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Essential Traditional Chinese Phrases

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Phrase	Pinyin	Meaning	Example	Example Pinyin	Translation
早安	zǎo ān	good morning	早安，今天過得好嗎？	zǎo ān, jīntiān guò de hǎo ma?	Good morning, how is your day going?
快點上床！	kuài diǎn shàng chuáng!	Hurry up and get into bed!	快點上床，該睡了。	kuài diǎn shàng chuáng, gāi shuì le.	Hurry up and get into bed, it's time to sleep.
我真的起不來	wǒ zhēn de qǐ bù lái	I really can't get up	我真的起不來，太累了。	wǒ zhēn de qǐ bù lái, tài lèi le.	I really can't get up; I'm too tired.
晚安	wǎn ān	good night	晚安，明天見。	wǎn ān, míngtiān jiàn.	Good night, see you tomorrow.
快睡吧	kuài shuì ba	Go to sleep quickly.	很晚了，快睡吧。	hěn wǎn le, kuài shuì ba.	It's late, go to sleep.
先睡了	xiān shuì le	I'm going to sleep now.	我先睡了，明天還要早起。	wǒ xiān shuì le, míngtiān hái yào zǎo qǐ.	I'm going to sleep now; I still have to get up early tomorrow.
我出門了	wǒ chū mén le	I'm heading out.	我出門了，等一下回來。	wǒ chū mén le, děng yíxià huílái.	I'm heading out; I'll be back in a bit.
我出去一下	wǒ chū qù yíxià	I'm going out for a bit.	我出去一下，馬上回來。	wǒ chū qù yíxià, mǎshàng huílái.	I'm going out for a bit; I'll be right back.
我去上班了	wǒ qù shàng bān le	I went to work.	我今天早上去上班了。	wǒ jīn tiān zǎo shàng qù shàng bān le	I went to work this morning.
你好嗎？	nǐ hǎo ma?	How are you?	你好嗎？最近忙嗎？	nǐ hǎo ma? zuì jìn máng ma?	How are you? Have you been busy lately?
最近如何？	zuì jìn rú hé?	How have you been lately?	你最近如何？	nǐ zuì jìn rú hé?	How have you been lately?
吃飽了沒？	chī bǎo le méi?	Have you eaten?	你吃飽了沒？	nǐ chī bǎo le méi?	Have you eaten?
好久不見！	hǎo jiǔ bù jiàn!	Long time no see!	好久不見，你還好嗎？	hǎo jiǔ bù jiàn, nǐ hái hǎo ma?	Long time no see. Are you doing well?
有一陣子沒見了吧！	yǒu yī zhèn zi méi jiàn le ba!	It's been a while since we last met!	我們有一陣子沒見了吧！	wǒ men yǒu yī zhèn zi méi jiàn le ba!	It's been a while since we last met!
過得怎麼樣？	guò de zěn me yàng?	How are things going?	你最近過得怎麼樣？	nǐ zuì jìn guò de zěn me yàng?	How have things been going for you lately?
好巧喔！	hǎo qiǎo ō!	What a coincidence!	我們在這裡遇到，好巧喔！	wǒ men zài zhè lǐ yù dào, hǎo qiǎo ō!	We ran into each other here. What a coincidence!
很高興能再見到你	hěn gāoxìng néng zài jiàn dào nǐ	It's great to see you again.	很高興能再見到你。	hěn gāoxìng néng zài jiàn dào nǐ.	It's great to see you again.

