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Call 1: Making contact with friends

Part 1: Calling a friend

John 喂,是林林吗?

Wèi, shì Línlin ma?

Mother 不是,我是她妈妈。请问你是谁?

Bú shì, wǒ shì tā māma. Qǐng wèn nǐ shì shéi?

John 我叫约翰,是林林大学的同学。她在家吗?

我是从英国打的电话。

Wǒ jiào Yuēhàn, shì Línlin dàxué de tóngxué. Tā zài

jiā ma? Wǒ shì cóng Yīngguó dǎ de diànhuà.

Mother 在家。我马上去叫她。我听林林说起过你。

Zài jiā. wǒ mǎshàng qù jiào tā. Wǒ tīng Línlin

shuōqĭ guò nǐ.

John 谢谢。

Xièxie.

[Pause]

Linlin 约翰,你打来电话,真是个惊喜!

Yuēhàn, nǐ dǎ lái diànhuà, zhēn shì ge jīngxǐ!

John 林林,告诉你一个好消息-我要去北京工作了!

Línlin, gàosu nǐ yī ge hǎo xiāoxí - wǒ yào qù Běijīng

gōngzuò le!

Linlin 真的!太好了。什么时候来?

Zhēnde! Tài hǎo le. Shénme shíhòu lái?

John 下个月十九号到·想麻烦你帮我找房子。

Xiàge yuè shíjiŭ hào dào. Xiǎng máfán nǐ bāng wǒ

zhǎo fángzi.

Linlin 没问题。给我发个电子邮件,告诉我你的要求。

Méi wèntí. Gěi wǒ fā ge diànzi yóujiàn, gàosu wǒ

níde yáoqiú.

John 我把你的电子邮件地址弄丢了。所以今天给你打

电话 '

Wǒ bă nǐde diànzi yóujiàn dìzhǐ nòng diū le. Suǒyǐ

jīntiān gěi nǐ dǎ diànhuà.

Linlin 我还有你的地址。我先给你发一个。

Wǒ hái yǒu nǐde dìzhǐ. Wǒ xiān gěi nǐ fā yī ge.

John 好的·

Hăode.

John Hello, is that Linlin?

Mother No. I'm her mother. Who's speaking please?

John I'm John. I'm Linlin's university friend. Is she in?

I'm calling from Britain.

Mother Yes, she is in. I'll go to get her now. I've heard Linlin

talking about you.

John Thank you.

[Pause]

Linlin Hello, John. What a lovely surprise to hear from you!

John Linlin, here's some good news – I'm going to go to

work in Beijing!

Linlin Really! That's wonderful. When are you coming?

John 19th next month. I wonder if I could trouble you to look

for accommodation for me.

Linlin No problem. Send me an email and tell me your

requirements.

John I've lost your email address. That's why I'm calling you

today.

Linlin I've still kept your email address. Will send you one

first.

John Great!

Part 2: Getting hold of a friend's telephone number

John 喂,请问这是飞宏广告公司吗?

Wèi, qǐng wèn zhè shì Fēihóng Guǎnggào Gōngsī

ma?

Secretary 是啊,你找谁?

Shì a, nǐ zhǎo shéi?

John 找张爱萍。她在吗?

Zhǎo Zhāng Àipíng. Tā zài ma?

Secretary 她已经离开我们公司,去北京晚报工作了。

Tā yǐjīng líkāi women gongsī, qù Běijīng Wănbào

gōngzuò le.

John 你有她现在的工作电话吗?

Nǐ yǒu tā xiànzài de gōngzuò diànhuà ma?

Secretary 对不起,我没有。你可以打吆吆四电话导行问

一下。

Duìbuqĭ, Wǒ méi yǒu. Nǐ kěyǐ dǎ yāo yāo sì diànhuà

dǎoháng wèn yīxià.

John 谢谢。

Xièxie.

[John has dialled 114]

Operator 吆吆四电话导航为您服务。您需要什么帮助?

Yāo yāo sì diànhuà dǎoháng wéi nín fúwù. Nín

xūyào shénme bāngzhù?

John 请告诉我北京晚报的号码。

Qing gàosu wǒ Běijīng Wănbào de hàomă.

Operator 请稍等。请记录:八五二零四零零零。

Qǐng shāo děng. Qǐng jìlù: bā wǔ èr líng sì líng líng

lína.

Call 2: Speaking to the switchboard or the receptionist

Part 1: Transferring a call

Switchboard 您好,长城饭店。

Nín hảo, Cháng Chéng Fàndiàn.

Jane 请接前台。

Qĭng jiē qiántái.

John Hello, is this Feihong Advertising Firm?

Secretary Yes, it is. Who would you like to speak to?

John I'd like to speak to Zhang Aiping. Is she in?

Secretary She's already left our firm and has gone to work for

Beijing Evening News.

John Do you have her current work telephone number?

Secretary Sorry, I don't have it. You can call 114 to enquire about

it.

John Thank you.

[John has dialled 114]

Operator 114 telephone directory at your service. Can I help

you?

John Please tell me the number for Beijing Evening News.

Operator Just a second. Please write it down. 85204000.

Switchboard Hello, this is the Great Wall Hotel.

Jane Please put me through to the reception.

Receptionist 您好,前台。

Nín hǎo, qián tái.

Jane 请问有一位姓琼斯的英国姑娘离店了吗?

Qǐng wèn yǒu yī wèi xìng Qióngsī de Yīngguó

gūniang lí diàn le ma?

Receptionist 她的英文名字是什么?

Tāde yīngwén míngzì shì shénme?

Jane Amy Johnson.

Receptionist 还没有离店。应该是明天早上离店。

Hái méiyŏu lí diàn. Yìnggāi shì míngtiān zǎoshang lí

diàn.

Jane 那么,麻烦你给我转她的房间。

Nàme, máfán nǐ gěi wǒ zhuǎn tāde fángjiān.

Receptionist 好的·她住三吆零房间。

Hǎode. Tā zhù sān yāo líng fángjiān.

Jane 谢谢。

Xièxie.

Part 2: Understanding a recorded message and leaving a message

Recorded 欢迎拨打上海交通大学。请拨分机号。查号请

message 拨零。

Huānyíng bōdă Shànghǎi Jiāotōng Dàxué. Qǐng bō

fēnjī hào. Chá hào qǐng bō líng.

[After dialling 0]

Operator 你好,上海交大总机。

Nǐ hǎo, Shànghǎi Jiāodà zŏngjī.

John 留学生办公室的分机号是多少?

Liú xuéshēng bàngōngshì de fēnjīhào shì duō shǎo?

Operator 二七九·需要现在转吗?

Èr qī jiù. Xūyào xiànzài zhuǎn ma?

John 好的,谢谢。

Hăode, xièxie.

Staff member 你好,留学生办公室。请问找谁?

Nǐ hǎo, liú xuéshēng bàngōngshì. Qǐng wèn zhǎo

shéi?

John 王老师在吗?

Wáng lǎoshī zài ma?

Receptionist Hello, this is reception.

Jane Will you please tell me if a British girl with the surname

Johnson has checked out?

Receptionist What's her English name?

Jane Amy Johnson.

Receptionist No, she hasn't checked out yet. (She) should check out

tomorrow morning.

Jane In that case, can I trouble you to transfer this call to her

room?

Receptionist Okay. She is in Room 310.

Jane Thank you.

Recorded Welcome to Shanghai Transportation University. Please

message dial the extension. Dial zero if you need to find out the

extension number.

[After dialling 0]

Operator Hello, Shanghai Transportation University's

switchboard.

John What's the extension number for the Overseas

Students' Office?

Operator 279. Would you like me to put you through?

John Okay, thanks.

Staff member Hello, Overseas Students' Office. Who do you want to

speak to?

John Is Professor Wang there?

Staff member 不在,他去开会了。下午回来。你要留言吗?

Bú zài, tā qù kāihuì le. Xiàwǔ huílái. Nǐ yào liú yán

ma?

John 请告诉他今天给我回个电话。我叫约翰,电话

是...

Qǐng gàosu tā jīntiān gěi wǒ huí ge diànhuà. Wǒ jiào

Yuēhàn, diànhuà shì . . .

Call 3: Making a booking (1)

Part 1: Booking a hotel room

Receptionist 您好! 订房部。

Nín hảo! Dìngfáng Bù.

Tom 你好!我想订一间房。你们今晚有房间吗?

yǒu fángjiān ma?

Receptionist 要单人房间还是双人房间?

Yào dānrén fángjiān háishì shuāngrén fángjiān?

Nǐ hảo! Wǒ xiảng dìng yī jiān fáng. Nǐmen jīnwǎn

Tom 最好是双人间。

Zuìhǎo shì shuāngrén jiān.

Receptionist 有房间。你要住几天?

Yǒu fángjiān. Nǐ yào zhù jǐ tiān?

Tom 多少钱一天?

Duō shǎo qián yī tiān?

Receptionist 双人间四百元一天。

Shuāngrén jiān sì bǎi yuán yī tiān.

Tom 有卫生间吗?

Yǒu wèishēngjiān ma?

Receptionist 有但,只有淋浴,没有浴缸。

Yǒu dàn, zhǐ yǒu línyù, méi yǒu yùgāng.

Tom 四百元包括早餐吗?

Sì băi yuán bāokuò zăocān ma?

Receptionist

包括 Bāokuò.

Daoitao.

Tom 那,我住三天。

Nà, wǒ zhù sān tiān.

Receptionist 好的,请问贵姓?

Hǎode, qǐng wèn guì xìng?

Staff member No, he's gone to a meeting. He'll be back in the afternoon. Would you like to leave him a message?

John Please tell him to call me back today. My name is John,

and my telephone number is . . .

Receptionist Hello! Reservation desk.

Tom Hello! I'd like to book a room. Do you have rooms for

tonight?

Receptionist A single room or a double room?

Tom Ideally a double room.

Receptionist Yes, we do have rooms. How many nights do you need

it for?

Tom How much is it per night?

Receptionist 400 yuan for a double.

Tom Does it have a bathroom?

Receptionist Yes, but it only has a shower. There's no bath.

Tom Does the price include breakfast?

Receptionist Yes, it does.

Tom In that case, I'll stay for three nights.

Receptionist Fine. Please may I take your surname?

10 Tom 姓史,英文是'Smith'。几点可以办理入住手续?

Xìng Shǐ, yīngwén shì 'Smith'. Jǐ diǎn kěyǐ bànlǐ

rùzhù shǒuxù?

Receptionist 下午两点。请记下您的预订号,史密斯先生。

Xiàwǔ liǎngdiǎn. Qǐng jìxià nínde yùdìng hào,

Shǐmìsī xiānsheng.

Part 2: Booking a youth hostel room

Manager 光明青年旅社,您好。

Guāngmíng Qīngnián lüshè, nín hǎo.

Jane 你好!我是英国留学生,想订个房间。中文说得不

好,请见谅。

Nǐ hǎo! Wǒ shì Yīngguó liúxué shēng, xiǎng dìng ge fángjiān. Zhōngwén shuō de bù hǎo, gǐng jiànliàng.

Manager 你的中文不错。你想什么时候入住?

Nǐde Zhōngwén bú cuò. Nǐ xiǎng shénme shíhòu

rùzhù?

Jane 今天晚上[,]三个人[。]

Jīntiān wănshang, sān ge rén.

Manager 对不起。今晚全满了,一间房间都没有。

Duìbuqi. Jīnwăn quán măn le, yī jiān fángjiān dōu

méi yŏu.

Jane 你能给我推荐其他便宜些的旅店吗?

Nǐ néng gěi wǒ tuījiàn qítā piányí xiē de ludiàn ma?

Manager 可以。我们旁边有一家叫'海星'的。他们可能有

房间。

Kěyǐ. Wŏmen pángbiān yŏu yī jiā jiào 'hăixīng' de.

Tāmen kěnéng yǒu fángjiān.

Jane 他们的电话号码是多少?

Tāmende diànhuà hàomă shì duōshǎo?

Manager 六八八七二二三四。

Liù bā bā qī èr èr sān sì.

Jane 请再说一遍。

Qǐng zài shuō yībiàn.

Manager 六八八七二二三四。

Liù bā bā qī èr èr sān sì.

Jane 谢谢。

Xièxie.

Tom My surname is Shi. It is 'Smith' in English. What time

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can I check in?

Receptionist 2pm. Please write down your reservation number,

Mr Smith.

Manager Hello, this is Guangming Youth Hostel.

