This is a cumulative vocabulary index containing the vocabulary words in Volumes 1 through 5. The index is arranged in alphabetical order by *pinyin*. Homonyms appear in order of their tonal pronunciation (i.e., first tones first, second tones second, third tones third, fourth tones fourth, and neutral tones last).

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| **Pinyin** | **Simplified Characters** | **Traditional Characters** | **Part of Speech** | **English Definition** | **Volume, Lesson** |
| **A** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ālābó | 阿拉伯 | 阿拉伯 | *prn.* | Arabic | III-9 |
| Ā Q | 阿Q | 阿Q | *prn.* | Ah Q, the protagonist in Lu Xun’s novel *The True Story of Ah Q* | III-6 |
| āyí | 阿姨 | 阿姨 | *n.* | mother’s sister; aunt | II-9 |
| āi | 哎 | 哎 | *int.* | (expressing surprise or disapproval) hey; look out; why | IV-2 |
| āidào | 哀悼 | 哀悼 | *v.* | grieve over sb.’s death | IV-4 |
| āijíwénzì | 埃及文字 | 埃及文字 | *n.* | Egyptian writing | V-10 |
| āiyā | 哎呀 | 哎呀 | *interj.* | Ah! | II-7 |
| áizhèng | 癌症 | 癌症 | n. | cancer | V-8 |
| àimù | 爱慕 | 愛慕 | *v.* | adore; admire | I-8 |
| àiqíng | 爱情 | 愛情 | *n.* | love | I-6 |
| Àiyīnsītǎn | 爱因斯坦 | 愛因斯坦 | *prn.* | Einstein (1879-1955) | V-4 |
| ānwèi | 安慰 | 安慰 | *v.* | comfort, to console | III-6 |
| ànmó | 按摩 | 按摩 | *v.* | massage | V-5 |
| àntúsuǒjì | 按图索骥 | 按圖索驥 | *id.* | try to locate something by following up a clue | III-4 |
| ànzhào | 按照 | 按照 | *prep.* | according to | III-5 |
| àomì | 奥秘 | 奧秘 | *n.* | mystery; enigma | V-4 |
| àorán kāifàng | 傲然开放 | 傲然開放 | *id.* | proudly come into bloom | IV-9 |
| **B** |  |  |  |  |  |
| bāguà | 八卦 | 八卦 | *n.* | the Eight Diagrams | IV-8 |
| bá | 拔 | 拔 | *v.* | pull up | II-8 |
| bǎwán | 把玩 | 把玩 | *v.* | hold something appreciatively | I-7 |
| bàmiǎn | 罢免 | 罷免 | *v.* | recall ofﬁcials | IV-7 |
| báibáide | 白白地 | 白白地 | *adv.* | for nothing, in vain | III-6 |
| báifèilì | 白费力 | 白費力 | *vo.* | futile effort; fruitless labor | IV-3 |
| báijiǔ | 白酒 | 白酒 | *n.* | white liquor | I-4 |
| báilù | 白鹭 | 白鷺 | *n.* | egret | V-7 |
| báisè | 白色 | 白色 | *n.* | white | I-3 |
| báitóudàolǎo | 白头到老 | 白頭到老 | *id.* | to live together until old age | II-6 |
| báiyín | 白银 | 白銀 | *n.* | silver | I-6 |
| bǎi | 百 | 百 | *num.* | hundred | II-10 |
| bǎi | 摆 | 擺 | *v.* | put; place | III-8 |
| bǎihuā diāolíng | 百花凋零 | 百花凋零 | *id.* | ﬂowers are fallen and scattered | IV-9 |
| bǎiwàn | 百万 | 百萬 | *num.* | million | II-10 |
| bàinián | 拜年 | 拜年 | *vo.* | give New Year’s greetings | IV-8 |
| bān | 搬 | 搬 | *v.* | move | III-2 |
| bānbù | 颁布 | 頒佈 | *v.* | issue; announce | V-2 |
| bàn | 办 | 辦 | *v.* | do | II-8 |
| bàn | 拌 | 拌 | *v.* | mix | IV-3 |
| Bànpōcūn | 半坡村 | 半坡村 | *prn.* | archaeological site near Xi’an | I-10 |
| bànshì | 办事 | 辦事 | *v.* | work; handle affairs | I-5 |
| bàntiān | 半天 | 半天 | *n.* | a long time; quite a while | II-1 |
| bànzòu | 伴奏 | 伴奏 | *v.* | accompany (with music instrument) | V-6 |
| bāo | 包 | 包 | *v.* | wrap; bundle | I-3 |
| bāoluó wànxiàng | 包罗万象 | 包羅萬象 | *id.* | all-embracing; all-inclusive | IV-4, V-5 |
| bāozi | 包子 | 包子 | *n.* | steamed stuffed bun | II-5 |
| báobǐng | 薄饼 | 薄餅 | *n.* | pancake | I-5 |
| bǎobèi | 宝贝 | 寶貝 | *n.* | treasure | II-10 |
| bǎoliú | 保留 | 保留 | *v.* | continue to have; retain | III-10 |
| bǎoshí | 宝石 | 寶石 | *n.* | jewel; precious stone | I-6 |
| bǎowèi | 保卫 | 保衛 | *v.* | defend | I-10 |
| bǎoyòu | 保佑 | 保佑 | *v.* | bless and protect | I-6 |
| bàodǎo | 报导 | 報導 | *v.* | report (news) | V-8 |
| bàozhà | 爆炸 | 爆炸 | *v.* | explode; blow up | V-8 |
| bàozhú | 爆竹 | 爆竹 | *n.* | ﬁrecracker | IV-4 |
| bēijù | 悲剧 | 悲劇 | *n.* | tragedy | IV-10 |
| běidǒuxīng | 北斗星 | 北鬥星 | *prn.* | the Big Dipper | I-9, II-4 |
| bèimiàn | 背面 | 背面 | *n.* | back; reverse side | I-6 |
| běn | 本 | 本 | *adj.* | original; initial | IV-9 |
| běnlái | 本来 | 本來 | *adv.* | originally | I-4 |
| běnlǐng | 本领 | 本領 | *n.* | skill; ability | V-3 |
| běnshēn | 本身 | 本身 | *n.* | itself; in itself | III-8 |
| bèn | 笨 | 笨 | *adj.* | stupid; foolish | II-8 |
| bī | 逼 | 逼 | *v.* | force; compel | IV-10 |
| bǐgǎn | 笔杆 | 筆桿 | *n.* | shaft of a pen | III-8 |
| bǐjià | 笔架 | 筆架 | *n.* | pen rack; brush-holder | III-8 |
| bǐjiào | 比较 | 比較 | *adv.* | comparatively | II-5 |
| bǐmáo | 笔毛 | 筆毛 | *n.* | the bristles of a Chinese writing brush | III-8 |
| bǐmào | 笔帽 | 筆帽 | *n.* | the cap of a pen | III-8 |
| bǐrú | 比如 | 比如 | *adv.* | for example | I-4 |
| bǐsàbǐng | 比萨饼 | 比薩餅 | *n.* | pizza | I-5 |
| bǐsài | 比赛 | 比賽 | *n./v.* | match, competition; compete | I-7, III-4 |
| bǐtǒng | 笔筒 | 筆筒 | *n.* | pen container; brush pot | III-8 |
| bǐxīn | 笔心 | 筆心 | *n.* | pencil lead; pen refill; ink cartridge | III-8 |
| bǐyù | 比喻 | 比喻 | *v.* | compare; draw a parallel | IV-3 |
| bǐzuò | 比做 | 比做 | *v.* | compare metaphorically; make an analogy | III-7 |
| bì | 避 | 避 | *v.* | avoid; keep away | III-10 |
| bìbìng | 弊病 | 弊病 | *n.* | drawback | IV-10 |
| bìxié | 辟邪 | 辟邪 | *vo.* | exorcise evil spirits | IV-8 |
| bìxū | 必须 | 必須 | *adv.* | must; have to | III-5 |
| bìyào | 必要 | 必要 | *adj.* | necessary | III-4 |
| bìyè | 毕业 | 畢業 | *v.* | graduate; finish school | III-2 |
| bìzhí | 币值 | 幣值 | *n.* | value of the money | IV-8 |
| biān | 编 | 編 | *v.* | make up; compose | I-8 |
| biānfú | 蝙蝠 | 蝙蝠 | *n.* | bat | II-6 |
| biānpào | 鞭炮 | 鞭炮 | *n.* | ﬁrecracker | I-3 |
| biānzào | 编造 | 編造 | *v.* | make up | V-3 |
| biànchéng | 变成 | 變成 | *vc.* | change into; become | I-4 |
| biànde | 变得 | 變得 | *v.* | change to | II-3 |
| biànhuànduōduān | 变幻多端 | 變幻多端 | *id.* | change irregularly | V-1 |
| biànxíng | 变形 | 變形 | *v.* | deform; transform | V-4 |
| biāozhì | 标识 | 標識 | *n.* | mark | IV-8 |
| biǎodá | 表达 | 表達 | *v.* | express; convey | II-6 |
| biǎomíng | 表明 | 表明 | *v.* | make known; indicate | II-5 |
| biǎoshì | 表示 | 表示 | *v.* | express; indicate | I-3, II-9 |
| biǎoxiàn | 表现 | 表現 | *v.* | show; display; manifest | III-10 |
| biǎoxiànshǒufǎ | 表现手法 | 表現手法 | *n.* | manner of expression | V-4 |
| biǎoyì | 表意 | 表意 | *v.* | indicate meaning, ideograph | V-10 |
| biétí | 别提 | 別提 | *v.* | don’t mention | IV-2 |
| bīnlín | 濒临 | 瀕臨 | *v.* | be close to; border on | V-8 |
| bīngdiāo | 冰雕 | 冰雕 | *n.* | ice sculpture | I-7 |
| Bīngmǎyǒng | 兵马俑 | 兵馬俑 | *prn.* | Terracotta Warriors | I-6, I-10 |
| bīngqīng yùjié | 冰清玉洁 | 冰清玉潔 | *id.* | pure and noble | IV-9 |
| bǐnggān | 饼干 | 餅乾 | *n.* | cookie | I-5 |
| bìngfēi | 并非 | 並非 | *adv.* | really not | V-1 |
| bōkāi | 拨开 | 撥開 | *v.* | to move (sth.) aside | V-1 |
| bóqíng | 薄情 | 薄情 | *adj.* | ﬁckle; inconstant in love | I-8 |
| bóshì | 博士 | 博士 | *n.* | doctoral degree; Ph.D. | III-2 |
| bùcuò | 不错 | 不錯 | *adj.* | not bad; pretty good | II-2 |
| bùfǎ | 步法 | 步法 | *n.* | footwork | V-6 |
| bùfèn | 部分 | 部分 | *n.* | part; portion | III-5 |
| bùfùcúnzài | 不复存在 | 不復存在 | *id.* | be no longer in existence | V-10 |
| bùguǎn | 不管 | 不管 | *conj.* | no matter (what, how, etc.) | I-1 |
| bùhǎoyìsi | 不好意思 | 不好意思 | *adj.* | feel embarrassed | II-1 |
| bùjǐnbúmàn | 不紧不慢 | 不緊不慢 | *id.* | not in a hurry | IV-2 |
| bùjǐn...érqiě | 不仅…而且 | 不僅…而且 | *conj.* | not only...but also | II-2 |
| bùjiǔ | 不久 | 不久 | *adv.* | soon; before long; not long after | I-8, III-2 |
| bùluò | 部落 | 部落 | *n.* | tribe; clan | V-9 |
| bùsǐyào | 不死药 | 不死藥 | *n.* | immortality elixir | II-3 |
| bùyànqífán | 不厌其烦 | 不厭其煩 | *id.* | with great patience | V-6 |
| bùyìlèhū | 不亦乐乎 | 不亦樂乎 | *id.* | extremely happy | V-10 |
| bùyóude | 不由得 | 不由得 | *adv.* | can't help; cannot but | V-7 |
| bùyuǎnwànlǐ | 不远万里 | 不遠萬里 | *id.* | without regarding a thousand miles as very distant–take the trouble of traveling a long distance | III-10 |
| bùzhòu | 步骤 | 步驟 | *n.* | step; move | IV-6 |
| **C** |  |  |  |  |  |
| cāixiǎng | 猜想 | 猜想 | *v.* | suppose; guess | II-1 |
| cáilì | 财力 | 財力 | *n.* | financial resources; capital resources | V-9 |
| cáinéng | 才能 | 才能 | *n.* | ability; talent | III-7 |
| cáizhì | 才智 | 才智 | *n.* | ability and wisdom | V-8 |
| cǎibǐ | 彩笔 | 彩筆 | *n.* | colored pencil | I-3 |
| cǎihóng | 彩虹 | 彩虹 | *n.* | rainbow | I-3 |
| càidān | 菜单 | 菜單 | *n.* | menu | II-5 |
| cánkuì | 惭愧 | 慚愧 | *adj.* | ashamed | III-7 |
| cánliú | 残留 | 殘留 | *v.* | remain; be left over | V-7 |
| cánshā | 残杀 | 殘殺 | *v.* | murder; massacre | III-7 |
| cànlàn | 灿烂 | 燦爛 | *adj.* | magnificent; splendid; resplendent | III-10 |
| Cāngjié | 仓颉 | 倉頡 | *prn.* | personal name. Cangjie was the ofﬁcial historian during the reign of the Yellow Emperor | IV-5 |
| Cáo Cāo | 曹操 | 曹操 | *prn.* | Cao Cao (A.D.155–220) A powerful warlord in the late Han Dynasty period | III-7 |
| Cáo Pī | 曹丕 | 曹丕 | *prn.* | Cao Pi (A.D. 187–226) Cao Cao’s elder son, a shrewd ruler of the state of Wei and also a poet | III-7 |
| Cáo Xuěqín | 曹雪芹 | 曹雪芹 | *prn.* | name of an author (1715–1763) | IV-10 |
| Cáo Zhí | 曹植 | 曹植 | *prn.* | Cao Zhi (A.D. 192–232) Cao Cao’s younger son, a renowned poet | III-7 |
| cǎocóng | 草丛 | 草叢 | *n.* | thick growth of grass | IV-2 |
| cǎodì | 草地 | 草地 | *n.* | grassland; meadow | I-2 |
| cǎolǜsè | 草绿色 | 草綠色 | *n.* | grass green | I-3 |
| céng | 层 | 層 | *n.* | layer; tier | I-7 |
| céngjīng | 曾经 | 曾經 | *adv.* | once; at one time | III-6 |
| chābié | 差别 | 差別 | *n.* | discrepancy; difference | III-5, V-10 |
| chádào | 茶道 | 茶道 | *n.* | tea ceremony | I-4 |
| cháyì | 茶艺 | 茶藝 | *n.* | art of brewing, drinking, or serving tea | I-4 |
| cháiyóu | 柴油 | 柴油 | *n.* | diesel oil | III-3 |
| chānfú | 搀扶 | 攙扶 | *v.* | support sb. with one’s hand | I-1 |
| chǎnliàng | 产量 | 產量 | *n.* | output | V-7 |
| chǎnluǎn | 产卵 | 產卵 | *v.* | lay eggs; spawn | V-8 |
| chǎnshēng | 产生 | 產生 | *v.* | bring | III-3 |
| chāngshèngbùhuāi | 昌盛不衰 | 昌盛不衰 | *id.* | be forever prosperous | V-10 |
| Chángchéng | 长城 | 長城 | *prn.* | the Great Wall of China | I-10 |
| chángcǐyǐwǎng | 长此以往 | 長此以往 | *id.* | if things go on like this | V-10 |
| Cháng’é | 嫦娥 | 嫦娥 | *prn.* | goddess of the moon | II-4 |
| cháng’ébēnyuè | 嫦娥奔月 | 嫦娥奔月 | *prn.* | Legend of Chang’e | I-9 |
| chángmìng fùguì | 长命富贵 | 長命富貴 | *id.* | live a long life of abundance and honor | IV-8 |
| chángshēngbùlǎo | 长生不老 | 長生不老 | *id.* | immortal | II-3 |
| chángshòu | 长寿 | 長壽 | *adj.* | long life | II-6 |
| chàngqiāng | 唱腔 | 唱腔 | *n.* | pronunciation and style of singing in Chinese opera | V-6 |
| chàngtōng | 畅通 | 暢通 | *adj.* | unimpeded; unblocked | V-5 |
| chāoqiáng | 超强 | 超強 | *adj.* | super strong | V-3 |
| chāorén | 超人 | 超人 | *n.* | Superman | V-4 |
| chāoyuè | 超越 | 超越 | *v.* | surpass | V-10 |
| cháo | 朝 | 朝 | *prep.* | towards | III-4 |
| cháoshī | 潮湿 | 潮濕 | *adj.* | moist; damp | II-3 |
| chéntǔ | 尘土 | 塵土 | *n.* | dust | V-9 |
| chèn | 趁 | 趁 | *prep.* | take advantage of | II-4 |
| chèntuō | 衬托 | 襯托 | *v.* | help to increase an effect; accentuate a kind of atmosphere | V-6 |
| chēnghu | 称呼 | 稱呼 | *n.* | form of address | II-9 |
| chēngwèi | 称谓 | 稱謂 | *n.* | appellation; title | II-9 |
| chénghuà | 乘化 | 乘化 | *v.* | along with the natural | V-1 |
| chéngjì | 成绩 | 成績 | *n.* | grade; achievement | II-9 |
| chéngjiù | 成就 | 成就 | *n.* | achievement; success; accomplishment | III-2, V-4 |
| chéngqiánqǐhòu | 承前启后 | 承前啟後 | *id.* | serve as a link between past and future | V-10 |
| chéngqiáng | 城墙 | 城牆 | *n.* | city wall | I-10 |
| chéngsè | 橙色 | 橙色 | *n.* | orange | I-3 |
| chéngshì | 城市 | 城市 | *n.* | city; town | I-1 |
| chéngshú | 成熟 | 成熟 | *v.* | ripen; mature | IV-5 |
| chéngwéi | 成为 | 成為 | *v.* | become; turn into | III-2 |
| chéngyuán | 成员 | 成員 | *n.* | member | II-9 |
| chéngzài | 承载 | 承載 | *v.* | bear (as of abstract concepts, such as culture, meaning, etc.) | V-10 |
| chéngzhǎng | 成长 | 成長 | *v.* | grow up; grow to maturity | III-2 |
| chīrénshuōmèng | 痴人说梦 | 癡人說夢 | *id.* | idiotic nonsense | V-4 |
| chīsù | 吃素 | 吃素 | *v.* | be a vegetarian | I-5 |
| chǐcun | 尺寸 | 尺寸 | *n.* | measurement; length; size | IV-6 |
| chōngmǎn | 充满 | 充满 | *v.* | be full of; be brimming with | IV-4 |
| chónghūn | 重婚 | 重婚 | *n.* | bigamy | II-2, V-2 |
| chóngyángjié | 重阳节 | 重陽節 | *prn.* | Double Ninth Festival (the ninth day of the ninth lunar month) | III-1 |
| chóngzi | 虫子 | 蟲子 | *n.* | insect | I-6 |
| chǒng’ài | 宠爱 | 寵愛 | *adj.* | pamper; dote on | II-10 |
| chǒu | 丑 | 醜 | *adj.* | ugly | II-2 |
| chū | 出 | 齣 | *m.* | measure word for dramas, plays, or operas | V-6 |
| chūjiā | 出家 | 出家 | *v.* | become a monk or nun | IV-10 |
| chūliàn | 初恋 | 初戀 | *n.* | first love | II-1 |
| chūtǔ | 出土 | 出土 | *v.* | (of antiques) be unearthed; be excavated | I-10, IV-5 |
| chūwài | 出外 | 出外 | *v.* | go out | I-5 |
| chūxiàn | 出现 | 出現 | *v.* | appear; arise | I-1 |
| chūzhōng | 初中 | 初中 | *n.* | junior high school | III-2 |
| chú | 除 | 除 | *v.* | get rid of; eliminate | IV-8 |
| chújiù | 除旧 | 除舊 | *vo.* | get rid of the old | IV-4 |
| chúxíng | 雏形 | 雛形 | *n.* | embryonic form | IV-6 |
| chuāi | 揣 | 揣 | *v.* | hold sth. in one’s clothes | V-1 |
| chuānyuè | 穿越 | 穿越 | *v.* | pass though; cut across | V-4 |
| chuán | 传 | 傳 | *v.* | pass; pass on; hand down | I-4, III-9 |
| chuánbō | 传播 | 傳播 | *v.* | disseminate; spread | V-10 |
| chuánchéng | 传承 | 傳承 | *v.* | inherit | V-10 |
| chuánshuō | 传说 | 傳說 | *n.* | legend | I-8, III-1 |
| chuántǒng | 传统 | 傳統 | *n.* | tradition | II-10 |
| chuánzōngjiēdài | 传宗接代 | 傳宗接代 | *id.* | keep the family line alive | II-10 |
| chuǎnqì | 喘气 | 喘氣 | *v.* | breathe heavily; gasp for breath | IV-2 |
| chuàn | 串 | 串 | *v.* | string together | IV-6 |
| chuāngkǒu | 窗口 | 窗口 | *n.* | window | I-5 |
| chuàngzào | 创造 | 創造 | *v.* | create; produce | IV-5 |
| chuàngzuò | 创作 | 創作 | *v.* | create; produce | V-4 |
| chuīxū | 吹嘘 | 吹噓 | *v.* | brag | III-2 |
| chūnjié | 春节 | 春節 | *prn.* | the Spring Festival (the first day of the first month of the Chinese lunar calendar) | III-1 |
| chūnlián | 春联 | 春聯 | *n.* | Spring Festival couplets (pasted on gateposts or doors) | I-3 |
| chúncuì | 纯粹 | 纯粹 | *adj.* | pure | IV-10 |
| chúnjié | 纯洁 | 純潔 | *adj.* | pure | I-3 |
| chuòxué | 辍学 | 輟學 | *v.* | discontinue one's studies | III-2 |
| cíguān | 辞官 | 辭官 | *vo.* | resign from a government official position | V-1 |
| cǐwài | 此外 | 此外 | *conj.* | besides; in addition | V-7 |
| cìshā | 刺杀 | 刺殺 | *v.* | stab and kill | V-9 |
| cìxiù | 刺绣 | 刺繡 | *n.* | embroidery | I-7 |
| cōngyóubǐng | 葱油饼 | 蔥油餅 | *n.* | scallion pancake | II-5 |
| cuīrén lèixià | 催人泪下 | 催人淚下 | *id.* | very moving | IV-10 |
| cúnzài | 存在 | 存在 | *v.* | being; exist | III-6 |
| cuòluòyǒuzhì | 错落有致 | 錯落有致 | *id.* | well-proportioned; well-arranged | V-5 |
| **D** |  |  |  |  |  |
| dǎjīyuè | 打击乐 | 打擊樂 | *prn.* | percussion instrument | V-6 |
| dǎjié | 打结 | 打结 | *vo.* | tie a knot | IV-5 |
| dǎléi | 打雷 | 打雷 | *n.* | thunder | II-3 |
| dàbó | 大伯 | 大伯 | *n.* | a polite form of address to an elderly man | II-9 |
