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| Drive, 趕, ‘kûn, 趕脱, ‘kûn t’eh, (a wheel barrow) 推小車, t’é ‘siau ts’ó, (a nail) 釘釘, ting’ ting’. |
| Droop, (strength) 氣力衰敗, k’i’ lih sé bá’, 精神少者, tsing zun ‘sau ‘tsé, (flowers) 乾枯, kûn k’ú. |
| Drop, (water) 滴, tih, (down)跌下来, tih ‘hau lé, (anchor) 拋錨, p’au mau. |
| Dropsy, (feet) 脚腫起来, kiah’ t’stúng ‘k’í lé, (name of disease) 蠱病, ‘kú bing’. |
| Drought, 天旱, t’ien hön’, (for several years) 連年大旱, lien nien dú’ hön’. |
| Drowned, 沉殺者, dzun sah ‘tsé, (drown little girls)溺女, niuh ‘nü. |
| Drugs, 藥材, yah dzé. |
| Drum, 鼓, ‘kú. |
| Drunk, 吃醉酒者, k’iuh tsûn’ ‘tsieu ‘tsé. |
| Dry, 乾, kûn, (dry in the sun) 晒乾, só’ kûn, (to dry clothes) 晒or 晾衣裳, long’ í zong, (wipe dry)揩乾, k’á kûn. |
| Dual, (principle in nature) 陰陽, yun yang. |
| Duck, 鴨, ah, (wild) 野鴨, ‘yá ah. |
| Duckweed, 浮萍, veú bing. |
| Due, (money) 欠少個銅錢, k’ien’ ‘sau kú’ dúng dien, 欠拉個債, k’ien’ ‘lá kú’ tsá. |
| Duke, 公爺, kúng yá, (rank of)公爵, kúng tsiáh. |
| Dull, (in perception) 愚蠢, nü t’sun, 呆笨, ngé bun’, (dull knife) 鈍刀, dun’ tau, (dull day) 陰天, yun t’ien. |
| Dumb, (person) 啞子, ‘au ‘tsz. |
| Dung, 糞, fun’. |
| Dungeon, 監牢, kan lan, 獄, nióh. |
| Durable, 牢, lau, 堅固, kien ‘kú. |
| Dusk, 黄昏頭, wong hwun deu. |
| Dust, 蓬塵, búng dzun, (to dust) 摣摣蓬塵, tön tön búng dzun. |
| Duster, (feather) 雞毛摣肘, kí mau tön ‘tseu, (wet) 揩布, k’á pú’. |
| Dutiful, (son) 孝子, hiau’ ‘tsz, (officer)忠臣, tsúng dzun. |
| Duty, 本分, ‘pun vun’, (custom) 税銀, sûe’ niun. |
| Dwarf, 矮子, ‘á ‘tsz. |
| Dwell, 住, dzû’, (temporarily) 耽擱, tan koh. |
| Dye, (cloth) 染布, ‘nien pú’, (red) 染紅, ‘nien hung. |
| Dynasty, 朝代, dzau dé’, (present) 本朝, ‘pun dzau. |
| Dysentery, 紅痢疾, hung lí’ dzih or hung báh lí’ dzih. |
| Dyspepsia, 肚裏勿消化, tú’ ‘lí veh siau hwó’. |