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| Difference, 分别, fun pih, (in customs) 風俗不同, fúng zóh pud dúng, (not very different) 大同小異, dá’ dúng ‘sia í. |
| Difficult, 難, nan, (to comprehend) 難以測量, nan ‘í t’suh liang, (to obtain) 難得個, nan tuh kú’. |
| Diffuse, (to) 播揚, pú yang. |
| Dig, 掘, giöh, (deep) 掘深, giöh sun, (a well) 掘井, giöh ‘tsing. |
| Digest, 消化, siau hwó. |
| Dignified, (appearance) 威風, wé fóng. |
| Dilemma, (in a) 兩難之間, ‘liang nan tsz kien. |
| Diligent, 殷勤, yun giun, 認真, niung’ tsun, 勤謹, giun ‘kiun, (and careful) 謹慎, ‘kiun zun, (and labourious) 勤勞, ‘giun lau. |
| Dim, 昏朦, hwun múng. |
| Dimensions, 長闊高深, dzang k‘weh kau sun. |
| Diminish, 減少, ‘kan ‘sau, (a little) 減脱一點, ‘kan t’eh ih ‘tien. |
| Diminutive, 細小, sí’ ‘siau. |
| Dimity, 柳條布, ‘lieu diau pú’. |
| Dinner, (at) 吃飯, c‘hiuh van’, (bring) 担飯, tan van’, (midday meal) 中飯, tsúng van’, (evening meal)夜飯, yá’ van’. |
| Dip, (in water) 温拉水裏, wun ‘lá ‘sz ‘lí, 浸, tsing’. |
| Direct, 正直, tsung’ dzuh, 壁立, pih lih dzuh. |
| Direct, (to) 管理, ‘kwén ‘lí, 主張, ‘tsû tsang, (by pointing) 指引, ‘tsz ‘yun, 指點, ‘tsz ‘tien. |
| Directly, 一直, ih dzuh, (immediately) 馬上, ‘mó ‘long, 立刻, lih k’uh, 就来, dzieu’ lé. |
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| Director, 管事體個, ‘kwen zz‘ ‘t’í kú’, (of justice) 按察司, ön’ t’sah sz, (of finance) 布政司, pú’ tsung’ sz. |
| Dirt, 泥土, ní ‘t’ú, 爛泥, lan ní. |
| Dirty, 齷齪, ok t'soh, 垃塌, lah t‘ah, (to) 累齷齪, ló’ oh t’soh. |
| Disadvantageous, (to me) 我吃虧, ‘ngú c’hiuh k’wé (k’ü). |
| Disagree, 勿相合, veh siang heh, 脾氣勿對, pí c’hí’ veh té’, 勿和睦, veh hú móh, 勿對, veh té’. |
| Disallow, 勿准, veh ‘tsung, 勿許, veh ‘hú. |
| Disappear, 勿見, veh kien'. |
| Disappoint, (my hopes) 辜負我望頭, kú veu’ ‘ngú mong’ deu, (disappointed) 失望, se mong’, 失意, seh í’. |
| Disaster, 災難, tsé nan‘. |
| Disavow, 勿認, veh niung’, 勿承認, veh zung niung. |
| Disband, 散兵, ‘san ping. |
| Disbelieve, 勿信, veh sing’. |
| Discard, 勿用, veh yúng’, 棄脱, c’hí t’eh. |
| Discernment, 見識, kien’ suh, 心地聰明, sing dí’ t’súng ming. |
| Discharge, (cargo) 開艙, k’é t’song, 卸船, siá’ zén, (arrow) 射箭, zok tsien’, (a debt) 賠還, bé wan, (a prisoner) 釋放, suh fong’. |
| Disciple, 門徒, mun dú, 學生子, hok sang ‘tsz. |
| Discipline, 教法, kiau’ fah, (military) 兵法, ping fah. |
| Disclose, 露出来, lú’ t’seh lé, 泄漏, sih leu’. |