| dàchéngshì | 大城市 | 大城市 | *n.* | major city; metropolis | III-5 |
| dàfúdàguì | 大福大贵 | 大福大貴 | *adj* | good fortune and high rank | II-6 |
| dàgē | 大哥 | 大哥 | *n.* | a polite form of address to a man about one’s own age | II-9 |
| dàguīmó | 大规模 | 大規模 | *adj.* | large-scale; extensive | V-9 |
| dàjiě | 大姐 | 大姐 | *n.* | a polite form of address to a woman about one’s own age | II-9 |
| dàmā | 大妈 | 大媽 | *n.* | a polite form of address to an elderly woman | II-9 |
| dàmǐ | 大米 | 大米 | *n.* | (husked) rice | II-8 |
| dàniáng | 大娘 | 大娘 | *n.* | a polite form of address to an elderly woman | II-9 |
| dàshěn | 大婶 | 大嬸 | *n.* | a polite form of address to an elderly woman | II-9 |
| dàshū | 大叔 | 大叔 | *n.* | a polite form of address to an elderly man | II-9 |
| dàtóngxiǎoyì | 大同小异 | 大同小異 | *id.* | alike except for slight differences | V-4 |
| dàxiě | 大写 | 大寫 | *n.* | the “capital” form of a Chinese numeral, used on official documents, banknotes, etc. | III-9 |
| dàxué | 大学 | 大學 | *n.* | university; college | III-2 |
| Dàyàntǎ | 大雁塔 | 大雁塔 | *prn.* | Great Wild Goose Pagoda | I-10 |
| dàye | 大爷 | 大爺 | *n.* | a polite form of address to an elderly man | II-9 |
| dàzhì | 大致 | 大致 | *adv.* | roughly; approximately | IV-5 |
| dāi | 呆 | 呆 | *v.* | stay | II-4 |
| dài | 代 | 代 | *n.* | generation | II-10 |
| dàibiǎo | 代表 | 代表 | *v.* | represent | II-6 |
| dàilái | 带来 | 帶來 | *vc.* | bring to | II-3 |
| dàiyǒu | 带有 | 帶有 | *v.* | have something hidden inside | III-5 |
| dān’ǒuhūn | 单偶婚 | 單偶婚 | *n.* | monogamy | V-2 |
| dānxīn | 丹心 | 丹心 | *n.* | a loyal heart; loyalty | IV-6 |
| dānxīn | 担心 | 擔心 | *v.* | worry oneself about; be anxious about | III-4 |
| dānyōu | 担忧 | 擔憂 | *v.* | worry; be anxious | III-6 |
| dàn | 淡 | 淡 | *adj.* | weak; light | I-9, III-8 |
| dànbó | 淡泊 | 淡泊 | *v.* | not seek fame and wealth | IV-9 |
| dànnǎihōngbǐng | 蛋奶烘饼 | 蛋奶烘餅 | *n.* | wafﬂe | I-5 |
| dāng | 当 | 當 | *v.* | equal to | III-6 |
| dāngdì | 当地 | 當地 | *n.* | local | III-5 |
| dāngrán | 当然 | 當然 | *adv.* | of course | II-7 |
| dāng...shíhou | 当…时候 | 當…時候 | *prep.* | when | II-2 |
| dǎngzhù | 挡住 | 擋住 | *v.* | block; obstruct | I-8 |
| dāochā | 刀叉 | 刀叉 | *n.* | knife and fork | II-5 |
| dāoguāng jiànyǐng | 刀光剑影 | 刀光劍影 | *id.* | the glint and ﬂash of cold steel | IV-10 |
| dāojiàn | 刀剑 | 刀劍 | *n.* | knife and sword | I-10 |
| dǎoyào | 捣药 | 搗藥 | *vo.* | grind medicine | III-1 |
| dǎoyǔ | 岛屿 | 島嶼 | *n.* | islands | V-8 |
| dào | 倒 | 倒 | *v./adj.* | invert, turn upside down; reverse, opposite | I-7, V-6 |
| dàocǎo | 稻草 | 稻草 | *n.* | rice fiber | III-8 |
| dàodé | 道德 | 道德 | *n.* | morals; morality | II-2 |
| dàodǐ | 到底 | 到底 | *adv.* | after all; in the end | II-7 |
| dàoli | 道理 | 道理 | *n.* | principle; truth | II-7 |
| dàozi | 稻子 | 稻子 | *n.* | rice; paddy | II-8 |
| déyǐ | 得以 | 得以 | *conj.* | so that ... can (or may) .... | V-10 |
| dēnglong | 灯笼 | 燈籠 | *n.* | lantern | III-1 |
| dītóu | 低头 | 低頭 | *vo.* | lower (or bow) one’s head | II-2 |
| dīxià | 低下 | 低下 | *adj.* | (of status or living standards) low | V-3 |
| dǐyù | 抵御 | 抵禦 | *v.* | resist; withstand | V-9 |
| dǐyùn | 底蕴 | 底蘊 | *n.* | inside information; details | V-10 |
| dìdào | 地道 | 地道 | *adj.* | authentic; genuine | II-5 |
| dìfanghuà | 地方话 | 地方話 | *n.* | dialect | III-5 |
| dìlǐ | 地理 | 地理 | *n.* | geographical features of a place | IV-7 |
| dìqiú | 地球 | 地球 | *n.* | the earth; the globe | II-4, III-3 |
| dìxià | 地下 | 地下 | *n.* | underground | I-10 |
| dìzhèn | 地震 | 地震 | *n.* | earthquake | V-9 |
| dìzhī | 地支 | 地支 | *n.* | the twelve Earthly Branches, traditional terms used as ordinal numbers | III-9 |
| diǎn | 点 | 點 | *v.* | light up | III-1 |
| diǎnjí | 典籍 | 典籍 | *n.* | ancient books and records | V-10 |
| diǎntóu | 点头 | 點頭 | *vo.* | nod one’s head | II-7 |
| diǎnxíng | 典型 | 典型 | *adj.* | typical | V-3 |
| diǎnzháo | 点着 | 點著 | *v.* | light (a lamp, ﬁre, etc.) | I-9 |
| diǎnzhuì | 点缀 | 點綴 | *v.* | embellish; ornament | IV-4 |
| diànlì | 电力 | 電力 | *n.* | electric power; power | V-8 |
| diāokè | 雕刻 | 雕刻 | *v.* | carve; engrave | III-8 |
| diāosù | 雕塑 | 雕塑 | *n.* | sculpture | I-7 |
| diàozhuì | 吊坠 | 吊墜 | *n.* | pendant | I-6 |
| dīng | 叮 | 叮 | *v.* | sting; bite | I-6 |
| dǐngshèng | 鼎盛 | 鼎盛 | *adj.* | in a period of great prosperity | IV-10 |
| dìnghūn | 订婚 | 訂婚 | *v.* | be engaged (to be married) | II-2 |
| dìngrán | 定然 | 定然 | *adv.* | certainly; deﬁnitely | I-9 |
| diū (diào) | 丢（掉） | 丟（掉） | *v.* | lose; throw away | III-6 |
| Dōngběihuà | 东北话 | 東北話 | *prn.* | Northeast dialect | III-5 |
| Dōng Hàn | 东汉 | 東漢 | *prn.* | Eastern Han Dynasty (A.D. 25-220) | I-10 |
| Dōngshīxiàopín | 东施效颦 | 東施效顰 | *id.* | Dong Shi, an ugly woman, knitting her brows in imitation of the famous beauty Xi Shi, only to make herself uglier – blind imitation with ludicrous effect | III-4 |
| dòng | 冻 | 凍 | *v.* | freeze | I-2 |
| dònglì | 动力 | 動力 | *n.* | motivation; power | V-4 |
| dòngwù | 动物 | 動物 | *n.* | animal | III-9 |
| dòngzuò | 动作 | 動作 | *n.* | movement; motion | V-6 |
| dòugǎn | 豆秆 | 豆稈 | *n.* | beanstalk | III-7 |
| dòujiāng | 豆浆 | 豆漿 | *n.* | soy-bean milk | II-5 |
| dòuzhēng | 斗争 | 鬥爭 | *v.* | struggle; fight | V-3 |
| dòuzi | 豆子 | 豆子 | *n.* | beans or peas | II-8 |
| dúlì | 独立 | 獨立 | *n./adj.* | independence; independent | V-4 |
| dúshēngzǐnǚ | 独生子女 | 獨生子女 | *n.* | the only child | II-10 |
| dútè | 独特 | 獨特 | *adj.* | unique; distinctive | III-5 |
| dúyīn | 读音 | 讀音 | *n.* | pronunciation | II-6 |
| dùshù | 度数 | 度數 | *n.* | degree (of strength of liquor) | I-4 |
| duānwǔjié | 端午节 | 端午節 | *prn.* | Dragon Boat Festival (the fifth day of the fifth lunar month) | I-6, III-1 |
| duànliè | 断裂 | 斷裂 | *v.* | fault; collapsing | V-10 |
| duìfāng | 对方 | 對方 | *n.* | the other (or opposite) side | III-5 |
| duìfu | 对付 | 對付 | *v.* | deal with; cope with | V-9 |
| duìlián | 对联 | 對聯 | *n.* | antithetical couplet (written on scrolls, etc.) | IV-4 |
| duìniútánqín | 对牛弹琴 | 對牛彈琴 | *id.* | play the lute to a cow — choose the wrong audience | III-4, IV-3 |
| duì’ǒuhūn | 对偶婚 | 對偶婚 | *n.* | dual marriage | V-2 |
| duìxiàng | 对象 | 對象 | *n.* | target; object | IV-3 |
| duìyìng | 对应 | 對應 | *v.* | correspond; reciprocate | IV-4 |
| duìyú | 对于 | 對於 | *prep.* | for | II-9 |
| duìzhàng | 对仗 | 對仗 | *n.* | a matching of both sound and sense in two lines | IV-4 |
| duìzhe | 对着 | 對著 | *prep.* | toward | I-2 |
| duōchóu shàn’gǎn | 多愁善感 | 多愁善感 | *id.* | be sentimental | IV-10 |
| duōqíng | 多情 | 多情 | *adj.* | passionate; full of tenderness | I-8 |
| duōshao | 多少 | 多少 | *adv.* | somewhat; certain | III-7, V-4 |
| duózǒu | 夺走 | 奪走 | *v.* | take away | V-9 |
| **E** |  |  |  |  |  |
| ē’nuóduōzī | 婀娜多姿 | 婀娜多姿 | *id.* | beautifully and gracefully | V-1 |
| Éguó Kèlǐmǔlín gōng | 俄国克里姆林宫 | 俄國克里姆林宮 | *prn.* | Russia’s Kremlin | III-10 |
| értóng | 儿童 | 兒童 | *n.* | children | I-1 |
| értóngjié | 儿童节 | 兒童節 | *prn.* | International Children’s Day (June 1) | III-1 |
| ěrhuán | 耳环 | 耳環 | *n.* | earring | I-6 |
| **F** |  |  |  |  |  |
| fāchóu | 发愁 | 發愁 | *v.* | worry; be anxious | III-6 |
| fāchū xiǎngshēng | 发出响声 | 發出響聲 | *vo.* | emit a sound | II-5 |
| fādá | 发达 | 發達 | *adj.* | develop | III-5 |
| fādáguójiā | 发达国家 | 發達國家 | *n.* | developed country | V-7 |
| fādiàn | 发电 | 發電 | *v.* | generate electricity | V-8 |
| fājiào | 发酵 | 發酵 | *v.* | ferment | I-4 |
| fājué | 发觉 | 發覺 | *v.* | find; detect | II-4 |
| fāmíng | 发明 | 發明 | *v.* | invent | IV-6 |
| fāxiàn | 发现 | 發現 | *v.* | ﬁnd; discover | I-2, II-8 |
| fā xìn | 发信 | 發信 | *vo.* | post a letter | II-1 |
| fāzhǎnzhōngguójiā | 发展中国家 | 發展中國家 | *n.* | developing country | V-7 |
| fá | 罚 | 罰 | *v.* | punish | III-1 |
| fáshù | 伐树 | 伐樹 | *vo.* | cut down trees | III-1 |
| Fǎguó Fáněrsài gōng | 法国凡尔赛宫 | 法國凡爾賽宮 | *prn.* | France’s Versailles | III-10 |
| fǎlǜ | 法律 | 法律 | *n.* | law; statute | V-2 |
| fàqiǎ | 发卡 | 髪卡 | *n.* | hairpin | I-6 |
| fānbǎn | 翻版 | 翻版 | *n.* | reprint; reproduction | V-4 |
| fānjiǎn | 翻检 | 翻檢 | *v.* | turn over (or up) and check up | IV-6 |
| fānláifùqù | 翻来复去 | 翻來復去 | *id.* | toss and turn | II-8 |
| fánnǎo | 烦恼 | 煩惱 | *adj.* | annoyed | III-1 |
| fǎnhuí | 返回 | 返回 | *v.* | return | V-4 |
| fǎnmiàn | 反面 | 反面 | *n.* | reverse side; opposite | III-4 |
| fǎnpàn | 反叛 | 反叛 | *v.* | revolt; rebel | IV-10 |
| fāngbiànmiàn | 方便面 | 方便麵 | *n.* | instant noodles | II-5 |
| fāngmiàn | 方面 | 方面 | *n.* | aspect | III-5 |
| fāngshì | 方士 | 方士 | *n.* | necromancer; alchemist | IV-8 |
| fāngwèi | 方位 | 方位 | *n.* | direction | III-3 |
| fāngxiàng | 方向 | 方向 | *n.* | direction; orientation | III-4 |
| fāngyán | 方言 | 方言 | *n.* | dialect | III-5 |
| fángfàn | 防范 | 防範 | *v.* | be on guard; keep a lookout | V-9 |
| fánghóng | 防洪 | 防洪 | *v.* | prevent or control flood | V-8 |
| fángwū | 房屋 | 房屋 | *n.* | houses; buildings | I-10 |
| fángyù | 防御 | 防禦 | *v.* | defend; guard | I-10 |
| fàngdàngbùjī | 放荡不羁 | 放蕩不羈 | *id.* | unconventional and uninhibited | V-5 |
| fàngniú | 放牛 | 放牛 | *vo.* | herd cattle | I-8 |
| fàngqì | 放弃 | 放棄 | *v.* | abandon; give up | V-10 |
| fàngxīn | 放心 | 放心 | *v.* | set one’s mind at rest | II-1, III-6 |
| fēi | 非 | 非 | *adv.* | not | I-10 |
| fēichuán | 飞船 | 飛船 | *n.* | airship; spaceship | V-4 |
| fēifǎ | 非法 | 非法 | *adj.* | unlawful; illicit | V-2 |
| fēipán | 飞盘 | 飛盤 | *n.* | flying disc, Frisbee | III-3 |
| fēixiáng | 飞翔 | 飛翔 | *v.* | circle in the air; hover | V-4 |
| fēiyuè | 飞越 | 飛越 | *v.* | fly over | V-4 |
| fēizi | 妃子 | 妃子 | *n.* | imperial concubine | V-2 |
| fèiqì | 废气 | 廢氣 | *n.* | harmful gas; gas waste | V-7 |
| fèishuǐ | 废水 | 廢水 | *n.* | wastewater; liquid waste | V-7 |
| fèixū | 废墟 | 廢墟 | *n.* | ruins | V-8 |
| fēnbiàn | 分辨 | 分辨 | *v.* | distinguish; differentiate | IV-5 |
| fēnkāi | 分开 | 分開 | *v.* | separate; part | I-6 |
| fēnlí | 分离 | 分離 | *v.* | separate; sever | II-6 |
| fēnliè | 分裂 | 分裂 | *v.* | split; divide | V-10 |
| fénshāo | 焚烧 | 焚燒 | *v.* | burn; set on fire | IV-10 |
| fěnbǐ | 粉笔 | 粉筆 | *n.* | chalk | III-8 |
| fěnhóngsè | 粉红色 | 粉紅色 | *n.* | pink | I-3 |
| fènlì | 奋力 | 奮力 | *adv.* | do all one can; spare no effort | IV-2 |
| fènnù | 愤怒 | 憤怒 | *adj.* | indignation; anger | III-6 |
| fēngfù | 丰富 | 豐富 | *adj.* | rich; abundant | V-10 |
| fēnggé | 风格 | 風格 | *n.* | style | III-10 |
| fēnghé rìlì | 风和日丽 | 風和日麗 | *id.* | bright sunshine and a gentle breeze | IV-1 |
| fēngjǐnghuà | 风景画 | 風景畫 | *n.* | landscape painting | II-6 |
| fēnglì | 锋利 | 鋒利 | *adj.* | sharp; keen | V-9 |
| fēngqì | 风气 | 風氣 | *n.* | atmosphere; morale | V-2 |
| fēngqīng yuèlǎng | 风清月朗 | 風清月朗 | *id.* | refreshing breeze and bright moon | IV-1 |
| fēngqīng yúndàn | 风轻云淡 | 風輕雲淡 | *id.* | gentle breeze and thin clouds | IV-1 |
| fēngshōu | 丰收 | 豐收 | *v.* | harvest | V-7 |
| fēngshuǐ | 风水 | 風水 | *n.* | geomancy | IV-7 |
| fēngtǔrénqíng | 风土人情 | 風土人情 | *id.* | local conditions and customs | III-10 |
| fēngzheng | 风筝 | 風箏 | *n.* | kite | I-7 |
| fèng | 凤 | 鳳 | *n.* | phoenix | I-6 |
| Fójiào | 佛教 | 佛教 | *prn.* | Buddhism | IV-3 |
| fǒuzé | 否则 | 否則 | *conj.* | otherwise; if not; or else | IV-2 |
| fūfù | 夫妇 | 夫婦 | *n.* | husband and wife | III-6 |
| fūqī | 夫妻 | 夫妻 | *n.* | husband and wife | II-6 |
| fú | 幅 | 幅 | *m.* | classifier; measure word | II-6 |
| fú | 福 | 福 | *n.* | good fortune; blessing | I-7 |
| fúdiāo | 浮雕 | 浮雕 | *n.* | relief sculpture | I-7 |
| fúhào | 符号 | 符號 | *n.* | symbol; mark | IV-5, V-10 |
| Fújiàn kèjiā | 福建客家 | 福建客家 | *n.* | traditional round earthen houses built by Hakka people in Fujian | III-10 |
| fúqi | 福气 | 福氣 | n. | happy lot; good fortune | II-6 |
| fǔlàn | 腐烂 | 腐爛 | *adj.* | decomposed; rotten | IV-6 |
| fǔyǎng | 抚养 | 撫養 | *v.* | foster; bring up | V-2 |
| fǔzhù | 辅助 | 輔助 | *v.* | assist; supplement | V-10 |
| fù | 富 | 富 | adj. | rich; wealthy | II-2 |
| fùjìn | 附近 | 附近 | *n.* | nearby; close to | III-2 |
| fùguì | 富贵 | 富貴 | n. | wealth and honor | I-3 |
| fùlìtánghuáng | 富丽堂皇 | 富麗堂皇 | *id.* | sumptuous; splendid | III-10 |
| fùnǚjié | 妇女节 | 婦女節 | prn. | International Women’s Day (March 8) | III-1 |
| fùyǒu | 富有 | 富有 | *v.* | be full of | V-5 |
| fùyǔ | 赋予 | 賦予 | *v.* | endow; endow with | IV-9, V-1 |
| **G** |  |  |  |  |  |
| gǎiyòng | 改用 | 改用 | *v.* | to shift to use | II-5 |
| gàiniàn | 概念 | 概念 | *n.* | concept; conception | V-2 |
| gāncuì | 干脆 | 乾脆 | *adj.* | clear-cut; straightforward | IV-2 |
| gānhàn | 干旱 | 乾旱 | *adj.* | (of weather or soil) arid; dry | V-3 |
| gānzào | 干燥 | 乾燥 | *adj.* | dry; arid | II-3 |
| gǎnjǐn | 赶紧 | 趕緊 | *adv.* | hurriedly; immediately | I-2, II-7 |
| gǎnkuài | 赶快 | 趕快 | *adj.* | at once; quickly | II-1 |
| gǎnqíng | 感情 | 感情 | *n.* | emotion; feeling | I-8 |
| gāng | 钢 | 鋼 | *n.* | steel | III-3 |
| gāngbǐ | 钢笔 | 鋼筆 | *n.* | pen; fountain pen | III-8 |
| gāojié | 高洁 | 高潔 | *adj.* | noble and unsullied | IV-9 |
| gāoshàng | 高尚 | 高尚 | *adj.* | noble; lofty | IV-9 |
| gāoxìng | 高兴 | 高興 | *adj.* | glad; happy; cheerful | III-6 |
| gāoyǎ | 高雅 | 高雅 | *adj.* | elegant; reﬁned | IV-9 |
| gāozhōng | 高中 | 高中 | *n.* | senior high school | III-2 |
| gē | 戈 | 戈 | *n.* | dagger-axe | V-9 |
| gēyáo | 歌谣 | 歌謠 | *n.* | ballad; folk song | V-9 |
| gè | 个 | 個 | *m.* | unit; measure word | II-10 |
| gèzhǒnggèyàng | 各种各样 | 各種各樣 | *id.* | varieties | III-3 |
| gēn | 根 | 根 | *n.* | root | III-7 |
| gēngtì | 更替 | 更替 | *v.* | replace | III-10 |
| gēngxīn | 更新 | 更新 | *v.* | replace the old with the new; renew | IV-4 |
| gōngdiàn | 宫殿 | 宮殿 | *n.* | palace | I-3, III-10 |
| gōngfu | 功夫 | 功夫 | *n.* | time | IV-2 |
| gōnggòngqìchē | 公共汽车 | 公共汽車 | *n.* | bus | I-1 |
| gōngjiàn | 弓箭 | 弓箭 | *n.* | bow and arrow | II-3 |
| gōngmíng | 功名 | 功名 | *n.* | scholarly honor | IV-10 |
| gōngnéng | 功能 | 功能 | *n.* | function | IV-8 |
| gōngnǚ | 宫女 | 宮女 | *n.* | a maid in an imperial palace | V-2 |
| gōngyìpǐn | 工艺品 | 工藝品 | *n.* | handicraft | I-7 |
| gōngyìng | 供应 | 供應 | *v.* | supply | V-8 |
| gōngzhěng | 工整 | 工整 | *adj.* | carefully and neatly done | IV-4 |
| gòngfèng | 供奉 | 供奉 | *v.* | enshrine and worship; consecrate | IV-4 |
| gǒu | 狗 | 狗 | *n.* | dog | I-2 |
| gūdú | 孤独 | 孤獨 | *adj.* | lonely; solitary | II-10 |
| gǔ | 股 | 股 | *m.* | measure word for water or air | III-8 |
| gǔjì | 古迹 | 古跡 | *n.* | historic site | V-8 |
| gǔlǎo | 古老 | 古老 | *adj.* | ancient | I-7 |
| gǔshū | 古书 | 古書 | *n.* | ancient books | II-2 |
| gǔzhǎng | 鼓掌 | 鼓掌 | *v.* | clap one's hands; applaud | V-6 |
| gùdìng | 固定 | 固定 | *adj.* | fixed | V-2 |
| Gùgōng | 故宫 | 故宮 | *prn.* | the Imperial Palace | I-10 |
| gùxiāng | 故乡 | 故鄉 | *n.* | hometown | V-10 |
| gùyǒu | 固有 | 固有 | *adj.* | inherent | V-5 |
| gūafēng | 刮风 | 颳風 | *adj.* | windy | II-3 |
| guà | 挂 | 掛 | *v.* | hang | II-6 |
| guàjiàn | 挂件 | 掛件 | *n.* | pendant | I-6 |
| guānchǎng | 官场 | 官場 | *n.* | ofﬁcial circles | IV-7 |