Jane Hello. I'm an overseas British student. I'd like to book a

room. My Chinese is not very good. Please bear with

me.

Manager You speak quite good Chinese. When do you need the

room?

Jane Tonight, for three people.

Manager Sorry. We are fully booked today, I haven't got a room

at all.

Jane Can you recommend me other low-budget hotels?

Manager Of course I can. Near us, there's one called 'Haixing'.

They may have rooms.

Jane What is their telephone number?

Manager 68872234.

Jane Please say it again.

Manager 68872234.

Jane Thank you.

Manager 不客气。

Bú kèqì.

[Jane calls the Youth Hostel]

Jane 喂!你是海星青年旅社吗?

Wèi! Nǐ shì Hǎixīng Qīngnián Lushè ma?

Receptionist 是的。有什么事儿?

Shìde. Yǒu shénme shìr?

Jane 我和另外两个朋友想住店。今晚有房间吗?

Wǒ hé lìngwài liǎng ge péngyǒu xiǎng zhù diàn.

Jīnwăn yǒu fángjiān ma?

Receptionist 有。要住几天?要什么样的房间?

Yǒu. Yào zhù jǐ tiān? Yào shénme yàng de fángjiān?

Jane 一个星期。能不能给我们一间有三张单人床的

房间?

Yī ge xīngqī. Néng bù néng gěi wŏmen yī jiān yŏu

sān zhāng dānrén chuáng de fángjiān?

Receptionist 没问题·现在就可以入住。

Méi wèntí. Xiànzài jiù kěyǐ rùzhù.

Jane 请告诉我你们的地址。我们马上就来。

Qǐng gàosu wǒ nǐmen de dìzhǐ. Wǒmen mǎshàng jiù

lái.

Call 4: Making a booking (2)

Part 1: Booking a private room at a restaurant

Receptionist

您好!唐朝酒楼。

Nín hảo! Tángcháo Jiŭlóu.

Tom

你好!我想预定一个包间。想问一下价格。

Nǐ hǎo! Wǒ xiǎng yùdìng yī ge bāo jiān. Xiǎng wèn

yīxià jiàgé.

Receptionist

我们有豪华包间和普通包间。

Wǒmen yǒu háohuá bāojiān hé pǔtōng bāojiān.

Tom

你们收包间费吗?

Nimen shōu bāo jiān fèi ma?

Receptionist

豪华包间的包间费是二百元,可以坐二十人,有卡

拉OK设备。普通包间达到最低消费就不收费。

Háohuá bāo jiān de bāo jiān fèi shì èr bǎi yuán, kěyǐ zuò èrshí rén, yǒu kǎlā OK shèbèi. Pǔtōng bāo jiān

dádào zuìdī xiāofèi jiù bù shōu fèi.

Manager You are welcome.

[Jane calls the Youth Hostel]

Jane Hello! Is this Haixing Youth Hostel?

Receptionist Yes. Can I help you?

Jane My two friends and I need accommodation. Have you

got rooms for tonight?

Receptionist Yes, I do. For how many days? And what type of

rooms?

Jane For one week. Could you give us a room with three

single beds?

Receptionist No problem. You can check in now.

Jane Please tell me your address. We'll come straight away.

Receptionist Hello, this is Tang Dynasty Restaurant.

Tom Hello, I'd like to reserve a private room and would like

to find out about the price.

Receptionist We have got luxurious private rooms and ordinary

private rooms.

Tom Do you charge a private room fee?

Receptionist It's 200 yuan for luxurious rooms. They can seat up to

20 people and there are karaoke facilities. For ordinary rooms, if you spend more than the minimum amount,

there is no room fee.

】 **Tom** 普通包间的最低消费是多少?

Pǔtōng bāo jiān de zuìdī xiāofèi shì duō shǎo?

Receptionist 三百元以上。

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Sān bǎi yuán yǐshang.

Tom 那好[,]我这个周六晚上要一个普通包间。六点半

开始。

Nà hảo, wǒ zhè ge zhōuliù wǎnshang yào yī ge

pǔtōng bāo jiān. Liù diǎn bàn kāishǐ.

Receptionist 好的。多少人就餐?

Hăode. Duō shăo rén jiùcān?

Tom 十二个人。

Shí'èr ge rén.

Receptionist 请问贵姓?...

Qĭng wèn guì xìng? . . .

Part 2: Booking a table in a restaurant

Waiter 这是明湖海鲜楼,您好。

Zhè shì Mínghú Hǎixiān Lóu, nín hǎo.

Jane 你好!我是英国人,想订个包间。中文说得不好,

请见谅。

Nǐ hǎo! Wǒ shì Yīngguórén, xiǎng dìng ge bāo jiān.

Zhongwén shuode bù hảo, ging jiànliàng.

Waiter 说得不错。你想什么时候用餐?

Shuō de bú cuò. Nǐ xiǎng shénme shíhòu yòngcān?

Jane 今天晚上六点。

Jīntiān wănshang liù diăn.

Waiter 对不起。今晚包间全订满了。在大厅吃行吗?

Duìbuqi. Jīnwăn bāo jiān quán dìng mǎnle. Zài

dàtīng chī xíng ma?

Jane 那好吧·大厅里有不吸烟区吗?

Nà hảo ba. Dàtīng lǐ yǒu bù xīyān qū ma?

Waiter 有。

Yŏu.

. . . .

Jane 请给我们一张在不吸烟区的桌子。

Qǐng gěi wǒmen yī zhāng zài bù xīyān qū de zhuōzi.

Waiter 请问几位用餐?

Qǐng wèn jǐ wèi yòngcān?

Jane 请再说一遍。

Qĭng zài shuō yībiàn.

Tom What is the minimum you must spend for the ordinary

rooms?

Receptionist Above 300 yuan.

Tom Okay. I'll have an ordinary private room for this

Saturday evening, starting at half past six.

Receptionist Fine. For how many people?

Tom Twelve.

Receptionist Please can I take your surname?

Waiter Hello, Minghu Seafood Restaraunt.

Jane Hello! I am British. I'd like to book a private room. My

Chinese is not very good. Please excuse me.

Waiter Your Chinese is pretty good. When would you like to

dine here?

Jane 6 o'clock this evening.

Waiter I'm sorry. All the private rooms are booked. Would you

like to eat in the communal hall?

Jane Okay then. Is there a no-smoking area in the hall?

Waiter Yes.

Jane Please give us a table in the no-smoking area.

Waiter Please let me know how many of you will dine.

Jane Say it again please.

Waiter 你要几个人的桌子?

Nǐ yào jǐ ge rén de zhuōzi?

Jane

噢,八个人。 Ào, bā ge rén.

Waiter

好的·请问贵姓,电话·

Hăode. Qǐng wèn guì xìng, diànhuà.

Jane

姓史,'历史'的'史'。手机号是:零吆三九八

八五七六二三五。

Xìng Shǐ, 'lìshǐ' de 'shǐ'. Shǒujī hào shì: líng yāo sān

jiǔ bā bā wǔ qī liù èr sān wǔ.

Call 5: Requesting a service when staying at a hotel

Part 1: The wake-up call

Operator 你好!你需要什么帮助?

Nǐ hǎo! Nǐ xūyào shénme bāngzhù?

John

你好!这是五二六八房间。明天早上需要叫醒

服务。

Nǐ hǎo! Zhè shì wǔ èr liù bā fángjiān. Míngtiān zǎoshang xūyào jiàoxǐng fúwù.

Operator

几点? Jǐ diǎn?

John

六点半·

Liù diăn bàn.

Operator

好的, 六点半叫醒服务。还有别的事吗?

Hǎode, liù diǎn bàn jiàoxǐng fúwù. Hái yǒu biéde shì

ma?

John

有,今天晚上十点半以后如果有人给我来电话,

请不要接到我的房间。可以接到前台留言。

Yǒu, jīntiān wǎnshang shí diǎn bàn yǐhòu rúguǒ yǒu rén gěi wǒ lái diànhuà, qǐng bú yào jiēdào wŏde

fángjiān. Kěyĭ jiēdào qiántái liú yán.

Operator

知道了。

John

Zhīdào le.

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谢谢 Xièxie.

Operator

不客气[。]晚安[。] Bú kègì. Wǎn'ān. Waiter A table for how many people?

Jane Oh, eight people.

Waiter Okay. Please tell me your surname and telephone

number.

Jane My surname is 'Shi', as in 'lishi' ['lishi' means 'history'].

My mobile number is 019388576235.

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Operator Hello, can I help you?

John Hello. This is room 5268. I'd like a wake-up call for

tomorrow morning.

Operator What time?

John Six thirty.

Operator Okay. A 6.30 wake-up call is booked. Is there anything

else I can do?

John Yes, there is. If there are any calls for me after 10.30

tonight, please don't put them through to my room.

You can put it through to the reception to leave a

message.

Operator Alright.

John Thank you.

Operator You are welcome. Good night.

Part 2: Calling housekeeping

Manager 客房部,你好。

Kèfáng Bù, nǐ hǎo.

Jane 我是二吆零三房间。这儿的电吹风坏了。

Wǒ shì èr yāo líng sān fángjiān. Zhèr de

diànchuīfēng huài le.

Manager 你检查一下电源,看是不是插上了。

Nǐ jiǎnchá yīxià diànyuán, kàn shì bú shì chā shàng

le.

Jane 对不起,我听不懂。

Duìbuqĭ, wŏ tīng bù dŏng.

Manager 别着急,我马上过来看看。

Bié zháojí, wŏ măshàng guòlái kànkan.

Jane 还有一件事,麻烦你再给我送一条毯子,行吗?

Hái yǒu yī jiàn shì, máfán nǐ zài gĕi wǒ sòng yī tiáo tănzi, xíng ma?

tanzi, xi

Manager 没问题·我带过来·

Méi wèntí. Wǒ dài guòlái.

Jane 谢谢。

Xièxie.

Call 6: Placing orders

Part 1: Booking a mini-bus

Jane 喂!周师傅,我是珍妮,前天坐过您的车。

Wèi! Zhōu shīfu, wǒ shì Zhēnní, qiántiān zuòguo

nínde chē.

Mr Zhou 你好,珍妮。有事吗?

Nǐ hào, Zhēnní. Yǒu shì ma?

Jane 明天早上我和几个同学要离开北京,需要一辆面包

车。您能送我们去飞机场吗?

Míngtiān zǎoshang wǒ hé jǐ ge tóngxué yào líkāi Běijīng, xūyào yī liàng miànbāo chē. Nín néng sòng

wŏmen qù fēijīchăng ma?

Mr Zhou 一共几个人?

Yīgòng jǐ ge rén?

Jane 一共五个人。

Yīgòng wǔ ge rén.

Manager Hello, Housekeeping.

Jane This is room 2103. The hairdryer has broken down.

Manager Please check the power supply. Find out if it is

plugged in.

Jane Sorry, I can't understand.

Manager Don't worry. I'll come around in a minute.

Jane There's something else. Could you send me another

blanket?

Manager No problem. I'll bring it with me.

Jane Thank you.

Jane Hello, Mr Zhou. This is Jane. I took your taxi the day

before yesterday.

Mr Zhou Hello, Jane. Can I help?

Jane Tomorrow morning, several of my schoolfriends and I

are leaving Beijing. We'll need a mini-bus. Could/Can

you take us to the airport (please)?

Mr Zhou How many of you altogether?

Jane Five in total.

Mr Zhou 明天刚好有一辆七人座的车。

Míngtiān gānghǎo yǒu yī liàng qīrén zuò de chē.

Jane 太好了!

Tài hǎo le!

Mr Zhou 到哪儿接你们?

Dào năr jiē nimen?

Jane 人民大学门口·

Rénmín Dàxué ménkŏu.

Mr Zhou 你们的航班几点起飞?国内还是国际航班?

Nǐmen de hángbān jǐ diǎn qǐfēi? Guónèi háishì guójì

hángbān?

Jane 十点十分起飞,是国际航班。

Shí diǎn shí fēn qǐfēi, shì guójì hángbān.

Mr Zhou 那,咱们六点半得走。怕万一堵车。

Nà, zánmen liù diǎn bàn děi zǒu. Pà wànyī dǔchē. 好的。我们六点半在大门口等你。夫机场要多少

钱?

Hǎode. Wǒmen liù diǎn bàn zài dàménkǒu děng nǐ.

Qù jīchăng vào duō shǎo gián?

Mr Zhou

两百五十元。 Liǎng bǎi wǔshí yuán.

Jane

Jane

好的 明天见 Hǎode. Míngtiān jiàn.

