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| Retire, (from office) 退休, t’é’ h'ieu, (from the front) 迴避, wé bí’, (modestly) 謙休, k’ien t’é’. |
| Retired, 幽靜, yeu dzing’. |
| Retract, 反口, ‘fan ‘k’eu. |
| Retribution, 報讎 , pau’ yung’. |
| Return, 轉来, ’tsén lé, 回轉来, wé ‘tsén lé, 孛轉来, beh ‘tsén lé, 旋轉来, zien ‘tsén lé, 歸回, kwé wé, (home) 歸去, kü k’í’, (return to the world from being a monk) 還俗, wan zóh. |
| Reveal, 默示, muh zz’, 暗底裏指示, én’ ‘tí ‘lí ‘tsz zz’. |
| Revenge, 報雠, pau’ dzeu. |
| Revenue, 賦稅, fú’ sûe’, 國土進餉, kóh dú’ tsing’ ‘h’iang, (customs) 税銀, sûe’ niun, (land revenue) 錢糧, zien liang. |
| Revere, 恭敬, kúng kiung’. |
| Reverence, 肅靜, sóh dzing’, 虔心, gien sing, 敬虔, kiung’ gien. |
| Reverie, (be in) 發迷, fah mí, 心往象外, sing ‘wong ziang’ wé’. |
| Reverse, 相對, siang té’, 倒反, ‘tau ‘fan. |
| Reverse, (to) 回轉来, wé ’tsén lé, 反轉来, ‘fan ‘tsén lé, 倒轉来, ‘tau ‘tsén lé. |
| Revert, (to its original)歸回本原, kwé wé ‘pun niön, 復原, vóh niön. |
| Review, (military) 操練, t’sau lien’, (examine) 查驗, dzó nien’. |
| Revile, 毀謗, ‘hwé pong’, 罵人, mó’ niun . |
| Revise, 校訂, kiau’ ting’, 删訂, san ting’. |
| Revive, 復興, vóh h’iung. |
| Revolt, 叛逆, bén niuh, 造反, ‘zau ‘fan. |
| Revolve, 旋轉, zien ‘tsén, 輪轉, lun ‘tsén, 轉輸, ‘tsén yün’. |
| Reward, 賞, ‘song, 賞賜, ‘song sz’. |
| Rheumatism, 骨頭痛, kweh deu t’úng’, (in the shoulder) 肩瘋, kien fúng. |
| Rhinoceros, 犀牛, sí nieu. |
| Rhubarb, 大黄, dá’ wong, |
| Rhyme, 韻 yün’, 韻脚, yün’ kiáh. |
| Ribs, 肋旁骨, luh bang kweh. |
| Ribband, 带, tá’. |
| Rice, (growing) 稻, dau’, (uncooked) 米, ‘mí, (boiled) 飯, van’. |
| Rich, 富, fú’, (to become) 發財, fah dzé, (a rich man) 財主, dzé ‘tsû, 財翁, dzé úng, (riches and honour) 富貴, fú’ kwé’. |
| Riddle, 隱語, ‘yun ‘nü. . |
| Ride, (a horse) 騎馬, gí ‘mó, (in a carriage) 坐車, zú’ t’só, (in a sedan) 坐轎, zú’ giau’. |
| Ridge, (of a house) 房脊, vong tsih, (of the back) 背脊骨, pé’ tsih kwéh, (of a mountain range) 山脊, san tsih, 連山個脊梁, lien san kú’ tsih liang. |
| Ridicule, 譏刺, kí t’sz’, 譏諷, kí fúng’, 譏誚, kí ziau’, 戱笑, h’í’ siau’. |
| Ridiculous, 好笑, ‘hau sian’. |
| Rig, (of a vessel how many masts?) 幾根桅子, ‘kí kun wé ‘tsz. |
| Right, 理所當然, ‘lí ‘sú tong zén, 有理, ‘yeu ‘lí, 勿差, veh t’só, (ought) 應當個, yung tong kú’, (right doctrine) 正道, tsung’ ‘dau, (right angle) 直角, dzuk koh, (right hand) 右手, yeu’ ‘seu, (right side) 右邊, yeu’ pien, (soldiers who struggle for right) 義兵, n’í’ ping, (right feeling) 正氣, tsung’ k’í, (not right) 勿是, veh ‘zz, 勿正, veh tsung’, 勿合情理, veh heh dzing ‘lí. |