

闪 Shǎn

Lesson 十九 Notes

These notes follow no particular order, since they follow the things as they come up in the lesson.

Writing

Pay attention to the writing of the following characters

现在	xiànzài	now and here
时候	shíhou	time
游泳	yòuyǒng	swimming
京剧	jīngjù	opera
老师	lǎoshī	teacher
先生	xiānshēng	mister
意思	yìsi	interesting
再见	zàijiàn	see you later

Emphasis

啊 can be used to add a little emphasis to a sentence or question.

...., 还有谁啊? hái yǒu shéi a?

To live/be

在 can be used to express being in a place, being busy with something, or being alive:

我在学习汉语。 wǒ zài xuéxí hànyǔ. I am studying Chinese.

你爸爸还在吗？ nǐ bàba hái zài ma? Is your father still alive?

你爸爸不在了吗？ nǐ bàba bù zài le ma? Is your father no more?

你在荷兰吗？ nǐ zài hélán ma? Are you in Holland?

Siblings

你有兄弟姐妹吗？

nǐ yǒu xiōngdì jiěmèi ma?

Do you have siblings?

To keep animals

养狗 yǎng gǒu keep / have dogs

养猫 yǎng māo keep / have cats

养马 yǎng mǎ keep / have horses

Flat things

The measure word for flat things, like photos, is 张 zhāng

‘On’

照片上的人是谁？

zhàopiàn shàng de rén shì shéi?

Who is the person in this picture?

照片上的人是我哥哥。

zhàopiàn shàng de rén shì wǒ gēge?

The person in the picture is my older brother.

Words

真	zhēn	real
真的	zhēnde	really !
爱人	àirén	spouse
儿子	érzi	son
女儿	nǚ'ér	daughter
只	zhī	measure word for animals
程序员	chéngxùyuán	programmer
那么多啊？	nàme duō a?	"So much eh?"

How many?

You can use two words for saying how many, the word used depends on the amount you are expecting in the answer.

多少	duōshao	used for large numbers
几	jǐ	used for small numbers, smaller than 10
多少个人？	duōshao ge rén	how many people?
多少钱？	duōshao qiǎn	how much money?
你们家有几口人？	nǐmen jiā yǒu jǐ kǒu rén?	
我们家有十二口人。	wǒmen jiā yǒu shí èr kǒu rén.	

To like

喜欢	xǐhuan	to like
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喜欢 + a main verb:

你喜欢喝啤酒吗？

nǐ xǐhuan hē píjiǔ ma?

你喜不喜欢喝啤酒？

nǐ xǐ bù xǐhuan hē píjiǔ?

pay attention of 喜不喜欢

我喜欢养马。

wǒ xǐhuan yǎng mǎ.

你喜欢中餐吗？

nǐ xǐhuan zhōngcān ma?

西餐, xīcān, western food

我听说比利时的人很喜欢喝啤酒。

wǒ tīngshuō Bǐlìshí de rén hěn xǐhuan hē
píjiǔ

我说啤酒很不好喝！

wǒ shuō píjiǔ hěn bù hǎo hē!

I say beer is not at all good to drink!