

Chinese Vocabulary Chart

Vocabulary

A

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
啊	a	particle of exclamation	6

B

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
爸爸	bàba	father	2
吧	ba	sentence-final particle	5
百	bǎi	hundred	9
半	bàn	half, half an hour	3
白英爱	Bái Yīng'ài	(a personal name)	2
办公室	bàngōngshì	office	6
帮	bāng	to help	6
杯	bēi	(measure word for things in a cup or glass)	5
北京	Běijīng	Beijing	1
笔	bǐ	pen	7
别	bié	don't	6
别人	biérén	other people, another person	4
不	bù	not, no	1
不错	bùcuò	pretty good	4

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
不过	bùguò	however, but	9
不好意思	bù hǎoyìsi	to feel embarrassed	10
不用	bú yòng	need not	9

C

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
才	cái	not until, only then	5
菜	cài	dish, cuisine	3
餐厅	cāntīng	dining room, cafeteria	8
茶	chá	tea	5
常常	chángcháng	often	4
常老师	Cháng lǎoshī	Teacher Chang	6
长短	chángduǎn	length	9
唱歌 (儿)	chàng gē(r)	to sing (a song)	4
衬衫	chènshān	shirt	9
城市	chéngshì	city	10
吃	chī	to eat	3
除了... 以外	chúle... yǐwài	in addition to, besides	8
出去	chūqù	to go out	10
出租汽车	chūzū qìchē	taxi	10
穿	chuān	to wear, to put on	9

D

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
打车	dǎ chē	to take a taxi	10
打电话	dǎ diànhuà	to make a phone call	6
打球	dǎ qiú	to play ball	4
大	dà	big, old	3
大哥	dàgē	eldest/oldest brother	2

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
大家	dàjiā	everybody	7
大姐	dàjiě	eldest/oldest sister	2
大小	dàxiǎo	size	9
大学生	dàxuéshēng	college student	2
但是	dànshì	but	6
到	dào	to go to, to arrive	6
的	de	(a possessive or descriptive particle)	2
得	de	(a structural particle)	7
得	děi	must, to have to	6
等	děng	to wait, to wait for	6
第	dì	prefix for ordinal numbers	7
弟弟	dìdi	younger brother	2
地铁	dìtiě	subway	10
点	diǎn	o'clock (lit. "dot" , point)	3
点 (儿)	diǎn(r)	a little, a bit, some	5
电脑	diànnǎo	computer	8
电视	diànshì	television	4
电影	diànyǐng	movie	4
电子邮件	diànzǐ yóujiàn	email/electronic mail	10
东西	dōngxi	things, objects	9
懂	dǒng	to understand	7
都	dōu	both, all	2
对	duì	right, correct	4
对不起	duìbuqǐ	sorry	5
多	duō	how many/much, to what extent	3
多少	duōshao	how much/how many	9

E

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
儿子	érzi	son	2
二姐	èrjiě	second oldest sister	2

F

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
发短信	fā duǎnxìn	to send a text message	10
发音	fāyīn	pronunciation	8
饭	fàn	meal, (cooked) rice	3
方便	fāngbiàn	convenient	6
飞机	fēijī	airplane	10
(飞) 机场	(fēi)jīchǎng	airport	10
分	fēn	(measure word for 1/100 of a kuai, equivalent of a cent)	9
封	fēng	(measure word for letters)	8
付钱	fù qián	to pay money	9
复习	fùxí	to review	7

G

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
高速公路	gāosù gōnglù	highway	10
高文中	Gāo Wénzhōng	(a personal name)	2
高小音	Gāo Xiǎoyīn	(a personal name)	5
高兴	gāoxìng	happy, pleased	5
告诉	gàosu	to tell	8
哥哥	gēge	older brother	2

