

Useful Words and Phrases

Important Chinese Words and Phrases

English	Chinese	Pronounced
Hello	Nǐhǎo 你好	nee-haow
What is your name?	Nín guìxìng 您 贵姓	neen-gway-sshing
Goodbye	Zàijiàn 再见	dzeye-jyen
Yes	Shì 是	shrr
No	Búshì 不是	boo-shrr
Right/ Correct	Duì 对	dway
Wrong	Búduì 不对	boo-dway
No (need), thanks	Búyòngle, xièxiè 不用了, 谢谢	boo-yong-ler sshyeh-sshyeah
Thank you	Xièxiè 谢谢	sshyeah-sshyeah
You are welcome	Búyòngxiè 不用谢	boo-yong-sshyeah
Excuse me	Duìbuqǐ 对不起	dway-boo-chee
I do not understand	Wǒ tīngbùdǒng 我 听不懂	wor-ting-boo-dong
I want	Wǒyào 我要	wor-yaow
How much?	Duōshǎoqián 多少钱	dwor-shaow-chyan
Too expensive	Tàiguìle 太贵了	taye-gway-ler
Do you have...?	Yǒuméiyǒu 有没有	yoh-may-yoh
(I) don't want (it)	Búyào 不要	boo-yaow



Directions

English	Chinese	Pronounced
Stop!	Tíng 停!	ting
Left	Zuǒ 左	dzwor
Right	Yòu 右	yoh
Ahead	Qián 前	chyen
Where is...?	Zài nǎlǐ 在哪里	dzeye-nah-lee
There	Nàlǐ 那里	nah-lee
Here	Zhèlǐ 这里	jer-lee
Toilet	Cèsuǒ 厕所	tser-swor
How long (time)?	Duōjiǔ 多久	dwor-jyoh

At the Restaurant

English	Chinese	Pronounced
Chopsticks	Kuàizi 筷子	kwhy-dz
Knife	Dāo 刀	daow
Fork	Chāzi 叉子	chah-dz
Spoon	Sháozi 勺子	shaow-dz
Water	Shuǐ 水	shway
Coke	Kělè 可乐	ker-ler
Bill (said when you want to pay)	Mǎidān 买单	my-dan



Numbers

English	Chinese	Pronounced
1	yī 一	ee
2	èr 二	er
3	sān 三	san
4	sì 四	srr
5	wǔ 五	woo
6	liù 六	lyoh
7	qī 七	chee
8	bā 八	bah
9	jiǔ 九	jyoh
10	shí 十	shrr
11	shíyī 十一	shrr-ee
12	shíèr 十二	shrr-er
13	shísān 十三	shrr-san
14	shísì 十四	shrr-srr
20	èrshí 二十	er-shrr
30	sānshí 三十	san-shrr
100	yībǎi 一百	ee-buy
1,000	yīqiān 一千	ee-chyan
10,000	yīwàn 一万	ee-wan

Pronouns

English	Chinese	Pronounced
I/Me	Wǒ 我	wor
You	Nǐ 你	nee
He/She/It	Tā / Tā / Tā 他 / 她 / 它	taa

Figures of Speech

English	Chinese	Pronounced
(That's) good/okay.	Hǎo 好	haow
(That's) not good.	Bùhǎo 不好	boo-haow
(It was) very good.	Hěnhǎo 很好	hnn-haow