

dài 9画 卅+彳+巾
to bring

- dàiqù 带去 to take, to carry
- dài lái 带来 to bring
- dài gěi 带给 to take
- Qǐng bǎ shū dài gěi tā. 请把书带给她。
Please take the book to her.

dài 5画 亻+弋
to replace; generation, era

- dài biǎo 代表 to represent, to symbolize
- Tā dài biǎo wǒmen bān cān jiā wǎnhuì. 他代表我们班参加晚会。 He takes part in the evening party on behalf of our class.

dà 3画 大
big

- dà dū shì 大都市 metropolis
- dà hǎi 大海 vast sea
- dà lóu 大楼 a big building
- dà shān 大山 huge mountain
- dà xué 大学 university, college
- dà yuē 大约 about
- Wǒ zài dà xué xué xí Hànyǔ. 我在大学学习汉语。 I'm learning Chinese in college.

dāng 6画 尪+彡
to be; to work as; when

- dāng dì 当地 locality
- Zhè shì dāng dì de xí guàn. 这是当地的习惯。
This is the local custom.

dàn 11画 冫+艹+虫
egg

- jī dàn 鸡蛋 egg
- Bàba ài chī jī dàn. 爸爸爱吃鸡蛋。
Dad likes eating eggs.

dàn 7画 亻+日+一
but

- dàn shì 但是 but
- Tā bú ài shuō huà, dàn shì hěn yǒu hǎo. 她不爱说话，但是很友好。 She doesn't talk much, but she's very friendly.

dào 12画 辶+辶+自
way; (classifier)

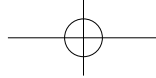
- yí dào tí 一道题 one question
- dào lù 道路 road, way
- Qǐng zuò dì yī dào liànxí tí. 请做第一道练习题。 Please finish the first exercise.

dào 8画 辶+土+刂
to arrive, to reach

- dào chù 到处 anywhere, everywhere
- dào qī 到期 to be due; to expire
- Wǒ de qiānzhèng míngnián dào qī. 我的签证明年到期。 My visa will expire next year.

dǎo 6画 巳+寸
to lead, to guide

- dǎo yóu 导游 tour guide
- Wǒmen bù xū yào dǎo yóu. 我们不需要导游。
We don't need a tour guide.



guǎng 3画 广
wide, broad

- guǎngchǎng 广场 square
- qù guǎngchǎng tiàowǔ 去广场跳舞
to go to the square dance

guǎn 11画 饣+宀+目
hotel

- fànguǎnr 饭馆儿 restaurant
- bówùguǎn 博物馆 museum
- bīngguǎn 宾馆 hotel
- qù fànguǎnr chīfàn 去饭馆吃饭
to go to eat in a restaurant

guān 6画 又+见
to see, to watch

- guānkàn 观看 to watch, to view
- cānguān 参观 to visit, to tour
- Xiàwǔ wǒmen cānguān dòngwùyuán. 下午
我们参观动物园。We will go to the zoo this
afternoon.

guò 6画 辶+寸
to cross; to pass through

- guòlái 过来 to come
- guòqù 过去 to go
- Zǒu guòlái. 走过来。Come here.

guǒ 8画 田+木
fruit

- píngguǒ 苹果 apple
- Tā chī píngguǒ. 她吃苹果。She eats an
apple.

guó 8画 口+玉
country, state, nation

- guójìhuà 国际化 internationalization
- guójia 国家 country, nation
- guónèi 国内 domestic
- guówài 国外 abroad
- Zài guówài wǒ yǒu péngyou. 在国外我有朋
友。I have friends abroad.

hào 5画 口+一+夕
date

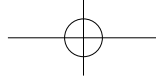
- hàomǎ 号码 number
- Wǒ bù zhīdào tā de diànhuà hàomǎ.
我不知道他的电话号码。I don't know his
phone number.

hái 9画 亥+儿
child, kid

- háizi 孩子 child, kid
- Wǒ yǒu hái. 我有孩子。I have kids.

guì 9画 中+一+贝
expensive, valuable

- Yīfu tài guì le. 衣服太贵了。
The clothes are too expensive.



