

GLOSSARY



1. biàn 变
 Nèige hái zi biàn le, xiàn-
 zài hěn kè qī le.
 Nèige dì fāng biàn le, xiàn-
 zài shì yí ge xué xiào 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. chē zhàn 车站
 a. chē piào 车票
 b. fēi jī piào 飞机票
 c. chuán piào 船票
- N: train/bus depot, station,
 stop
 N: train/bus ticket
 N: airplane ticket
 N: ship/boat/ferry ticket
3. dǎ zhàng 打仗
 a. dǎ 打
 b. zhàng 仗
- VO: to fight a battle, at war
 V: to fight, to strike, to hit
 N: battle, war
 (France and Germany have
 been at war four times.)
- Dé guo gēn Fà guo dǎ guo sì cì
 zhàng.
4. huà bào 画报
 Běi jīng Huà bào 北京画报
- N: illustrated magazine or
 newspaper, pictorial
 N: Beijing Pictorial
5. jiě fàng 解放
 Tā men xiǎng jiě fàng Měi guo
 Yīng guo, hé méi yǒu jiě-
 fàng de guó jiā.
- V/N: to liberate/liberation
 (They want to liberate the
 United States, the United
 Kingdom, and some not-yet-
 liberated countries.)
- a. Jiě fàng jūn 解放军
 b. jiě fàng qū 解放区
- N: Liberation Army
 N: liberation area (zone, dis-
 trict)
6. jiǔ 久
 a. Hěn jiǔ méi jiàn 很久没见
 b. bù jiǔ 不久
- BF: a long time
 IE: Haven't seen you for/in a
 long time., Long time no see.
 TW: soon, before long (not a
 long time)
 (Before long they'll return.)
- Bù jiǔ tā men jiù huí lái.

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 kè yì mǎi bànpiào. (Children under 12 are half fare.)
- b. miǎnpiào 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 méiyǒu 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 dōngxi dōu hěn guì,
rìzì hěn nán guò.
(Things are all very expen-
sive now; it is hard to make
ends meet.)
Míngtiān shì shénme rìzì?
Míngtiān shì qīyuè sìhào,
Měiguode 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. suí 岁 M/N: age (years of age)
- a. suíshù(r) 岁数(儿) N: age
- b. Duó dàle? 多大了?
Tā jìsuí le?
IE: How old ...? (for children
and young people)
(How old is he/she? [for
children under ten years of
age.])
- c. Duó dà suíshù(r) le?
多大岁数(儿)了?
IE: How old ...? (for adults)
- Nǐ bié wèn tāde suíshù(r).
Tāde shíshù(r) búshì zhēnde.
(Don't ask his/her age.)
(Her/his age is not truth-
fully 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 nàicì tèkuài, mànle
wūfen 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 dīsān 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—
 P/A: (non-functional negative prefix to verbs)
27. lǎo 老
 A: always (doing something)
28. yíge 一个
 A: the same