Part 2: Ordering food to be delivered

John 喂,你是家家乐比萨饼店吗?

Wèi, nǐ shì Jiāiiālè Bǐsàbǐng Diàn ma?

Waiter 是的。您需要什么帮助?

Shìde. Nín xūyào shénme bāngzhù?

John 你们送餐吗?

Nimen sòngcān ma?

Waiter 送。我给你转到送餐部。

Sòng. Wǒ gěi nǐ zhuǎndào Sòngcān Bù.

Waitress 送餐部,您好!要送餐吗?

Sòngcān Bù, nín hǎo! Yào sòngcān ma?

John 是的。你们收送餐费吗?

Shìde. Nimen shōu sòngcān fèi ma?

Waitress 五公里以内不收费,但消费必须在五十元以上。

Wǔ gōnglǐ yǐnèi bù shōu fèi, dàn xiāofèi bìxū zài

wŭshí yuán yĭshàng.

Mr Zhou Luckily, there's a seven-seat car available tomorrow.

Jane That's great!

Mr Zhou Where shall I collect you?

Jane At the entrance of the People's University.

Mr Zhou What time does your flight take off? Is it domestic or an

international flight?

Jane Take-off is ten past ten and it is an international flight.

Mr Zhou In which case, we have to leave at half past six, in case

there's a traffic jam.

Jane Fine. We'll wait for you at half past six at the entrance.

How much is it to go to the airport?

Mr Zhou 250 yuan.

Jane Okay. See you tomorrow.

John Hello, is this Jiajiale Pizza Shop?

Waiter Yes, what can I do for you?

John Do you do (food) delivery?

Waiter Yes, we do. Let me put you through to our (food)

delivery department.

Waitress Hello, Delivery Department. Would you like a delivery?

John Yes. Do you charge a delivery fee?

Waitress Not within five kilometres, but you must spend a

minimum of 50 yuan.

John 太好了。我们住在北京大学留学生宿舍,离你们

不远。

Tài hảo le. Wǒmen zhù zài Běijīng Dàxué liú

xuéshēng sùshě, lí nǐmen bù yuǎn.

Waitress 您下订单吧。

Nín xià dìngdān ba.

John 我要一个九寸的海鲜比萨饼,两个十四寸的火腿

藤莊 .

Wǒ yào yī ge jiǔ cùn de hǎixiān bǐsàbǐng, liǎng ge

shísì cùn de huŏtuĭ mógū.

Waitress 一共一百元。需要几点送到?

Yīgòng yī bǎi yuán. Xūyào jǐ diǎn sòng dào?

John 七点能送到吗?

Qī diǎn néng sòng dào ma?

Waitress 没问题。请告诉我姓名和具体送餐地址。

Méi wèntí. Qǐng gàosu wǒ xìngmíng hé jùtǐ sòngcān

dìzhĭ.

Call 7: Getting information

Part 1: Calling a fitness centre

John 你好!是四季健身俱乐部吗?

Nǐ hǎo! Shì Sìjì Jiànshēn Jūlèbù ma?

Receptionist 1 不是。你打错电话了。

Bú shì. Nǐ dă cuò diànhuà le.

John 对不起。

Duìbuqĭ.

[John dials the number again]

Receptionist 2 你好。四季健身俱乐部。你需要什么帮助?

Nǐ hǎo. Sìjì Jiànshēn Jūlèbù. Nǐ xūyào shénme

bāngzhù?

John 请问,非会员可以用你们的设施吗?

Qǐng wèn, fēi huìyuán kěyǐ yòng nǐmen de shèshī

ma?

Receptionist 2 可以,每次五十元。你也可以买消费卡。

Kěyĭ, měi cì wǔshí yuán. Nǐ yě kěyĭ mǎi xiāofèi kǎ.

John 你们有什么设施?

Nimen you shénme shèshī?

John That's super. We live in the overseas students' building

of Beijing University. Not far from you.

Waitress Please place the order then.

John I'd like to have a 9-inch seafood pizza, and two 14-inch

ham and mushroom pizzas.

Waitress 100 yuan altogether. When would you like to have them

delivered?

John Can you deliver it by 7 o'clock?

Waitress No problem. Please tell me your name and the detailed

delivery address.

John Hello. Is this Four Seasons Fitness Club?

Receptionist 1 No. You dialled the wrong number.

John I'm sorry.

[John dials the number again]

Receptionist 2 Hello. This is Four Seasons fitness Club. Can I help

you?

John Could you tell me please, can non-members use your

facilities?

Receptionist 2 Yes, they may. 50 yuan per visit. You can also buy a

customer card.

John What facilities have you got?

Receptionist 2 有室内游泳池,桑拿,健身房,室内网球场和

篮球场。

Yǒu shìnèi yóuyŏng chí, sāngná, jiànshēnfáng,

shìnèi wăngqiú chăng hé lánqiú chăng.

John 请告诉我游泳池的开放时间。

Qǐng gàosu wǒ yǒuyǒng chí de kāifàng shíjiān.

Receptionist 2 每天从早上七点到晚上九点。

Měitiān cóng zǎoshang qī diǎn dào wǎnshang jiǔ

diǎn.

John 如果买卡, 收费标准是什么?

Rúguŏ mǎi kǎ, shōufèi biāozhǔn shì shénme?

Receptionist 2 年卡一千八百元,月卡二百五十元。

Nián kă yī qiān bā bǎi yuán, yuè kǎ èr bǎi wǔshí

yuán.

John 我明天先去试用一下,行吗?

Wǒ míngtiān xiān qù shìyòng yīxià, xíng ma?

Receptionist 2 当然可以。

Dāngrán kěyĭ.

John 什么时间合适?

Shénme shíjiān héshì?

Receptionist 2 下午一点之前都行。请问贵姓?

Xiàwǔ yīdiǎn zhīqián dōu xíng. Qǐng wèn guì xìng?

John 我姓布朗。明天上午我十一点去你们那儿。

Wǒ xìng Bùlăng. Míngtiān shàng wǔ wǒ shíyī diǎn

qù nimen năr.

Receptionist 2 明天见。

Míngtiān jiàn.

Part 2: Calling a bank

Clerk 你好!这是中国银行虹桥分行。

Nǐ hǎo! Zhè shì Zhōngguó Yínháng Hóngqiáo

Fēnháng.

Jane 你好!请问你们银行星期六开门吗?

Nǐ hǎo! Qǐng wèn nǐmen yínháng xīnggīliù kāimén

ma?

Clerk 开门。你有什么事?

Kāimén. Nǐ yǒu shénme shì?

Jane 我需要换一些欧元·

Wǒ xūyào huàn yīxiē Ōuyuán.

Receptionist 2 We have an indoor swimming pool, sauna, gym, indoor tennis court and basketball court.

John What's the opening time of the swimming pool?

Receptionist 2 7 am to 9 pm every day.

John If I buy a card, what is the standard charge?

Receptionist 2 1800 yuan for an annual card and 250 yuan for a

monthly card.

John Can I go to have a trial session tomorrow?

Receptionist 2 Of course you can.

John What time is suitable?

Receptionist 2 Anytime before 1 pm. Please can I take your surname?

John My surname is Brown. I'll be at your place at 11 am

tomorrow morning.

Receptionist 2 See you tomorrow.

Clerk Hello, this is Bank of China's Honhqiao Branch.

Jane Hello, are you open on Saturday please?

Clerk Yes, we are. What is it you need?

Jane I need to exchange some euros.

Clerk 对不起。星期六我们不办理外汇兑换业务。

Duìbuqi. Xīngqīliù wŏmen bú bànli wàihuì duìhuàn

vèwù.

那什么时候可以换钱? Jane

Nă shénme shíhòu kěyǐ huàn gián?

Clerk 星期一到星期五都可以。

Xīngqīyī dào xīngqīwǔ dōu kěyǐ.

请问欧元对人民币的汇率是多少? Jane

Qing wèn Ōuyuán duì Rénminbì de huìlù shì duō

shăo?

Clerk 一欧元换十二元人民币。

Yī Ōuyuán huàn shí'èr yuán Rénmínbì.

Jane 你们收手续费吗?

Nimen shōu shǒuxùfèi ma?

Clerk 如果是现金,不收手续费;如果是旅行支票,收百

分之二的手续费。

Rúguǒ shì xiànjīn, bù shōu shǒuxùfèi; rúguǒ shì lüxíng zhīpiào, shōu băifēnzhī èr de shǒuxùfèi.

谢谢。最后一个问题:你们几点关门? Jane

Xièxie. Zuìhòu yī ge wèntí: nǐmen jǐ diǎn guānmén?

五点。 Wǔ diǎn.

Jane 谢谢。

Clerk

Xièxie.

Clerk 不客气。

Bú kègì.

Call 8: Making changes and getting a refund

Part 1: Changing a booking

Tom 喂,是青年旅行社吗?

Wèi, shì qīngnián luxíng shè ma?

Consultant 是的, 您有什么事?

Shì de, nín yǒu shénme shì?

Tom 我前天预订了去长城的一日游。想改一下日子。

Wǒ qiántiān yùdìng le qù Cháng Chéng de yīrì yóu.

Xiǎng gǎi yīxià rìzi.

Sorry. We do not have a foreign exchange service on 27

Saturday.

Clerk

Jane So when can I exchange money?

Clerk Any time between Monday and Friday.

Jane Please can you tell me the exchange rate between the

euro and the renminbi?

Clerk There is one euro to 12 renminbi.

Jane Do you charge commission?

Clerk If it's cash, there's no commission. If it's traveller's

cheques, we charge 2% commission.

Jane Thank you. Final question: what time do you close?

Clerk 5 o'clock.

Jane Thank you.

Clerk You are welcome.

Tom Hello, is that the Qingnian Travel Agency?

Consultant Yes, it is. What can I do for you?

Tom I booked a one-day tour to the Great Wall the day

before yesterday. I'd like to change the date.

Consultant 请告诉我你的预订号。

Qǐng gàosu wǒ nǐde yùdìng hào.

Tom SJ六吆零八。

SJ liù yāo líng bā.

Consultant 请稍等。您是史密斯先生吗?

Qing shāoděng. Nín shì shimìsī xiānsheng ma?

Tom 是的。

Shìde.

Consultant 您想改到哪一天?

Nín xiǎng gǎidào nǎ yī tiān?

Tom 下个星期一。有空位吗?

Xiàge xīngqīyī. Yǒu kōng wèi ma?

Consultant 有

Yŏu.

Tom 请给我改到下个星期一。

Qĭng gĕi wŏ găidào xiàge xīngqīyī.

Consultant 不好意思,要收五十元改票费。

Bù hǎo yìsī, yào shōu wǔshí yuán gǎipiào fèi.

Tom 好的。怎么付改票费?

Hăode. Zěnme fù găipiào fèi?

Consultant 当天交给导游就行了。

Dāngtiān jiāo gěi dǎoyóu jiù xíngle.

Tom 星期一也是早上八点出发吗?

Xīngqīyī yě shì zǎoshang bā diǎn chūfā ma?

Consultant 是的,从北京饭店门口出发。

Shìde, cóng Běijīng Fàndiàn ménkǒu chūfā.

Tom 谢谢·

Xièxie.

Part 2: Getting a refund

Mary 你好!请问李小姐在吗?

Nǐ hảo! Qǐng wèn Lǐ xiǎojiě zài ma?

Mr Zhang 她今天不上班。我能帮你吗?

Tā jīntiān bú shàngbān. Wŏ néng bāng nǐ ma?

Mary 我从你们那儿买了一张去兰州的软卧票。可以

退吗?

Wǒ cóng nǐmen năr mǎi le yī zhāng qù Lánzhōu de

ruăn wò piào. Kěyǐ tuì ma?

Consultant Please tell me your reservation number.

Tom *SJ6108.*

Consultant Just a second. Are you Mr Smith?

Tom Yes, I am.

Consultant Which day would you like to change it to?

Tom Next Monday. Do you have places available?

Consultant Yes, we have.

Tom Please change it to next Monday for me.

Consultant I'm afraid we charge 50 yuan for making the change.

Tom That's fine. How do I pay for the changing fee?

Consultant Give it to the tour guide on the day. That will be fine.

Tom Is it also an 8 am departure on Monday?

Consultant Yes, it is. It leaves from Beijing Hotel's entrance.

Tom Thank you.

Mary Hello, is Miss Li in please?

Mr Zhang She is not at work today. Can I help you?

Mary I bought a soft-sleeper to Lanzhou from you. Can I

have a refund?

