

Chinese Common Phrases

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GREETINGS & COURTESY

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| 1 | 很高兴认识你。 <i>hěn gāo xìng rèn shi nǐ.</i> | It's nice to meet you. |
| 2 | 最近怎么样？ <i>zuì jìn zěn me yàng?</i> | How's it going? |
| 3 | 祝你今天愉快！ <i>zhù nǐ jīn tiān yú kuài!</i> | Have a nice day! |
| 4 | 非常感谢你的帮助。 <i>fēi cháng gǎn xiè nǐ de bāng zhù.</i> | Thank you very much for your help. |
| 5 | 请问，我可以问你一件事吗？ <i>qǐng wèn, wǒ kě yǐ wèn nǐ yī jiàn shì ma?</i> | Excuse me, may I ask you something? |
| 6 | 不好意思，打扰了。 <i>bù hǎo yì si, dǎ rǎo le.</i> | Sorry to bother you. |

SMALL TALK

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| 7 | 你是哪里人？ <i>nǐ shì nǎ lǐ rén?</i> | Where are you from? |
| 8 | 我来自美国。 <i>wǒ lái zì měi guó.</i> | I'm from the United States. |
| 9 | 你做什么工作？ <i>nǐ zuò shén me gōng zuò?</i> | What do you do for a living? |
| 10 | 你住在这附近吗？ <i>nǐ zhù zài zhè fù jìn ma?</i> | Do you live around here? |
| 11 | 这是我第一次来这里。 <i>zhè shì wǒ dì yī cì lái zhè lǐ.</i> | This is my first time here. |
| 12 | 我很喜欢这里。 <i>wǒ hěn xǐ huan zhè lǐ.</i> | I like it here very much. |
| 13 | 今天天气真好。 <i>jīn tiān tiān qì zhēn hǎo.</i> | The weather is beautiful today. |

COMMUNICATION

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| 14 | 我听不懂。 <i>wǒ tīng bu dǒng.</i> | I don't understand. |
| 15 | 请说慢一点。 <i>qǐng shuō màn yī diǎn.</i> | Could you speak more slowly, please? |
| 16 | 请再说一遍。 <i>qǐng zài shuō yī biàn.</i> | Could you repeat that, please? |
| 17 | 你会说英语吗? <i>nǐ huì shuō yīng yǔ ma?</i> | Do you speak English? |
| 18 | 这个用中文怎么说? <i>zhè ge yòng zhōng wén zěn me shuō?</i> | How do you say this in Chinese? |
| 19 | 这个词是什么意思? <i>zhè ge cí shì shén me yì sī?</i> | What does this word mean? |
| 20 | 请帮我写下来。 <i>qǐng bāng wǒ xiě xià lái.</i> | Could you write it down, please? |
| 21 | 我只会说一点中文。 <i>wǒ zhǐ huì shuō yī diǎn zhōng wén.</i> | I only speak a little Chinese. |
| 22 | 我还在学中文。 <i>wǒ hái zài xué zhōng wén.</i> | I'm still learning Chinese. |

DIRECTIONS & TRANSPORT

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| 23 | 请问，洗手间在哪里? <i>qǐng wèn, xǐ shǒu jiān zài nǎ lǐ?</i> | Excuse me, where is the bathroom? |
| 24 | 去火车站怎么走? <i>qù huǒ chē zhàn zěn me zǒu?</i> | How do I get to the train station? |
| 25 | 离这里远吗? <i>lí zhè lǐ yuǎn ma?</i> | Is it far from here? |
| 26 | 我迷路了。 <i>wǒ mí lù le.</i> | I'm lost. |
| 27 | 你能在地图上指给我看吗? <i>nǐ néng zài dì tú shàng zhǐ gěi wǒ kàn ma?</i> | Can you show me on the map? |
| 28 | 在哪里可以买票? <i>zài nǎ lǐ kě yǐ mǎi piào?</i> | Where can I buy a ticket? |
| 29 | 公交车几点出发? <i>gōng jiāo chē jǐ diǎn chū fā?</i> | What time does the bus leave? |
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| 30 | 左转，然后一直走。 <i>zuǒ zhuǎn, rán hòu yī zhí zǒu.</i> | Turn left, then go straight ahead. |
| 31 | 附近有好的餐厅吗？ <i>fù jìn yǒu hǎo de cān tīng ma?</i> | Is there a good restaurant nearby? |

AT THE RESTAURANT

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| 32 | 两位，谢谢。 <i>liǎng wèi, xiè xie.</i> | A table for two, please. |
| 33 | 请给我看一下菜单。 <i>qǐng gěi wǒ kàn yī xià cài dān.</i> | Could I see the menu, please? |
| 34 | 你有什么推荐的吗？ <i>nǐ yǒu shén me tuī jiàn de ma?</i> | What do you recommend? |
| 35 | 我想要一杯咖啡。 <i>wǒ xiǎng yào yī bēi kā fēi.</i> | I would like a coffee, please. |
| 36 | 我是素食者。 <i>wǒ shì sù shí zhě.</i> | I'm vegetarian. |
| 37 | 请慢用！ <i>qǐng màn yòng!</i> | Enjoy your meal! |
| 38 | 买单，谢谢。 <i>mǎi dān, xiè xie.</i> | The check, please. |
| 39 | 太好吃了！ <i>tài hǎo chī le!</i> | It was delicious! |

SHOPPING

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| 40 | 这个多少钱？ <i>zhè ge duō shao qián?</i> | How much does this cost? |
| 41 | 你们收信用卡吗？ <i>nǐ men shōu xìn yòng kǎ ma?</i> | Do you take credit cards? |
| 42 | 我只是看看，谢谢。 <i>wǒ zhǐ shì kàn kan, xiè xie.</i> | I'm just looking, thank you. |
| 43 | 我可以试穿吗？ <i>wǒ kě yǐ shì chuān ma?</i> | Can I try it on? |

EMERGENCIES & HEALTH

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| 44 | 我需要帮助。 <i>wǒ xū yào bāng zhù.</i> | I need help. |
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| 45 | 请叫救护车! <i>qǐng jiào jiù hù chē!</i> | Call an ambulance, please! |
| 46 | 我不舒服。 <i>wǒ bù shū fu.</i> | I don't feel well. |
| 47 | 我需要看医生。 <i>wǒ xū yào kàn yī shēng.</i> | I need a doctor. |
| 48 | 最近的药店在哪里? <i>zui jìn de yào diàn zài nǎ lǐ?</i> | Where is the nearest pharmacy? |

EVERYDAY ESSENTIALS

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| 49 | 现在几点了? <i>xiàn zài jǐ diǎn le?</i> | What time is it? |
| 50 | 请稍等。 <i>qǐng shāo děng.</i> | Just a moment, please. |

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