ǐ 5画 礻 + 匕
courtesy

- lǐwù 礼物 gift
- lǐmào 礼貌 politeness
- lǐjié 礼节 etiquette
- Tā sònggěi tā yí gè lǐwù. 他送给她一个礼物。
He gave her a gift.

ǐ 7画 里
inside

- jǐ lǐ 几里 a few miles
- lǐmiàn 里面 inside
- lǐbian 里边 inside
- Xuéxiào lǐmiàn yǒu gāo lóu. 学校里面有高楼。
There are tall buildings in the school.

lí 10画 辶 + 义 + 口 + 内
to separate; away from

- fēnlí 分离 to separate
- lí ... jìn 离...近 near to
- lí ... yuǎn 离...远 far from
- Zhōngguó lí Měiguó hěn yuǎn. 中国离美国很远。
China is far from the US.

ì 7画 一 + 冂 + 丶 + 冂 + 丶
beautiful

- měilì 美丽 beautiful
- Tā hěn měilì. 她很漂亮。 She is beautiful.

ì 4画 厂 + 力
history, calendar

- lìshǐ 历史 history
- jīnglì 经历 experience
- Zhōngguó lìshǐ hěn cháng. 中国历史很长。
China has a long history.

lì 2画 力
power, force

- lìliàng 力量 power
- gěilì 给力 awesome
- nǜlì 努力 to make an effort
- yònglì 用力 exert oneself physically
- Tā xuéxí hěn nǜlì. 他学习很努力。 He studies very hard.

liáo 11画 耳 + 卯 + 尸
to chat

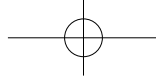
- liáotiānr 聊天儿 to chat
- Tāmen xǐhuan liáotiānr. 他们喜欢聊天儿。
They like chatting.

liǎng 7画 两
two; (unit of weight)

- liǎng gè 两个 two
- jǐ liǎng 几两 several *liang* (unit of weight)
- Liǎng gè rén dōu huì shuō Yīngyǔ. 两个人都会说英语。
They both can speak English.

liàn 8画 纟 + 东
to exercise, to practice

- liànxí 练习 exercise, practice
- Tā měi tiān dōu yào zuò liànxí. 他每天都要做练习。
He does exercises every day.



lóng 5画 龙
dragon

- Lǐ Xiǎolóng 李小龙 Bruce Lee
- fēilóng 飞龙 flying dragon
- lóng de chuánrén 龙的传人 descendants of the dragon
- lóngchuán 龙船 dragon boat

liù 4画 六
six

- liù gè rén 六个人 six people
- liù jiàn yīfu 六件衣服 six items of clothing
- liù běn shū 六本书 six books

lǐng 11画 人+、+マ+ㄣ+贝
collar; to lead

- lǐngdǎo 领导 to lead; leader
- yīlǐng 衣领 collar
- Tā shì wǒmen de lǐngdǎo. 他是我们的领导。
He is our leader.

lǚ 10画 方+辶+氏
to travel

- lǚxíngshè 旅行社 travel agency
- lǚyóu 旅游 tourism
- lǚyóutuán 旅游团 tourist group
- Wǒ zuì xǐhuan lǚyóu. 我最喜欢旅游。
I like traveling a lot.

lù 13画 口+止+夂+口
road, path

- dà lù 大路 road
- xiǎo lù 小路 path
- yì tiáo lù 一条路 a road
- sān lù gōnggòng qìchē 3路公共汽车 Bus No. 3

lóu 13画 木+米+女
floor, story

- dà lóu 大楼 multistory building
- gāo lóu 高楼 tall building
- shàng lóu 上楼 to go upstairs
- xià lóu 下楼 to go downstairs

mǎi 6画 冫+、+大
to buy

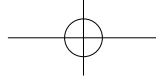
- mǎi dōngxi 买东西 to buy things
- mǎi yīfu 买衣服 to buy clothes
- mǎi bǐ 买笔 to buy a pen

mā 6画 女+马+一
mom, mother

- māma 妈妈 mom, mother
- Māma huílái le. 妈妈回来了。
My mom came back.