Mr Zhang 是哪天的票?

Shì nă tiān de piào?

Mary

九月十号的 · Jiǔyuè sì hào de.

Mr Zhang

今天才七号,可以退。离出发四十八小时之前都可

以退,但我们要收百分之十的退票费。

Jīntiān cái qī hào, kěyǐ tuì. Lí chūfā sìshí bā xiǎoshí zhīgián dōu kěvǐ tuì. dàn wŏmen vào shōu bǎifēnzhī

shí de tuìpiào fèi.

Mary

当然。怎么办理退款?

Mr Zhang

Dāngrán. Zěnme bànlǐ tuì kuǎn? 你如两食到我们也从安本,我只是

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你把票拿到我们办公室来,我马上给你退款。 Nǐ bǎ piào ná dào wǒmen bàngōngshì lái, wǒ

măshàng gěi nǐ tuì kuăn.

Mary

谢谢!我怎么称呼你? Xièxie! Wǒ zěnme chēnghū nǐ?

Mr Zhang

'小张'或者'张先生'都行。

'Xiǎo Zhāng' huòzhě 'Zhāng xiānsheng' dōu xíng.

Mary

张先生,你几点下班?
Zhāng xiānsheng, nǐ jǐ diǎn xiàbān?

Mr Zhang

晚上七点。

Wănshang qī diǎn.

Mary

我叫玛丽。我六点左右去找你。

Wǒ jiào Mǎlì. Wǒ liù diǎn zuǒyòu qù zhǎo nǐ.

一会儿见,玛丽。

Yīhuìr jiàn, Mǎlì.

Mary

Mr Zhang

一会儿见,张先生。

Yīhuìr jiàn, Zhāng xiānsheng.

Call 9: Dealing with emergencies

Part 1: Calling for an ambulance

Operator

交通事故中心,你需要什么帮助?

Jiāotōng Shìgù Zhōngxīn, nǐ xūyào shénme

bāngzhù?

Jane

我出了车祸。有人受伤了。

Wŏ chū le chēhuò. Yŏu rén shòushāng le.

Operator

你现在在什么地方?

Nǐ xiànzài zài shénme dìfang?

Mr Zhang Which day is the ticket for?

Mary 10th of September.

Mr Zhang It is only the 7th today. Yes, you can have a refund.

One can get a refund 48 hours prior to departure,

but we charge a 10% cancellation fee.

Mary Of course. How do you get a refund?

Mr Zhang Bring the ticket to our office and I'll refund you

immediately.

Mary Thank you. How do I address you?

Mr Zhang Little Zhang or Mr Zhang, whichever.

Mary When do you finish work, Mr Zhang?

Mr Zhang At 7 pm.

Mary My name is Mary. I'll come to see you around 6

o'clock.

Mr Zhang See you soon, Mary.

Mary See you later, Mr Zhang.

Operator Traffic Accident Centre. Can I help you?

Jane I've had a traffic accident. There are people injured.

Operator Where are you now?

】 Jane 在幺零幺国道,离北京大约十公里的地方。

Zài yāo líng yāo guó dào, lí Běijīng dà yuē shí gōnglǐ

de dìfang.

Operator 几个人受伤了?

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Jǐ ge rén shòushāng le?

Jane 两个人。伤得不轻。 Liǎng ge rén. Shāng de bù gīng.

Operator 有生命危险吗?

Yǒu shēngmìng wéixiǎn ma?

Jane 没有,但需要立即送医院。

Méi yŏu, dàn xūyào lìjí sòng yīyuàn.

Operator 救护车十分钟之内就到。请告诉我你的姓名和手机

号码。

Jiùhùchē shí fēnzhōng zhīnèi jiù dào. Qǐng gàosu

wŏ nǐde xìngmíng hé shǒujī hàomă.

Jane 我叫珍妮·琼斯·号码是:零吆三九九六三五五八

六六。

Wŏ jiào Zhēnní⋅Qióngsī. Hàomă shì: líng yāo sān jiǔ

jiŭ liù sān wŭ wŭ bā liù liù.

Operator 琼斯小姐,交通警察马上会到事故现场。

Qióngsī xiǎojiě, jiāotōng jǐngchá mǎshàng huì dào

shìgù xiànchăng.

Jane 知道了。谢谢你的帮助。

Zhīdào le. Xièxie nide bāngzhù.

Part 2: Calling to track your lost luggage

Operator 维真航空公司售后服务。你需要什么帮助?

Wéizhēn Hángkōng Gōngsī shòuhòu fúwù. Nǐ xūyào

shénme bāngzhù?

John 我的行李丢了。是打这个电话吗?

Wŏde xínglĭ diū le. Shì dă zhè ge diànhuà ma?

Operator 不是,先生。有一个专线。我可以给你号码。

Bú shì, xiānsheng. Yǒu yī ge zhuānxiàn. Wǒ kěyǐ gěi

nĭ hàomă.

John 请等一下。我拿个笔。请说吧。

Qǐng děng yīxià. Wǒ ná ge bǐ. Qǐng shuō ba.

Operator 零二吆,六八三五五六八零。

Líng èr yāo, liù bā sān wǔ wǔ liù bā líng.

John 零二吆,六八三五五六八零。

Líng èr yāo, liù bā sān wǔ wǔ liù bā líng.

Jane On 101 National Road. It's somewhere about

10 kilometres away from Beijing.

Operator How many people have been injured?

Jane Two; the injury is quite serious.

Operator Is it life threatening?

Jane No, but they need to be sent to hospital immediately.

Operator The ambulance will arrive in 10 minutes. Please tell me

your name and mobile number.

Jane My name is Jane Johnson and my number is

013996355866.

Operator Miss Johnson, the traffic police will arrive at the

accident scene very soon.

Jane Alright. Thank you for your help.

Operator Virgin Airline Customer Service. Can I help you?

John I've lost my luggage. Is this the number to call?

Operator No. There's a dedicated phone line. I can give you the

number.

John Just a second. I'll pick up a pen. Please go ahead.

Operator 021 68355680.

John 021 68355680.

Operator 对了。

Duì le.

John 谢谢。这个电话有英文服务吗?

Xièxie. Zhè ge diànhuà yǒu Yīngwén fúwù ma?

Operator 有。如果你想同工作人员说话,请按零。

shuōhuà, qǐng àn líng.

Yǒu. Rúguǒ nǐ xiǎng tóng gōngzuò rényuán

[John dials the other number and then presses 0]

John 你好!我的行李丢了。想知道是否有什么消息?

Nǐ hảo! Wǒde xínglǐ diū le. Xiǎng zhīdào shìfǒu yǒu

shénme xiāoxí?

Operator 请告诉我您的航班号?

Qǐng gàosu wǒ nínde hángbān hào?

John VS二五零。

VS èr wǔ líng. 哪天到的上海?

Operator 哪天到的上海?

Nă tiān dào de Shànghǎi?

John 一月十号。

Yīyuè shí hào.

Operator 您的名字是'John Smith'吗?

Nínde míngzì shì 'John Smith' ma?

John

是的。 Shìde.

Operator 告诉您一个好消息:您的行李找到了。今天下午送

到您的饭店。

Gàosu nín yī ge hǎo xiāoxí: nínde xínglǐ zhǎo dào le.

Jīntiān xiàwǔ sòng dào nínde fàndiàn.

John 太谢谢了!

Tài xièxie le!

Call 10: Answering calls

Job interview

Tom 喂,请问你找谁?

Wèi, qǐngwèn nǐ zhǎo shéi?

Publisher 汤姆史密斯在吗?

Tāngmǔ shǐmìsī zài ma?

Tom 我就是。请问您是谁?

Wǒ jiù shì. Qǐngwèn nín shì shéi?

Operator Correct.

John Thank you. Does this number have an English-language

service?

Operator Yes, it has. If you want to speak to an operator, press

zero.

[John dials the other number and then presses 0]

John Hello. I've lost my luggage, and I'd like to know if

there's any news (of my luggage).

Operator Please tell me your flight number.

John VS250.

Operator Which day did you arrive in Shanghai?

John The 10th of January.

Operator Are you 'John Smith'?

John Yes, I am.

Operator Here's the good news: your luggage has been found.

We'll deliver it to your hotel this afternoon.

John Thank you so much.

Tom Hello, who would you like to speak to?

Publisher Is Tom Smith in?

Tom Speaking. Who am I talking to, please?

Publisher	你好,汤姆。	· 我是中国日报社的:	・姓王・
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Nǐ hảo, Tāngmǔ. Wǒ shì zhōngguó rìbào shè de,

xìng Wáng.

Tom 你好!王小姐。

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Nǐ hảo! Wáng xiǎojiě.

Publisher 我们收到了你的申请。

Wŏmen shōudào le nide shēnqing.

Tom 我有希望吗?

Wǒ yǒu xīwàng ma?

Publisher 当然有。我们想见见你。

Dāngrán yǒu. Wǒmen xiǎng jiànjian nǐ.

Tom 你是说,让我参加工作面试?

Nǐ shì shuō, ràng wǒ cānjiā gōngzuò miànshì?

Publisher 是的。

Shìde.

Tom 太棒了!

Tài bàng le!

Publisher 一月十八号上午十点。你能来吗?

Yī yuè shíbā hào shàngwǔ shí diǎn. Nǐ néng lái ma?

Tom
让我查一下我的日记。我上午有事。能改到下午

吗?

Ràng wǒ chá yīxià wǒde rìjì. Wǒ shàngwǔ yǒu shì.

Néng gǎi dào xiàwǔ ma?

Publisher 下午两点行吗?

Xiàwǔ liǎng diǎn xíng ma?

Tom 没问题。请告诉我面试地点。

Méi wèntí. Qǐng gàosu wǒ miànshì dìdiǎn.

Publisher 我一会儿就给你发电子邮件,告诉你详情和有关注

意事项。

Wǒ yīhuìr jiù gěi nǐ fā diànzi yóujiàn, gàosu nǐ

xiángqíng hé yǒuguān zhùyì shìxiàng.

Tom 好的。谢谢你的电话。

Hăode. Xièxie nide diànhuà.

Publisher Hello, Tom. I'm from (the) China Daily Newspaper. My

surname is Wang.

Tom Hello. Miss Wang.

Publisher We have received your application.

Tom Do I stand a chance?

Publisher Of course. We'd like to meet you.

Tom Are you saying you're asking me to attend a job

interview?

Publisher Yes.

Tom Wonderful!

Publisher At 10 am on 18th January. Can you make it?

Tom Let me check my diary. Oh, I've got something in the

morning. Could it be changed to the afternoon?

Publisher How about 2 pm?

Tom No problem. Please tell me the location of the

interview.

Publisher I'll send you an email in a while, giving you all the

details and relevant information.

Tom Okay. Thank you for your call.

Hello!

Listening skills: survival phrases

I beg your pardon? This is . . . Is . . . in? I'd like to speak to . . . Is this/that . . . ? Speaking (please). Please give me your name and number. Could you tell me your surname please? I didn't hear what you said. I can't hear you. Could you repeat, please? Please speak more slowly. I can't speak Chinese very well. Can you speak English? Sorry, I couldn't understand.

wèi!/nĭ hǎo! bàogiàn, nǐ shuō shénme? wǒ shì . . . zài ma? wŏ zhǎo . . . shì . . . ma? ging shuō. qĭng gàosu wŏ nǐde míngzì/hàomă. nín guì xìng?/qǐng wèn guì xìng? (polite way) wǒ méi tīng gīng nǐ shuō de. wǒ tīng bù gīng. ging zài shuō yībiàn, hǎo ma? ging màn yīdiǎnr shuō. wŏde zhōngwén shuō de bù hǎo. nǐ huì shuō yīngwén ma? duìbugǐ, wǒ tīng bù

喂!/你好! 抱歉, 你说什么? 我是… 在吗? 我找... 是... 吗? 请说。 请告诉我你的名字 / 믁码 • 您贵姓?/请问贵姓? 我没听清你说的。 我听不清。 请再说一遍,好吗? 请慢一点儿说。 我的中文说得不好。 你会说英文吗?

对不起,我听不懂。

Using the telephone in China

dŏng.