| guānfǔ | 官府 | 官府 | *n.* | local authorities; feudal ofﬁcials | IV-4, V-2 |
| guānxi | 关系 | 關系 | *n.* | relation; relationship | III-2 |
| guānyīn púsà | 观音菩萨 | 觀音菩薩 | *prn.* | Guanyin (Buddhist Goddess of Mercy) | I-6 |
| guānyú | 关于 | 關於 | *prep.* | about; on | III-1 |
| guānzhòng | 观众 | 觀眾 | *n.* | viewer; audience | V-6 |
| guānzhù | 关注 | 關注 | *v.* | follow with interest | IV-10 |
| guǎnlǐ | 管理 | 管理 | *v.* | manage; administer | III-7 |
| guǎnxiányuè | 管弦乐 | 管弦樂 | *prn.* | orchestral music instrument | V-6 |
| guāngdài | 光带 | 光帶 | *n.* | band of light | I-8 |
| guānghuī | 光辉 | 光輝 | *n.* | brilliance; glory | V-1 |
| guāngmíng | 光明 | 光明 | *n.* | light; bright | II-3 |
| guǎngbō | 广播 | 廣播 | *n.* | broadcast | III-5 |
| guǎngdǎo | 广岛 | 廣島 | *prn.* | Hiroshima | V-9 |
| Guǎngdōnghuà | 广东话 | 廣東話 | *prn.* | Cantonese | III-5 |
| guǎngmào | 广袤 | 廣袤 | *adj.* | vast; immense | V-1 |
| guīdìng | 规定 | 規定 | *v.* | rule; ordain | II-3 |
| guījiǎ | 龟甲 | 龜甲 | *n.* | tortoise-shell | IV-5 |
| guīyǐn | 归隐 | 歸隱 | *v.* | keep away from people; seclude oneself | V-1 |
| guìhuāchóujiǔ | 桂花稠酒 | 桂花稠酒 | *n.* | Osmanthus-ﬂavored rice wine | I-4 |
| guìhuāshù | 桂花树 | 桂花樹 | *n.* | sweet-scented osmanthus bush | II-4 |
| Guìzhōu | 贵州 | 貴州 | *prn.* | Guizhou Province | I-4 |
| guìzú | 贵族 | 貴族 | *n.* | noble; nobility | IV-10 |
| guō | 锅 | 鍋 | *n.* | cooking pot | III-7 |
| guōtiē | 锅贴 | 鍋貼 | *n.* | fried dumpling | II-5 |
| guócuì | 国粹 | 國粹 | *n.* | the essence of Chinese culture | V-5 |
| guóhuà | 国画 | 國畫 | *n.* | traditional Chinese painting | I-7 |
| guóqìngjié | 国庆日 | 國慶日 | *prn.* | National Day (PRC) (October 1) | III-1 |
| guǒzhī | 果汁 | 果汁 | *n.* | fruit juice | I-4 |
| guòchéng | 过程 | 過程 | *n.* | course; process | IV-3, V-7 |
| guòdù | 过度 | 過度 | *adj.* | excessive; over | V-7 |
| guòdù | 过渡 | 過渡 | *v.* | to transition; evolve into | V-2 |
| guòfèn | 过分 | 過分 | *adj.* | excessive; over | II-10 |
| guòmǎlù | 过马路 | 過馬路 | *vo.* | cross the street | I-1 |
| guòyè | 过夜 | 過夜 | *v.* | stay overnight | V-2 |
| **H** |  |  |  |  |  |
| hǎishíxīng | 海石星 | 海石星 | *prn.* | Avior (name of a star) | I-9 |
| hǎiwángxīng | 海王星 | 海王星 | *prn.* | Neptune | I-9 |
| hǎiwài | 海外 | 海外 | *n.* | overseas; abroad | II-5 |
| hài | 害 | 害 | *v.* | injure; harm | II-3 |
| hàipà | 害怕 | 害怕 | *v.* | be afraid; be scared | II-1, III-6 |
| hándānxuébù | 邯郸学步 | 邯鄲學步 | *id.* | imitate others slavishly and thus lose one's individuality | III-4 |
| Hánguó | 韩国 | 韓國 | *prn.* | Korea | III-3 |
| hánlěng | 寒冷 | 寒冷 | *adj.* | cold; frigid | II-3, V-3 |
| hányǎng | 涵养 | 涵養 | *n.* | ability to control oneself; self-restraint | V-5 |
| hányì | 含义 | 含義 | *n.* | meaning; connotation; implication | I-3, II-6 |
| hànbǎobāo | 汉堡包 | 漢堡包 | *n.* | hamburger | I-5 |
| Hàncháo | 汉朝 | 漢朝 | *prn.* | Han Dynasty (206 B.C.–A.D. 220) | III-7 |
| hànniúchōngdòng | 汗牛充栋 | 汗牛充棟 | *id.* | enough books to make the ox carrying them sweat or to fill a house to the rafters (have an immense number of books) | V-10 |
| háo | 毫 | 毫 | *n.* | fine long hair; writing brush | III-8 |
| hǎohàn | 好汉 | 好漢 | *n.* | true man | I-10 |
| hàomài | 号脉 | 號脈 | *vo.* | feel a pulse | V-5 |
| hàorúyānhǎi | 浩如烟海 | 浩如煙海 | *id.* | vast as the ocean (as of data, etc.); tremendous amount of | V-10 |
| hé | 合 | 合 | *v.* | join; combine | I-6 |
| hé | 何 | 何 | *adv.* | why, what (classical) | III-7 |
| hé | 盒 | 盒 | *m.* | measure word for boxes or cases | I-3 |
| héchéng | 合成 | 合成 | *v.* | compose | I-3 |
| hédiànzhàn | 核电站 | 核電站 | *n.* | nuclear power plant | V-8 |
| héfàn | 盒饭 | 盒飯 | *n.* | box lunch | I-5 |
| héfēng xìyǔ | 和风细雨 | 和風細雨 | *id.* | gentle breeze and mild rain | IV-1 |
| hélièbiàn | 核裂变 | 核裂變 | *n.* | nuclear fission | V-8 |
| Hénánhuà | 河南话 | 河南話 | *prn.* | Henan dialect | III-5 |
| hénéng | 核能 | 核能 | *n.* | nuclear energy | V-8 |
| héqì | 和气 | 和氣 | *adj.* | kind; polite | II-1 |
| héshàng | 和尚 | 和尚 | *n.* | Buddhist monk | IV-3 |
| héxié | 和谐 | 和諧 | *adj.* | harmonious | IV-4 |
| héxīn | 核心 | 核心 | *n.* | nucleus; core | IV-4, V-6 |
| hècǎi | 喝彩 | 喝彩 | *v.* | acclaim; cheer | V-6 |
| hēisè | 黑色 | 黑色 | *n.* | black | I-3 |
| hénjì | 痕迹 | 痕跡 | *n.* | mark; trace | IV-5, V-2 |
| hēng | 哼 | 哼 | *v.* | hum | V-6 |
| héngxīng | 恒星 | 恒星 | *n.* | ﬁxed star | I-9 |
| hōngkǎo | 烘烤 | 烘烤 | *v.* | toast; bake | IV-6 |
| hóngchá | 红茶 | 紅茶 | *n.* | black tea | I-4 |
| hóngjiǔ | 红酒 | 紅酒 | *n.* | red wine | I-4 |
| hóngsè | 红色 | 紅色 | *n.* | red | I-3 |
| hóngshǔ | 红薯 | 紅薯 | *n.* | yam | II-8 |
| hóngshuǐ | 洪水 | 洪水 | *n.* | flood; floodwater | V-3 |
| hòu | 厚 | 厚 | *adj.* | thick; large | IV-6 |
| hòuhuǐ | 后悔 | 後悔 | *v.* | regret; repent | II-4 |
| Hòuyì | 后羿 | 后羿 | *prn.* | person’s name | II-3 |
| huāyǔ | 花语 | 花語 | *n.* | language of ﬂowers | IV-9 |
| huáji | 滑稽 | 滑稽 | *adj.* | funny; amusing | V-6 |
| huà | 化 | 化 | *v.* | change; turn | IV-7 |
| huàshétiānzú | 画蛇添足 | 畫蛇添足 | *id.* | draw a snake and add feet to it—ruin the effect by adding something superfluous | III-4 |
| hūlū | 呼噜 | 呼嚕 | *n.* | the slurping sound | II-5 |
| hú | 壶 | 壺 | *n.* | kettle; pot | III-4 |
| húdié | 蝴蝶 | 蝴蝶 | *n.* | butterﬂy | I-7 |
| Húnánhuà | 湖南话 | 湖南話 | *prn.* | Hunan dialect | III-5 |
| hútu | 胡涂 | 糊塗 | *adj.* | confuse | II-7 |
| hǔ | 虎 | 虎 | *n.* | tiger | I-2 |
| hùshēnfú | 护身符 | 護身符 | *n.* | amulet; protective talisman | I-6 |
| huāchá | 花茶 | 花茶 | *n.* | scented tea | I-4 |
| huāniǎo | 花鸟 | 花鳥 | *n.* | flowers and birds | I-7 |
| huāniǎohuà | 花鸟画 | 花鳥畫 | *n.* | painting of flowers and birds | II-6 |
| huāpíng | 花瓶 | 花瓶 | *n.* | flower vase | I-7 |
| huāqián | 花钱 | 花錢 | *vo.* | spend money | III-6 |
| huà | 划 | 劃 | *v.* | draw; mark | I-8 |
| huàbǐ | 画笔 | 畫筆 | *n.* | paintbrush | III-8 |
| huàféi | 化肥 | 化肥 | *n.* | chemical fertilizer | V-7 |
| huàfēn | 划分 | 劃分 | *v.* | divide | III-5 |
| huàjù | 话剧 | 話劇 | *n.* | modern drama; stage play | V-6 |
| huàxuéjiā | 化学家 | 化學家 | *n.* | chemist | II-7 |
| huái | 怀 | 懷 | *n.* | chest; bosom | V-1 |
| huàirén | 坏人 | 壞人 | *n.* | bad person | II-1 |
| huánjìng | 环境 | 環境 | *n.* | environment; surroundings | III-2 |
| huànxiǎng | 幻想 | 幻想 | *n.* | illusion; fantasy | V-4 |
| huāngdànbùjīng | 荒诞不经 | 荒誕不經 | *id.* | absurd; ridiculous | V-4 |
| huángdì | 皇帝 | 皇帝 | *n.* | emperor | I-3, II-10 |
| Huángdì | 黄帝 | 黄帝 | *prn.* | Legendary Chinese Emperor (2698-2598 B.C.E.) | IV-5 |
| huánggōng | 皇宫 | 皇宮 | *n.* | imperial palace | I-10, III-10 |
| huánghé | 黄河 | 黃河 | *prn.* | Yellow River | I-3 |
| huánghòu | 皇后 | 皇后 | *n.* | queen | V-2 |
| huánghūnliàn | 黄昏恋 | 黃昏戀 | *n.* | love between an elderly couple | II-1 |
| huángjīn | 黄金 | 黃金 | *n.* | gold | I-6 |
| huánglí | 黄鹂 | 黃鸝 | *n.* | oriole | V-7 |
| huángsè | 黄色 | 黃色 | *n.* | yellow | I-3 |
| huángshǔláng | 黄鼠狼 | 黃鼠狼 | *n.* | yellow weasel | III-8 |
| huángwèi | 皇位 | 皇位 | *n.* | throne | III-7 |
| Huángzǐqí | 黄子琦 | 黃子琦 | *prn.* | name of a painter | III-9 |
| huángzú | 皇族 | 皇族 | *n.* | people of imperial lineage | III-10 |
| huīsè | 灰色 | 灰色 | *n.* | gray | I-3 |
| huí | 回 | 回 | *n.* | chapter | IV-10 |
| huísù | 回溯 | 回溯 | *v.* | recall; look back upon | V-8 |
| huíyóu | 回游 | 回游 | *v.* | return to a place of origin (as of fish) | V-8 |
| huìqì | 晦气 | 晦氣 | *adj.* | unlucky | IV-7 |
| hūnlǐ | 婚礼 | 婚禮 | *n.* | wedding ceremony | II-2 |
| hūnwàiliàn | 婚外恋 | 婚外戀 | *n.* | an extramarital love affair | II-1 |
| hūnyīn | 婚姻 | 婚姻 | *n.* | marriage; matrimony | II-2 |
| hūnyīn jièshàosuǒ | 婚姻介绍所 | 婚姻介紹所 | *n.* | matrimonial agency | I-1 |
| húntun | 馄饨 | 餛飩 | *n.* | dumpling soup | II-5 |
| hùnzhuó | 混浊 | 混濁 | *adj.* | muddy; turbid | V-7 |
| huó | 和 | 和 | *v.* | mix (powder) with something | III-8, V-3 |
| huódòng zhōngxīn | 活动中心 | 活動中心 | *n.* | activity center | I-1 |
| huǒtuǐcháng | 火腿肠 | 火腿腸 | *n.* | ham sausage | I-5 |
| huǒxīng | 火星 | 火星 | *prn.* | Mars | I-9 |
| huòduōhuòshào | 或多或少 | 或多或少 | *ce.* | more or less | III-6 |
| huòwù | 货物 | 貨物 | *n.* | goods; merchandise | III-3 |
| **J** |  |  |  |  |  |
| jī | 鸡 | 雞 | *n.* | chicken | I-2 |
| jīběn | 基本 | 基本 | *adj.* | basic | I-3, III-3 |
| jīchì | 鸡翅 | 雞翅 | *n.* | chicken wing | I-5 |
| jīchǔ | 基础 | 基礎 | *n.* | foundation; base | V-4 |
| jīfā | 激发 | 激發 | *v.* | arouse; stimulate | V-4 |
| jīqíng | 激情 | 激情 | *n.* | passion; enthusiasm | I-8 |
| jīròujuǎn | 鸡肉卷 | 雞肉卷 | *n.* | chicken wrap | I-5 |
| jíbiàn | 即便 | 即便 | *conj.* | even; even if | IV-5 |
| jíbìng | 疾病 | 疾病 | *n.* | disease; illness | V-9 |
| jíbìng chánshēn | 疾病缠身 | 疾病纏身 | *id.* | be riddled with diseases | IV-7 |
| jídù | 嫉妒 | 嫉妒 | *v.* | be jealous of; envy | III-7 |
| jílì | 吉利 | 吉利 | *n.* | good luck | I-3 |
| jíshǐ...yě | 即使…也 | 即使…也 | conj. | even if | II-9 |
| jíshuǐ | 汲水 | 汲水 | *vo.* | draw water | IV-1 |
| jítā | 吉他 | 吉他 | *n.* | guitar | III-3 |
| jítǐ | 集体 | 集體 | *n.* | collective | V-2 |
| jíxiáng | 吉祥 | 吉祥 | *adj.* | lucky | I-6 |
| jíxíng | 疾行 | 疾行 | *v.* | gallop; walk quickly | IV-1, V-6 |
| jíxiōng | 吉凶 | 吉凶 | *n.* | good or bad luck | IV-7 |
| jìchéng | 继承 | 繼承 | *v.* | inherit | III-7 |
| jìhuàshēngyù | 计划生育 | 計劃生育 | n. | birth control | II-10 |
| jìjiéxìng | 季节性 | 季節性 | *adj.* | seasonal | IV-1 |
| jìlù | 记录 | 記錄 | *v.* | record | III-9, IV-5 |
| jìmò | 寂寞 | 寂寞 | *adj.* | lonely | I-8, II-3 |
| jìnián | 纪年 | 紀年 | *vo.* | count/number the years | III-9 |
| jìqiǎo | 技巧 | 技巧 | *n.* | skill; technique | IV-3 |
| jìrì | 纪日 | 紀日 | *vo.* | count/number the days | III-9 |
| jìshù | 计数 | 計數 | *v.* | count | III-9 |
| jìsuànjī | 计算机 | 計算機 | *n.* | computer; calculator | III-3 |
| jìtuō | 寄托 | 寄托 | *v.* | place (hope, etc.) on | III-1 |
| jìwǎngkāilái | 继往开来 | 繼往開來 | *id.* | carry on a legacy and forge ahead into future (keep a tradition and adapt to the future) | V-10 |
| jìzǎi | 记载 | 記載 | *v.* | put down in writing; record | IV-6 |
| jiā | 加 | 加 | *v.* | add; put in | I-4 |
| jiā | 夹 | 夾 | *v.* | place in between | I-5 |
| jiāfànjiǔ | 加饭酒 | 加飯酒 | *n.* | Jiafan rice wine | I-4 |
| jiājiāhùhù | 家家户户 | 家家戶戶 | *n.* | every household | III-1 |
| jiātíng | 家庭 | 家庭 | *n.* | family | II-9 |
| Jiāyùguān | 嘉峪关 | 嘉峪關 | *prn.* | Great Wall pass in Gansu Province | I-10 |
| jiǎ | 甲 | 甲 | *n.* | the first of the ten Heavenly Stems | II-2 |
| Jiǎ Bǎoyù | 贾宝玉 | 賈寶玉 | *prn.* | person’s name | IV-10 |
| jiǎtuō | 假托 | 假托 | *v.* | on the pretext of; under somebody else’s name | IV-2 |
| jiǎwǔzhànzhēng | 甲午战争 | 甲午戰爭 | *prn.* | the Sino-Japanese War of 1894–1895 | III-9 |
| jià | 嫁 | 嫁 | *v.* | (of a woman) marry | I-8, II-2 |
| jiān | 煎 | 煎 | *v.* | simmer in water | III-7 |
| jiānchén | 奸臣 | 奸臣 | *n.* | treacherous court official | V-6 |
| jiānchí | 坚持 | 堅持 | *v.* | persist in; uphold | IV-2 |
| jiāndé | 兼得 | 兼得 | *v.* | have it both ways; get all the benefits of two or more things | V-7 |
| jiānr | 尖儿 | 尖兒 | *n.* | point; tip | IV-1 |
| jiānzhǔ | 煎煮 | 煎煮 | *v.* | boil (as in making medicine) | V-5 |
| jiǎnchái | 捡柴 | 撿柴 | *vo.* | gather ﬁrewood | I-2 |
| jiǎndān | 简单 | 簡單 | *adj.* | simple | II-7 |
| jiǎnlòu | 简陋 | 簡陋 | *adj.* | simple and crude | III-10 |
| jiǎnzhǐ | 剪纸 | 剪紙 | *n.* | paper-cut | I-7 |
| jiànduàn | 间断 | 間斷 | *v.* | stop constantly; be disconnected; be interrupted | V-9 |
| jiànjiànde | 渐渐地 | 漸漸地 | *adv.* | gradually; little by little | II-4 |
| jiànjūnjié | 建军节 | 建軍節 | *prn.* | August 1 Army Day (PRC) | III-1 |
| jiànkāng | 健康 | 健康 | *adj.* | health | II-6 |
| jiànmiàn | 见面 | 見面 | *vo.* | meet; see | I-8, II-1 |
| jiànshè | 建设 | 建设 | *v.* | construct | V-7 |
| jiàntà | 践踏 | 踐踏 | *v.* | tread on | IV-10 |
| jiànzào | 建造 | 建造 | *v.* | build; construct | I-10, III-10 |
| jiànzhù | 建筑 | 建築 | *n.* | build; architecture | III-10 |
| jiāngjūn | 将军 | 將軍 | *n.* | general (in the military) | I-10 |
| jiāngyù | 疆域 | 疆域 | *n.* | territory; domain | V-10 |
| jiǎngjiu | 讲究 | 講究 | *v.* | pay attention to; stress | II-9 |
| jiāo | 胶 | 膠 | *n.* | glue | III-8 |
| jiāoguàn | 浇灌 | 澆灌 | *v.* | irrigate | IV-1 |
| jiāojì | 交际 | 交際 | *v.* | social intercourse; communicate | V-10 |
| jiāotōng | 交通 | 交通 | *n.* | communication | III-5 |
| jiāozhàn | 交战 | 交戰 | *v.* | be at war; fight | V-9 |
| jiāozhùgǔsè | 胶柱鼓瑟 | 膠柱鼓瑟 | *id.* | play the *se* (an ancient zither-like instrument) with the pegs glued – stubbornly stick to old ways in the face of changed circumstances | III-4 |
| jiǎodù | 角度 | 角度 | *n.* | point of view | III-10 |
| jiǎohuá | 狡猾 | 狡猾 | *adj.* | sly; crafty | III-7 |
| jiǎoliàn | 脚链 | 腳鏈 | *n.* | ankle bracelet | I-6 |
| jiǎozi | 饺子 | 餃子 | *n.* | dumpling | II-5 |
| jiàohǎo | 叫好 | 叫好 | *v.* | applaud; shout 'Bravo!' | V-6 |
| jiàomài | 叫卖 | 叫賣 | *v.* | cry one's wares; peddle | III-2 |
| jiào rén | 叫人 | 叫人 | *vo.* | address somebody respectfully | II-9 |
| jiàoxun | 教训 | 教訓 | *n.* | lesson; moral | IV-2 |
| jiàoyù | 教育 | 教育 | *v.* | educate | II-9 |
| jiàoyùjiā | 教育家 | 教育家 | *n.* | educator | II-7 |
| jiēchù | 接触 | 接觸 | *v.* | come into contact with; get in touch with | V-4 |
| jiēdēng | 街灯 | 街燈 | *n.* | streetlight | I-9 |
| jiēduàn | 阶段 | 階段 | *n.* | phase | V-2 |
| jiējí | 阶级 | 階級 | *n.* | (social) class | V-3 |
| jiēlù | 揭露 | 揭露 | *v.* | expose; unmask | IV-10 |
| jiēshì | 街市 | 街市 | *n.* | downtown streets | I-9 |
| jiēzhe | 接着 | 接著 | *v.* | continue | III-3 |
| jié | 节 | 節 | *n.* | segment; joint; section | IV-3 |
| jiégòu | 结构 | 結構 | *n.* | structure; composition | IV-4 |
| jiéhūn | 结婚 | 結婚 | *v.* | marry; get married | I-3, II-1 |
| jiérì | 节日 | 節日 | *n.* | festival; holiday | III-1 |
| jiéshéng | 结绳 | 結繩 | *vo.* | tie knots | IV-5 |
| jiéwěi | 结尾 | 結尾 | *n.* | ending; conclusion | IV-10 |
| jiéyuē | 节约 | 節約 | *v.* | economize; save | I-5 |
| jiěkě | 解渴 | 解渴 | *v.* | quench one’s thirst | I-4 |
| jiětuō | 解脱 | 解脫 | *v.* | free (or extricate) oneself | III-6 |
| jièmòjiàng | 芥末酱 | 芥末醬 | *n.* | mustard | I-5 |
| jièzhi | 戒指 | 戒指 | *n.* | ring (for the ﬁnger) | I-6 |
| jièzhù | 借助 | 借助 | *v.* | have the aid of; draw support from | V-5 |
| jīn | 金 | 金 | *n.* | metal | III-3 |
| jīnbǐ | 金笔 | 金筆 | *n.* | gold fountain pen | III-8 |
| jīndǒu | 筋斗 | 筋斗 | *n.* | somersault; tumble (over) | V-3 |
| jīngāng | 金刚 | 金剛 | *n.* | Buddha’s warrior attendant (referring to a monk) | IV-3 |
| jīn’gūbàng | 金箍棒 | 金箍棒 | *n.* | golden rod (a weapon used by the Monkey King in the novel Pilgrimage to the West) | V-4 |
| jīnhuángsè | 金黄色 | 金黃色 | *n.* | golden yellow | I-3 |
| jīnhūn | 金婚 | 金婚 | *n.* | gold wedding (50th anniversary) | II-2 |
| jīnqián | 金钱 | 金錢 | *n.* | money | III-9 |
| jīnshǔ | 金属 | 金屬 | *n.* | metal | I-6 |
| jīnxīng | 金星 | 金星 | *prn.* | Venus | I-9 |
| jīnzi | 金子 | 金子 | *n.* | gold | I-3 |
| jǐnzhāng | 紧张 | 緊張 | *adj.* | nervous | II-1 |
| Jìncháo | 晋朝 | 晉朝 | *prn.* | Jin Dynasty (A.D. 265–420) | I-10, III-7 |