ma 6画 口+马+一
(particle)

- Nǐ shì xuésheng ma? 你是学生吗?
Are you a student?



nián 6画 年
year

- qùnián 去年 last year
- jīnnián 今年 this year
- míngnián 明年 next year
- Wǒ míngnián qù Shànghǎi. 我明年去上海。
I will visit Shanghai next year.

nǐ 7画 亻+㇇+小
you

- nǐ 你 you
- nǐmen 你们 you (plural)
- Nǐmen dōu lái wǒ jiā ba. 你们都来我家吧。
You all can come to my house.

néng 10画 亠+月+匕+匕
talent; can; to be able to

- néng 能 can; to be able to
- nénglì 能力 ability
- Wǒ néng kāi chē. 我能开车。
I can drive a car.

nóng 6画 亠+衣
farm, agriculture

- nóngcūn 农村 countryside, village
- nóngjiǎfàn 农家饭 homemade rural dishes
- nóngjiālè 农家乐 rural inn

niú 4画 牛
cattle

- niúǎi 牛奶 milk
- niúròu 牛肉 beef
- Háizi zài hē niúǎi. 孩子在喝牛奶。
The children are drinking milk.

nín 11画 亻+㇇+小+心
you (respectful)

- Nín hǎo! 您好! How do you do?

páng 10画 亠+冫+㇇+方
side; beside

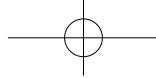
- pángbiān 旁边 side
- Yóujú zài yínháng pángbiān. 邮局在银行旁边。
The post office is next to the bank.

pái 11画 扌+非
row

- páiqiú 排球 volleyball
- dǎ páiqiú 打排球 to play volleyball

nǚ 3画 女
woman, female

- nǚ'ér 女儿 daughter
- nǚrén 女人 woman, female
- nǚcèsuǒ 女厕所 women's room
- Wǒ méiyǒu nǚ'ér. 我没有女儿。
I don't have a daughter.



rì 4画 日
sun, day

- Riběn 日本 Japan
- jǐ rì 几日 a few days
- xīngqīrì 星期日 Sunday
- Wǒ liù yuè sān rì qù Běijīng. 我六月三日去北京。 I will go to Beijing on June 3rd.

rèn 4画 讠+人
to recognize, to identify

- rènshi 认识 to recognize, to know
- rènwéi 认为 to think, to believe
- Wǒ bú rènshi tā. 我不认识他。 I don't know him.

rén 2画 人
man, person

- réncái 人才 talented people
- rénmínbì 人民币 Renminbi (RMB)
- Zhè shì rénmínbì, bú shì měiyuán. 这是人民币，不是美元。 This is RMB, not US dollars.

rú 6画 女+口
if; as if

- rúguǒ 如果 if
- Rúguǒ bú xià yǔ, wǒmen jiù qù shūdiàn. 如果不下雨，我们就去书店。 If it doesn't rain we will go to the bookshop.

ròu 6画 冂+人+人
meat

- jīròu 鸡肉 chicken
- zhūròu 猪肉 pork
- niúròu 牛肉 beef
- yúròu 鱼肉 fish

róng 10画 宀+八+人+口
to contain; appearance

- róngyì 容易 easy
- Xué Hànyǔ bù róngyì. 学汉语不容易。 It is not easy to learn Chinese.

sè 6画 辶+巴
color

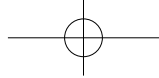
- yánsè 颜色 color
- hóngsè 红色 red
- hēisè 黑色 black
- báisè 白色 white

sàn 12画 艹+月+攴
to scatter, to disperse

- sànbù 散步 to take a walk

sān 3画 三
three

- sān gè 三个 three
- sān jiàn 三件 three pieces



shàng 3画 上
up; upper

- Shànghǎi 上海 Shanghai
- shàng kè 上课 to attend classes
- shàng wǎng 上网 to get on the Internet
- shàngwǔ 上午 morning
- Wǒmen shàngwǔ shàng kè. 我们上午上课。
We have classes in the morning.