Essential words for making a call

public telephone landline/fixed phone telephone card international call engaged local call long-distance call recorded message out of order gōngyòng diànhuà
zuò jī
diànhuà kă
guójì diànhuà
zhànxiàn
shìnèi diànhuà
shìwài diànhuà
lùyīn liúyán
huài le

公座电国占市市录坏用机话际线内外音了电 卡电 电电留话话 话话话言

to make a call dă diànhuà 打电话 to take a call jiē diànhuà 接电话 cannot get through dă bù tōng 打不通 to talk on the phone jiăng diànhuà/dă 讲电话 / 打电话 diànhuà 电话预订 to make a reservation diànhuà vùdìng by phone 电话咨询 to make an enquiry diànhuà zīxún by phone to redial chónabō 重拨 huí diànhuà to return a call 回电话 kǒuxìn/tiáozi 口信 / 条子 message to leave a message liú yán 留言 挂上 to hang up guà shang wake-up call jiào xǐng diànhuà 叫醒电话

When you buy phone cards, note that some phone cards can only be used in the city you are in, but others can be used nationally. Public phones that allow you to dial international numbers direct can only be found in large cities. Watch out for the sign saying IDD (international direct dialling). There are many public phone booths attended by assistants. You first tell the assistant where you wish to call – you will be asked to put down a deposit. You can also make international calls from main post offices and telecommunications offices. There are also discounted phone cards for making both international and domestic calls if you can be bothered to dial a long series of pin numbers.

Mobile phones

mobile/cell phone shǒujī 手机. What's your mobile/ nĭde shǒujī hào shì 你的手机号是多少? cell phone number? duō shǎo? My mobile/cell phone wŏde shŏujī hào 我的手机号是... number is . . . shì . . . kuài méi diàn le. The battery is running 快没电了。 out. My mobile is nearly wŏde shŏujī kuài 我的手机快没钱了。 out of credit. méi gián le. I'm running out of wŏde miănfèi shíjiān 我的免费时间快打 minutes. kuài dă wán le. 完了・ shì duăn xìn. It's a text message. 是短信。 to send a text message fā duǎn xìn 发短信

My phone does not display characters. I can't get a signal. pay-as-you-go SIM card

My mobile phone has been stolen.

wŏde shŏujī bù xiănshì hànzì. méi yŏu xìnhào. chōng zhí kă

chōng zhí kǎ
wŏde shŏuiī bèi tōu

我的手机不显示汉字。

没有信号。 冲值卡

我的手机被偷了[。]

Mobile phones are very popular in China and the coverage is extensive. If you take your mobile phone with you to China, you can buy a pay-as-you go SIM card. Please note that some SIM cards charge two ways – making and receiving a call. So make sure which type you want before the purchase.

Speaking to the operator/switchboard

Room 312 please.

Extension 5321 please.

Could you put me through to Room 213?
Could you give me the number of . . .?
Could you give me directory enquiries?

Can I dial direct?
This is room number.
How do I get an
outside line?
What's the code for
Shanghai?

qĭng jiē sān yāo èr fángjiān. qĭng zhuăn wŭ sān

èr yāo fēngji. néng bù néng gěi wŏ zhuăn èr yāo

sān fángjiān?

nĭ néng gàosu wò ... de hàomă ma? néng gěi wò jiē diànhuà dǎoháng

ma? wŏ néng zhí bō ma? zhè shì . . . fángjiān. zěnme dă wài xiàn?

Shànghǎi de qūhào shì shénme?

请接三吆二房间[。]

请转五三二吆分机。

能不能给我转二吆三 房间?

你能告诉我... 的号码吗? 能给我接电话导航吗?

我能直拨吗? 这是···房间[。] 怎么打外线?

上海的区号是什么?

Telephone codes in China are linked to towns. Some codes are three digits (e.g. 010 for Beijing) and others are four digits (e.g. 0571 for Hangzhou). Most landline numbers have eight digits. Mobile phone numbers start with the digit 0, followed by 10 digits. If you dial a mobile outside the city you are in, you do not dial zero.

Operator/switchboard speaking to the caller

Hello! This is Beijing Hotel.

Can I help you?

I'll put you through. You can dial that number direct. The line is engaged.

Do you want to wait? Hold the line please. There's a dedicated phone line.

I can give you the number. nín hǎo! zhè shì běijīng fàndiàn. nǐ xūyào

shénme bāngzhù? bāng nín jiē xiàn. nín kěyĭ zhí bō.

zhàn xiàn. nín xiǎng děng ma? qǐng shāo děng. yǒu ge zhuān xiàn.

wŏ kěyĭ gěi nǐ hàomă.

您好!

这是北京饭店。你需要 什么帮助? 41

帮您接线。 您可以直拨。

占线。 您想等吗? 请稍等。 有个专线。

我可以给你号码。

Problems

Sorry, we were cut off. I can hardly hear you. It's a very bad line. Could you say that again, please? duìbuqǐ, xiàn duàn le. wŏ jīhū tīng bu jiàn. xiànlù bù hǎo. néng bù néng zài shuō yī biàn?

对不起,线断了。 我几乎听不见。 线路不好。 能不能再说一遍?

The number you've dialled replies

Hello?

Hello, China Daily, Wang Ping speaking. wèi? nǐ hǎo, zhōngguó rìbào. wǒ shì wáng píng.

Whom would you like **nǐ zhǎ** to speak to?

nĭ zhǎo shéi?

喂?

你好,中国日报。 我是王平。

你找谁?

You get a recorded message

The number you've dialled does not exist. The person you are calling is on the

phone. Please wait.

nín bōdǎ de shì kōng hào. cĭ rén zhèngzài tōnghuà zhōng, qĭng shāo hòu. 您拨打的是空号。

此人正在通话中[,] 请稍候。

Sorry, our office is currently closed. Our office hours are . . .

Please call back later.
Dial the extension now.
If you want to speak
to the operator, dial
zero.

duìbuqǐ, wŏmen yǐ
xià bān. wŏmen de
bàngōng shíjiān
wéi . . .
qǐng shāohòu zài dǎ.
qǐng bō fēnjī hào.
chá hào qǐng bō
ling.

对不起[,]我们已下班。 我们的办公时间 为···

请稍后再打。 请拨分机号。查号请 拨零。

Most phones in China do not have answer phones or voicemail. You simply have to call back later if the office is closed or if the person you are calling is not answering the call.

You dial the wrong number

You have dialled the wrong number.

I'm sorry, I must have dialled the wrong number.

She doesn't work here any more.

He now works for . . .

She's on extension 5642 now. Do you want me to

transfer you now?

nǐ bō cuò hàomă le.

duìbuqĭ, wŏ yīdìng bō cuò hàomă le.

tā bú zài zhèr gōngzuò le. tā xiànzài wèi... gōngzuò. tā xiànzài de fēnjī hào shì wǔ liù sì èr. nĭ yào wŏ gĕi nĭ

zhuăn guòqu ma?

你拨错号码了。

对不起,我一定拨错号 码了。

她不在这儿工作了。

他现在为...工作。

她现在的分机号是 五六四二。 你要我给你转过去吗?

Asking for the person you want

Hello, is . . . in?
Hello, is that . . .?
May/Could I speak
to . . . , please?
I'd like to speak to . . . ,
please.

wèi, ... zài ma? wèi, nǐ shì ... ma? qĭng zhǎo yīxià ..., hǎo ma? wŏ zhǎo ... 喂 · · · 在吗? 喂,你是 · · · 吗? 请找一下 · · · · 好吗?

我找…。

The person you want is not available

I'm sorry, He is not in. She's gone out.

He's on another line.

She is on the phone.

She's in a meeting. Can I help you? duìbuqǐ, tā bú zài. tā chūqu le.

tā zhèngzài lìngyīgè diànhuà shàng.

tā zhèngzài jiǎng diànhuà.

tā zài kāihuì. wŏ néng bāngzhù nĭ

ma?

对不起,他不在。 她出去了。 他正在另一个电话上。

她正在讲电话·

她在开会。 我能帮助你吗?

Leaving a message

Could you ask him to ring me back? Could you tell her I

called? She's got my number. I'll call back in

10 minutes.
Can I trouble you to pass on the message?

néng ràng tā gĕi wŏ huí ge diànhuà ma? nĭ néng gàosu tā wŏ lái diànhuà le ma? tā yŏu wŏde diànhuà.

wŏ shí fēnzhōng hòu zài dă. máfán nĭ chuán ge kŏuxìn, xíng ma? 能让他给我回个电话 吗? 你能告诉她我来电话 了吗? 她有我的电话。

麻烦你传个口信[,] 行吗?

我十分钟后再打。

Answering calls

Who's calling please? This is . . .

Please go ahead. Would you like to leave a message?

Can I pass on a message?

nǐ yào liú yán ma?

wŏ néng chuán ge
kŏuxìn ma?

请问你是谁? 这是... 请说。 你要留言吗?

我能传个口信吗?

Gap fillers

Yes.

Certainly/Of course. Yes, sure. I understand. Fine/All right! Great!/Wonderful! hăode. dāngrán. hăo, méi wèntí. míngbái le. kěyĭ!

tài bàng le!

好的。 当然。 好,没问题。 明白了。 可以! 太棒了!

Asking for and giving numbers

What's your number?

What's your telephone/ fax/mobile number?

What's your extension number? What's the number

for . . . ? What's your office/

home number?

I'll give you my work number. My number is . . . nĭde hàomă shì duō shǎo?

nĭde diànhuà/ huánzhēn/shŏujī hàomă shì duō shăo?

nǐde fēnjī hàomă shì duō shǎo?

...de diànhuà hàomă shì duō shǎo?

nĭ jiālĭ/bàngōngshì de hàomă shì duō shăo?

wŏ gĕi nĭ wŏde gōngzuò hàomă. hàomă shì... 你的号码是多少?

你的电话/传真/手机 号码是多少?

你的分机号码是多少?

··· 的电话号码是多 少?

你家里 / 办公室的号码 是多少?

我给你我的工作号码。

号码是...

Telephone numbers in China are read as single figures. For example, 010 85204001 is read out as líng yāo ling bā wǔ èr líng sì líng líng yāo. Leave a pause after 010. Please note that number one is read out as yāo, NOT as yī because yī can be confused with number seven (qī).

To make an international call from China you need to dial 00 + country code + area code (without the zero) + number. For example, to call London you dial 00 + 44 (for United Kingdom) + 20 (for London) + the number you want.

To make a call to China from your own country, you need to dial 00 (or other international code used in your country) + 86 (for China) + area code (without the zero) + number. If it is a mobile number in China, after + 86, dial the mobile number without the first zero. For example, to call a landline in Beijing, you dial 00 + 86 + 10 (for Beijing) + the number you want. To call a mobile number 01398899561, you dial 00 + 86 + 1398899561.

Here are some helpful telephone numbers when you are inside China:

Directory enquiry: 114

Police: 110

Fire: 119

Traffic accident: 112
Ambulance: 120

Beijing Red Cross First Aid Centre: 999

Asking for addresses and directions

Will you give me the address of the hotel, please?

Give me your address, please.

What's the address? How can I get there?

We're on the fifth floor. You can take a bus or the subway.

Take a taxi, and I'll tell the taxi driver my address.

nǐ néng gěi wǒ fàndiàn 你能给我饭店的地址 de dìzhǐ ma? 吗?

qǐng gěi wǒ nǐde dìzhǐ. 请给我你的地址。

dìzhĭ shì shénme? dào nĭ nàr zěnme zŏu?

wŏmen zài liù céng. nĭ kĕyĭ chéng gōngchē huòzhě dìtiě.

zuò ge chūzū, wŏ huì gàosu chūzū chē sīiī wŏde dìzhǐ. 地址是什么? 到你那儿怎么走?

我们在六层。 你可以乘公车或者地 铁。

坐个出租[,]我会告诉出 租车司机我的地址。

Chinese addresses follow a different pattern from English. The largest unit comes first. So city comes first, then street, and finally house number/flat number. For example, the address 'Flat 2, 68 Chang'an Road, Beijing' in Chinese will be 'Beijing, Chang'an Lu 68 hao, 2 hao gongyu'.

Making a booking

I'd like to book a table/ room/taxi.

Have you got rooms available for tonight? Can I have a table in a no-smoking area? wŏ xiăng dìng yī ge zhuō/yī jiān fáng/ yī liàng chūzū. nĭmen jīnwăn yŏu kōng fángjiān ma? néng gĕi wŏmen yī zhāng zài bù xīyān gū de zhuōzi ma? 我想订一个桌/ 一间房/一辆出租。

你们今晚有空房间吗?

能给我们一张在不吸烟 区的桌子吗?

Requesting a service

I'm phoning to order a pizza.