| jìnjì | 禁忌 | 禁忌 | *n.* | taboo | V-5 |
| jìnzhǐ | 禁止 | 禁止 | *v.* | prohibit; ban | V-2 |
| jīngcháng | 经常 | 經常 | *adv.* | frequently; often | III-5 |
| jīnghuá | 精华 | 精華 | *n.* | essence | III-10, V-5 |
| jīngjìxuéjiā | 经济学家 | 經濟學家 | *n.* | economist | II-7 |
| jīngmài | 经脉 | 經脈 | *n.* | passages through which vital energies circulate | V-5 |
| jīngměi | 精美 | 精美 | *adj.* | exquisite; elegant | III-8 |
| jīngshén | 精神 | 精神 | *n.* | spirit | III-6 |
| jīngshén shènglìfǎ | 精神胜利法 | 精神勝利法 | *n.* | champion of spiritual victory | III-6 |
| jīngxīn | 精心 | 精心 | *adj.* | meticulously; elaborately | III-1 |
| jīngyà | 惊讶 | 驚訝 | *adj.* | surprised; amazed | III-7 |
| jīngyàn | 经验 | 經驗 | *n.* | experience | V-3 |
| jīngzhì | 精致 | 精致 | *adj.* | fine; delicate | III-10 |
| jǐngtàilán | 景泰蓝 | 景泰藍 | *n.* | cloisonné | I-7 |
| jiǔ | 酒 | 酒 | *n.* | wine | II-4 |
| jìngnèi | 境内 | 境內 | *n.* | within (a country’s) borders | V-8 |
| jìngsài | 竞赛 | 競賽 | *n.* | contest; competition | V-9 |
| jiǔguǐ | 酒鬼 | 酒鬼 | *n.* | alcoholic; drunkard | I-4 |
| jiù | 救 | 救 | *v.* | rescue; save | I-2 |
| júzizhī | 橘子汁 | 橘子汁 | *n.* | orange juice | I-4 |
| jǔ | 举 | 舉 | *v.* | raise | V-10 |
| jǔ shǒu | 举手 | 舉手 | *vo.* | raise one’s hand or hands | II-2 |
| jǔzhǐ | 举止 | 舉止 | *n.* | deportment | III-2 |
| jùjí | 聚集 | 聚集 | *v.* | gather, assemble; collect | I-9, V-1 |
| jùshuō | 据说 | 據說 | *prep.* | it is said; they say | II-6 |
| jùyǒu | 具有 | 具有 | *v.* | possess; have | III-4, IV-8 |
| jùzhǒng | 剧种 | 劇種 | *n.* | type (or genre) of drama | V-6 |
| juǎn | 卷 | 卷 | *v.* | roll up; roll | IV-6 |
| juǎnbǐdāo | 卷笔刀 | 卷筆刀 | *n.* | pencil sharpener | III-8 |
| juǎnmáo | 卷毛 | 卷毛 | *n.* | curly hair | I-2 |
| juàn | 倦 | 倦 | *adj.* | weary; tired | V-1 |
| juéde | 觉得 | 覺得 | *v.* | feel; think | II-1 |
| juédìng | 决定 | 決定 | *v./n.* | decide; decision | II-2 |
| jūnbèi | 军备 | 軍備 | *n.* | armament; arms | V-9 |
| jūnduì | 军队 | 軍隊 | *n.* | army; armed forces | I-10 |
| **K** |  |  |  |  |  |
| kāfēi | 咖啡 | 咖啡 | *n.* | coffee | I-4 |
| kāikěn | 开垦 | 開墾 | *v.* | open up (or reclaim) wasteland | V-7 |
| kāikuò | 开阔 | 開闊 | *adj.* | open; wide | IV-7 |
| kāipì | 开辟 | 開闢 | *v.* | open up; start; found | V-3 |
| kāixīn | 开心 | 開心 | *adj.* | happy | I-8 |
| kǎnfá | 砍伐 | 砍伐 | *v.* | fell trees; cut lumber | III-1, V-7 |
| kàngjù | 抗拒 | 抗拒 | *v.* | resist; defy | V-3 |
| kǎozhèng | 考证 | 考證 | *v.* | prove through textual evidence | V-2 |
| kào | 靠 | 靠 | *v.* | lean on | I-2 |
| kēxuéjìshù | 科学技术 | 科學技術 | *n.* | science and technology | V-4 |
| kēxuéjiā | 科学家 | 科學家 | *n.* | scientist | II-7 |
| kě’ài | 可爱 | 可愛 | *adj.* | lovable; cute; lovely | I-8, II-4 |
| kělián | 可怜 | 可憐 | *adj.* | pitiful | I-2, II-4 |
| kěxī | 可惜 | 可惜 | *adj.* | it’s a pity; it’s too bad | IV-2 |
| kèhuà | 刻画 | 刻畫 | *v.* | engrave or draw | IV-5 |
| kèzhōuqiújiàn | 刻舟求剑 | 刻舟求劍 | *id.* | cut a mark on the side of one's boat to indicate the place where one's sword has dropped into the river–take measures without regard to changes in circumstances | III-4 |
| kěndéjī | 肯德基 | 肯德基 | *prn.* | Kentucky Fried Chicken | I-5 |
| kěndìng | 肯定 | 肯定 | *adv.* | certainly; definitely | II-1 |
| kōngjiān | 空间 | 空間 | *n.* | space | V-4 |
| kōngkuàng | 空旷 | 空曠 | *adj.* | open; spacious | V-8 |
| kōngzhōng | 空中 | 空中 | *n.* | sky; air | I-9 |
| kǒngbù | 恐怖 | 恐怖 | *adj.* | terrifying | V-9 |
| kǒngjù | 恐惧 | 恐懼 | *adj.* | feared; dreadful | V-3 |
| kǒngpà | 恐怕 | 恐怕 | *adv.* | (I’m) afraid that; perhaps | II-9 |
| kǒngquèxīng | 孔雀星 | 孔雀星 | *prn.* | Peacock (name of a star) | I-9 |
| kòngzhì | 控制 | 控制 | *v.* | control | II-10 |
| kǒuwèi | 口味 | 口味 | *n.* | a person’s taste (for food) | II-5 |
| kǒuyīn | 口音 | 口音 | *n.* | voice; accent | III-5 |
| kūkutítí | 哭哭啼啼 | 哭哭啼啼 | *v.* | endlessly weep and wail | III-2 |
| kùjiǎo | 裤脚 | 褲腳 | *n.* | bottom of a pant leg | I-2 |
| kùrè | 酷热 | 酷熱 | *adj.* | extremely hot (weather) | V-3 |
| kuàicāndiàn | 快餐店 | 快餐店 | *n.* | fast food restaurant | I-5 |
| kuàilè | 快乐 | 快樂 | *adj.* | happy; joyful; cheerful | II-4, III-6 |
| kuān | 宽 | 寬 | *adj.* | wide | I-8 |
| kuàngwù | 矿物 | 礦物 | *n.* | mineral | V-5 |
| kùnnan | 困难 | 困難 | *n.* | difficulty | II-10 |
| **L** |  |  |  |  |  |
| là | 落 | 落 | *v.* | lag behind | I-2 |
| là | 辣 | 辣 | *adj.* | hot; (of smell or taste) burn | II-5 |
| làbǐ | 蜡笔 | 蠟筆 | *n.* | wax crayon | III-8 |
| láidejí | 来得及 | 來得及 | *v.* | be in time for something; there’s still time | IV-2 |
| láiqùwúzōng | 来去无踪 | 來去無蹤 | *id.* | come and go into thin air | V-1 |
| láiwang | 来往 | 來往 | *v.* | contact | II-1 |
| láiyuán | 来源 | 來源 | *v.* | originate | III-3 |
| làihūn | 赖婚 | 賴婚 | *v.* | repudiate a marriage contract | II-2 |
| lánsè | 蓝色 | 藍色 | *n.* | blue | I-3 |
| lánzi | 篮子 | 籃子 | *n.* | basket | III-3 |
| láng | 狼 | 狼 | *n.* | wolf | I-2 |
| lǎngdú | 朗读 | 朗讀 | *v.* | read loudly and clearly | V-10 |
| lǎnglǎng | 朗朗 | 朗朗 | *adj.* | bright; light | V-7 |
| làngfèi | 浪费 | 浪費 | *v.* | waste; squander | V-8 |
| làngmàn | 浪漫 | 浪漫 | *adj.* | romantic | I-8 |
| láodao | 唠叨 | 嘮叨 | *v.* | chatter; be garrulous | IV-2 |
| láodòngjié | 劳动节 | 勞動節 | *prn.* | International Labor Day (May 1) | III-1 |
| láoér wúgōng | 劳而无功 | 勞而無功 | *id.* | work hard but to no avail | IV-3 |
| láoláode | 牢牢地 | 牢牢地 | *adv.* | ﬁrmly | IV-2 |
| lǎodàniáng | 老大娘 | 老大娘 | *n.* | a polite form of address to an elderly woman | II-9 |
| lǎodàye | 老大爷 | 老大爺 | *n.* | a polite form of address to an elderly man | II-9 |
| lǎonǎinai | 老奶奶 | 老奶奶 | *n.* | a polite form of address to an elderly woman | II-9 |
| lǎonián (rén) | 老年（人） | 老年（人） | *n.* | old age; the elderly | I-1 |
| lǎorénjia | 老人家 | 老人家 | *n.* | a respectful form of address for an old person | I-1, II-9 |
| lǎotóur | 老头儿 | 老頭兒 | *n.* | (informal) old man; old chap | I-1 |
| lǎoyéye | 老爷爷 | 老爺爺 | *n.* | a polite form of address to an elderly man | II-9 |
| lǎozi | 老子 | 老子 | *n.* | father (colloquial) | III-6 |
| lèqù | 乐趣 | 樂趣 | *n.* | delight; pleasure; joy | II-3 |
| léitíng | 雷霆 | 雷霆 | *n.* | thunderclap; thunderbolt | IV-8 |
| lěngbīngbīng | 冷冰冰 | 冷冰冰 | *adj.* | ice-cold; freezing | II-4 |
| lí | 离 | 離 | *v.* | away; from | II-7 |
| líhūn | 离婚 | 離婚 | *v.* | divorce | II-2 |
| líqígǔguài | 离奇古怪 | 離奇古怪 | *id.* | odd; bizarre | V-4 |
| lǐ | 里 | 里 | *n.* | Chinese unit of length (equal to half a kilometer) | I-10 |
| lǐ | 理 | 理 | *v.* | pay attention to | I-2 |
| Lǐ Bái | 李白 | 李白 | *prn.* | celebrated Tang Dynasty poet | I-4 |
| lǐlùn | 理论 | 理論 | *n.* | theory | V-4 |
| lǐmào | 礼貌 | 禮貌 | *n.* | courtesy; politeness | I-1, II-9 |
| lǐpǐn | 礼品 | 禮品 | *n.* | gift; present | I-7 |
| lìchéng | 历程 | 歷程 | *n.* | progress | V-2 |
| lìjīng | 历经 | 歷經 | *v.* | go through; experience | IV-9 |
| lìshǐ | 历史 | 歷史 | *n.* | history | I-10, II-7 |
| lián | 连 | 連 | *v./conj.* | link, join; even | I-7, II-3 |
| liánjiē | 连接 | 連接 | *v.* | join; link | I-10 |
| liǎnpǔ | 脸谱 | 臉譜 | *n.* | facial makeup in opera | V-6 |
| liàn’ài | 恋爱 | 戀愛 | *v.* | be in love; have a love affair | II-1 |
| liáng | 凉 | 涼 | *adj.* | cool; cold | I-7, II-7 |
| liángshi | 粮食 | 糧食 | *n.* | grain; cereals | II-8 |
| liángshuǎng | 凉爽 | 涼爽 | *adj.* | pleasantly cool | II-3 |
| liǎngnán | 两难 | 兩難 | *adj.* | having a dilemma | V-7 |
| liàngguāng | 亮光 | 亮光 | *n.* | light | I-9 |
| liàngjīngjīng | 亮晶晶 | 亮晶晶 | *adj.* | glittering; sparkling | I-9 |
| liànglì | 靓丽 | 靚麗 | *adj.* | beautiful; pretty | IV-9 |
| liáodǎo | 潦倒 | 潦倒 | *adj.* | be frustrated | IV-9 |
| liáokuò | 辽阔 | 遼闊 | *adj.* | vast; extensive | III-5 |
| liáotiānr | 聊天儿 | 聊天兒 | *v.* | chat | II-1 |
| liǎobuqǐ | 了不起 | 了不起 | *adj.* | extraordinary; unbelievable | II-8 |
| lièrén | 猎人 | 獵人 | *n.* | hunter | II-3 |
| lièwù | 猎物 | 獵物 | *n.* | prey | V-9 |
| Lín Dàiyù | 林黛玉 | 林黛玉 | *prn.* | person’s name | IV-10 |
| línjū | 邻居 | 鄰居 | *n.* | neighbor | II-2 |
| línghún | 灵魂 | 靈魂 | *n.* | soul; spirit | V-10 |
| língmù | 陵墓 | 陵墓 | *n.* | mausoleum; tomb | IV-7 |
| liū | 溜 | 溜 | *v.* | sneak off; slip away | I-9 |
| liūjìn | 溜进 | 溜進 | *v.* | slip into | IV-1 |
| liúcún | 留存 | 留存 | *v.* | preserve; keep | IV-6 |
| liúdòng | 流动 | 流動 | *v.* | ﬂow; going from place to place | IV-1 |
| liúlù | 流露 | 流露 | *v.* | reveal; betray | IV-9 |
| liúshī | 流失 | 流失 | *v.* | run off; be washed away; erode | V-7 |
| liútōng | 流通 | 流通 | *v.* | circulate | IV-8 |
| liúxià | 留下 | 留下 | *v.* | keep; remain | II-3 |
| liúxīng | 流星 | 流星 | *n.* | meteor; shooting star | I-9, II-4 |
| lóng | 龙 | 龍 | *n.* | dragon | I-3 |
| lóngfēifèngwǔ | 龙飞凤舞 | 龍飛鳳舞 | *id.* | lively and vigorous (in calligraphy) | V-5 |
| lóngfèng chéngxiáng | 龙凤呈祥 | 龍鳳呈祥 | *id.* | have extremely good fortune | IV-8 |
| lǒng | 拢 | 攏 | *v.* | gather up | IV-10 |
| lǒngzhào | 笼罩 | 籠罩 | *v.* | envelop; shroud | V-7 |
| lòudiào | 漏掉 | 漏掉 | *v.* | leak | IV-3 |
| Lǔ Xùn | 鲁迅 | 魯迅 | *prn.* | name of an author, Lu Xun (1881–1936; regarded as the father of modern Chinese literature) | III-6 |
| lùchū | 露出 | 露出 | *v.* | reveal | V-5 |
| lùfèi | 路费 | 路費 | *n.* | traveling expenses | III-4 |
| lǚ | 铝 | 鋁 | *n.* | aluminum | III-3 |
| lǚ | 缕 | 縷 | *n.* | thread (measure word for long, thin and soft materials, such as silk, wire.) | V-1 |
| lǚxíng | 旅行 | 旅行 | *v.* | travel | II-7 |
| lǜchá | 绿茶 | 綠茶 | *n.* | green tea | I-4 |
| lǜsè | 绿色 | 綠色 | *n.* | green | I-3 |
| luò | 落 | 落 | *v.* | fall; drop | I-9, III-3 |
| luòchā | 落差 | 落差 | *n.* | difference | V-8 |
| **M** |  |  |  |  |  |
| máfan | 麻烦 | 麻煩 | *n./adj.* | trouble, problem; troublesome, inconvenient | I-1, III-5 |
| májiàng | 麻将 | 麻將 | *n.* | mahjong | V-5 |
| mápódòufu | 麻婆豆腐 | 麻婆豆腐 | *n.* | mapo tofu | I-5 |
| Mázhōu | 麻州 | 麻州 | *prn.* | Massachusetts | III-10 |
| mǎ | 马 | 馬 | *n.* | horse | I-2 |
| mǎfū | 马夫 | 馬夫 | *n.* | groom (person who takes care of horses) | III-4 |
| mǎyǎwénzì | 玛雅文字 | 瑪雅文字 | *n.* | Mayan writing | V-10 |
| mái | 埋 | 埋 | *v.* | cover up (with earth, snow, etc.); bury | I-10 |
| máizàng | 埋葬 | 埋葬 | *v.* | bury | III-2 |
| màidāngláo | 麦当劳 | 麥當勞 | *prn.* | McDonald’s | I-5 |
| màijiǎo | 迈脚 | 邁腳 | *v.* | raise one’s foot | V-6 |
| màizi | 麦子 | 麥子 | *n.* | wheat | II-8 |
| mántou | 馒头 | 饅頭 | *n.* | steamed bun | II-5 |
| màncháng | 漫长 | 漫長 | *adj.* | very long | V-2 |
| mànhuà | 漫画 | 漫畫 | *n.* | caricature; cartoon | II-6 |
| màntūntūn | 慢吞吞 | 慢吞吞 | *adj.* | slow; sluggish | IV-2 |
| māo | 猫 | 貓 | *n.* | cat | I-2 |
| máo | 矛 | 矛 | *n.* | spear; lance | V-9 |
| máobǐ | 毛笔 | 毛筆 | *n.* | writing brush | III-8 |
| máodùn | 矛盾 | 矛盾 | *n.* | contradiction | IV-10 |
| máotáijiǔ | 茅台酒 | 茅臺酒 | *n.* | Maotai wine | I-4 |
| méi | 煤 | 煤 | *n.* | coal | III-3 |
| méibǐ | 眉笔 | 眉筆 | *n.* | eyebrow pencil | III-8 |
| méiqì | 煤气 | 煤氣 | *n.* | coal gas | III-3 |
| méitàn | 煤炭 | 煤炭 | *n.* | coal industry | V-8 |
| mén shén | 门神 | 門神 | *n.* | door-god | IV-4 |
| méngyá | 萌芽 | 萌芽 | *n.* | sprout | IV-5 |
| Mèngzǐ | 孟子 | 孟子 | *prn.* | Mencius | III-2 |
| mídǐ | 谜底 | 謎底 | *n.* | answer to a riddle | IV-3 |
| Mílèfó | 弥勒佛 | 彌勒佛 | *prn.* | Maitreya Buddha | IV-4 |
| mílù | 麋鹿 | 麋鹿 | *n.* | David's deer (a species of deer common in China) | V-9 |
| mímiàn | 谜面 | 謎面 | *n.* | clue to a riddle | IV-3 |
| míxìn | 迷信 | 迷信 | *n.* | superstition; superstitious | IV-7 |
| mǐ | 米 | 米 | *n.* | meter | I-10 |
| mǐfàn | 米饭 | 米飯 | *n.* | rice | II-5 |
| mìmìmámá | 密密麻麻 | 密密麻麻 | *adj.* | thickly dotted; numerous | I-9 |
| miánmián | 绵绵 | 綿綿 | *adj.* | continuous; unbroken | IV-9 |
| miànbāo | 面包 | 麵包 | *n.* | bread | I-5, II-5 |
| miànduì | 面对 | 面對 | *v.* | face; confront | V-3 |
| miànfěn | 面粉 | 麵粉 | *n.* | wheat flour; flour | II-8 |
| miànjī | 面积 | 面積 | *n.* | area | V-8 |
| miànlín | 面临 | 面臨 | *v.* | face; be confronted with | V-7 |
| miàntiáo | 面条 | 麵條 | *n.* | noodles | II-5 |
| miáoshù | 描述 | 描述 | *v.* | describe | V-4 |
| miàoyǔ | 庙宇 | 廟宇 | *n.* | temple | IV-4 |
| mièshì | 蔑视 | 蔑視 | *v.* | despise | IV-10 |
| mínguózhèngfǔ | 民国政府 | 民國政府 | *n.* | the Republic of China government (1912-1949) | V-2 |
| mínjiān | 民间 | 民間 | *n.* | folk; among the people | I-7, V-2 |
| mínjū | 民居 | 民居 | *n.* | residence house | III-10 |
| mínsúxuéjiā | 民俗学家 | 民俗學家 | *n.* | specialist in folklore | III-10 |
| Mǐnnánhuà | 闽南话 | 閩南話 | *prn.* | South Fujian dialect | III-5 |
| míng | 明 | 明 | *adj.* | bright | I-9 |
| Míngcháo | 明朝 | 明朝 | *prn.* | Ming Dynasty (A.D. 1368–1644) | I-10, III-7 |
| míngliàng | 明亮 | 明亮 | *adj.* | bright | I-8 |
| míngliǎo | 明了 | 明了 | *v.* | understand; be clear about | IV-3 |
| mínglìng | 明令 | 明令 | *v.* | explicit order; public proclamation | V-2 |
| míngquè | 明确 | 明確 | *adj.* | clear and definite; explicit | V-2 |
| míngshènggǔjì | 名胜古迹 | 名勝古跡 | *n.* | a place famous for its scenery or historical relics | I-10 |
| míngwángxīng | 冥王星 | 冥王星 | *prn.* | Pluto | I-9 |
| mìnglìng | 命令 | 命令 | *v.* | order; command | II-3 |
| mó | 磨 | 磨 | *v.* | rub | III-8 |
| mófǎng | 模仿 | 模仿 | *v.* | imitate; copy; model oneself on | III-2 |
| móhu | 模糊 | 模糊 | *adj.* | blurred; indistinct | V-7 |
| mónàn | 磨难 | 磨難 | *v.* | cause to suffer | IV-9 |
| mò | 墨 | 墨 | *n.* | Chinese ink stick | III-8 |
| mòlihuā | 茉莉花 | 茉莉花 | *n.* | jasmine | I-4 |
| mòmòde | 默默地 | 默默地 | *adv.* | quietly; silently | I-9 |
| mòzhī | 墨汁 | 墨汁 | *n.* | prepared Chinese ink | III-8 |
| mǒuxiē | 某些 | 某些 | *n.* | some; certain | V-4 |
| mǔdanhuā | 牡丹花 | 牡丹花 | *n.* | peony flower | II-6 |
| mùdì | 墓地 | 墓地 | *n.* | graveyard | III-2 |
| mùdìdì | 目的地 | 目的地 | *n.* | destination | III-4 |
| mùdiāo | 木雕 | 木雕 | *n.* | wood carving | I-7 |
| mùxīng | 木星 | 木星 | *prn.* | Jupiter | I-9 |
| **N** |  |  |  |  |  |
| nàqiè | 纳妾 | 納妾 | *vo.* | take a concubine | V-2 |
| nǎichá | 奶茶 | 奶茶 | *n.* | tea with milk | I-4 |
| nǎilào | 奶酪 | 奶酪 | *n.* | cheese | I-5 |
| nǎilàohànbǎo | 奶酪汉堡 | 奶酪漢堡 | *n.* | cheeseburger | I-5 |
| nǎisūmiànbāo | 奶酥面包 | 奶酥麵包 | *n.* | biscuit | I-5 |
| Nánběicháo | 南北朝 | 南北朝 | *prn.* | Southern and Northern Dynasties (A.D. 420–589) | I-10, III-7 |
| nándào | 难道 | 難道 | *adv.* | used to reiterate a rhetorical question | II-1 |
| nánguò | 难过 | 難過 | *adj./v.* | sad; feel badly, have a hard time, be grieved | II-4, III-6 |
| nánshòu | 难受 | 難受 | *adj./v.* | unhappy, unwell; feel bad, feel unwell, feel ill | I-4, III-6 |
| nányuánběizhé | 南辕北辙 | 南轅北轍 | *id.* | try to go south by driving the chariot north—act in a way that defeats one's purpose | III-4 |
| nèibù | 内部 | 內部 | *adj.* | inside; internal; interior | IV-7 |
| nèihán | 内涵 | 內涵 | *n.* | intention, connotation; deep meaning (of literature and culture), rich in knowledge or culture (of a person) | IV-9, V-5 |
| nèiróng | 内容 | 內容 | *n.* | content; substance | V-3 |
| nénggàn | 能干 | 能幹 | *adj.* | talented; capable | II-10, III-4 |