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
个	gè/ge	(measure word for many common everyday objects)	2
给	gěi	to give	v
给	gěi	to, for	prep
跟	gēn	with	prep
公共汽车	gōnggòng qìchē	bus	n
功课	gōngkè	homework, schoolwork	n
工作	gōngzuò	job; to work	n/v
贵	guì	honorable, expensive	adj

H

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
还	hái	also, too, as well	adv
还是	háishi	or	conj
孩子	háizi	child	n
寒假	hánjià	winter vacation	n
汉字	Hànzì	Chinese characters	n
好	hǎo	fine, good, nice, OK, it's settled	adj
好久	hǎojiǔ	a long time	adv
号	hào	(measure word for a position in a numerical series, day of the month)	m
号	hào	size	n
喝	hē	to drink	v
和	hé	and	conj
合适	héshì	suitable	adj
黑	hēi	black	adj
很	hěn	very	adv

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
红	hóng	red	adj
后来	hòulái	later	8
花	huā	to spend	10
换	huàn	to exchange, to change	9
黄	huáng	yellow	9
回家	huí jiā	to go home	5
回来	huí lai	to come back	6
会	huì	can, know how to	8
或者	huòzhě	or	10

J

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
几	jǐ	how many, some, a few	2
家	jiā	family, home	2
件	jiàn	(measure word for shirts, dresses, jackets, coats, etc.)	9
见	jiàn	to see	3
见面	jiàn miàn	to meet up, to meet with	6
教	jiāo	to teach	7
教室	jiàoshì	classroom	8
叫	jiào	to be called, to call	1
节	jié	(measure word for class periods)	6
姐姐	jiějie	older sister	2
介绍	jièshào	to introduce	5
今年	jīnnián	this year	3
今天	jīntiān	today	3
紧张	jǐnzhāng	nervous, anxious	10
进	jìn	to enter	5

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
进来	jìn lái	to come in	5
九月	jiǔyuè	September	3
就	jiù	precisely, exactly	6
觉得	juéde	to feel, to think	4

K

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
咖啡	kāfēi	coffee	5
咖啡色	kāfēisè	brown, coffee color	9
开车	kāi chē	to drive a car	10
开会	kāi huì	to have a meeting	6
开始	kāishǐ	to begin, to start; beginning	7
看	kàn	to watch, to look, to read	4
考试	kǎo shì	to give or take a test; test	6
可乐	kělè	cola	5
可是	kěshì	but	3
可以	kěyǐ	can, may	5
刻	kè	quarter (of an hour)	3
课	kè	class, course, lesson	6
课文	kèwén	text of a lesson	7
客气	kèqi	polite	6
空 (儿)	kòng(r)	free time	6
口	kǒu	(measure word for number of family members)	2
酷	kù	cool (appearance, behavior)	7
裤子	kùzi	pants	9

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
快	kuài	fast, quick; quickly	5
快乐	kuàilè	happy	10
块	kuài	(measure word for the basic Chinese monetary unit [equivalent of a dollar])	9

L

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
来	lái	to come	5
蓝	lán	blue	10
老师	lǎoshī	teacher	1
了	le	(a dynamic particle)	5
累	lèi	tired	8
李友	Lǐ Yǒu	(a personal name)	1
练习	liànxí	to practice	6
两	liǎng	two, a couple of	2
聊天 (儿)	liáo tiān(r)	to chat	5
路	lù	route, road	10
录音	lùyīn	sound recording; to record	7
绿	lǜ	green	10
律师	lǚshī	lawyer	2

M

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
妈妈	māma	mother, mom	2
吗	ma	(question particle)	1
麻烦	máfan	troublesome	10
买	mǎi	to buy	9

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
慢	màn	slow	7
忙	máng	busy	3
毛	máo	(measure word for 1/10 of a kuai [equivalent of a dime])	9
没	méi	not	2
每	měi	every, each	10
美国	Měiguó	America	1
妹妹	mèimei	younger sister	2
明天	míngtiān	tomorrow	3
名字	míngzi	name	1