Would you send a

bottle of dry red wine to room 802? wŏ diànhuà dìng bĭsàbĭng. néng bù néng sòng yī píng kuàngquán shuĭ dào bā líng èr fángjiān? 我电话订比萨饼。

能不能送一瓶矿泉水到 八零二房间?

I'll need a wake-up call. wo xuyao jiao xing

Could you send some extra blankets to room 628?

I need a doctor/ an ambulance as soon as possible. fúwù.

nĭ néng gěi liù èr bā fángjiān sòng jǐ tiáo tănzi ma?

wŏ măshàng xūvào kàn yīshēng/yī liàng iiùhùchē.

我需要叫醒服务。

你能给六二八房间送几 条毯子吗?

我马上需要看医生/ 一辆救护车。

Asking for information

Please will you tell

me . . . Would you give me detailed information

about the interview? I'd like to know the

opening times. Would you send me an email?

Could you post some information to me?

qĭng gàosu wŏ . . .

néng gěi wŏ miànshì de xiángqíng ma?

kāimén shíjiān. nĭ néng gěi wǒ fā ge diànzĭ yóujiàn ma?

wǒ xiǎng zhīdào

nǐ néng gěi wǒ jì vīxiē zīliào ma? 请告诉我...

能给我面试的详情吗?

我想知道开门时间。

你能给我发个电子邮 件吗? 你能给我寄一些资料 吗?

Making arrangements

Is Monday 11am alright? Can you make it? I've got things on Tuesday mornina. Could it be changed

to the afternoon?

xīngqīyī shàngwǔ shíyī diǎn xíng ma? nĭ néng xíng ma? xīngqī'èr shàngwǔ wǒ vǒu shì, néng gǎi dào xiàwǔ ma?

星期一上午十一点行 吗? 你能行吗? 星期二上午我有事。 能改到下午吗?

Thanking someone and responding

Thank you.

Thank vou verv much. You're welcome.

Thank you for calling.

xièxie.

fēicháng gănxiè.

bú kèqì.

xièxie nǐ lái diànhuà.

非常感谢。 不客气。

谢谢你来电话。

Ending a telephone conversation and saying good bye

我(下个星期/ I'll call you (next week/ wǒ xiàge xīngqī/ xīngqīyī gěi nǐ dǎ 星期一)给你打 Monday, etc.) 电话・ diànhuà. Please ring me qing (jintiān xiàwu/ 请(今天下午/ 今天晚上)给我打 (this afternoon/ jīntiān wănshang) tonight, etc.) gěi wǒ dă diànhuà. 电话・ Don't forget to call me. bié wàng le gĕi wŏ 别忘了给我打电话。 dă diànhuà.

Good bye! zàijiàn!
See you soon! yīhuìr jiàn!
See you tomorrow/ míngtiān/xīngqītiān
on Sunday! jiàn!

再见! 一会儿见! 明天/星期天见!

How to clarify characters over the phone

As Chinese is not an alphabetically based script, you simply cannot spell words. To clarify words, people either take a character apart and say each component aloud or give another phrase where the same character is used. For example, if one's surname is 吴 wú, this person may clarify by saying '口天吴 kǒu tiān wú', meaning 'the wu that consists of 口 kǒu (mouth) and 天 tiān (sky)'. Or if the surname is 史 shǐ, one may clarify by saying '历史的史 lìshǐ de shǐ', meaning 'shǐ as in the word "lìshǐ"' (history).

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àn to press bàba 爸爸 father/dad băi 百 hundred 百分之 băifēnzhī percent bàn half bāng/bāngzhù 帮/帮助 to help bàngōngshì 办公室 office bànlĭ to deal/to sort out か理 bāo jiān 包间 private room bāokuò 包括 to include běiiīna 北京 Beijing bĭ 笙 pen biàn 变 to change biāozhŭn 标准 standard bié 别 do not . . . biéde 别的 other bĭsàbĭng pizza 比萨饼 bìxū must 必须 bōdă/bō 拨打/拨 to dial bú cuò not bad/quite good 不错 bù hǎo yìsī 不好意思 I'm sorry bú kègì 不客气 you're welcome bù qīng 不轻 quite serious (injury) bù shōufèi free of charge 不收费 bù xīyān 不吸烟 no-smoking (area) bú yòng le 不用了 no need bùlăng 布朗 Brown (surname) cái オ only/just cāniiā 参加 to attend chá to check 杳 chá hào 杳号 to check the number chā shàng 插上 to plug in cháng chéng 长城 the Great Wall chē 车 car chē huò 车祸 traffic accident to address/to call chēnghū 称呼 chī 吃. to eat chū qù 出去 to go out chuán 传 to pass on chūfā 出发 to depart Ж from cóng from . . . to cóng . . . dào 从...到 inch cùn 寸 cuò mistake dă chē 打车 to take a taxi

dă diànhuà	打电话	to make a call
dà tīng	大厅	communal hall
dádào	达到	to reach
dài	带	to bring
dāng tiān	当天	on the day
dāngrán	当然	of course
dānrén	单人	single
dào	到	to arrive
dăo yóu	导游	tour guide
dàxué	大学	university
děi	得	to have to
děng	等	to wait
diàn	店	shop
diàn chuīfēng	电吹风	hairdryer
diàn yuán	电源	power
diànhuà dǎoháng	电话导航	telephone directory
diànzĭ yóujiàn	电子邮件	email ,
dìfang	地方	location/place
dìng	订	to book/to reserve
dìng măn	订满	fully booked
dìngfang bù	订房部	reservation department
diū	丢	to lose
dìzhĭ	地址	address
dŭ chē	堵车	traffic jam
duăn xìn	短信	text message
duì/duì le	对 / 对了	correct
duìbuqĭ	对不起	sorry
duìhuàn	兑换	to exchange (money)
duō shǎo	多少	what's (phone number)?/ how many?
duō shǎo qián	多少钱	how much is it
fā	发	to send (fax/email)
fàndiàn	饭店	hotel/restaurant
fāngbiàn	方便	convenient
fángjiān	房间	room
fángzi	房子	house
fèi	费	fee
fēi huìyuán	非会员	non-memeber
fēijīchăng	飞机场	airport
fēnháng	分行	branch (of a bank)
fēnjī hào	分机号	extension number
fēnzhōng	分钟	minute
fù	付	to pay
fúwù	服务	service
găi	改	to change
găi piào	改票	to change the ticket
gānghǎo	刚好	coincidentally

	aò aou	#.ic	to tall
50	gàosu	告诉	to tell
	gāoxìng	高兴	be pleased
	gěi nǐ/wŏ	给你 / 我	to you/me
	gōnglĭ 	公里	kilometre
	gōngsī	公司	firm/company
	gōngzuò	工作	to work/work
	guān jī	关机	to be switched off
	guănggào	广告	advertising/advertisement
	guānmén	关门	to be closed
	guì	贵	expensive
	gūniáng	姑娘	girl
	guó dào	国道	national road
	guò lái	过来	to come over
	guójì	国际	international
	guónèi	国内	domestic
	hái	还	still
	háishì	还是	or?
	hăixiān	海鲜	seafood
	háiyŏu	还有	also
	hángbān	航班	flight
	hángbān hào	航班号	flight number
	hángkōng	航空	airmail
	hào	명	date
	hǎo	好	good
	hǎo jǐcì	好几次	several times
	hǎoba/hǎode	好吧 / 好的	okay/alright
	háohuá	豪华	luxurious
	hàomă	号码	number
	héshì	合适	suitable
	huài le	坏了	to have broken down
	huán	还	to return
	huàn	换	to change
	huàn gián	换钱	to change money
	huānyíng	欢迎	to welcome
	huí ge diànhuà	回个电话	to return the call
	huì lü	汇率	exchange rate
	huílái	回来	to return
	huŏtuĭ	山来 火腿	ham
	huòzhě		or
		或者	0.
	jī piào	机票	flight ticket
	jĭ tiān	几天	how many days?
	jì xià 	记下	to write down
	jiā	家 (4.44)	family [measure word]
	jiàgé	价格	price
	jiàn	件	[measure word]
	jiàn	见	to see/[measure word]
	jiǎnchá	检查	to check/to examine

jiànliàng	见谅	to excuse/to bear with
jiànshēn	健身	to exercise
jiànshēn fáng	健身房	fitness centre
jiào	PЦ	to call/to be called
jiāo gěi	交给	to hand to
jiào xǐng	叫醒	to wake up/wake-up call
jiāotōng	交通	transportation
jiē	接	to collect/to answer (phone)
jìhuà	计划	plan
jìlù	记录	to write it down
jīng xĭ	惊喜	pleasant surprise
jĭngchá	警察	police
jīntiān	今天	today
jīnwăn	今晚	tonight
jiù	就	then
jiùcān	就餐	to dine
jiùhùchē	救护车	ambulance
jiŭlóu	酒楼	restaurant
jūlèbù	俱乐部	club/centre
jùtĭ	具体	detailed
kă	卡	card
kāi huì	开会	to attend meeting
kāifàng	开放	to open/be open
kāimén	开门	to open/be open
kāishĭ	开始	to start
kălā OK	卡拉 OK	karaoke
kànkan	看看	to have a look
kěnéng	可能	perhaps/possibly
kěyĭ	可以	may/can
kòng wèi	空位	vacancy/available place
kŏuxìn	口信	message
lái	来	to come
lái diànhuà	来电话	an incoming call
lánqiú chăng	篮球场	basketball
lánzhōu	兰州	Lanzhou (place name)
lăoshī	老师	teacher
lí diàn	离店	to check out (hotel)
lí zhèr	离这儿	from here
liàng	辆	[measure word]
Njí	立即	immediately
líkāi	离开	to leave
líng	零	zero
línyù	淋浴	shower (in a bathroom)
lìshĭ	历史	history
liú xuéshēng	留学生	overseas student
liú yán	留言	to leave a message
lóu	楼	building/block

1	lŭdiàn/lŭshè	旅店/旅社	inn/guesthouse
	lüxíng shè	旅行社	travel agent
	lüxíng zhīpiào	旅行支票	traveller's cheque
J	máfán	麻烦	to trouble
	măi	买	to buy
	măn	满	full
	mǎshàng	马上	immediately
	méi yŏu	没有	not
	méi wèntí	没问题	no problem
	méi yŏu	没有	do not have
	měitiān	每天	everyday
	ménkŏu	门口	entrance
	miànbāo chē	面包车	mini-bus
	miànshì	面试	interview
	míngtiān	明天	tomorrow
	míngzi	名字	name
	mógū	蘑菇	mushroom
	ná	拿	to pick up/to fetch
	ná dào/ná dào shǒu	拿到/拿到手	to have got hold of
	nă tiān/nă yī tiān	哪天 / 哪一天	which day?
	nàme/nà	那么 / 那	in that case
	néng	能	can/could
	nĭ	你	you
	nĭ hǎo	你好	hello
	nián kă	年卡	annual card
	nĭmen	你们	you (plural)
	nĭmen nàr	你们那儿	your place
	nín	您	you (polite)
	nín hǎo	您好	hello (polite)
	nòng diū le	弄丢了	to have lost it
	ōuyuán	欧元	euro
	pà	怕	I'm afaid
	pángbiān	旁边	nearby
	piányí	便宜	inexpensive/low budget
	piào	票	ticket
	pŭtōng	普通	ordinary
	qĭ fēi	起飞	to take off
	qī rén zuò	七人座	seven-seat (car)/seven-seater
	qiān	千	thousand
	qián tiān	前天	the day before yesterday
	qiántái	前台	reception (hotel)
	qĭng	请	please
	qĭng jiē	请接	to put through to
	qĭng shāo děng/	请稍等 / 请稍候	just a second please/hold on
	qĭng shāo hòu		please
	qĭng shuō ba	请说吧	go ahead
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请问

please may I ask . . .

qĭng wèn

qīngnián	青年	youth
qióngsī	琼斯	Johnson
qítā	其他	others
qù	去	to go
qū	X	area
quán	全	whole/completely
ràng	让	to let
rénmín	人民	people
rénmínbì	人民币	[name of Chinese currency]
rényuán	人员	person/people
rì bào	日报	daily newspaper
rìjì	日记	diary
rìzi	日子	day/times
ruăn wò	软卧	soft-sleeper
rúguŏ	如果	if
rùzhù	入住	to check in (hotel)
sāngná	桑拿	sauna
shàng bān	上班	to go to work
shànghǎi	上海	Shanghai
shè	社	newspaper/publisher
shèbèi	设备	equipment
shéi	谁	who
shēngmìng	生命	life
shénme	什么	what
shénme shíhòu	什么时候	when
shēnqĭng	申请	to apply
shèshī	设施	facility
shì	是	be (am/are/is)
shì	事	matter
shì ma	是 吗	is it ?
shìde	是的	yes
shì yòng	试用	to try it out
shìfŏu	是否	if
shīfu	师傅	master
shìgù	事故	accident
shíhòu	时候	times/moments
shíjiān	时间	times
shĭmìsī	史密斯	Smith (name)
shìnèi	室内	indoor
shōu	收	to charge
shōu dào	收到	to have received
shōu fèi	收费	to charge the fee
shòu hòu	售后	after sale
shŏu jī	手机	mobile/cell phone
shòu shāng	受伤	to be injured
shŏu xù fèi	手续费	handling fee
shŏuxù	手续	procedure