| nénggōng qiǎojiàng | 能工巧匠 | 能工巧匠 | *id.* | skillful craftsman | III-10 |
| néngnài | 能耐 | 能耐 | *n.* | ability; capability | V-3 |
| níjiāng | 泥浆 | 泥漿 | *n.* | mud | V-3 |
| nǐrén | 拟人 | 擬人 | *n.* | personiﬁcation | IV-2 |
| nìshuǐ | 溺水 | 溺水 | *v.* | drown | V-3 |
| niánfèn | 年份 | 年份 | *n.* | a particular year | III-9 |
| niánhào | 年号 | 年號 | *n.* | the title of an emperor’s reign | IV-8 |
| niánjì (líng) | 年纪 (龄) | 年紀 (齡) | *n.* | age | II-9 |
| niánqīng (rén) | 年轻（人） | 年輕（人） | *n.* | youth; young people | I-1 |
| niǎnmó | 碾磨 | 碾磨 | *v.* | grind or husk grain or sth. with a millstone | IV-1 |
| niǎo | 鸟 | 鳥 | *n.* | bird | I-2 |
| niē | 捏 | 捏 | *v.* | knead | V-3 |
| nínlǎo | 您老 | 您老 | *n.* | a polite form of address to an elderly person | II-9 |
| níngjìng | 宁静 | 寧靜 | *adj.* | peaceful; quiet | I-3 |
| níngjù | 凝聚 | 凝聚 | *v.* | concentrate; accumulate | III-10 |
| niú | 牛 | 牛 | *n.* | cow | I-2 |
| niúláng | 牛郎 | 牛郎 | *n.* | cowherd | I-8 |
| niúnǎi | 牛奶 | 牛奶 | *n.* | milk | I-4 |
| niúròu | 牛肉 | 牛肉 | *n.* | beef | I-5 |
| nónglì | 农历 | 農歷 | *n.* | the traditional Chinese calendar; the lunar calendar | III-9 |
| nóngtián | 农田 | 農田 | *n.* | farmland; cultivated land | V-7 |
| nóngyào | 农药 | 農藥 | *n.* | agricultural chemical; pesticide | V-7 |
| nóngyù | 浓郁 | 濃郁 | *adj.* | strong; rich | III-10 |
| nóngzuòwù | 农作物 | 農作物 | *n.* | crops | V-7 |
| nòng | 弄 | 弄 | *v.* | make; do | II-7 |
| nòngbùqīngchǔ | 弄不清楚 | 弄不清楚 | *vc.* | can’t understand | II-9 |
| nòngshī | 弄湿 | 弄濕 | *vc.* | get wet | I-2 |
| nùhǒu | 怒吼 | 怒吼 | *v.* | roar; howl | IV-1 |
| nuǎnhuo | 暖和 | 暖和 | *adj./v.* | warm; warm up | I-2, II-3 |
| nǚshì | 女士 | 女士 | *n.* | lady; madam | II-9 |
| **O** |  |  |  |  |  |
| ó | 哦 | 哦 | *int.* | (expressing realization and understanding) oh; ah | IV-2 |
| **P** |  |  |  |  |  |
| pā | 趴 | 趴 | *v.* | lie on one’s stomach | I-2 |
| pà | 怕 | 怕 | *v.* | be afraid of | II-1 |
| pánzi | 盘子 | 盤子 | *n.* | plate | II-7 |
| pàochá | 泡茶 | 泡茶 | *vo.* | make tea | I-4 |
| pèi’ǒu | 配偶 | 配偶 | *n.* | spouse | V-2 |
| pèiwǔ | 配伍 | 配伍 | *n.* | compatibility of medicines | V-5 |
| pěng | 捧 | 捧 | *v.* | hold or carry in both hands | V-1 |
| pífū | 皮肤 | 皮膚 | *n.* | skin | I-3 |
| píjiǔ | 啤酒 | 啤酒 | *n* | beer | I-4 |
| Pípadí Àisàikèsī bówùguǎn | 琵琶迪艾塞克斯博物馆 | 琵琶迪艾塞克斯博物館 | *prn.* | the Peabody Essex Museum (in Salem, Mass.) | III-10 |
| piányi | 便宜 | 便宜 | *adj.* | cheap; inexpensive | II-5 |
| piāofú | 飘浮 | 飄浮 | *v.* | float | V-1 |
| piāomiǎo | 缥缈 | 縹緲 | *adj.* | dimly discernible | I-9 |
| pīnmìng | 拼命 | 拼命 | *vo.* | risk one’s life | I-2 |
| pínfá | 贫乏 | 貧乏 | adj. | poor; lacking | V-3 |
| pǐnzhì | 品质 | 品質 | *n.* | character; quality | V-6 |
| píng’ān | 平安 | 平安 | *adj.* | safe and sound | I-6 |
| píngcháng | 平常 | 平常 | *adv.* | common; ordinary | V-4 |
| píngfēng | 屏风 | 屏風 | *n.* | screen | IV-7 |
| píngguǒzhī | 苹果汁 | 蘋果汁 | *n.* | apple juice | I-4 |
| pínghéng | 平衡 | 平衡 | *adj.* | balanced; equal | V-5 |
| píngjià | 评价 | 評價 | *v.* | appraise; evaluate | V-6 |
| píngshí | 平时 | 平時 | *n.* | ordinary times | II-1 |
| píngzè | 平仄 | 平仄 | *n.* | tonal patterns in classical Chinese poetry | IV-4 |
| pútáojiǔ | 葡萄酒 | 葡萄酒 | *n.* | (grape) wine | I-4 |
| pǔbiàn | 普遍 | 普遍 | *adj.* | universal; general | IV-5 |
| pǔtōng | 普通 | 普通 | *adj.* | ordinary | III-2 |
| Pǔtōnghuà | 普通话 | 普通話 | *prn.* | standard Mandarin Chinese | III-5 |
| **Q** |  |  |  |  |  |
| qīpiàn | 欺骗 | 欺騙 | *v.* | deceive; cheat | III-6 |
| qīzi | 妻子 | 妻子 | *n.* | wife | II-4 |
| qífú | 祈福 | 祈福 | *vo.* | pray for good fortune or happiness | IV-8 |
| qíguài | 奇怪 | 奇怪 | *adj.* | strange; surprising | II-2 |
| qíjì | 奇迹 | 奇跡 | *n.* | miracle; wonder | V-4 |
| qíshí | 其实 | 其實 | *adv.* | actually; in fact | II-4 |
| qítā | 其他 | 其他 | *pn.* | others; the rest | I-3 |
| qízhōng | 其中 | 其中 | *prep.* | among (which, them, etc.) | II-2 |
| qǐfā | 启发 | 啟發 | *v.* | inspire; enlighten | V-1 |
| Qǐguó | 杞国 | 杞國 | *prn.* | an ancient feudal state | III-4 |
| Qǐrényōutiān | 杞人忧天 | 杞人憂天 | *id.* | the man of Qi who was haunted by the fear that the sky might fall—entertain imaginary or groundless fears | III-4 |
| qǐyuán | 起源 | 起源 | *v.* | originate | V-6 |
| qì | 泣 | 泣 | *v.* | weep; sob | III-7 |
| qìfēn | 气氛 | 气氛 | *n.* | atmosphere | V-6 |
| qìjié | 气节 | 氣節 | *n.* | integrity | IV-9 |
| qìjīn | 迄今 | 迄今 | *adv.* | up to now; to this day | IV-5 |
| qìtǐ | 气体 | 氣體 | *n.* | gas | III-4 |
| qìyóu | 汽油 | 汽油 | *n.* | gasoline | III-3 |
| qiān | 千 | 千 | *num.* | thousand | II-10 |
| qiān | 迁 | 遷 | *v.* | move; change | III-2 |
| qiān | 铅 | 鉛 | *n.* | lead | III-3 |
| qiān | 牵 | 牽 | *v.* | lead along (by holding the hand) | I-8 |
| qiānbǐ | 铅笔 | 鉛筆 | *n.* | pencil | III-8 |
| qiānbǐhuà | 铅笔画 | 鉛筆劃 | *n.* | pencil drawing | II-6 |
| qiānniúxīng | 牵牛星 | 牽牛星 | *prn.* | Altair (star) | I-8 |
| qiānqiānjūnzǐ | 谦谦君子 | 謙謙君子 | *id.* | a modest, self-disciplined gentleman | IV-9 |
| qiānwàn | 千万 | 千萬 | *adv.* | must; make sure to | II-9 |
| qiānwàn | 千万 | 千萬 | *num.* | ten million | II-10 |
| qiānzībǎitài | 千姿百态 | 千姿百態 | *id.* | in different poses and with different expressions | V-5 |
| qiánkūn | 乾坤 | 乾坤 | *n.* | heaven and earth; the universe | V-7 |
| qiāngdiào | 腔调 | 腔調 | *n.* | accent; intonation | V-6 |
| qiáng | 强 | 強 | *adj.* | strong; powerful | I-9 |
| qiángliè | 强烈 | 強烈 | *adj.* | strong; intense | V-3 |
| qiángzhě | 強者 | 強者 | *n.* | the strong | IV-2 |
| qiǎngzhe | 抢着 | 搶著 | *v.* | try to have the floor before… | II-7 |
| qiāoqiāo | 悄悄 | 悄悄 | *adv.* | stealthily; secretly | I-9 |
| qiè | 切 | 切 | *v.* | feel a pulse | V-5 |
| qiè | 妾 | 妾 | *n.* | concubine | V-2 |
| qīnhài | 侵害 | 侵害 | *v.* | encroach on; make inroads on | V-9 |
| qīnjìn | 亲近 | 親近 | *v.* | be close to | I-8 |
| qīnlüè | 侵略 | 侵略 | *n.* | aggression; invasion | I-10 |
| qīnmì | 亲密 | 親密 | *adj.* | close; intimate | I-8 |
| Qíncháo | 秦朝 | 秦朝 | *prn.* | Qin Dynasty (221–206 B.C.) | I-10, III-7 |
| Qín Shǐ huáng | 秦始皇 | 秦始皇 | *prn.* | Qin Shihuang, the emperor who first unified China | I-10 |
| qǐn | 寝 | 寢 | *v.* | sleep | II-5 |
| qìnrén xīnpí | 沁人心脾 | 沁人心脾 | *id.* | gladdening the heart and refreshing the mind | IV-1 |
| qīng | 轻 | 輕 | *adj.* | light | II-4 |
| qīngcài | 青菜 | 青菜 | *n.* | green vegetables | I-5 |
| Qīngcháo | 清朝 | 清朝 | *prn.* | Qing Dynasty (A.D. 1644–1911) | I-10, III-7 |
| qīngchè | 清澈 | 清澈 | *adj.* | limpid; clear | V-7 |
| qīngchǔ | 清楚 | 清楚 | *adj.* | clearly understood; distinct | II-7 |
| qīngmíngjié | 清明节 | 清明節 | *prn.* | the Pure Brightness Festival, also known as the Tomb-Sweeping Festival (on April 4, 5, or 6 solar term) | III-1 |
| qīngnián (rén) | 青年（人） | 青年（人） | *n.* | youth; young people | I-1 |
| qīngqì | 氢气 | 氫氣 | *n.* | hydrogen | III-3 |
| qīngsè | 青色 | 青色 | *n.* | blue or green | I-3 |
| qīngshàonián | 青少年 | 青少年 | *n.* | teenagers; adolescence | I-1 |
| qīngshēng | 轻声 | 輕聲 | *n.* | (in Chinese pronunciation) unstressed syllable pronounced without its original tone | III-3 |
| qīngshuǎng | 清爽 | 清爽 | *adj.* | fresh and cool; relieved | IV-1 |
| qīngsōng | 轻松 | 輕鬆 | *adj.* | light; relaxed; delighted | V-10 |
| qīngtiān | 青天 | 青天 | *n.* | blue sky | V-1 |
| qīngtóng | 青铜 | 青銅 | *n.* | bronze | V-9 |
| qíngjié | 情节 | 情節 | *n.* | plot; circumstances | V-6 |
| qíngkōng | 晴空 | 晴空 | *n.* | clear sky; cloudless sky | V-1 |
| qíngtiān | 晴天 | 晴天 | *n.* | sunny day | II-3 |
| qióng | 穷 | 窮 | *adj.* | poor; poverty-stricken; end (of a thing) | I-8, II-2, V-1 |
| qiúhūn | 求婚 | 求婚 | *v.* | make an offer of marriage | II-2 |
| qiúxié | 球鞋 | 球鞋 | *n.* | gym shoes; sneakers | III-3 |
| qū | 区 | 區 | *n.* | area; district; region | III-5 |
| qūbié | 区别 | 區別 | *v.* | distinguish | III-3 |
| qūguǐbìxié | 驱鬼辟邪 | 驅鬼辟邪 | *id.* | expel ghosts and exorcise evil spirits | IV-4 |
| qūyù | 区域 | 區域 | *n.* | region; area | V-8 |
| qù | 去 | 去 | *v.* | remove; get rid of | IV-8 |
| quān | 圈 | 圈 | *n.* | ring; circle | I-5 |
| quánshìjiè | 全世界 | 全世界 | *n.* | the whole world | I-1 |
| quàn | 劝 | 勸 | *v.* | advise; urge; try to persuade | III-4 |
| què | 却 | 卻 | *conj.* | but; however | I-4, II-7 |
| quèqiè | 确切 | 確切 | *adj.* | exact; precise | IV-5 |
| quèshí | 确实 | 確實 | *adv.* | indeed; truly | III-6 |
| qúnhūn | 群婚 | 群婚 | *n.* | communal marriage | V-2 |
| **R** |  |  |  |  |  |
| ránshāo | 燃烧 | 燃燒 | *v.* | burn; kindle | V-8 |
| ràngzuòwèi | 让座位 | 讓座位 | *vo.* | offer (or give up) one’s seat to sb. | I-1 |
| règǒu | 热狗 | 熱狗 | *n.* | hot dog | I-5 |
| rèliàn | 热恋 | 熱戀 | *v.* | be passionately in love | II-1 |
| rènéng | 热能 | 熱能 | *n.* | heat (thermal) energy | V-8 |
| réndīng | 人丁 | 人丁 | *n.* | population; number of people in a family | IV-7 |
| réndìngshèngtiān | 人定胜天 | 人定勝天 | *id.* | man can conquer nature | V-3 |
| rénjia | 人家 | 人家 | *n.* | other person | II-9 |
| rénjiān | 人间 | 人間 | *n.* | the human world | I-8, II-4 |
| rénkǒu | 人口 | 人口 | *n.* | population | II-10 |
| rénlèixué | 人类学 | 人類學 | *n.* | anthropology | V-2 |
| rénshēng | 人生 | 人生 | *n.* | human existence and life | IV-6 |
| rénshēng zhìxiàng | 人生志向 | 人生志向 | *n.* | people’s aspirations or ambitions | IV-4 |
| rénwù | 人物 | 人物 | *n.* | figure | II-6 |
| rénwùhuà | 人物画 | 人物畫 | *n.* | figure painting | II-6 |
| rénxìnghuà | 人性化 | 人性化 | *adj.* | humanized | IV-9 |
| rèn | 任 | 任 | *v.* | allow; give free rein to; not care about | V-1 |
| rènwéi | 认为 | 認為 | *v.* | think; consider | II-6 |
| rènwù | 任务 | 任務 | *n.* | assignment; mission | V-7 |
| rènxìng | 韧性 | 韌性 | *n.* | toughness; tenacity | V-9 |
| rènzhī | 认知 | 認知 | *v.* | acknowledge | V-3 |
| réngrán | 仍然 | 仍然 | *adv.* | still; yet | III-9 |
| Rìběn | 日本 | 日本 | *prn.* | Japan | III-3 |
| rìshí | 日食 | 日食 | *n.* | solar eclipse | II-4 |
| rìxīnyuèyì | 日新月异 | 日新月異 | *id.* | change with each passing day | V-7 |
| róng | 容 | 容 | *v.* | contain; tolerate | IV-4 |
| rónghé | 融合 | 融合 | *v.* | mix together; merge | V-6 |
| rónghuáfùguì | 荣华富贵 | 荣華富貴 | *id* | high rank and great wealth | II-6 |
| rúguǒ | 如果 | 如果 | *conj.* | if; in case | I-1 |
| rújiā | 儒家 | 儒家 | *prn.* | Confucianism | V-10 |
| rúmèngrúhuàn | 如梦如幻 | 如夢如幻 | *id.* | dreamy | V-1 |
| rùyào | 入药 | 入藥 | *v.* | be used as medicine | V-5 |
| ruǎn | 软 | 軟 | *adj.* | soft | I-5 |
| ruǎnmiànbāoquān | 软面包圈 | 軟麵包圈 | *n.* | doughnut | I-5 |
| ruòdiǎn | 弱点 | 弱點 | *adj.* | weakness; weak point | II-10 |
| ruògān | 若干 | 若干 | *pn.* | a certain number or amount | V-4 |
| ruòzhě | 弱者 | 弱者 | *n.* | the weak | IV-2 |
| **S** |  |  |  |  |  |
| sǎ | 洒 | 灑 | *v.* | sprinkle; spray | I-2 |
| sǎ | 撒 | 撒 | *v.* | sprinkle; scatter | I-9 |
| sǎluò | 洒落 | 灑落 | *v.* | scatter | V-3 |
| Sānguó | 三国 | 三國 | *prn.* | Three Kingdoms (A.D. 220–280) | I-10, III-7 |
| sānjiǎoliàn’ài | 三角恋爱 | 三角戀愛 | *n.* | love triangle | II-2 |
| sānmíngzhì | 三明治 | 三明治 | *n.* | sandwich | I-5 |
| sānxiá | 三峡 | 三峽 | *n.* | The Three Changjiang River Gorges | V-8 |
| sǎngài | 伞盖 | 傘蓋 | *n.* | umbrella cover (over a cart) | II-7 |
| sǎnluò | 散落 | 散落 | *v.* | be scattered | I-9 |
| sàngshī | 丧失 | 喪失 | *v.* | lose; forfeit | V-8 |
| shāchénbào | 沙尘暴 | 沙塵暴 | *n.* | dust storm | V-7 |
| shāhài | 杀害 | 殺害 | *v.* | murder; kill | III-7 |
| shālā | 沙拉 | 沙拉 | *n.* | salad | I-5 |
| shāmò | 沙漠 | 沙漠 | *n.* | desert | V-7 |
| shāshānglì | 杀伤力 | 殺傷力 | *n.* | deadliness | V-9 |
| shāsǐ | 杀死 | 殺死 | *vc.* | kill | II-3 |
| shàigān | 晒干 | 曬乾 | *vc.* | dry in the sun | II-3 |
| Shāndōnghuà | 山东话 | 山東話 | *prn.* | Shandong dialect | III-5 |
| shāndòng | 山洞 | 山洞 | *n.* | cave | III-10 |
| Shānhǎiguān | 山海关 | 山海關 | *prn.* | Great Wall pass in Hebei Province | I-10 |
| shānhuǒ | 山火 | 山火 | *n.* | forest fire | V- |
| shānjiàn | 山涧 | 山澗 | *n.* | mountain stream | IV-1 |
| shānshuǐ | 山水 | 山水 | *n.* | mountains and water; landscape | I-7 |
| shānshuǐhuà | 山水画 | 山水畫 | *n.* | landscape painting | II-6 |
| Shānxī qiáojiā dàyuàn | 山西乔家大院 | 山西喬家大院 | *prn.* | the Qiaojia Courtyard, a renowned example of traditional residential architecture located in Shanxi | III-10 |
| Shǎnběi yáodòng | 陕北窑洞 | 陝北窯洞 | *prn.* | cave houses in Shanbei (Shaanxi province) | III-10 |
| shǎndiàn | 闪电 | 閃電 | *n.* | lightning | II-3 |
| Shǎnxī | 陕西 | 陝西 | *prn.* | Shaanxi Province | I-4 |
| Shǎnxīhuà | 陕西话 | 陝西話 | *prn.* | Shaanxi dialect | III-5 |
| shànyǎng | 赡养 | 贍養 | *v.* | support | III-6 |
| shànzi | 扇子 | 扇子 | *n.* | fan | I-7 |
| Shāngcháo | 商朝 | 商朝 | *prn.* | Shang Dynasty (1600–1046 B.C.) | I-10, III-7 |
| shānggǎn | 伤感 | 傷感 | *adj.* | heartsick; sentimental | I-8 |
| shānghài | 伤害 | 傷害 | *v.* | injure; harm | III-7 |
| shāngwáng | 伤亡 | 傷亡 | *v.* | injuries and deaths; casualties | V-9 |
| shāngxīn | 伤心 | 傷心 | *adj.* | sad; broken-hearted | I-8, III-1 |
| Shàngdì | 上帝 | 上帝 | *n.* | God | II-3 |
| Shànghǎihuà | 上海话 | 上海話 | *prn.* | Shanghainese | III-5 |
| Shànghǎi shíkūmén | 上海石窟门 | 上海石窟門 | *prn.* | “Stone gate” style of architecture, traditional in Shanghai | III-10 |
| shàngwǎng | 上网 | 上網 | *v.* | log onto the internet | II-1 |
| shàngyóu | 上游 | 上游 | *n.* | upper reaches (of a river) | V-8 |
| shāo | 烧 | 燒 | *v.* | burn | I-2, III-7 |
| shāowēi | 稍微 | 稍微 | *adv.* | a little; slightly | V-7 |
| shǎoshùmínzú | 少数民族 | 少數民族 | *n.* | ethnic minority | I-10 |
| shàonán | 少男 | 少男 | *n.* | young boy | I-1 |
| shàonián | 少年 | 少年 | *n.* | early youth | I-1 |
| shàonǚ | 少女 | 少女 | *n.* | young girl | I-1 |
| Shàoxīng | 绍兴 | 紹興 | *prn.* | Shaoxing city | I-4 |
| shé | 蛇 | 蛇 | *n.* | snake | I-2 |
| shétāi | 舌苔 | 舌苔 | *n.* | coating on the tongue | V-5 |
| shè | 射 | 射 | *v.* | shoot | II-3 |
| shèhuì | 社会 | 社會 | *n.* | society | IV-8 |
| shèjì | 设计 | 設計 | *v.* | design; plan | IV-7 |
| shèjiàn | 射箭 | 射箭 | *vo.* | shoot an arrow | II-3 |
| shēnhòu | 深厚 | 深厚 | *adj.* | deep; profound | V-10 |
| shēnkè | 深刻 | 深刻 | *adj.* | deep; profound | II-6 |
| shēntǐ | 身体 | 身體 | *n.* | body | II-4 |
| shēnzhǎnjuǎnqū | 伸展卷曲 | 伸展捲曲 | *v.* | stretch and curl | V-1 |
| shēnzhāng | 伸张 | 伸張 | *v.* | uphold; promote | V-3 |
| shénhuà | 神化 | 神化 | *v.* | deify | V-3 |
| shénhuà | 神话 | 神話 | *n.* | mythology; myth | V-3 |
| shénqí | 神奇 | 神奇 | *adj.* | magical; mystical | V-4 |
| shénxiān | 神仙 | 神仙 | *n.* | supernatural being; immortal | V-3 |
| shēng | 升 | 昇 | *v.* | rise into | II-4 |
| shēngcài | 生菜 | 生菜 | *n.* | lettuce | I-5 |
| shēngcún | 生存 | 生存 | *v.* | subsist; exist | V-7 |
| shēngguān fācái | 升官发财 | 升官發財 | *id.* | win promotion and get rich | IV-7 |
| shēnghuó | 生活 | 生活 | *n.* | life | I-1 |
| shēngmiè | 生灭 | 生滅 | *n.* | life and death | V-1 |
| shēngmìng | 生命 | 生命 | *n.* | life | I-2, III-2 |
| shēngqì | 生气 | 生氣 | *v.* | get angry; become angry; take offence | I-8, II-3; III-6 |
| shēngqiān | 升迁 | 升遷 | *v.* | promote; promotion | IV-7 |