shāng 11画 丷+勹+冂+八+口
business, trade

- shāngdiàn 商店 shop
- shāngchǎng 商场 department store
- shāngpǐn 商品 commodity

shān 3画 山
mountain

- míngshān 名山 famous mountain
- Huáng Shān 黄山 Mount Huangshan
- Éméi Shān 峨眉山 Mount Emei
- Qīngchéng Shān 青城山 Mount Qingcheng

shēn 5画 申
to express, to explain

- shēnqǐngbiǎo 申请表 application form
- shēnqǐng qiānzhèng 申请签证 to apply for a visa

shào 8画 纟+刀+口
to introduce

- Qǐng nǐ jièshào yíxià. 请你介绍一下。
Please give an introduction.

shǎo 4画 小+丿
few, little

- hěn shǎo 很少 seldom; very few
- yǒu diǎnr shǎo 有点儿少 not so many
- Tài shǎo le! 太少了! There are so few!

shén 9画 礻+申
spirit, god

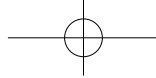
- jīngshén 精神 spirit
- shénqíng 神情 expression, look
- shénsè 神色 expression, countenance

shén 4画 亻+十
what

- shénme 什么 what
- Tā zuò shénme gōngzuò? 他做什么工作?
What does he do?

shēn 7画 身
body

- shēntǐ 身体 body
- quán shēn 全身 whole body
- Tā shēntǐ hǎo ma? 他身体好吗? How is he feeling?
- Zhù nǐ shēntǐ jiànkāng. 祝你身体健康。
I wish you good health.



yīng 7画 广 + ㇇ + 一
should

- yīnggāi 应该 should, must
- Nǐ yīnggāi xiūxi yíhuìr. 你应该休息一会儿。
You should have a rest.

yīng 8画 艹 + 央
hero, flower

- Yīngguó 英国 Britain; the UK
- Yīngyǔ 英语 English
- Wǒ xuéguo Yīngyǔ. 我学过英语。
I have learned English.

yín 11画 钅 + 艮
silver

- yínháng 银行 bank
- yínhángkǎ 银行卡 bank card
- Wǒ qù yínháng bàn yínhángkǎ. 我去银行办银行卡。I went to the bank to apply for a bank card.

yóu 12画 氵 + 方 + 宀 + 子
to swim, to tour

- yóulǎn 游览 to go sightseeing
- yóuwán 游玩 to tour around
- lǚyóu 旅游 to tour
- Xiàwǔ wǒmen qù Chángchéng yóuwán. 下午我们去长城游玩。We will go to the Great Wall in the afternoon.

yòng 5画 冫 + 丰
to use, to employ

- Yòng bǐ xiě zì. 用笔写字。Write with a pen.
- Wǒ méiyǒu yòng zhèxiē qián. 我没有用这些钱。I have not used this money.

yǐng 15画 日 + 彡 + 口 + 小 + 彡
shadow

- yǐngxiǎng 影响 influence
- diànyǐng 电影 movie, film
- Wǒ xǐhuan kàn Zhōngguó diànyǐng. 我喜欢看中国电影。I like watching Chinese movies.

yòu 2画 又
again

- Zuótiān tā qù shūdiàn le, jīntiān tā yòu qù le. 昨天他去书店了, 今天他又去了。He went to the bookshop yesterday, and he went there again today.

yǒu 4画 宀 + 又
friend

- péngyou 朋友 friend
- yǒuhǎo 友好 friendly
- yǒuqíng 友情 friendship
- Wǒmen de péngyou dōu hěn yǒuhǎo. 我们的朋友都很友好。Our friends are nice.

yǒu 6画 宀 + 月
to have

- yǒu diǎnr 有点儿 a little bit
- yǒumíng 有名 famous
- méiyǒu 没有 no; not
- Wǒ méiyǒu jiějie. 我没有姐姐。I have no elder sister.