54	shuāngrén jiān	双人间	double room
	shuāngrén	双人	double
	shuō/shuōhuà	说 / 说话	to speak
	shuōqĭ	说起	to mention/to talk about
	sì jì	四季	four seasons
	sòng	送	to take to/to deliver
	sòng cān	送餐	deliver food
	sòng cān bù	送餐部	delivery department (food)
	sòng cān fèi	送餐费	delivery charge (food)
	sòng dào	送到	to get it delivered
	suŏyĭ	所以	therefore
	sùshè	宿舍	accommodation/dormitory
	tài bàng le	太棒了	wonderful
	tài le	太了	very
	táng cháo	唐朝	Tang Dynasty
	tāngmǔ	汤姆	Tom
	tănzi		blanket
	tí qián	提前	to bring forward
	tiáo	条	[measure word]
	tīng bù dŏng	听不懂	cannot understand
			(by hearing)
	tóng	同	with
	tóngwū	同屋	flatmate
	tóngxué	同学	classmate
	tuì	退	to return
	tuì kuǎn	退款	to get a refund
	tuīchí	推迟	to postpone
	tuījiàn	推荐	to recommend
	tuìpiào fèi	退票费	cancellation fee
	wài huì	外汇	foreign currency
	wăn ān	晚安	good night
	wăn bào	晚报	evening newspaper
	wàn yī	万一	in case
	wănfàn	晚饭	dinner
	wăngqiú chăng	网球场	tennis court
	wănshang	晚上	evening
	wèi	为	for
	wèi	喂	hello (on the phone)
	wèi	位	[measure word]
	wēixiǎn	危险	dangerous
	wèishēngjiān	卫生间	toilet/bathroom
	wéizhēn	维真	Virgin (company)
	wèn	问	to ask
	wèntí	问题	question
	wŏ	我	I/me
	wŏmen	我们	we/us
	xià bān	下班	to finish work
		1 1/L	

xià dìngdān	下订单	to place order
xiàge	下个	next
xiān	先	first of all
xiànchăng	现场	scene (accident)
xiăng	想	to think
xiáng qíng	详情	detailed information
xiànjīn	现金	cash
xiānsheng	先生	Mr
xiànzài	现在	now
xiǎo	小	small
xiāofèi	消费	consumption
xiāofèi kă	消费卡	customer card
xiǎoshí	小时	hour
xiāoxi	消息	news
xiàwŭ	下午	afternoon
xièxie	谢谢	thank you
xìng	姓	surname
xíng ma	行吗	is that ok?
xínglĭ	行李	luggage
xìngmíng	姓名	name (surname and given name)
xīngqīyī	星期一	Monday
xīwàng	希望	to hope
xūyào	需要	to need
yào	要	would like
yāo	吆	one
yàoqiú	要求	requirement
yèwù	业务	service/business
yī rì yóu	一日游	1-day tour
yīdìng	一定	definitely
yīgòng	一共	altogether
yĭhòu	以后	later
yīhuìr	一会儿	in a minute
yĭjīng	已经	already
yĭnèi	以内	within
yínggāi	应该	should
yīngguó	英国	Britain
yīngguórén	英国人	British
yīngwén	英文	English (language)
yínháng	银行	bank
yīqĭ	一起	together
yĭshàng	以上	above
yīxià	一下	for a while
yīxiē	一些	some
yīyuàn	医院	hospital
yòng bú yòng	用不用	do you need ?
yòngcān	用餐	to dine

	yŏu	有	to have
56	yŏu shì	有事	to be busy
	yŏuguān	有关	relevant
ш	yŏurén	有人	somebody
	yóuyŏng chí	游泳池	swimming pool
	yuán	元	yuan
	yuăn	远	far
	yùdìng	预订	to reserve
	yùdìng hào	预订号	reservation number
	yuè	月	month
	yuè kă	月卡	monthly card
	yuēhàn	约翰	John
	•	****	bath
	yùgāng	浴缸 在 吗	isin?
	zàima	-	
	zài shuō yībiàn	再说一遍	say it again
	zài yĭshàng	在…以上	above
	zăocān	早餐	breakfast
	zăoshang	早上	morning
	zěnme	怎么	how
	zhāng	张	common surname/
		III.	[measure word]
	zhǎo	找	to look for
	zhǎo dào	找到	to have found
	zháojí	着急	to worry/be worried
	zhēnde	真的	really!
	zhěnggè	整个	whole
	zhēnní	珍妮	Jane
	zhĭ	纸	paper
	zhīdào	知道	to know
	zhīnèi	之内	within
	zhīyŏu	只有	only
	zhōngguó	中国	China
	zhōngwén	中文	Chinese (language)
	zhōngxīn	中心	centre
	zhù	住	to live, to stay
	zhuăn	转	to transfer
	zhuān xiàn	专线	dedicated phone line
	zhuōzi	桌子	table/desk
	zhùyì shìxiàng	注意事项	things to bear in mind
	zŏngjī	总机	switchboard
	zŏu	走	to leave
	zuìdī	最低	the lowest/the minimum
	zuìhăo	最好	the best/you'd better
	zuìhòu	最后	final/last
	zuò	坐	to sit/to take
	zuòfàn	做饭	to cook
	zuŏyòu	左右	about/approximately

English-Chinese glossary

about	zuŏyòu	左右
above	yĭshàng	以上
accident	shìgù	事故
accommodation	sùshě	宿舍
address	dìzhĭ	地址
address (v)	chēnghū	称呼
advertisement	guănggào	广告
advertising	guǎnggào	广 告
after-sale	shòu hòu	售后
afternoon	xiàwŭ	下午
airmail	hángkōng	航空
airport	fēijīchăng	飞机场
already	yĭjīng	已经
alright	hăoba/hăode	好吧 / 好的
also	háiyŏu	还有
altogether	yīgòng	一共
ambulance	jiùhùchē	救护车
an incoming call	lái diànhuà	来电话
annual card	nián kă	年卡
answer (phone)	jiē	接
apply (v)	shēnqĭng	申请
approximately	zuŏyòu	左右
area	qū	X
arrive (v)	dào	到
ask (v)	wèn	问
attend (v)	cānjiā	参加
attend meeting	kāi huì	开会
available place	kōng wèi	空位
bank	yínháng	银行
basketball	lánqiú chăng	篮球场
bath	yùgāng	浴缸
be (am/are/is)	shì	是
be busy	yŏu shì	有事
be closed	guānmén	关门
be injured	shòu shāng	受伤
be open	kāimén	开门
be pleased	gāoxìng	高兴
be switched off	guān jī	关机
bear with me	qĭng shāo děng/	请稍等/请稍候
	qĭng shāo hòu	
Beijing	běijīng	北京
best	zuìhǎo	最好
blanket	tănzi	毯子
book (v)	dìng	订

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branch (of a bank) fēnháng 分行 breakfast zăocān 早餐 dài bring (v) bring forward tí qián 提前 Britain yīngguó 英国 British yīngguórén 英国人 Brown (surname) bùlăng 布朗 楼 building lóu măi 买 buy (v) 称呼 / 叫 call (v) chēnghū/jiào Ш call/be called (v) jiào can/could 能/可以 néng/kěyĭ cancellation fee tuìpiào fèi 退票费 听不懂 cannot understand tīng bù dŏng (by hearing) chē 车 car kă 卡 card 现金 cash xiànjīn cell phone shŏu jī 手机. centre zhöngxīn 中心 jūlèbù centre (fitness) 俱乐部 change (v) găi 改 change money huàn gián 换钱 改票 change the ticket găi piào shōu 收 charge (v) shōu fèi 收费 charge the fee chá/jiǎnchá check (v) 杳 / 检查 check in (hotel) rùzhù 入住 lí diàn check out (hotel) 离店 check the number chá hào 查号 China zhōnaquó 中国 Chinese (language) zhōngwén 中文 classmate 同学 tóngxué club jūlèbù 俱乐部 coincidentally gānghǎo 刚好 iiē collect (a person) 接 come (v) lái 过来 come over guò lái communal hall dà tīng 大厅 公司 company göngsī completely quán 全 消费 xiāofèi consumption convenient fāngbiàn 方便 zuòfàn 做饭 cook (v) correct duì/duì le 对/对了 customer card xiāofèi kă 消费卡 dad bàba 谷谷

daily newspaper	rì bào	日报
dangerous	wēixiǎn	危险
date	hào	号
day/times	rìzi	百子
deal (v)	bànlĭ	办理
dedicated phone line	zhuān xiàn	专线
definitely	yīdìng	一定
deliver food	sòng cān	送餐
delivery charge (food)	sòngcān fèi	送餐费
delivery department (food)	sòngcān bù	送餐部
depart (v)	chūfā	出发
desk	zhuōzi	桌子
detailed	jùtĭ	具体
detailed information	xiáng qíng	详情
dial (v)	bōdǎ/bō	拨打 / 拨
diary	rìjì	日记
dine (v)	jiùcān/yòngcān	就餐 / 用餐
dinner	wănfàn	晚饭
do not have	méi yŏu	没有
do not	bié	别
do you need	yòng bù yòng	用不用
domestic	guónèi	国内
dormitory	sùshè	宿舍
double	shuāngrén	双人
double room	shuāngrén jiān	双人间
eat (v)	chī	吃
email	diànzĭ yóujiàn	电子邮件
English (language)	yīngwén	英文
entrance	ménkŏu	门口
equipment	shèbèi	设备
euro	ōuyuán	欧元
evening	wănshang	晚上
evening newspaper	wăn bào	晚报
everyday	měitiān	每天
examine (v)	jiǎnchá	检查
exchange (money)	duìhuàn	兑换
exchange rate	huì lü	汇率
excuse (v)	jiànliàng	见谅
exercise (v)	jiànshēn	健身_
extension number	fēnjī hào	分机号
facility	shèshī	设施
family	jiā	家
far	yuăn	远
father	bàba	爸爸
fee	fèi	费
final	zuìhòu	最后
finish work	xià bān	下班