| shēngsǐliàn | 生死恋 | 生死戀 | *n.* | love in life or death | II-1 |
| shēngtài | 生态 | 生態 | *n.* | ecology | V-8 |
| shēngxiào | 生肖 | 生肖 | *n.* | the twelve symbolic animals, representing the twelve Earthly Branches, used to symbolize the year in which a person is born | III-9 |
| shéngzi | 绳子 | 繩子 | *n.* | rope; string | V-3 |
| shèngguò | 胜过 | 勝過 | *v.* | excel | V-9 |
| shènglì | 胜利 | 勝利 | *n.* | victory | III-6 |
| shèngrén | 圣人 | 聖人 | *n.* | sage; wise person | II-7 |
| shèngxià | 剩下 | 剩下 | *v.* | be left (over); remain | II-8 |
| shèngxíng | 盛行 | 盛行 | *v.* | be popular; be in vogue | V-2 |
| shī | 诗 | 詩 | *n.* | poetry | I-4 |
| shībài | 失败 | 失敗 | *v.* | be defeated; lose (a war, etc.) | IV-2 |
| shīcí | 诗词 | 詩詞 | *n.* | poetry | I-7 |
| shīfu | 师傅 | 師傅 | *n.* | master; a polite form of address to people | II-9 |
| shīhéng | 失衡 | 失衡 | *adj.* | unbalanced | V-5 |
| shīliàn | 失恋 | 失戀 | *v.* | be disappointed in a love affair | II-1 |
| shīqíng huàyì | 诗情画意 | 詩情畫意 | *id.* | poetic charm; idyllic | IV-1 |
| shí | 十 | 十 | *num.* | ten | II-10 |
| shí | 食 | 食 | *v./n.* | eat; food | II-5 |
| shíbēi | 石碑 | 石碑 | *n.* | stone tablet; stele | I-10 |
| shíbǐ | 石笔 | 石筆 | *n.* | slate pencil | III-8 |
| shídiāo | 石雕 | 石雕 | *n.* | stone carving | I-7 |
| shí’ér | 时而 | 時而 | *adv.* | sometimes | V-1 |
| shíqì | 石器 | 石器 | *n.* | stone implement; stone artifact | V-9 |
| shíwàn | 十万 | 十萬 | *num.* | hundred thousand | II-10 |
| shíxíng | 实行 | 實行 | *v.* | put into practice; carry out | V-2 |
| shíyàn | 实验 | 實驗 | *v.* | experiment | V-5 |
| shíyóu | 石油 | 石油 | *n.* | petroleum | III-3 |
| shízài | 实在 | 實在 | *adv.* | really; in reality | II-8 |
| shízìjià | 十字架 | 十字架 | *n.* | cross | I-6 |
| shǐguān | 史官 | 史官 | *n.* | ofﬁcial historian; historiographer | IV-5 |
| shǐjìn | 使劲 | 使勁 | *v.* | exert all one’s strength | IV-2 |
| shǐzhōng | 始终 | 始終 | *n.* | from beginning to end; start and finish | V-1 |
| shì | 逝 | 逝 | *v.* | pass away; die | IV-10 |
| shìbì | 势必 | 勢必 | *adv.* | certainly will; be bound to | V-7 |
| shìbīng | 士兵 | 士兵 | *n.* | soldiers | I-10 |
| shìchǎng | 市场 | 市場 | *n.* | marketplace; market | III-2 |
| shìgù | 事故 | 事故 | *n.* | accident; mishap | V-8 |
| shìjiàn | 事件 | 事件 | *n.* | incident; event | III-9 |
| shìjiè | 世界 | 世界 | *n.* | world | II-3 |
| shìjièdàzhàn | 世界大战 | 世界大戰 | *n.* | world war | V-9 |
| shìshang | 世上 | 世上 | *n.* | world | II-8 |
| shìsú | 世俗 | 世俗 | *n.* | common customs | IV-10 |
| shìtài yánliáng | 世态炎凉 | 世態炎涼 | *id.* | ﬁckle or snobbish ways of the world | IV-4 |
| shìwù | 事物 | 事物 | *n.* | thing; object | III-3, IV-5 |
| shìwù | 饰物 | 飾物 | *n.* | ornament | I-6 |
| shìxiǎng | 试想 | 試想 | *v.* | try to think; speculate | V-10 |
| shìyàng | 式样 | 式樣 | *n.* | style; type; model | III-10 |
| shìyìng | 适应 | 適應 | *v.* | accommodate | II-5 |
| shǒuduàn | 手段 | 手段 | *n.* | method | V-5 |
| shǒufǎ | 手法 | 手法 | *n.* | technique | IV-2 |
| shǒujī | 手机 | 手機 | *n.* | cell phone | I-6 |
| shǒuliàn | 手链 | 手鏈 | *n.* | bracelet (made of rope or soft material) | I-6 |
| shǒuzhǎng | 手掌 | 手掌 | *n.* | palm of the hand | I-9 |
| shǒuzhūdàitù | 守株待兔 | 守株待兔 | *id.* | stand by a stump waiting for hares to run into it—wait for a windfall | III-4 |
| shǒuzhuó | 手镯 | 手鐲 | *n.* | bracelet (made of metal or hard material) | I-6 |
| shǒuzú | 手足 | 手足 | *n.* | hand and feet, metaphorical expression for brothers | III-7 |
| shòubùliǎo | 受不了 | 受不了 | *vc.* | unbearable | II-3 |
| shòudào | 受到 | 受到 | *v.* | receive | II-10 |
| shòugǔ | 兽骨 | 獸骨 | *n.* | animal bones | IV-5 |
| shòuliè | 狩猎 | 狩獵 | *v.* | hunt | V-9 |
| shū | 输 | 輸 | *v.* | lose | III-4 |
| shūcài | 蔬菜 | 蔬菜 | *n.* | vegetables | I-5 |
| shūfǎ | 书法 | 書法 | *n.* | calligraphy; penmanship | I-7, III-8 |
| shūfu | 舒服 | 舒服 | *adj.* | comfortable; be well | III-6 |
| shūhuàjiā | 书画家 | 書畫家 | *n.* | painter and calligrapher | III-9 |
| shūjuǎnzìrú | 舒卷自如 | 舒卷自如 | *id.* | roll back and forth freely | V-1 |
| shūshì | 舒适 | 舒適 | *adj.* | comfortable; cosy | V-7 |
| shǔbùqīng | 数不清 | 數不清 | *adj.* | countless | I-3 |
| shǔxiàng | 属相 | 屬相 | *n.* | Chinese zodiac; synonym for 生肖 | I-6, III-9 |
| shǔyú | 属于 | 屬於 | *v.* | belong to; be part of | V-2 |
| shù | 术 | 術 | *n.* | skill; technique | IV-6 |
| shùmù | 树木 | 樹木 | *n.* | trees | II-3 |
| shùpí | 树皮 | 樹皮 | *n.* | bark | III-8 |
| shùshuō | 述说 | 述說 | *v.* | recount, narrate | III-1 |
| shùzhī | 树枝 | 樹枝 | *n.* | branch | V-3 |
| shùzì | 数字 | 數字 | *n.* | numeral; digit | III-9 |
| shùxuéjiā | 数学家 | 數學家 | *n.* | mathematician | II-7 |
| shuāiwáng | 衰亡 | 衰亡 | *v.* | decline and fall | IV-10 |
| shuǎi | 甩 | 甩 | *v.* | toss | V-3 |
| shuāngshǒu | 双手 | 雙手 | *n.* | both hands | II-2 |
| shuāngxǐlínmén | 双喜临门 | 雙喜臨門 | *id.* | a double blessing has descended upon one’s home | II-6 |
| shuǐbà | 水坝 | 水壩 | *n.* | dam | V-8 |
| shuǐcǎihuà | 水彩画 | 水彩畫 | *n.* | watercolor | II-6 |
| shuǐdiànzhàn | 水电站 | 水電站 | *n.* | hydroelectric (power) station | V-8 |
| shuǐgōu | 水沟 | 水溝 | *n.* | ditch | I-2 |
| shuǐjīng | 水晶 | 水晶 | *n.* | crystal; rock crystal | I-6, IV-7 |
| shuǐmòhuà | 水墨画 | 水墨畫 | *n.* | ink and water painting | II-6 |
| shuǐqì | 水汽 | 水汽 | *n.* | water vapor | V-1 |
| shuǐxīng | 水星 | 水星 | *prn.* | Mercury | I-9 |
| shùnxù | 顺序 | 順序 | *n.* | order; sequence | III-9 |
| shuòshì | 硕士 | 碩士 | *n.* | master’s degree | III-2 |
| sī | 思 | 思 | *v.* | think; miss | V-10 |
| sībó | 丝帛 | 絲帛 | *n.* | silk | IV-6 |
| sīniàn | 思念 | 思念 | *v.* | think of; long for; miss | I-8, III-1 |
| sīwéi | 思维 | 思維 | *n.* | thought; thinking | V-1 |
| sīxiàn | 丝线 | 絲線 | *n.* | silk thread (for sewing) | IV-6 |
| sīxiǎng | 思想 | 思想 | *n.* | thought | II-10 |
| sīxiǎngjiā | 思想家 | 思想家 | *n.* | ideologist; thinker | II-7 |
| sīyǒuzhì | 私有制 | 私有制 | *n.* | private ownership | V-2 |
| sǐrén | 死人 | 死人 | *n.* | the dead | III-2 |
| Sìchuānhuà | 四川话 | 四川話 | *prn.* | Sichuan dialect | III-5 |
| sōngbǐng | 松饼 | 松餅 | *n.* | mufﬁn | I-5 |
| sōnghèyánnián | 松鹤延年 | 松鶴延年 | *id.* | pine and crane (symbols of longevity) | II-6 |
| sōngshù | 松树 | 松樹 | *n.* | pine tree | II-6 |
| sōngshùzhī | 松树枝 | 鬆樹枝 | *n.* | branch of pine | III-8 |
| Sòngcháo | 宋朝 | 宋朝 | *prn.* | Song Dynasty (A.D. 960–1279) | I-10, III-3 |
| sūlián | 苏联 | 蘇聯 | *prn.* | Soviet Union | V-8 |
| sūměiěrwénzì | 苏美尔文字 | 蘇美爾文字 | *n.* | Sumerian writing | V-10 |
| Sūzhōuhuà | 苏州话 | 蘇州話 | *prn.* | Suzhou dialect | III-5 |
| súyǔ | 俗语 | 俗語 | *n.* | common saying; folk adage | IV-3 |
| sùliào | 塑料 | 塑料 | *n.* | plastic(s) | I-6, III-3 |
| sùxiàng | 塑像 | 塑像 | *n.* | statue | IV-3 |
| suān | 酸 | 酸 | *n.* | sour | II-5 |
| suànmiànbāo | 蒜面包 | 蒜麵包 | *n.* | garlic bread | I-5 |
| suí | 随 | 隨 | *v.* | follow | V-1 |
| suíbiàn | 随便 | 隨便 | *adj.* | casual; as one pleases | I-2 |
| Suícháo | 隋朝 | 隋朝 | *prn.* | Sui Dynasty (A.D. 581–618) | I-10, III-7 |
| suíhòu | 随后 | 隨後 | *adv.* | soon afterwards | V-2 |
| suísuíbiànbiàn | 随随便便 | 隨隨便便 | *adj.* | casual | II-9 |
| suíxīnsuǒyù | 随心所欲 | 隨心所欲 | *id.* | have one's own way; do as one pleases | V-5 |
| suíyì | 随意 | 隨意 | *adv.* | as one pleases; randomly | I-9 |
| suízhe | 随着 | 隨著 | *v.* | follow | II-5 |
| suìyuè | 岁月 | 歲月 | *n.* | time and age | V-2 |
| Sūn Wùkōng | 孙悟空 | 孫悟空 | *prn.* | Monkey King | V-4 |
| suǒyǒu | 所有 | 所有 | *adj.* | all | I-1 |
| **T** |  |  |  |  |  |
| tā | 塌 | 塌 | *v.* | collapse; fall down | III-4 |
| táibù | 台步 | 臺步 | *n.* | the walk of an actor or actress in Beijing opera, etc. | V-6 |
| tānhuàn | 瘫痪 | 癱瘓 | *v.* | be paralyzed | V-8 |
| tánliàn’ài | 谈恋爱 | 談戀愛 | *vo.* | fall in love | II-2 |
| tàn | 炭 | 炭 | *n.* | charcoal | III-3 |
| tànbǐ | 炭笔 | 炭筆 | *n.* | charcoal pencil | III-8 |
| tànsuǒ | 探索 | 探索 | *v.* | explore; probe | V-4 |
| tāng | 汤 | 湯 | *n.* | soup | II-5 |
| Tángcháo | 唐朝 | 唐朝 | *prn.* | Tang Dynasty (A.D. 618–907) | I-4, I-10, III-7 |
| tǎng | 躺 | 躺 | *v.* | lie; lie down; recline | I-2, II-8 |
| táofú | 桃符 | 桃符 | *n.* | peach wood charms against evil hung on the gate on lunar New Year’s Eve in ancient times | IV-4 |
| táohūn | 逃婚 | 逃婚 | *v.* | run away from wedding | II-2 |
| táoqì | 陶器 | 陶器 | *n.* | pottery; earthenware | IV-5 |
| táoyǒng | 陶俑 | 陶俑 | *n.* | pottery ﬁgurine | I-10 |
| tǎojià huánjià | 讨价还价 | 討價還價 | *id.* | bargain | III-2 |
| tèbié | 特别 | 特別 | *adv.* | especially; particularly | I-1, II-2 |
| tèshū | 特殊 | 特殊 | *adj.* | special | II-6 |
| tèxìng | 特性 | 特性 | *n.* | characteristic | V-1 |
| tí | 提 | 提 | *v.* | carry | III-3 |
| tíchū | 提出 | 提出 | *v.* | put forward; bring up | II-1 |
| tíkū | 啼哭 | 啼哭 | *v.* | cry; wail | IV-5 |
| tǐruò duōbìng | 体弱多病 | 體弱多病 | *id.* | be constantly ill | IV-10 |
| tǐxì | 体系 | 體系 | *n.* | system | IV-5 |
| tǐxiàn | 体现 | 體現 | *v.* | embody; reflect | V-5 |
| tiān | 添 | 添 | *v.* | add; increase | III-4 |
| Tiān’ānmén | 天安门 | 天安門 | *prn.* | the Gate of Heavenly Peace | I-10 |
| tiāndì | 天帝 | 天帝 | *prn.* | God of Heaven | I-8 |
| tiāngān | 天干 | 天干 | *n.* | the ten Heavenly Stems, traditionally used as serial numbers | III-9 |
| Tiānjīnhuà | 天津话 | 天津話 | *prn.* | Tianjin dialect | III-5 |
| tiānkōng | 天空 | 天空 | *n.* | sky | I-8 |
| tiānlánsè | 天蓝色 | 天藍色 | *n.* | sky blue; azure | I-3 |
| tiānnánhǎiběi | 天南海北 | 天南海北 | *id.* | all over the country; widespread | V-10 |
| tiānránqì | 天然气 | 天然氣 | *n.* | natural gas | III-3 |
| Tiāntán | 天坛 | 天壇 | *prn.* | the Temple of Heaven | I-10 |
| tiānwángxīng | 天王星 | 天王星 | *prn.* | Uranus | I-9 |
| tiānzhēn | 天真 | 天真 | *adj.* | innocent; naïve | V-3 |
| tián | 田 | 田 | *n.* | field | II-8 |
| tián | 甜 | 甜 | *adj.* | sweet | II-5 |
| tiánmì | 甜蜜 | 甜蜜 | *adj.* | sweet; happy | I-8 |
| tiánpíng | 填平 | 填平 | *v.* | fill to level | V-3 |
| tiántiánquān | 甜甜圈 | 甜甜圈 | *prn.* | Dunkin’ Donuts | I-5 |
| tiē | 贴 | 貼 | *v.* | paste; stick | I-7 |
| tiě | 铁 | 鐵 | *n.* | iron | III-3 |
| tíngdiàn | 停电 | 停電 | *v.* | power cut; power failure | V-8 |
| tíngtíngyùlì | 亭亭玉立 | 亭亭玉立 | *id.* | slim and graceful | IV-9 |
| tíngxué | 停学 | 停學 | *v.* | stop going to school | III-2 |
| tíngzhì | 停滞 | 停滯 | *v.* | stagnate; be at a standstill | V-7 |
| tōnghūn | 通婚 | 通婚 | *v.* | be (or become) related by marriage; intermarry | V-2 |
| tóng | 铜 | 銅 | *n.* | copper | III-3 |
| tóngnián | 童年 | 童年 | *n.* | childhood | I-1, III-1 |
| tóngqì | 铜器 | 銅器 | *n.* | bronze, brass or copper ware | IV-6 |
| tóngqián | 铜钱 | 銅錢 | *n.* | copper money | I-6 |
| tóngshí | 同时 | 同時 | *adv.* | at the same time | II-2 |
| tóngxìngliàn | 同性恋 | 同性戀 | *n.* | homosexual love | II-1 |
| tóngyī | 同一 | 同一 | *adj.* | same; identical | V-10 |
| tóngyì | 同意 | 同意 | *v.* | agree; consent | II-1 |
| tóngyóu | 桐油 | 桐油 | *n.* | tung oil | III-8 |
| tóngzhì | 同志 | 同志 | *n.* | comrade | II-9 |
| tòngkǔ | 痛苦 | 痛苦 | *adj.* | pain; suffering; agony | II-2, III-6 |
| tōutōude | 偷偷地 | 偷偷地 | *adv.* | secretly; stealthily | I-8, II-4 |
| tóufàng | 投放 | 投放 | *v.* | throw in; put in | V-9 |
| tóunǎo | 头脑 | 頭腦 | *n.* | head; brains | IV-3 |
| tóurù | 投入 | 投入 | *v.* | throw into | V-3 |
| tóuzī | 投资 | 投資 | *n.* | invest; investment | IV-1 |
| tūfēiměngjìn | 突飞猛进 | 突飛猛進 | *id.* | advance by leaps and bounds | V-7 |
| tūrán | 突然 | 突然 | *adv.* | suddenly | II-3 |
| tú’àn | 图案 | 圖案 | *n.* | pattern; design | I-7, III-8, V-6 |
| túláo | 徒劳 | 徒勞 | *v.* | labor fruitlessly; work in vain | IV-3 |
| tǔdì | 土地 | 土地 | *n.* | land; soil | I-3 |
| tǔdòu | 土豆 | 土豆 | *n.* | potato | II-8 |
| tǔdòuní | 土豆泥 | 土豆泥 | *n.* | mashed potatoes | I-5 |
| tǔlóu | 土楼 | 土樓 | *n.* | traditional round earthen houses built by Hakka people in Fujian | III-10 |
| tǔlù | 吐露 | 吐露 | *v.* | reveal; tell | IV-9 |
| tǔxīng | 土星 | 土星 | *prn.* | Saturn | I-9 |
| tù | 兔 | 兔 | *n.* | rabbit | I-2, II-4 |
| tùmáo | 兔毛 | 兔毛 | *n.* | rabbit hair | III-8 |
| tuánjù | 团聚 | 團聚 | *v.* | reunite | III-1 |
| tuányuán | 团圆 | 團圓 | *v.* | reunion | III-1 |
| tuīcè | 推测 | 推測 | *v.* | conjecture; guess | IV-5 |
| tuīguǎng | 推广 | 推廣 | *v.* | extend | III-5 |
| tuīlǐ | 推理 | 推理 | *v.* | infer; deduce | V-3 |
| tuīná | 推拿 | 推拿 | *v.* | massage | V-5 |
| tuìhūn | 退婚 | 退婚 | *v.* | break off an engagement | II-2 |
| tuìxué | 退学 | 退學 | *v.* | leave school; withdraw from school | III-2 |
| **W** |  |  |  |  |  |
| wáwa | 娃娃 | 娃娃 | *n.* | baby; doll | I-6 |
| wàidì | 外地 | 外地 | *n.* | parts of the country other than where one is | III-1 |
| wān | 弯 | 彎 | *adj.* | curved | III-1 |
| wānyāo | 弯腰 | 彎腰 | *vo.* | bend one’s waist; stoop | II-8 |
| wánjì | 丸剂 | 丸劑 | *n.* | pill | V-5 |
| wánjù | 玩具 | 玩具 | *n.* | toy | I-7 |
| wánquán | 完全 | 完全 | *adj.* | complete; completely | II-9 |
| wǎnlián | 挽联 | 挽聯 | *n.* | elegiac couplet; funeral scrolls | IV-4 |
| wàn | 万 | 萬 | *num.* | ten thousand | II-10 |
| wànmù xiāosuǒ | 万木萧索 | 萬木蕭索 | *id.* | trees are bleak and cold | IV-9 |
| wáng | 亡 | 亡 | *v.* | die | V-3 |
| wángmǔniángniang | 王母娘娘 | 王母娘娘 | *prn.* | Queen of Heaven | I-8 |
| wǎng | 往 | 往 | *prep.* | toward | II-8 |
| wǎngliàn | 网恋 | 網戀 | *n.* | netlove | II-1 |
| wǎngshì | 往事 | 往事 | *n.* | past events; the past | III-1 |
| wàng | 望 | 望 | *v.* | gaze into the distance | I-10, II-4 |
| wēihài | 危害 | 危害 | *v.* | harm; endanger | V-9 |
| wēilì | 威力 | 威力 | *adj.* | power; might | V-4 |
| wēishè | 威慑 | 威懾 | *v.* | deter; intimidate | V-9 |
| wéi | 围 | 圍 | *v.* | surround | II-10 |
| wéifǎ | 违法 | 違法 | *vo.* | break the law; be illegal | II-2 |
| wéiqí | 围棋 | 圍棋 | *n.* | the game of Go | V-5 |
| wéiyī | 唯一唯一 | *adj.* | sole; unique; only | 10 | V- |
| wěiba | 尾巴 | 尾巴 | *n.* | tail; end part | I-10 |
| wěiqu | 委屈 | 委屈 | *adj.* | feel wronged; chagrined | II-1, III-6 |
| wèi | 为 | 為 | *prep.* | for | II-3 |
| wèi | 畏 | 畏 | *v.* | fear | IV-9 |
| wèi | 喂 | 喂 | *int.* | hello; hey | I-1 |
| wèidào | 味道 | 味道 | *n.* | taste; flavor | I-5, II-5 |
| Wèiguó | 魏国 | 魏國 | *prn.* | an ancient feudal state | III-7 |
| wèihūn | 未婚 | 未婚 | *adj.* | unmarried; single | II-2 |
| wèixīng | 卫星 | 衛星 | *n.* | satellite; moon; artificial satellite | II-4 |
| wèizhi | 位置 | 位置 | *n.* | seat; location | IV-7 |
| wēnnuǎn | 温暖 | 溫暖 | *adj.* | warm | II-3 |
| Wēnzhōuhuà | 温州话 | 溫州話 | *prn.* | Wenzhou dialect | III-5 |
| wén | 闻 | 聞 | *v.* | hear | V-5 |
| wénfángsìbǎo | 文房四宝 | 文房四寶 | *n.* | the four treasures of the study (writing brush, ink stick, inkstone and paper) | III-8 |
| wénmíng | 文明 | 文明 | *n.* | civilization | II-5 |
| Wén Tiānxiáng | 文天祥 | 文天祥 | *prn.* | Southern Song Dynasty Hero (1236–1283) | IV-6 |
| wénwù | 文物 | 文物 | *n.* | culture relic; historical relic | V-8 |
| wénzhāng | 文章 | 文章 | *n.* | essay; article | I-4 |
| wénzì | 文字 | 文字 | *n.* | characters | I-1 |
| wénzi | 蚊子 | 蚊子 | *n.* | mosquito | I-6 |
| wěndìng | 稳定 | 穩定 | *adj.* | stable; steady | V-2 |
| wěndìngxìng | 稳定性 | 稳定性 | *n.* | stability | V-10 |
| wènshì | 问世 | 問世 | *v.* | be published; come out | III-6 |