N

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
哪	nǎ/něi	which	6
哪里	nǎlǐ	where	7
哪儿	nǎr	where	5
那	nà	that	2
那	nà	in that case, then	4
那儿	nàr	there	8
男	nán	male	2
难	nán	difficult	7
呢	ne	(question particle)	1
能	néng	can, to be able to	8
你	nǐ	you	1
年级	niánjí	grade in school	6
念	niàn	to read aloud	7
您	nín	you (honorific for 你)	6
纽约	Niǔyuē	New York	1
女	nǚ	female	2

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
女儿	nǚ'ér	daughter	2

P

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
朋友	péngyou	friend	3
篇	piān	(measure word for essays, articles, etc.)	8
便宜	piányi	cheap, inexpensive	9
票	piào	ticket	10
漂亮	piàoliang	pretty	5
瓶	píng	(measure word for bottled liquid, etc.)	5
平常	píngcháng	usually	7

Q

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
起床	qǐ chuáng	to get up	8
钱	qián	money	9
请	qǐng	please (polite form of request), to treat or to invite (somebody)	1
请客	qǐng kè	to invite someone (to dinner, coffee, etc.), to play the host	4
去	qù	to go	4

R

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
然后	ránhòu	then	10

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
让	ràng	to allow or cause (somebody to do something)	10
人	rén	people, person	1
认识	rènshi	to be acquainted with, to recognize	3
日记	rìjì	diary	8
容易	róngyì	easy	7
如果... 的话	rúguǒ... de huà	if	9

S

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
商店	shāngdiàn	store, shop	9
上个	shàng ge	previous, last	7
上课	shàng kè	to go to a class, to start a class, to be in class	7
上网	shàng wǎng	to go online, to surf the internet	8
上午	shàngwǔ	morning	6
谁	shéi	who, whom	2
什么	shénme	what	1
生词	shēngcí	new words, vocabulary	7
生日	shēngrì	birthday	3
十八	shíbā	eighteen	3
十二	shí'èr	twelve	3
时候	shíhou	(a point in) time, moment, (a duration of) time	4
时间	shíjiān	time	6
试	shì	to try	9
事 (儿)	shì(r)	matter, affair, event	3

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
是	shì	to be	1
收	shōu	to receive, to accept	9
手机	shǒujī	cell phone	10
售货员	shòuhuòyuán	shop assistant, salesclerk	9
书	shū	book	4
刷卡	shuā kǎ	to pay with a credit card	9
帅	shuài	handsome	7
双	shuāng	(measure word for a pair)	9
水	shuǐ	water	5
睡觉	shuì jiào	to sleep	4
说	shuō	to say, to speak	6
说话	shuō huà	to talk	7
送	sòng	to see off or out, to take (someone somewhere)	10
宿舍	sùshè	dormitory	8
算了	suàn le	forget it, never mind	4
虽然	suīrán	although	9
岁	suì	year (of age)	3
所以	suǒyǐ	so	4

T

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
他	tā	he, him	2
她	tā	she, her	2
它	tā	it	9
太... 了	tài...le	too, extremely	3
特别	tèbié	especially	10

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
天	tiān	day	3
条	tiáo	(measure word for pants and long, thin objects)	9
跳舞	tiào wǔ	to dance	4
听	tīng	to listen	4
挺	tǐng	very, rather	9
同学	tóngxué	classmate	3
图书馆	túshūguǎn	library	5

W

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
外国	wàiguó	foreign country	4
玩 (儿)	wán(r)	to have fun, to play	5
晚	wǎn	late	7
晚饭	wǎnfàn	dinner, supper	3
晚上	wǎnshang	evening, night	3
王朋	Wáng Péng	(a personal name)	1
喂	wéi/wèi	(on the phone) Hello!, Hey!	6
位	wèi	(polite measure word for people)	6
为什么	wèishénme	why	3
问	wèn	to ask (a question)	1
问题	wèntí	question, problem	6
我	wǒ	I, me	1
我们	wǒmen	we, us	3
午饭	wǔfàn	lunch, midday meal	8

