

语法

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huòzhě

## Brief explanation

In English, "or" can be used to connect words when offering or considering choices ("do you want chicken or beef?"). It can also be used as an "or" statement ("it doesn't matter if we eat chicken or beef"), in Chinese, this is what 或者 (huòzhě) is used for.

## Structure

While 还是 (háishì) is used for "or" in questions, 或者 (huòzhě) is used for "or" in statements.

Possibility 1 + 或者 + Possibility 2

## Examples

我喝咖啡 或者 茶，都行。  
Wǒ hē kāfēi huòzhě chá, dōu xíng.  
I drink coffee or tea. Either is OK.

周末的时候，我喜欢在家做饭 或者 看电影。  
Zhōumò de shíhòu, wǒ xǐhuan zài jiā zuòfàn huòzhě kàn diànyǐng.  
During the weekend, I like to cook or watch movies at home.

你去 或者 她去，都可以。  
Nǐ qù huòzhě tā qù, dōu kěyǐ.  
You go or she goes, either way is fine.

下个月我打算去杭州 或者 苏州旅行。  
Xià gè yuè wǒ dǎsuàn qù Hángzhōu huòzhě Sūzhōu lǚxíng.  
Next month I plan to go to Hangzhou or Suzhou to travel.