

## Useful conversation routines

- **Greetings:**

- nǐhǎo !
- zǎoshàng hǎo (good morning)  
/xiàwǔ hǎo (good afternoon)  
/wǎnshàng hǎo (good evening) !
- nǐ zěnmeyàng (is that okay)?

- **Goodbye**

- zàijiàn !
- míngtiān jiàn ! (see you tomorrow)

- **Apology:**

- A: duìbùqǐ ! (sorry)  
B: méiguānxi 。 (it's okay)

- **Appreciation:**

- A: xièxie ! (thanks)  
B: búxiè /búkèqi ! (no thanks)

### Grammar:

1. **hǎojiǔ bújiàn, nǐ zěnmeyàng?**

long time no see, how' s going

2. two meanings of zěnmeyàng? (1) Is it okay? =hǎo bù hǎo?/hǎo ma?

(2) How' s going?

3. 上个/这个/下个 +星期/周末/月 last/this/next +week/weekend/month

shàng'ge /zhèige /xiàge +xīngqī /zhōumò /yuè

4. 要是……, 就…… yàoshì …… , jiù…… if……

5. Tone softener: Verb+点儿(diǎnr)+Noun a little, a bit; some

6. **Gěi**(给)+somebody+something , to give