X

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
希望	xīwàng	to hope; hope	8
喜欢	xǐhuan	to like	3
洗澡	xǐ zǎo	to take a bath/shower	8
下车	xià chē	to get off (a bus, train, etc.)	10
下个	xià ge	next	6
下午	xiàwǔ	afternoon	6
先	xiān	first	10
先生	xiānsheng	Mr., husband, teacher	1
线	xiàn	line	10
现在	xiànzài	now	3
想	xiǎng	to want to, would like to	4
小	xiǎo	small, little	4
小姐	xiǎojiě	Miss, young lady	1
笑	xiào	to laugh at, to laugh, to smile	8
鞋	xié	shoes	9
写	xiě	to write	7
谢谢	xièxie	to thank	3
新	xīn	new	8
新年	xīnnián	new year	10
信	xìn	letter (correspondence)	8
信用卡	xìnyòngkǎ	credit card	9
星期	xīngqī	week	3
星期四	xīngqīsì	Thursday	3
行	xíng	all right, OK	6
姓	xìng	(one' s) family name is...; family name	1
学	xué	to study, to learn	7

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
学期	xuéqī	school term, semester, quarter	8
学生	xuéshēng	student	1
学习	xuéxí	to study, to learn	7
学校	xuéxiào	school	5

Y

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
呀	ya	(interjectory particle used to soften a question)	5
颜色	yánsè	color	9
样子	yàngzi	style	9
要	yào	to want	5
要	yào	will, to be going to; to want to, to have a desire to	6
要是	yàoshi	if	6
也	yě	too, also	1
一边	yìbiān	simultaneously, at the same time	8
一共	yígòng	altogether	9
一起	yìqǐ	together	5
一下	yí xià	once, a bit	5
一样	yíyàng	same, alike	9
衣服	yīfu	clothes	9
医生	yīshēng	doctor, physician	2
以后	yǐhòu	after, from now on, later on	6
以前	yǐqián	before	8
已经	yǐjīng	already	8
因为	yīnwèi	because	3

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
音乐	yīnyuè	music	4
音乐会	yīnyuèhuì	concert	8
英国	Yīngguó	Britain	3
英文	Yīngwén	the English language	2
用	yòng	to use	8
有	yǒu	to have, to exist	2
有的	yǒude	some	4
有意思	yǒu yìsi	interesting	4
语法	yǔfǎ	grammar	7
预习	yùxí	to preview	7
月	yuè	month	3

Z

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
在	zài	at, in, on	5
在	zài	to be present, to be at (a place)	6
再	zài	again	9
再见	zàijiàn	goodbye, see you again	3
早	zǎo	early	7
早饭	zǎofàn	breakfast	8
早上	zǎoshang	morning	7
怎么	zěnmē	how, how come	7
怎么样	zěnmeyàng	Is it OK? How is that? How does that sound?	3
站	zhàn	(measure word for bus stops, train stops, etc.)	10
张	zhāng	(measure word for flat objects such as paper, pictures, etc.)	7
找	zhǎo	to look for	4

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
找 (钱)	zhǎo (qián)	to give change	9
照片	zhàopiàn	picture, photo	2
这	zhè	this	2
这么	zhème	so, this (late, etc.)	7
这儿	zhèr	here	9
真	zhēn	really	7
正在	zhèngzài	in the middle of (doing something)	8
枝	zhī	(measure word for long, thin, inflexible objects such as pens, pencils, etc.)	7
知道	zhīdao	to know	-
只	zhǐ	only	-
纸	zhǐ	paper	-
中	zhōng	medium, middle	-
中国	Zhōngguó	China	-
中文	Zhōngwén	the Chinese language	-
中午	zhōngwǔ	noon	-
种	zhǒng	(measure word for kinds, sorts, types)	-
周末	zhōumò	weekend	-
祝	zhù	to wish (well)	-
专业	zhuānyè	major (in college), specialty	-
准备	zhǔnbèi	to prepare	-
字	zì	character	-
自己	zìjǐ	oneself	-
走	zǒu	to go by way of, to walk	-
最后	zuìhòu	final, last	-
最近	zuìjìn	recently	-