| wèntí | 问题 | 問題 | *n.* | problem; trouble | I-1 |
| wūdǐng | 屋顶 | 屋頂 | *n.* | roof; top of a house | I-10 |
| Wūkèlán | 乌克兰 | 烏克蘭 | *prn.* | Ukraine | V-8 |
| wūrǎn | 污染 | 汙染 | *v.* | pollute; contaminate | IV-1, V-5 |
| wūshù | 巫术 | 巫術 | *n.* | witchcraft; sorcery | IV-8 |
| wúchùkěqù | 无处可去 | 無處可去 | *ce.* | nowhere to go | III-4 |
| Wúgāng | 吴刚 | 吳剛 | *prn.* | person’s name | III-1 |
| wújūwúshù | 无拘无束 | 無拘無束 | *id.* | unrestrained; unconstrained; carefree | V-1 |
| wúlùn | 无论 | 無論 | *conj.* | no matter what | III-1 |
| wúnéngwéilì | 无能为力 | 無能為力 | *id.* | powerless; incapable of action | II-10 |
| wúshù | 无数 | 無數 | *adj.* | countless | I-9 |
| wúsuǒyùqiú | 无所欲求 | 無所欲求 | *id.* | there is no desire | V-1 |
| wúxīn | 无心 | 無心 | *adv.* | not be in the mood for; not intentionally | V-1 |
| wǔdǎ | 武打 | 武打 | *v.* | acrobatic fighting in Chinese opera | V-6 |
| Wǔdài(shíguó) | 五代（十国） | 五代（十國） | *prn.* | Five Dynasties (A.D. 907–960) | I-10, III-7 |
| wǔdǎo | 舞蹈 | 舞蹈 | *n.* | dance | I-7 |
| wǔmèi | 妩媚 | 嫵媚 | *adj.* | lovely; charming | V-1 |
| wǔqì | 武器 | 武器 | *n.* | weapon; weapons; arms | II-5, V-4 |
| wǔxíng | 五行 | 五行 | *n.* | the five elements (metal, wood, water, fire and earth) | III-3 |
| wù | 悟 | 悟 | *v.* | realize; awaken; comprehend | V-1 |
| wùlǐxuéjiā | 物理学家 | 物理學家 | *n.* | physicist | II-7 |
| wùmái | 雾霾 | 雾霾 | *n.* | smog; haze | V-7 |
| wùxūbiànfǎ | 戊戌变法 | 戊戌變法 | *prn.* | the Reform Movement of 1898 | III-9 |
| wùzhì | 物质 | 物質 | *n.* | material | III-3 |
| **X** |  |  |  |  |  |
| xī | 稀 | 稀 | *adj.* | thin | I-9 |
| xī | 锡 | 錫 | *n.* | tin | III-3 |
| Xī’ān | 西安 | 西安 | *prn.* | city in Shaanxi Province | I-10 |
| Xībānyá huánggōng | 西班牙皇宫 | 西班牙皇宮 | *prn.* | Spain’s Royal Palace | III-10 |
| xīfàn | 稀饭 | 稀飯 | *n.* | rice soup | II-5 |
| xīfāng | 西方 | 西方 | *n.* | Western | II-9 |
| Xī Hàn | 西汉 | 西漢 | *prn.* | Western Han Dynasty (206 B.C.–A.D. 25) | I-10 |
| xīhóngshì chǎojīdàn | 西红柿炒鸡蛋 | 西紅柿炒雞蛋 | *n.* | scrambled eggs with tomatoes | I-5 |
| xīhóngshìjiàng | 西红柿酱 | 西紅柿醬 | *n.* | ketchup | I-5 |
| Xīlà | 希腊 | 希臘 | *n.* | Greece | IV-2 |
| xīwàng | 希望 | 希望 | *v.* | hope; wish | I-3, II-3 |
| xīyánghuà | 西洋画 | 西洋畫 | *n.* | Western painting | II-6 |
| xíguàn | 习惯 | 習慣 | *n./v.* | custom, habit; be accustomed to, be used to | I-1, II-9 |
| xǐ | 囍 | 囍 | *n.* | double happiness | I-7 |
| xǐquè | 喜鹊 | 喜鵲 | *n.* | magpie | II-6 |
| xì | 细 | 細 | *adj.* | thin | III-8 |
| xìjù | 戏剧 | 戲劇 | *n.* | drama; play | V-6 |
| xìtái | 戏台 | 戲臺 | *n.* | stage | V-6 |
| xìtǒng | 系统 | 系統 | *n.* | system | IV-5, V-8 |
| xiágǔ | 峡谷 | 峽谷 | *n.* | gorge; canyon | IV-1 |
| xiáxiǎng | 遐想 | 遐想 | *v.* | daydream | V-1 |
| xiáyì | 侠义 | 俠義 | *adj.* | having a strong sense of justice and ready to help the weak | V-6 |
| Xiàcháo | 夏朝 | 夏朝 | *prn.* | Xia Dynasty (2070–1600 B.C.) | I-10, III-7 |
| xiàxǔe | 下雪 | 下雪 | *v.* | snow; snowy | II-3 |
| xiàyǔ | 下雨 | 下雨 | *v.* | rain; rainy | II-3 |
| xiānchénbùrǎn | 纤尘不染 | 纖塵不染 | *id.* | be spotlessly clean | V-7 |
| xiānhè | 仙鹤 | 仙鶴 | *n.* | red-crowned crane | II-6 |
| xiānsheng | 先生 | 先生 | *n.* | mister (Mr.); gentleman; sir | II-9 |
| xián | 咸 | 鹹 | *adj.* | salty; salted | II-5 |
| xiǎnde | 显得 | 顯得 | *v.* | look like; appear to be | II-7 |
| xiǎn’è | 险恶 | 險惡 | *adj.* | dangerous and evil | V-6 |
| xiǎnshì | 显示 | 顯示 | *v.* | show | IV-7 |
| xiǎnwēijìng | 显微镜 | 顯微鏡 | *n.* | microscope | V-5 |
| xiàn (chūxiàn) | 现（出现） | 現（出現） | *v.* | appear | I-9 |
| xiànmù | 羡慕 | 羡慕 | *v.* | admire; envy | II-4 |
| xiànshí | 现实 | 現實 | *n.* | reality; actuality | IV-2, V-4 |
| xiàntiáo | 线条 | 線條 | *n.* | line | V-6 |
| xiànxiàng | 现象 | 現象 | *n.* | appearance (of things); phenomenon | IV-1 |
| xiànzhuāng | 线装 | 線裝 | *n.* | traditional thread binding (of Chinese books) | IV-6 |
| xiāng | 镶 | 鑲 | *v.* | inlay; set | IV-7 |
| xiāngbāo | 香包 | 香包 | *n.* | sachet bag; scented bag | I-6 |
| xiāngbīnjiǔ | 香槟酒 | 香檳酒 | *n.* | champagne | I-4 |
| xiāngchǔ | 相处 | 相處 | *v.* | get along (with one another) | II-10 |
| xiāngdāng | 相当 | 相當 | *adv.* | quite | IV-5 |
| xiāngduì | 相对 | 相對 | *adv.* | relatively; comparatively | V-2 |
| xiāngduìlùn | 相对论 | 相對論 | *n.* | the Theory of Relativity | V-4 |
| xiāngguān | 相关 | 相關 | *v.* | be interrelated | IV-4 |
| xiāngguānlián | 相关联 | 相關聯 | *v.* | be interrelated | IV-3 |
| xiānghù | 相互 | 相互 | *adv.* | mutual; each other | III-5 |
| xiāngmù | 香木 | 香木 | *n.* | scented wood | I-7 |
| xiāngpèi | 相配 | 相配 | *v.* | pair off; group together | III-9 |
| xiāngtián | 香甜 | 香甜 | *adj.* | fragrant and sweet | II-4 |
| xiāngwèi | 香味 | 香味 | *n.* | sweet smell; fragrance | I-4 |
| xiāngxiāngde | 香香的 | 香香的 | *adj.* | (of sleep) sound | I-2 |
| xiǎngshòu | 享受 | 享受 | *n.* | enjoy; enjoyment | III-10 |
| xiǎngxiàng | 想象 | 想像 | *v.* | imagine | V-3 |
| xiàng | 项 | 項 | *m.* | classifier; measure word | II-10 |
| xiàngjiāo | 橡胶 | 橡膠 | *n.* | rubber | III-3 |
| xiàngliàn | 项链 | 項鏈 | *n.* | necklace | I-6 |
| xiàngwǎng | 向往 | 嚮往 | *v.* | yearn for; dream of | V-7 |
| xiàngxíng | 象形 | 象形 | *n.* | pictographic characters or pictographs | IV-5 |
| xiàngzhēng | 象征 | 象徵 | *v.* | symbolize; signify | IV-9 |
| xiāo | 削 | 削 | *v.* | pare with a knife; peel with a knife | IV-6 |
| xiāochú | 消除 | 消除 | *v.* | eliminate; remove | III-6 |
| xiāohào | 消耗 | 消耗 | *v.* | consume; expend | V-8 |
| xiāoqiǎn | 消遣 | 消遣 | *v.* | divert oneself | IV-10 |
| xiāoshī | 消失 | 消失 | *v.* | disappear; vanish | IV-1 |
| xiāozāi | 消灾 | 消災 | *vo.* | prevent calamity | III-6 |
| xiǎochǒu | 小丑 | 小丑 | *n.* | clown; buffoon | V-6 |
| xiǎoháir | 小孩儿 | 小孩兒 | *n.* | child | I-1 |
| xiǎohuǒzi | 小伙子 | 小夥子 | *n.* | young fellow; boy | I-1 |
| xiǎojie | 小姐 | 小姐 | *n.* | miss; young lady | II-9 |
| xiǎomǐ | 小米 | 小米 | *n.* | millet | II-8 |
| xiǎoshuō | 小说 | 小說 | *n.* | novel | III-6 |
| xiǎoxué | 小学 | 小學 | *n.* | primary or elementary school | III-2 |
| Xiǎoyàntǎ | 小雁塔 | 小雁塔 | *prn.* | Small Wild Goose Pagoda | I-10 |
| xiàoguǒ | 效果 | 效果 | *n.* | effect; result | IV-3 |
| xiàoshùn | 孝顺 | 孝順 | *v.* | show filial obedience | III-6 |
| xiēhòuyǔ | 歇后语 | 歇後語 | *n.* | a two-part allegorical saying | IV-3 |
| xié’è | 邪恶 | 邪惡 | *adj.* | evil; vicious | V-3 |
| xiéyīnzì | 谐音字 | 諧音字 | *n.* | homophone; homonym | IV-3 |
| xièlòu | 泄漏 | 洩漏 | *v.* | leak; let out | V-8 |
| xīndìshànliáng | 心地善良 | 心地善良 | *id.* | good-natured; kind-hearted | III-7 |
| xīnhàigémìng | 辛亥革命 | 辛亥革命 | *prn.* | the Revolution of 1911 | III-9 |
| xīnhěndúlà | 心狠毒辣 | 心狠毒辣 | *id.* | cruel and ruthless | III-7 |
| Xīnjiāng | 新疆 | 新疆 | *prn.* | Xinjiang Autonomous Region | III-9 |
| xīnjìn | 新近 | 新近 | *adv.* | recently; lately | V-4 |
| xīnláng | 新郎 | 新郎 | *n.* | bridegroom | I-3 |
| xīnniáng | 新娘 | 新娘 | *n.* | bride | I-3 |
| xīnshǎng | 欣赏 | 欣賞 | *v.* | appreciate; enjoy | I-7, III-8, V-6 |
| xīnxīnkǔkǔ | 辛辛苦苦 | 辛辛苦苦 | *adv.* | laboriously; strenuously | II-8 |
| xìnyǎng | 信仰 | 信仰 | *n.* | faith; belief | I-6 |
| xīngfèn | 兴奋 | 興奮 | *adj.* | be excited | II-8 |
| xīngshèng bùshuāi | 兴盛不衰 | 興盛不衰 | *id.* | prosperous | IV-7 |
| xīngshuāi | 兴衰 | 興衰 | *v.* | rise and decline; rise and fall | III-10 |
| xīngwàng | 兴旺 | 興旺 | *adj.* | prosperous; ﬂourishing | IV-7 |
| xīngxīng | 星星 | 星星 | *n.* | star | II-4 |
| xīngzuò | 星座 | 星座 | *n.* | constellation | I-6 |
| xíngshì | 形式 | 形式 | *n.* | form; shape | IV-3 |
| xíngwéi | 行为 | 行為 | *n.* | behavior | V-1 |
| xíngxīng | 行星 | 行星 | *n.* | planet | I-9 |
| xíngzhuàng | 形状 | 形狀 | *n.* | form; shape | I-6 |
| xìng | 性 | 性 | *n.* | sufﬁx designating a speciﬁed quality, property, scope, etc. | IV-10 |
| xìngfú | 幸福 | 幸福 | *n./adj.* | happiness; happy | I-7, II-2 |
| xìngqù | 兴趣 | 興趣 | *n.* | interest | IV-8 |
| xìngzhì | 性质 | 性質 | *n.* | quality; character | V-10 |
| xiōngxiǎn | 凶险 | 凶险 | *adj.* | in a very dangerous state | IV-7 |
| xiōngzhà | 凶诈 | 凶詐 | *adj.* | vicious and treacherous | V-6 |
| xiōngzhēn | 胸针 | 胸針 | *n.* | brooch | I-6 |
| xióng | 熊 | 熊 | *n.* | bear | I-2 |
| xióngwěi zhuàngguān | 雄伟壮观 | 雄偉壯觀 | *id.* | grand; magnificent | III-10 |
| xióngzhǎng | 熊掌 | 熊掌 | *n.* | bear's paw (as a rare delicacy) | V-7 |
| xiūcí | 修辞 | 修辭 | *n.* | rhetoric | IV-3 |
| xiūdào | 修道 | 修道 | *vo.* | cultivate oneself according to a religious doctrine | IV-9 |
| xiūxīnyǎngxìng | 修心养性 | 修心养性 | *id.* | cultivate oneself | V-5 |
| xiūxué | 休学 | 休學 | *v.* | suspend one's schooling; take a leave of absence | III-2 |
| xiù | 岫 | 岫 | *n.* | cave; hill | V-1 |
| xūyào | 需要 | 需要 | *v.* | need; want | I-1, III-9 |
| xǔ | 许 | 許 | *v.* | allow; permit | II-5 |
| xǔyuàn | 许愿 | 許願 | *v.* | wish; make a vow to a god | I-9 |
| xuānchuánhuà | 宣传画 | 宣傳畫 | *n.* | picture poster | II-6 |
| xuānzhǐ | 宣纸 | 宣紙 | *n.* | Xuan paper, a high quality paper | III-8 |
| xuǎnzé | 选择 | 選擇 | *v.* | select; choose | II-2 |
| xuànlìduōcǎi | 绚丽多彩 | 絢麗多彩 | *adj.* | magniﬁcently colorful; gorgeous; magnificent | IV-9, V-1 |
| xuànrǎn | 渲染 | 渲染 | *v.* | apply colors to a drawing; exaggerate | V-1 |
| Xuē Bǎochā | 薛宝钗 | 薛寶釵 | *prn.* | person’s name | IV-10 |
| xuēzúshìlǚ | 削足适履 | 削足適履 | *id.* | cut the feet to fit the shoes; act in a procrustean manner | III-4 |
| xuéshì | 学士 | 學士 | *n.* | bachelor’s degree | III-2 |
| xuéshuō | 学说 | 學說 | *n.* | theory | III-3, V-10 |
| xuéwèi | 学位 | 學位 | *n.* | academic degree | III-2 |
| xuéwen | 学问 | 學問 | *n.* | knowledge | II-7 |
| xuěbì | 雪碧 | 雪碧 | *prn.* | Sprite | I-4 |
| **Y** |  |  |  |  |  |
| yā | 鸭 | 鴨 | *n.* | duck | I-2 |
| yālì | 压力 | 壓力 | *n.* | pressure | IV-1 |
| yāsuìqián | 压岁钱 | 壓歲錢 | *n.* | money given to children as a Chinese New Year gift | I-3 |
| yà | 亚 | 亞 | *adj.* | inferior; second | III-2 |
| yānfěn | 烟粉 | 煙粉 | *n.* | soot | III-8 |
| yānmò | 淹没 | 淹沒 | *v.* | submerge; drown; flood | V-8 |
| yānyǔméngméng | 烟雨蒙蒙 | 煙雨蒙蒙 | *id.* | misty and drizzly rain | IV-1 |
| yán | 言 | 言 | *v.* | talk; speak | II-5 |
| yánfā | 研发 | 研發 | *v.* | research and develop | V-9 |
| yángé | 严格 | 嚴格 | *adj.* | strict | V-2 |
| yánhǎi | 沿海 | 沿海 | *n.* | coastline | IV-1 |
| yánjiūsuǒ | 研究所 | 研究所 | *n.* | graduate school | III-2 |
| yánrè | 炎热 | 炎熱 | *adj.* | blistering hot; sizzling | II-3 |
| yánsè | 颜色 | 顏色 | *n.* | color | I-3 |
| yántán | 言谈 | 言談 | *n.* | speech | III-2 |
| yánxù | 延续 | 延續 | *v.* | continue; go on; carry on | II-10, V-2 |
| yánxùbùduàn | 延续不断 | 延續不斷 | *id.* | go on forever | V-10 |
| yánzhì | 研制 | 研製 | *v.* | manufacture; develop | V-9 |
| yǎnbābāde | 眼巴巴地 | 眼巴巴地 | *adv.* | helplessly; anxiously | I-2 |
| yǎnbiàn | 演变 | 演變 | *v.* | develop; evolve | IV-5 |
| yǎnchū | 演出 | 演出 | *v.* | perform | V-6 |
| yǎn’ěrdàolíng | 掩耳盗铃 | 掩耳盜鈴 | *id.* | plug one's ears while stealing a bell—deceive the public | III-4 |
| yǎnhuāliáoluàn | 眼花缭乱 | 眼花繚亂 | *id.* | be dazzled | V-5 |
| yǎnjì | 演技 | 演技 | *n.* | acting | V-6 |
| yǎnmái | 掩埋 | 掩埋 | *v.* | bury | IV-10 |
| yǎnxì | 演戏 | 演戲 | *v.* | act in a play | V-6 |
| yǎnyuán | 演员 | 演員 | *prn.* | actor or actress | V-6 |
| yàn (yàntái) | 砚（砚台） | 硯（硯台） | *n.* | inkstone | III-8 |
| yànmài | 燕麦 | 燕麥 | *n.* | oats | II-8 |
| yànshèng | 厌胜 | 厭勝 | *n.* | evil-suppressant | IV-8 |
| yànshèng qián | 厌胜钱 | 厭勝錢 | *n.* | fake money that brings luck and wards off evil | IV-8 |
| yāng | 殃 | 殃 | *n.* | calamity; disaster | IV-8 |
| yāngmiáo | 秧苗 | 秧苗 | *n.* | rice seedling | II-8 |
| yāngyāng | 泱泱 | 泱泱 | *adj.* | (of waters) vast; magnificent | V-10 |
| yáng | 羊 | 羊 | *n.* | sheep | I-2 |
| yánghuà | 洋化 | 洋化 | *v.* | Westernized | II-5 |
| yángqǐ | 扬起 | 揚起 | *v.* | kick up | V-9 |
| yángshànchéng’è | 扬善惩恶 | 揚善懲惡 | *id.* | praise good deeds and punish evil | V-4 |
| Yáng Shēng | 杨生 | 楊生 | *prn.* | person’s name | I-2 |
| yǎng | 养 | 養 | *v.* | raise; nourish; give birth to | I-2, III-6 |
| yǎngchéng | 养成 | 養成 | *vr.* | get used to | I-1 |
| yǎngqì | 氧气 | 氧氣 | *n.* | oxygen | III-3 |
| yàngshì | 样式 | 樣式 | *n.* | style | II-5 |
| yàngzi | 样子 | 樣子 | *n.* | appearance; manner | III-2 |
| yāomó | 妖魔 | 妖魔 | *n.* | evil spirit; demon | V-3 |
| yāoqiú | 要求 | 要求 | *v.* | require | III-5 |
| yáobǎi | 摇摆 | 搖擺 | *v.* | swing; sway | V-1 |
| yáoguāngxīng | 摇光星 | 搖光星 | *prn.* | Alkaid (star in the Big Dipper) | I-9 |
| yáoyáohuànghuàng | 摇摇晃晃 | 搖搖晃晃 | *adj.* | tottering; shaky | II-8 |
| yáoyè | 摇曳 | 搖曳 | *v.* | flicker; sway | V-1 |
| yǎo | 咬 | 咬 | *v.* | bite | I-6 |
| yàocái | 药材 | 藥材 | *n.* | medicinal materials | V-5 |
| yàofāng | 药方 | 藥方 | *n.* | prescription | V-10 |
| yàolǐ | 药理 | 藥理 | *n.* | pharmacology | V-5 |
| yěshòu | 野兽 | 野獸 | *n.* | wild animal; wild beast | III-10, V-9 |
| yětù | 野兔 | 野兔 | *n.* | wild rabbit | III-8 |
| yīchén bùrǎn | 一尘不染 | 一塵不染 | *id.* | not soiled by a speck of dust; spotless | IV-9 |
| yīdàn | 一旦 | 一旦 | *conj.* | once; in case | V-8 |
| yīdiǎndiǎnr | 一点点儿 | 一點點兒 | *adj.* | a little | II-8 |
| yī duì | 一对 | 一對 | *m./n.* | a couple; a pair | I-8, II-6 |
| yīfūyīqīzhì | 一夫一妻制 | 一夫一妻制 | *n.* | monogyny; monogamy | V-2 |
| yīlánrúxǐ | 一蓝如洗 | 一藍如洗 | *id.* | pure blue | V-7 |
| yīliàn | 依恋 | 依戀 | *v.* | be reluctant to leave | I-8 |
| yīrán | 依然 | 依然 | *adv.* | still; as before | V-2 |
| yīshízhùxíng | 衣食住行 | 衣食住行 | *id.* | food, clothing, shelter and transportation (basic necessities of life) | V-7 |
| yīshì wúchéng | 一事无成 | 一事無成 | *id.* | accomplish nothing; get nowhere | IV-7 |
| yītuō | 依托 | 依托 | *v.* | rely on; depend on | IV-7 |
| yīzhāoyīshì | 一招一式 | 一招一式 | *n.* | every gesture and motion | V-6 |
| yīzhào | 依照 | 依照 | *v.* | according to; base on | V-3 |
| yīzhí | 一直 | 一直 | *adv.* | continuously; always | I-1 |
| yí | 咦 | 咦 | *int.* | (expressing surprise) well; why | IV-2 |
| yí | 疑 | 疑 | *v.* | suspect | V-10 |
| yíchǎn | 遗产 | 遺產 | *n.* | legacy; inheritance | V-8 |
| Yíhéyuán | 颐和园 | 頤和園 | *prn.* | the Summer Palace | I-10 |
| yímín | 移民 | 移民 | *n.* | emigrant; immigrant | II-5 |
| yíqì | 仪器 | 儀器 | *n.* | instrument; apparatus | V-5 |
| yíwéi píngdì | 夷为平地 | 夷為平地 | *id.* | raze to the ground; level | IV-1 |
| yǐ | 乙 | 乙 | *num.* | the second of the ten Heavenly Stems | II-2 |
| yǐ | 以 | 以 | *conj.* | and | V-1 |
| yǐhūn | 已婚 | 已婚 | *adj.* | married | II-2 |
| yǐ…wéi… | 以…为… | 以…為… | *conj.* | consider | II-10 |
| yǐwéi | 以为 | 以為 | *v.* | think; believe | II-4 |
| yì | 亿 | 億 | *num.* | hundred million | II-10 |
| yì | 亦 | 亦 | *adv.* | also | V-10 |
| yìshù | 艺术 | 藝術 | *n.* | art; artistic product | I-4, III-8 |
| yìshùjiā | 艺术家 | 藝術家 | *n.* | artist | II-7 |
| yìyè | 肄业 | 肄業 | *v.* | study in school or at college | III-2 |
| yìyì | 意义 | 意義 | *n.* | meaning; sense; significance | III-4 |
| yìyuàn | 意愿 | 意願 | *n.* | wish; desire | V-3 |
| yīnsù | 因素 | 因素 | *n.* | factor; element | V-4 |
| yīntiān | 阴天 | 陰天 | *n.* | overcast sky | II-3 |
| yīnyáng | 阴阳 | 陰陽 | *n.* | Yin and Yang | V-5 |
