialect at home, [but] speaks Mandarin in school.)
11. Rénmín-Dàhuìtáng 人民大会堂 N: Great Hall of The People
12. rèn de 认得 V: to recognize, to know
13. rèn shi 认识 V/N: to recognize, to know, to understand/understanding
- Nèige dìfāng wǒ yǐjīng búrèn de (OR búrèn shi) le. (I no longer can recognize that place.)
- Nǐ duì nǐ nǚ péngyou méiyou duōshǎo rèn shi, nǐ cái rèn shi tā liǎngtiān. (You don't know much about your girl friend. You've only known her two days.)

- Wǒ duì tā méiyǒu duōshǎo
rènshí. (I don't know much about him.)
14. rìzì 日子 N: a special day, a day
- a. Rìzì guòde zhēn kuài!
日子过得真快! IE: Time flies!
- b. guò rìzì 过日子 VO: to live, to get along, to budget daily expenses
Xiànzài dōngxī dōu hěn guì,
rìzì hěn nán guò. (Things are all very expensive now; it is hard to make ends meet.)
Míngtiān shì shénme rìzì?
Míngtiān shì qīyuè sìhào,
Měiguóde shēngrì. (What day is tomorrow?)
(Tomorrow is July 4th, America's birthday.)
15. shòupiàoyuán 售票员 N: ticket seller, ticket office clerk
- a. chápiàoyuán 查票员 N: conductor, ticket inspector
- b. shōupiàoyuán 收票员 N: ticket taker or collector
16. suì 岁 M/N: age (years of age)
- a. suìshù(r) 岁数(儿) N: age
- b. Duó dàle? 多大了? IE: How old ...? (for children and young people)
Tā jǐsuì le? (How old is he/she? [for children under ten years of age.])
- c. Duó dà suìshù(r) le?
多大岁数(儿)了? IE: How old ...? (for adults)
Nǐ bié wèn tāde suìshù(r).
Tāde suìshù(r) búshì zhēnde. (Don't ask his/her age.)
(Her/his age is not truthfully expressed.)
17. tèbié-kuàichē 特别—快车 N: special express (train/bus)
- a. tèbié 特别 SV/A: to be strange, to be unusual, to be special/specially
- b. tèbié-chēpiào 特别—车票 N: special express train/bus ticket
- c. tèkuài 特快 N: special express (short form for tèbié-kuàichē)
Jīntiān nèicì tèkuài, mànle
wǔfēn zhōng. (Today that special express was five minutes late.)

18. Tiānānmén-Guǎngchǎng 天安门—广场
N: Great Square of the Gate of Heavenly Peace, Tiān Ān Mén Square
- a. Tiānānmén 天安门 N: Gate of Heavenly Peace (Beijing)
- b. guǎngchǎng 广场 N: large square, huge field
19. yàngzi 样子 N: appearance, style, pattern, kind
20. zhàntái/yuètái 站台/月台 N: platform (train station)
Dào Guǎngzhōu qùde huǒchē zài dìsān zhàntái. (The train to Guangzhou is on platform No. 3.)
21. Zhōngshān-Gōngyuán 中山公园 N: Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Park
- a. gōngyuán 公园 N: public park
- b. guójiā-gōngyuán 国家—公园 N: national park

OLD VOCABULARY WITH NEW USAGE:

22. -bān 一班 M: (for train, bus, airplane schedule)
23. cóng xiǎo(r) 从小(儿) VO: since childhood
24. -guò 一过 P: (experiential suffix to verbs)
25. -hào 一号 N: (platform numbering in train stations)
26. méi- 没一 P/A: (non-functional negative prefix to verbs)
27. lǎo 老 A: always (doing something)
28. yíge 一个 A: the same