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
昨天	zuótiān	yesterday	-
做	zuò	to do	-
坐	zuò	to sit	-
坐	zuò	to travel by	-

Lesson 11

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
tiānqì	天气	weather	1
bǐ	比	compared with, to compare	11
xià xuě	下雪	to snow	1
yuē	约	to make an appointment	1
gōngyuán	公园	park	11
huá bīng	滑冰	to ice skate	11
huì	会	will	11
lěng	冷	cold	11
gāngcái	刚才	just now, a moment ago	11
wǎng shang	网上	on the Internet	11
yùbào	预报	to forecast, forecast	1
gèng	更	even more	11
bùdàn..., érqiě...	不但..., 而且...	not only..., but also...	11
nuǎnhuo	暖和	warm	11
bàn	办	to handle, to do	11
nàme	那么	(indicating degree) so, such	11
hǎowánr	好玩儿	fun, amusing, interesting	11
fēicháng	非常	very, extremely, exceedingly	11

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
zāogāo	糟糕	in a terrible mess, how terrible	11
xià yǔ	下雨	to rain	11
yòu	又	again	11
miànshì	面试	to interview; interview (for a job or school admission)	11/n
huí qu	回去	to go back, to return	11
dōngtiān	冬天	winter	11
xiàtiān	夏天	summer	11
rè	热	hot	11
chūntiān	春天	spring	11
qiūtiān	秋天	autumn, fall	11
shūfu	舒服	comfortable	11
Jiāzhōu	加州	California	11

Lesson 12

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
fànguǎn(r)	饭馆 (儿)	restaurant	12
hǎoxiàng	好像	to seem, to be like	12
wèizi	位子	seat	12
fúwùyuán	服务员	waiter, attendant	12
fúwù	服务	to serve, to provide service	12
zhuōzi	桌子	table	12
diǎn cài	点菜	to order food	12
pán	盘	plate, dish	12
jiǎozi	饺子	dumplings (with vegetable and/or meat filling)	12
sù	素	vegetarian (lit. plain)	12

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
jiācháng	家常	home-style	12
dòufu	豆腐	tofu, bean curd	12
fàng	放	to put, to place	12
ròu	肉	meat	12
wǎn	碗	bowl	12
suānlàtāng	酸辣汤	hot-and-sour soup	12
suān	酸	sour	12
là	辣	spicy, hot	12
tāng	汤	soup	12
wèijīng	味精	monosodium glutamate (MSG)	12
yán	盐	salt	12
xiǎo báicài	小白菜	baby bok choy	12
gāng	刚	just	12
mài wán	卖完	to be sold out	12
wán	完	finished	12
qīngcài	青菜	green, leafy vegetable	12
bīngchá	冰茶	iced tea	12
bīng	冰	ice	12
kě	渴	thirsty	12
xiē	些	(measure word for an indefinite amount), some	12
gòu	够	enough	12
è	饿	hungry	12
shàng cài	上菜	to serve food	12
mài wán	卖完	to be sold out	12
wán	完	finished	12
qīngcài	青菜	green, leafy vegetable	12
bīngchá	冰茶	iced tea	12
bīng	冰	ice	12