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公司 firm göngsī first of all xiān 先 fitness centre jiànshēn fáng 健身房 flatmate tóngwū 同屋 flight hángbān 航班 hángbān hào 航班号 flight number fliaht ticket jī piào 机票 for wèi 为 for a while 一下 yīxià 外汇 foreian currency wài huì sì jì four seasons 四季 bù shōufèi 不收费 free of charge from cóng 从 lí zhèr 离这儿 from here from . . . to cóng . . . dào 从…到 full măn 满 fully booked dìng măn 订满 get a refund tuì kuăn 退款 get it delivered sòng dào 送到 姑娘 girl gūniang go (v) αù 去 请说吧 ao ahead aĭna shuō ba chū qù 出去 go out go work shàng bān 上班 hăo 好 good 晚安 good night wăn ān Great Wall cháng chéng 长城 guesthouse lŭdiàn/lŭshè 旅店 / 旅社 hairdryer diàn chuīfēng 电吹风 half bàn 半 ham huŏtuĭ 火腿 hand to jiāo gěi 交给 shǒu xù fèi handling fee 手续费 have (v) yŏu 有 kànkan have a look 看看 have broken down huài le 坏了 have found zhǎo dào 找到 ná dào/ná dào shǒu 拿到/拿到手 have got hold of have lost it nòng diū le 弄丢了 收到 have received shōu dào děi have to 得 nĭ hăo hello 你好 hello (on the phone) wèi 您好 hello (polite) nín hǎo help (v) bāng/bāngzhù 帮 / 帮助 lìshĭ 历史 history hold on please ging shāo děng 请稍等

honourable	guì	贵
hope (v)	xīwàng	希望
hospital	yīyuàn	医院
hotel	fàndiàn	饭店
hour	xiǎoshí	小时
house	fángzi	房子
how	zěnme	怎么
how many days?	jĭ tiān	几天
how many?	duō shǎo	多少
how much is it?	duō shǎo qián	多少钱
hundred	băi	百
I/me	wŏ	··· 我
I'm afaid	pà	怕
I'm sorry	bù hǎo yìsī	不好意思
if	rúguŏ/shìfŏu	如果 / 是否
immediately	lìjí/măshàng	立即 / 马上
in a minute	yīhuìr	一会儿
in case	wàn yī	万一
in that case	nàme/nà	那么/那
inch	cùn	寸
include (v)	bāokuò	包括
indoor	shìnèi	室内
inexpensive	piányí	便宜
inn	lŭdiàn/lŭshè	旅店 / 旅社
international	guójì	国际
interview	miànshì	面试
is it ?	shì ma	是… 吗
is that ok?	xíng ma	行吗
is in?	zài ma	在… 吗
Jane	zhēnní	珍妮
John	yuēhàn	约翰
Johnson	qióngsī	琼斯
just	cái	オ
just a second please	qĭng shāo dĕng	请稍等
karaoke	kălā OK	卡拉 OK
kilometre	gōnglĭ	公里
know (v)	zhīdào	知道
Lanzhou (place name)	lánzhōu	兰州
last	zuìhòu	最后
later	yĭhòu	以后
leave	zŏu	走
leave (v)	líkāi	离开
leave a message	liú yán	留言
let (v)	ràng	让
life	shēngmìng	生命
live (v)	zhù	住
location	dìfang	地方

	look for	zhăo	找
62	lose (v)	diū	丢
	low budget	piányí	便宜
	lowest	zuìdī	最低
	luggage	xínglĭ	行李
	luxurious	háohuá	豪华
	make a call	dă diànhuà	打电话
	master	shīfu	师傅
	matter	shì	事
	may	kěyĭ	可以
	mention (v)	shuōqĭ	说起
	message	kŏuxìn	口信
	mini-bus	miànbão chē	面包车
	minimum	zuìdī	最低
	minute	fēnzhōng	分钟
	mistake	cuò	错
	mobile phone	shŏu jī	手机
	Monday	xīngqīyī	星期一
	month	yuè	月
	monthly card	yuè kă	月卡
	morning	zăoshang	早上
	Mr .	xiānsheng	先生
	mushroom	mógū	蘑菇
	must	bìxū	必须
	name	míngzi	名字
	national road	guó dào	国道
	nearby	pángbiān	旁边
	need (v)	xūyào	需要
	news	xiāoxi	消息
	newspaper (as an organisation)	shè	社
	next	xiàge	下个
	no need	bú yòng le	- 不用了
	no problem	méi wèntí	没问题
	non-member	fēi huìyuán	非会员
	no-smoking (area)	bù xīyān	不吸烟
	not	bù/méi	不/没
	not bad	bú cuò	不错
	now	xiànzài	现在
	number	hàomă	号码
	of course	dāngrán	当然
	office	bàngōngshì	办公室
	okay	hăoba/hăode	好吧 / 好的
	on the day	dāng tiān	当天
	one	yāo	吆
	1-day tour	yī rì yóu	一日游
	only	zhīyŏu/cái	只有 / 才

open (v)	kāifàng	开放
or	háishì (used in	还是
	alternative questions)	
or	huòzhě	或者
ordinary	pǔtōng	普通
other	biéde	别的
others	qítā	其他
overseas student	liú xuéshēng	留学生
paper	zhĭ	纸
pass on	chuán	传
pay (v)	fù	付
pen	bĭ	笔
people	rénmín/rényuán	人民 / 人员
percent	băifēnzhī	百分之
perhaps · ,	kěnéng	可能
pick up	ná	拿工艺
pizza	bĭsàbĭng	比萨饼
place	difang	地方
place order plan	xià dìngdān jìhuà	下订单 计划
pleasant surprise	jīng xǐ	惊喜
please	gĭng	请
please may I ask	qing qing wèn	_明 请问
plug in	chā shàng	^{頂凹} 插上
police	jĭngchá	警察
possibly	kěnéng	可能
postpone	tuīchí	推迟
power	diàn yuán	电源
press (v)	àn	按
price	jiàgé	介格
private room	bāo jiān	包间
procedure	shŏuxù	手续
put through to	qĭng jiē	请接
question	wèntí	问题
quite good	bú cuò	不错
quite serious (injury)	bù qīng	不轻
reach (v)	dádào	达到
really	zhēnde	真的
reception (hotel)	qiántái	前台
recommend (v)	tuījiàn	推荐
relevant	yŏuguān	有关
requirement	yàoqiú	要求
reservation department	dìngfáng bù	订房部
reservation number	yùdìng hào	预订号
reserve (v)	dìng/yùdìng	订/预订
restaurant	jiŭlóu	酒楼
return (for refund)	tuì	退

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huán 还 return (good) return (v) huílái 回来 return the call huí ge diànhuà 回个电话 fángjiān 房间 room sāngná 桑拿 sauna 再说一遍 say it again zài shuō yībiàn scene (accident) xiànchăng 现场 海鲜 seafood hăixiān see (v) iiàn 见 发 send (fax/email) fā 服务/业务 service fúwù/yèwù seven-seat (car)/ qī rén zuò 七人座 seven-seater 好几次 several times hǎo jǐcì Shanghai shànghǎi 上海 diàn 店 shop should yínggāi 应该 línyù 淋浴 shower (in a bathroom) dānrén 单人 single 坐 sit (v) zuò xiăo small 小 史密斯 Smith shĭmìsī ruăn wò soft-sleeper 软卧 一些 some yīxiē yŏurén 有人 somebody sorry duìbugĭ 对不起 bànlĭ sort out (v) か理 speak shuō/shuōhuà 说/说话 biāozhŭn standard 标准 kāishĭ start (v) 开始 still hái 还 suitable héshì 合适 surname xìng 姓 surname and given name xìngmíng 姓名 yóuyŏng chí swimming pool 游泳池 switchboard zŏngjī 总机 table zhuōzi 桌子 坐 take (train/bus) zuò take a taxi dă chē 打车 take off qĭ fēi 起飞 送 take to sòng 说起 talk about shuōqĭ Tang Dynasty táng cháo 唐朝 老师 teacher lăoshī telephone directory diànhuà dǎoháng 电话导航 tell (v) gàosu 告诉 wănggiú chăng 网球场 tennis court

duăn xìn

短信

text message

thank you	xièxie	谢谢
the day before yesterday	qián tiān	前天
then	jiù	就
therefore	suŏyĭ	所以
things to bear in mind	zhùyì shìxiàng	注意事项
think (v)	xiǎng	想
thousand	qiān	千
ticket	piào	票
times	shíjiān	时间
times/moments	shíhòu	时候
to change	biàn	变
to wait	děng	等
to you	gěi nĭ	给你
today	jīntiān	今天
together	yīqĭ	一起
toilet/bathroom	wèishēngjiān	卫生间
Tom	tāngmǔ	汤姆
tomorrow	míngtiān	明天
tonight	jīnwăn	今晚
tour guide	dăo yóu	导游
traffic accident	chē huò	车祸
traffic jam	dǔ chē	堵车
transfer (v)	zhuăn	转
transportation	jiāotōng	交通
travel agent	lüxíng shè	旅行社
traveller's cheque	lüxíng zhīpiào	旅行支票
trouble (v)	máfán	麻烦
try it out	shì yòng	试用
university	dàxué	大学
vacancy	kòngwèi	空位
very	tàile	太… 了
Virgin (company)	wéizhēn	维真
wake up (v)/wake-up call	jiào xǐng	叫醒
we/us	wŏmen	我们
welcome (v) what	huānyíng shénme	欢迎
		什么 多少
what's (phone number)? when	shénme shíhòu	多少 什么时候
which day?	nă tiān/nă yī tiān	
who	shéi	哪天/哪一天 谁
whole	zhěnggè/quán	
with	tóng	整个 / 全 同
within	yĭnèi/zhīnèi	
wonderful	tài bàng le	以内 / 之内 太棒了
worldenur work (v, n)	gōngzuò	工作
work (v, 11) worry/be worried	zháojí	上TF 着急
worry/be worried would like	vào	
write down	jì xià	要 记下
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write it down	jîlù	记录
yes	shìde	是的
you	nĭ	你
you (plural)	nĭmen	你们
you (polite)	nín	您
you'd better	zuìhǎo	最好
you're welcome	bú kèqì	不客气
your place	nĭmen nàr	你们那儿
youth	qīngnián	青年
yuan (Chinese currency)	yuán	元
zero	líng	零

Dates, times and numbers

Days of the week

Monday	xīngqīyī	星期一
Tuesday	xīngqī'èr	星期二
Wednesday	xīngqīsān	星期三
Thursday	xīngqīsì	星期四
Friday	xīngqīwŭ	星期五
Saturday	xīngqīliù	星期六
Sunday	xīngqīrì/xīngqītiān	星期日/星期天

Months of the year

yīyuè	一月
èryuè	二月
sānyuè	三月
sìyuè	四月
wŭyuè	五月
liùyuè	六月
qīyuè	七月
bāyuè	八月
jiŭyuè	九月
shíyuè	十月
shíyīyuè	十一月
shí'èryuè	十二月
	èryuè sānyuè sìyuè wŭyuè liùyuè qīyuè bāyuè jiŭyuè shíyuè shíyūè

Dates

on ivionaay	xıngqıyı	<u> </u>
Tuesdays	xīngqī'èr	星期二
on Wednesday the 3rd	sān hào, xīngqīsān	三号,星期三

八月八号,星期五 on Friday the 8th of bāyuè bā hào, xīngqīwŭ August on the 2nd of shíyīyuè èr hào 十一月二号 November on December 25th èr líng líng bā nián 二零零八年十二月 2008 shí'èr yuè èrshíwǔ hào 从一月五号到二月四号 from the 5th of January cóng yīyuè wǔ hào until the 4th of dào èryuè sì hào February

Time and time phrases

1 o'clock	yī diăn	一点
2 o'clock	liăng diăn	两点
20 past three	sān diǎn èrshí	三点二十
a quarter past four	sì diăn yī kè	四点一刻
half past five	wŭ diăn bàn	五点半
10 to six	liù diăn chà shí fēn	六点差十分
a quarter to seven	qī diăn chà yī kè	七点差一刻
What time is it?	jĭ diăn le?	几点了?

èr 二 and liǎng 两 both mean 'two'. èr 二 is used in counting and saying other numbers such as '22', while liǎng 两 is used for telling the time and normally used to quantify things such as 'two books', 'two days', 'two hours', etc. For example: **liǎng** diǎn 两点 (2 o'clock) and **liǎng** běn shū 两本书 (two books).

Cardinal numbers

0	líng	零
1	уī	_
2	èr	=
3	sān	Ξ
4	sì	二三四五六七
5	wŭ	五
6	liù	六
7	qī	七
8	bā	八
9	jiŭ	九
10	shí	+
11	shíyī	+-
12	shí'èr	+=
20	èrshí	<u>-</u> +
21	èrshí-yī	=+-
22	èrshí-èr	=+=

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30	sānshí	三十
31	sānshí-yī	三十一
32	sānshí-èr	三十二···
40	sìshí	四十
50	wŭshí	五十
99	jiŭshí-jiŭ	九十九
100	yī bǎi	一百
101	yī bǎi líng yī	一百零一
102	yī băi líng èr	一百零二
110	yī băi yīshí	一百一十
111	yī băi yīshíyī	一百一十一
112	yī băi yīshí'èr	一百一十二
113	yī bǎi yīshísān	一百一十三
120	yī băi èrshí	一百二十
121	yī băi èrshí-yī	一百二十一
200	èr bǎi	二百
250	èr bǎi wǔ	二百五
300	sān bǎi	三百
1000	yī qiān	一千
2000	liăng qiān	两千
3000	sān qiān	三千
10,000	yī wàn	一万
100,000	shí wàn	十万
one million	yī bǎi wàn	一百万
one and a half million	yī bǎi wǔshí wàn	一百五十万

Ordinal numbers

first	dìyī	第一
second	dì'èr	第二
third	dìsān	第三
fourth	dìsì	第四
fifth	dìwŭ	第五
sixth	dìliù	第六
seventh	dìqī	第七
eighth	dìbā	第八
ninth	dìjiŭ	第九
tenth	dìshí	第十

Currency terms

euro	ōuyuán	欧元
US dollar	měiyuán	美元
sterling pounds	yīngbàng	英镑
Chinese yuan	rénmínbì	人民币