| yīnyuèjiā | 音乐家 | 音樂家 | *n.* | musician | II-7 |
| yín | 银 | 銀 | *n.* | silver | III-3 |
| yínbáisè | 银白色 | 銀白色 | *n.* | silvery white color | I-8 |
| yínhé | 银河 | 銀河 | *prn.* | the Milky Way | I-8, II-4 |
| yínhūn | 银婚 | 銀婚 | *n.* | silver wedding (25th anniversary) | II-2 |
| yínshī | 吟诗 | 吟詩 | *vo.* | recite poetry | III-1 |
| yǐnhuàn | 隐患 | 隱患 | *n.* | hidden trouble; hidden danger | V-8 |
| yǐnliào | 饮料 | 飲料 | *n.* | drink; beverage | I-4 |
| yǐnzi | 引子 | 引子 | *n.* | introduction | IV-3 |
| yīng’ér | 婴儿 | 嬰兒 | *n.* | infant | I-1 |
| yīnggāi | 应该 | 應該 | *aux.* | should; ought to | I-1, II-9 |
| Yīngguó Báijīnhàn gōng | 英国白金汉宫 | 英國白金漢宮 | *prn.* | England’s Buckingham Palace | III-10 |
| yīngjùn | 英俊 | 英俊 | *adj.* | handsome | II-2 |
| yīngxióng | 英雄 | 英雄 | *n.* | hero | I-10 |
| yínglián | 楹联 | 楹聯 | *n.* | couplet written on scrolls and hung on the pillars of a hall | IV-4 |
| yíngzhù | 楹柱 | 楹柱 | *n.* | principal columns of a hall | IV-4 |
| yǐngxiǎng | 影响 | 影響 | *v.* | influence | III-2 |
| yǐngzi | 影子 | 影子 | *n.* | shadow; reflection | V-4 |
| yìng | 硬 | 硬 | *adj.* | hard | I-5 |
| yìngdù | 硬度 | 硬度 | *n.* | hardness | V-9 |
| yìngmiànbāoquān | 硬面包圈 | 硬麵包圈 | *n.* | bagel | I-5 |
| yǒngyuǎn | 永远 | 永遠 | *adj.* | forever | II-3 |
| yòngchù | 用处 | 用處 | *n.* | use | I-7 |
| yōu | 忧 | 憂 | *v.* | worry; anxiety | III-4 |
| yōuchóu | 忧愁 | 憂愁 | *adj.* | sad; worried; depressed | III-6 |
| yōugǔ | 幽谷 | 幽谷 | *n.* | a deep and secluded valley | IV-9 |
| yōujiǔ | 悠久 | 悠久 | *adj.* | long-standing; age-old | III-5 |
| yōurán | 悠然 | 悠然 | *adj.* | carefree and leisurely | V-7 |
| yōuxián | 悠闲 | 悠閒 | *adj.* | leisurely and carefree | V-7 |
| yóu | 由 | 由 | *prep.* | by; from | III-4 |
| yóu (yóulǎn) | 游（游览） | 遊（遊覽） | *v.* | go sightseeing; tour | I-10 |
| yóuhuà | 油画 | 油畫 | *n.* | oil painting | I-7, II-6 |
| yóutiáo | 油条 | 油條 | *n.* | deep-fried twisted dough sticks | II-5 |
| yóuwéi | 尤为 | 尤為 | *adv.* | particularly; especially | V-7 |
| yóuxì | 游戏 | 游戲 | *n.* | game | III-2 |
| yóuyú | 由于 | 由於 | *prep.* | owing to; as a result of | II-10 |
| yǒuchūxi | 有出息 | 有出息 | *vo.* | successful | III-2 |
| yǒumíng | 有名 | 有名 | *adj.* | well-known; famous | II-7 |
| yǒuqù | 有趣 | 有趣 | *adj.* | interesting | III-3 |
| yǒuzhāngkěxún | 有章可循 | 有章可循 | *id.* | have rules to follow | V-5 |
| yòu’ér | 幼儿 | 幼兒 | *n.* | child; infant | I-1 |
| yúchǔn | 愚蠢 | 愚蠢 | *adj.* | stupid; foolish | III-4 |
| yúkuài | 愉快 | 愉快 | *adj.* | happy; joyful; cheerful | III-6 |
| yúlè | 娱乐 | 娛樂 | *v.* | entertainment; recreation | I-7 |
| yúlín | 鱼鳞 | 魚鱗 | *n.* | fish scale | V-1 |
| yúmèi | 愚昧 | 愚昧 | *adj.* | ignorant; benighted | V-2 |
| yǔ | 语 | 語 | *v.* | talk; speak | II-5 |
| yǔdiào | 语调 | 語調 | *n.* | intonation | III-5 |
| yǔyīn | 语音 | 語音 | *n.* | speech sounds; pronunciation | III-5 |
| yǔzhòu | 宇宙 | 宇宙 | *n.* | universe; cosmos | II-4 |
| yǔzhòujiān | 宇宙间 | 宇宙間 | *n.* | universe; cosmos | III-3, V-4 |
| yù | 誉 | 譽 | *v.* | praise; honor | IV-10 |
| yùdào | 遇到 | 遇到 | *v.* | meet unexpectedly; run into, encounter | I-1, II-1 |
| yùfáng | 预防 | 預防 | *v.* | prevent; take precautions against | V-9 |
| yùjiàn | 预见 | 預見 | *v.* | foresee; predict | V-4 |
| yùmǐ | 玉米 | 玉米 | *n.* | corn | II-8 |
| yùshí | 玉石 | 玉石 | *n.* | jade | I-6 |
| yùtù | 玉兔 | 玉兔 | *prn.* | the Jade Hare | III-1 |
| yùyán | 寓言 | 寓言 | *n.* | fable; allegory; parable | III-4, IV-2 |
| yuānyang | 鸳鸯 | 鴛鴦 | *n.* | Mandarin duck | II-6 |
| yuán | 辕 | 轅 | *n.* | shafts of a cart or carriage | III-4 |
| Yuáncháo | 元朝 | 元朝 | *prn.* | Yuan Dynasty (A.D. 1206–1368) | I-10, III-7 |
| yuándànjié | 元旦节 | 元旦節 | *prn.* | New Year's Day | III-1 |
| yuánfēng bùdòng | 原封不动 | 原封不動 | *id.* | be left intact; remain unbroken | III-10 |
| yuánlái | 原来 | 原來 | *adv.* | originally | II-7 |
| yuánlín | 园林 | 園林 | *n.* | gardens | IV-4 |
| yuánquán | 源泉 | 源泉 | *n.* | source; fountainhead | V-4 |
| yuánshǐ | 原始 | 原始 | *adj.* | original; ﬁrsthand; primitive | IV-5, V-2 |
| yuánxiān | 原先 | 原先 | *adj.* | original | II-4 |
| yuánxiāo | 元宵 | 元宵 | *n.* | sweet dumplings made of glutinous rice flour (for the Lantern Festival) | III-1 |
| yuánxiāojié | 元宵节 | 元宵節 | *prn.* | the Lantern Festival (the fifteenth day of the first lunar month) | III-1 |
| yuányuǎnliúcháng | 源远流长 | 源遠流長 | *id.* | have a long history | V-5 |
| yuánzhūbǐ | 圆珠笔 | 圓珠筆 | *n.* | ballpoint pen | III-8 |
| yuánzǐdàn | 原子弹 | 原子彈 | *n.* | atomic bomb | V-9 |
| yuǎngǔ | 远古 | 遠古 | *n.* | remote antiquity | III-10 |
| yuǎnjìn | 远近 | 遠近 | *n.* | distance | II-7 |
| yuànwàng | 愿望 | 願望 | *n.* | desire; wish | V-3 |
| yuànyì | 愿意 | 願意 | *v.* | be willing; like, want | I-1, II-1 |
| yuànzi | 院子 | 院子 | *n.* | yard | II-4 |
| yuèbǐng | 月饼 | 月餅 | *n.* | moon cake (for the Mid-Autumn Festival) | III-1 |
| yuègōng | 月宫 | 月宮 | *n.* | the palace of the moon | II-4 |
| yuèqì | 乐器 | 樂器 | *n.* | musical instrument | V-6 |
| yuèqiú | 月球 | 月球 | *n.* | the moon | II-4 |
| yuèshí | 月食 | 月食 | *n.* | lunar eclipse | II-4 |
| yuèyá | 月牙 | 月牙 | *n.* | crescent moon | II-4, III-1 |
| yún | 匀 | 勻 | *adj.* | even; well-distributed | I-9 |
| yúnxiá | 云霞 | 雲霞 | *n.* | rosy clouds | V-1 |
| yǔnxīng | 陨星 | 隕星 | *n.* | meteorite | II-4 |
| yùndòng | 运动 | 運動 | *n.* | sports; athletics | I-7 |
| yùnqi | 运气 | 運氣 | *n.* | fortune; luck | I-3, II-1 |
| **Z** |  |  |  |  |  |
| zārǎn | 扎染 | 紮染 | *n.* | tie-dye | I-7 |
| zāihài | 灾害 | 災害 | *n.* | calamity; disaster | II-3 |
| zāihuò | 灾祸 | 災禍 | *n.* | disaster | III-6 |
| zāinàn | 灾难 | 災難 | *n.* | disaster | V-9 |
| zàihūn | 再婚 | 再婚 | *v.* | remarry; marry again | II-2 |
| zàitǐ | 载体 | 載體 | *n.* | carrier | V-10 |
| zānzi | 簪子 | 簪子 | *n.* | hair clasp | I-8 |
| zàng | 葬 | 葬 | *v.* | bury; inter | IV-10 |
| zāodào | 遭到 | 遭到 | *v.* | encounter; come across a negative scenario | V-7 |
| zǎochén | 早晨 | 早晨 | *n.* | (early) morning | II-7 |
| zǎoliàn | 早恋 | 早戀 | *v.* | fall in love at an early age | II-1 |
| zàofú | 造福 | 造福 | *vo.* | bring beneﬁt to | IV-1 |
| zàozhǐ | 造纸 | 造紙 | *vo.* | papermaking | IV-6 |
| zēngzhǎng | 增长 | 增長 | *v.* | increase; grow | II-10 |
| zhá | 炸 | 炸 | *v.* | deep-fry | I-5 |
| zháshǔtiáo | 炸薯条 | 炸薯條 | *n.* | French fries | I-5 |
| zháxiǎojīkuài | 炸小鸡块 | 炸小雞塊 | *n.* | chicken nuggets | I-5 |
| zhàdàn | 炸弹 | 炸彈 | *n.* | bomb | V-9 |
| zhǎi | 窄 | 窄 | *adj.* | narrow | IV-6 |
| zhānbǔ | 占卜 | 占卜 | *v.* | practice divination | V-5 |
| zhǎnshì | 展示 | 展示 | *v.* | reveal; show; lay bare | III-10 |
| zhàn | 蘸 | 蘸 | *v.* | dip in (ink, sauce, etc.) | IV-6 |
| zhànjù | 占据 | 占據 | *v.* | occupy; hold | IV-7 |
| zhànlì | 站立 | 站立 | *v.* | stand erect; stand upright | II-8 |
| zhànshèng | 战胜 | 戰勝 | *v.* | defeat; overcome | V-3 |
| zhànzhēng | 战争 | 戰爭 | *n.* | war; warfare | V-9 |
| zhāngfǎ | 章法 | 章法 | *n.* | set method; routine | V-6 |
| zhǎng | 长 | 長 | *v.* | grow | II-8 |
| zhǎngwò | 掌握 | 掌握 | *v.* | grasp; master | IV-3 |
| zhàng | 丈 | 丈 | *n.* | a unit of length (3.333 meters) | IV-3 |
| zhàngfu | 丈夫 | 丈夫 | *n.* | husband | II-4 |
| zháohuǒ | 着火 | 著火 | *v.* | catch ﬁre | I-2 |
| zháojí | 着急 | 著急 | *adj.* | anxious; worry | II-1 |
| zhàokàn | 照看 | 照看 | *v.* | look after; keep an eye on | II-8 |
| zhē | 遮 | 遮 | *v.* | block; keep out | III-10 |
| zhé | 折 | 折 | *v.* | fold | I-7 |
| zhé | 辙 | 轍 | *n.* | the track of a wheel | III-4 |
| zhédié | 折叠 | 折疊 | *v.* | fold; bend or close sth. over upon itself | IV-6 |
| zhélǐ | 哲理 | 哲理 | *n.* | philosophy; philosophic theory | IV-9, V-1 |
| zhéxuéjiā | 哲学家 | 哲學家 | *n.* | philosopher | II-7 |
| zhème | 这么 | 這麼 | *pn.* | so; such | II-7 |
| zhēnguì | 珍贵 | 珍貴 | *adj.* | valuable; precious | V-8 |
| zhēnjiǔ | 针灸 | 針灸 | *n.* | acupuncture and moxibustion | V-5 |
| zhēnzhū | 珍珠 | 珍珠 | *n.* | pearl | I-6 |
| zhěnduàn | 诊断 | 診斷 | *v.* | diagnose | V-5 |
| zhèn’è | 镇恶 | 鎮惡 | *vo.* | suppress evil | IV-8 |
| zhènyā | 镇压 | 鎮壓 | *v.* | suppress | IV-8 |
| zhènyāo | 镇妖 | 鎮妖 | *vo.* | exorcise evil spirit | IV-8 |
| zhēngdòu | 争斗 | 爭斗 | *v.* | fight; struggle | III-7 |
| zhēngduó | 争夺 | 爭奪 | *v.* | fight for; contend for | III-7 |
| zhēngfā | 蒸发 | 蒸發 | *v.* | evaporate | IV-6 |
| zhēngfú | 征服 | 征服 | *v.* | conquer; subjugate | V-3 |
| zhēnghūn | 征婚 | 征婚 | *v.* | marriage seeking | II-2 |
| zhēnglùn | 争论 | 爭論 | *v.* | argue | II-7 |
| zhěngtiān | 整天 | 整天 | *n.* | the whole day; all day | II-1 |
| zhèngcè | 政策 | 政策 | *n.* | policy | II-10 |
| zhèngfǔ | 政府 | 政府 | *n.* | government | II-10 |
| zhèngyì | 正义 | 正義 | *n.* | justice; righteousness | V-3 |
| zhèngzhìjiā | 政治家 | 政治家 | *n.* | statesman; politician | II-7 |
| zhèngzhuàn | 正传 | 正傳 | *n.* | authorized biography | III-6 |
| zhèngzhuàng | 症状 | 症狀 | *n.* | symptom | V-5 |
| zhībù | 织布 | 織布 | *vo.* | weave cloth | I-8 |
| zhījiān | 之间 | 之間 | *n.* | between; among; while | II-8 |
| zhīlèi | 之类 | 之類 | *ce.* | and the like | III-9 |
| zhīnǚxīng | 织女星 | 織女星 | *prn.* | Vega (star) | I-8 |
| zhīshi | 知识 | 知識 | *n.* | knowledge | I-1 |
| zhīsuǒyǐ | 之所以 | 之所以 | *conj.* | as a result | III-2 |
| zhíjiē | 直接 | 直接 | *adv.* | directly | II-9 |
| zhíqǐyāo | 直起腰 | 直起腰 | *v.* | straighten one’s back | II-8 |
| zhízhí | 直直 | 直直 | *adj.* | straight; upright | II-8 |
| zhǐdài | 指代 | 指代 | *v.* | refer to | IV-3 |
| zhǐyào…jiù | 只要…就 | 只要…就 | *conj.* | if only; so long as | II-6 |
| zhìdìng | 制定 | 制定 | *v.* | lay down; formulate; enact; set up | II-10, V-2 |
| zhìdù | 制度 | 制度 | *n.* | system; institution | V-2 |
| zhìfú | 制服 | 制服 | *v.* | bring under control | IV-8 |
| zhìguài | 志怪 | 志怪 | *adj.* | strange and supernatural | V-4 |
| zhìhuì | 智慧 | 智慧 | *adj.* | brightness; sapience; wisdom | III-10 |
| zhìlǐ | 治理 | 治理 | *v.* | administer; govern | V-10 |
| zhìliàng | 质量 | 質量 | *n.* | quality | IV-7 |
| zhìliáo | 治疗 | 治療 | *v.* | treat; cure | V-9 |
| zhìshǐ | 致使 | 致使 | *v.* | cause; result in | V-8 |
| zhìyí | 质疑 | 質疑 | *v.* | call into question; query | V-5 |
| zhìyú | 至于 | 至於 | *conj.* | regarding; with regard to | III-9 |
| zhìzuò | 制作 | 制作 | *v.* | make; manufacture | I-4, III-1 |
| zhōngchén | 忠臣 | 忠臣 | *n.* | official loyal to his sovereign | V-6 |
| zhōngchéng | 忠诚 | 忠誠 | *adj.* | loyal; faithful | V-6 |
| Zhōngguó gùgōng | 中国故宫 | 中國故宮 | *prn.* | China’s Imperial Palace | III-10 |
| Zhōngguóhuà | 中国画 | 中國畫 | *n.* | Chinese painting | II-6 |
| Zhōngguójié | 中国结 | 中國結 | *n.* | Chinese knot | I-7 |
| Zhōnghuá Mínguó | 中华民国 | 中華民國 | *prn.* | Republic of China (1912–1949) | III-7 |
| Zhōnghuá Rénmín Gònghéguó | 中华人民共和国 | 中華人民共和國 | *prn.* | People’s Republic of China (1949–present) | III-7 |
| zhōngnián (rén) | 中年（人） | 中年（人） | *n.* | middle age; middle-aged person | I-1 |
| zhōnglóu | 钟楼 | 鐘樓 | *prn.* | bell tower | I-10 |
| Zhōngqiūjié | 中秋节 | 中秋節 | *n.* | the Mid-Autumn Festival (fifteenth day of the eighth lunar month) | III-1 |
| zhōngxiǎoxué | 中小学 | 中小學 | *n.* | elementary, middle, and high school | III-5 |
| zhōngxīn | 忠心 | 忠心 | *n.* | loyalty; devotion | IV-6 |
| zhōngxué | 中学 | 中學 | *n.* | high school; middle school | III-2 |
| zhōngyú | 终于 | 終於 | *adv.* | finally | II-8 |
| zhòngdà | 重大 | 重大 | *adj.* | major; significant | III-9 |
| zhòngyào | 重要 | 重要 | *adj.* | important | III-2 |
| Zhōucháo | 周朝 | 周朝 | *prn.* | Zhou Dynasty (1046–256 B.C.) | I-10, III-7 |
| Zhōu Dūnyí | 周敦颐 | 周敦颐 | *prn.* | Song Dynasty thinker (1017–1073) | IV-9 |
| zhòufú | 咒符 | 咒符 | *n.* | amulet; magic charm | IV-8 |
| zhòuyǔ | 咒语 | 咒語 | *n.* | incantation; curse | IV-8 |
| zhū | 猪 | 豬 | *n.* | pig | I-2 |
| zhūluójì | 侏罗纪 | 侏羅紀 | *n.* | Jurassic Period | V-4 |
| zhūrú | 诸如 | 諸如 | *v.* | such as | V-4 |
| zhú | 竹 | 竹 | *n.* | bamboo | III-3 |
| zhúgān | 竹竿 | 竹竿 | *n.* | bamboo pole; bamboo | V-9 |
| zhújiǎn | 竹简 | 竹簡 | *n.* | bamboo slips for writing; bamboo book | IV-6 |
| zhǔ | 煮 | 煮 | *v.* | boil; cook | III-7 |
| zhǔyào | 主要 | 主要 | *adj.* | main; major | I-4, III-5 |
| zhù | 蛀 | 蛀 | *v.* | eat into; bore | IV-6 |
| zhù | 铸 | 鑄 | *v.* | cast; found (of metal) | IV-6 |
| zhùmíng | 著名 | 著名 | *adj.* | outstanding; notable | III-6 |
| zhùyì | 注意 | 注意 | *v.* | pay attention to | II-9 |
| zhùyuàn | 祝愿 | 祝願 | *v.* | wish | I-7, II-6 |
| zhùzhái | 住宅 | 住宅 | *n.* | residence; house | IV-7 |
| zhuā | 抓 | 抓 | *v.* | grab | I-2, I-8 |
| zhuānjiā | 专家 | 專家 | *n.* | expert; specialist | II-7 |
| zhuǎnxué | 转学 | 轉學 | *v.* | (of student) transfer to another school | III-2 |
| zhuǎnyǎn | 转眼 | 轉眼 | *vo.* | in the twinkling of an eye | IV-2 |
| zhuàn | 转 | 轉 | *v.* | turn around, rotate | II-10 |
| zhuànzhuan | 转转 | 轉轉 | *v.* | stroll; go for a walk | I-9 |
| zhuāng | 装 | 裝 | *v.* | fill | III-3 |
| zhuāngdìng | 装订 | 裝訂 | *v.* | bind books | IV-6 |
| zhuāngjia | 庄稼 | 莊稼 | *n.* | crops | II-8 |
| zhuàngnián | 壮年 | 壯年 | *n.* | the more robust years of a person’s life (between 30 and 50) | I-1 |
| zhuàngtài | 状态 | 狀態 | *n.* | state; condition | IV-5 |
| zhuī | 追 | 追 | *v.* | chase; pursue | I-8 |
| zhuīzhú | 追逐 | 追逐 | *v.* | chase | V-9 |
| zhǔnzé | 准则 | 準則 | *n.* | norm; standard | V-1 |
| zīyuán | 资源 | 資源 | *n.* | natural resources; resources | V-8 |
| zǐ | 紫 | 紫 | *adj.* | purple | III-8 |
| zǐsè | 紫色 | 紫色 | *n.* | purple | I-3 |
| zǐwēixīng | 紫薇星 | 紫薇星 | *prn.* | North Star | I-9 |
| zìcóng | 自从 | 自從 | *prep.* | since | II-1 |
| zìlǐhángjiān | 字里行间 | 字裏行間 | *id.* | between the lines | IV-1 |
| zìrán | 自然 | 自然 | *adj.* | natural; nature | IV-1 |
| zìránjiè | 自然界 | 自然界 | *n.* | natural world | V-3 |
| zìránwù | 自然物 | 自然物 | *n.* | natural beings | IV-2 |
| zìsī | 自私 | 自私 | *adj.* | selfish; self-centered | II-10 |
| zìxiāngmáodùn | 自相矛盾 | 自相矛盾 | *id.* | contradict oneself; be self-contradictory | III-4 |
| zìyánzìyǔ | 自言自语 | 自言自語 | *v.* | talk to oneself | II-8 |
| zìyǐwéi | 自以为 | 自以為 | *v.* | consider one’s self | II-8 |
| zìyì | 恣意 | 恣意 | *adv.* | unscrupulous; reckless | IV-1 |
| zōngyǐng | 踪影 | 蹤影 | *n.* | (usu. in the negative) trace; sign | IV-7 |
| zǒngshì | 总是 | 總是 | *adv.* | always | II-8 |
| zǒngzhī | 总之 | 總之 | *conj.* | in a word; in short | II-9 |
| zòngguān | 纵观 | 縱觀 | *v.* | thoroughly observe | V-2 |
| zú | 足 | 足 | *n.* | foot; leg | III-4 |
| zúqiú | 足球 | 足球 | *n.* | soccer | III-3 |
| zǔchéng | 组成 | 組成 | *v.* | form; make up; compose | III-4 |
| zǔdǎng | 阻挡 | 阻擋 | *v.* | stop; resist | V-8 |
| zǔxiān | 祖先 | 祖先 | *n.* | ancestors | I-3 |
| zǔzhǐ | 阻止 | 阻止 | *v.* | prevent; stop | V-9 |
| zǔzhòu | 诅咒 | 詛咒 | *v.* | curse; swear | IV-8 |
| zuànshí | 钻石 | 鑽石 | *n.* | diamond | I-6, I-9 |
| zuì | 醉 | 醉 | *v.* | be drunk; be intoxicated | I-2 |
| zūnjìng | 尊敬 | 尊敬 | *v.* | respect; honor | I-1, II-7 |
| zuòfa | 做法 | 做法 | *n.* | way of doing things | II-9 |
| zuǒyòu | 左右 | 左右 | *n.* | left and right | II-2 |
| zuòyòng | 作用 | 作用 | *n.* | action; function | IV-8 |