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
kě	渴	thirsty	12
xiē	些	(measure word for an indefinite amount), some	12
gòu	够	enough	adj
è	饿	hungry	12
shàng cài	上菜	to serve food	12
shīfu	师傅	master worker	12
hàochī	好吃	delicious	12
tángcùyú	糖醋鱼	sweet-and-sour fish	12
táng	糖	sugar	12
cù	醋	vinegar	12
tián	甜	sweet	12
sūan	酸	sour	12
jí	极	extremely	12
hóngshāo	红烧	to braise in soy sauce (to red-cook)	12
niúròu	牛肉	beef	12
niú	牛	cow, ox	12
yú	鱼	fish	12
liángbàn	凉拌	(of food) cold “blended,” cold tossed	12
huánggua	黄瓜	cucumber	12
mǐfàn	米饭	cooked rice	12
wàng	忘	to forget	12
dài	带	to bring, to take, to carry, to come with	12
fànkǎ	饭卡	meal card	12
cuò	错	wrong	12
qīngchu	清楚	clear	12
méi guānxi	没关系	it doesn't matter	12

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
Shànghǎi	上海	Shanghai	12

Lesson 13

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
shàng	上	to go [colloq.]	13
zhōngxīn	中心	center	13
tīngshuō	听说	to be told, to hear of	13
yùndòng	运动	sports	13
chǎng	场	field	13
pángbiān	旁边	side	13
yuǎn	远	far	13
lí	离	away from	13
jìn	近	near	13
huódòng	活动	activity	13
zhōngjiān	中间	middle	13
shūdiàn	书店	bookstore	13
dìfang	地方	place	13
lǐbiān	里边	inside	13
Zhōngguóchéng	中国城	Chinatown	13
chéng	城	town, city	13
guo	过	(particle used after a verb to indicate a past experience)	13
dìtú	地图	map	n
ná	拿	to take, to get	v
cì	次	(measure word for frequency)	13
cóng	从	from	13
yìzhí	一直	straight, continuously	13
wǎng	往	towards	13
nán	南	south	13

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
lùkǒu	路口	intersection	13
xī	西	west	13
guǎi	拐	to turn	13
āi	哎	(exclamatory particle to express surprise or dissatisfaction)	13
dōng	东	east	13
běi	北	north	13
qián	前	forward, ahead	13
hónglǜdēng	红绿灯	traffic light	13
dēng	灯	light	13
yòu	右	right	13
zuǒ	左	left	13

Lesson 14

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
guò	过	to live (a life), to observe (a holiday), to celebrate (a festival), to pass	14
wǔhuì	舞会	dance party, ball	14
biǎojiě	表姐	older female cousin	14
zhōngxué	中学	middle school, secondary school	14
sòng	送	to give as a gift	14
lǐwù	礼物	gift, present	14
běn	本	(measure word for books)	14
yǐnliào	饮料	beverage	14
shuǐguǒ	水果	fruit	14

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
bǎ	把	(measure word for things with handles or handfuls of things)	14
huā	花	flower	14
ài	爱	to love, to like, to be fond of	14
píngguǒ	苹果	apple	14
lí	梨	pear	14
xīguā	西瓜	watermelon	14
zhù	住	to live (in a certain place)	14
zhòng	重	heavy, serious	14
jiē	接	to catch, to meet, to welcome	14
lóu	楼	multi-story building, floor (of a multi-level building)	14
Wáng Hóng	王红	a personal name	14
zhōngtóu	钟头	hour	14
yǐwéi	以为	to assume erroneously	14
cōngmíng	聪明	smart, bright, clever	14
yònggōng	用功	hardworking, diligent, studious	14
shǔqī	暑期	summer term	14
bān	班	class	14
zhǎng	长	to grow, to appear	14
kě'ài	可爱	cute, lovable	14
qùnián	去年	last year	14
shǔ	属	to belong to	14
gǒu	狗	dog	14
liǎn	脸	face	14
yuán	圆	round	14

Pinyin	Character	English	Lesson
yǎnjīng	眼睛	eye	14
bízi	鼻子	nose	14
zuǐ	嘴	mouth	14
xiàng	像	to be like, to look like, to take after	14
zhǎng dà	长大	to grow up	14
yíding	一定	certain, definite; certainly, definitely	14
dàngāo	蛋糕	cake	14
zuì	最	most, (of superlative degree) -est	14