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想不到在這裡遇見你	xiǎng bù dào zài zhèlǐ yùjiàn nǐ	I didn't expect to run into you here.	想不到在這裡遇見你。	xiǎng bù dào zài zhèlǐ yùjiàn nǐ.	I didn't expect to run into you here.
初次見面	chū cì jiàn miàn	Nice to meet you.	初次見面，請多指教。	chū cì jiàn miàn, qǐng duō zhǐ jiào.	Nice to meet you. Please take care of me.
請問您是 ~ 先生 (小姐) 嗎?	qǐng wèn nín shì ~ xiānsheng (xiǎojiě) ma?	Are you Mr./Ms. ~?	請問您是王先生嗎?	qǐng wèn nín shì Wáng xiānsheng ma?	Excuse me, are you Mr. Wang?
很高興認識你	hěn gāoxìng rènshi nǐ	Nice to meet you.	很高興認識你。	hěn gāoxìng rènshi nǐ.	Nice to meet you.
我們是不是在哪見過面?	wǒmen shì bù shì zài nǎ jiàn guò miàn?	Have we met before?	我們是不是在哪見過面?	wǒmen shì bù shì zài nǎ jiàn guò miàn?	Have we met before?
我覺得你很眼熟	wǒ juéde nǐ hěn yǎnshú	You look familiar.	我覺得你很眼熟。	wǒ juéde nǐ hěn yǎnshú.	You look familiar.
你還記得我嗎?	nǐ hái jìde wǒ ma?	Do you remember me?	你還記得我嗎?	nǐ hái jìde wǒ ma?	Do you remember me?
我叫 ~	wǒ jiào ~	My name is ~	我叫小明。	wǒ jiào Xiǎomíng.	My name is Xiaoming.
你有外號嗎?	nǐ yǒu wài hào ma?	Do you have a nickname?	你有外號嗎?	nǐ yǒu wài hào ma?	Do you have a nickname?
我是從 ~ 來的	wǒ shì cóng ~ lái de	I'm from ~	我是從台北來的。	wǒ shì cóng Táiběi lái de.	I'm from Taipei.
讓我介紹一下	ràng wǒ jièshào yíxià	Let me introduce myself	讓我介紹一下。	ràng wǒ jièshào yíxià.	Let me introduce myself.
這位是 ~	zhè wèi shì ~	This is ~	這位是我的老師。	zhè wèi shì wǒ de lǎoshī.	This is my teacher.
他是 ~ 的	tā shì ~ de	He is ~	他是台灣人。	tā shì Táiwān rén.	He is Taiwanese.
再見!	zàijiàn!	Goodbye!	再見!	zàijiàn!	Goodbye!
下次見, 拜拜	xià cì jiàn, bàibài	See you next time, bye-bye	下次見, 拜拜!	xià cì jiàn, bàibài!	See you next time, bye-bye!
我先走了	wǒ xiān zǒu le	I'm heading off first.	我先走了, 明天見。	wǒ xiān zǒu le, míngtiān jiàn.	I'm heading off first. See you tomorrow.
開動了	kāidòng le	Let's eat.	大家開動了。	dàjiā kāidòng le.	Everyone, let's eat.
可以先吃嗎?	kěyǐ xiān chī ma?	Can I eat first?	我可以先吃嗎?	wǒ kěyǐ xiān chī ma?	Can I eat first?
都到齊了嗎?	dōu dào qí le ma?	Is everyone here?	大家都到齊了嗎?	dàjiā dōu dào qí le ma?	Is everyone here?
好好吃	hǎo hǎo chī	Very delicious.	這個蛋糕好好吃。	zhè ge dàngāo hǎo chī.	This cake is very delicious.
~ 的味道超讚	~ de wèidào chāo zàn	The taste is amazing.	這湯的味道超讚。	zhè tāng de wèidào chāo zàn.	This soup tastes amazing.

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我已經吃飽了	wǒ yǐjīng chī bǎo le	I'm already full.	我已經吃飽了。	wǒ yǐjīng chī bǎo le.	I'm already full.
謝謝您的招待	xièxie nín de zhāodài	Thank you for your hospitality.	謝謝您的招待。	xièxie nín de zhāodài.	Thank you for your hospitality.
謝謝你請我吃飯	xièxie nǐ qǐng wǒ chī fàn	Thanks for treating me to a meal.	謝謝你請我吃飯。	xièxie nǐ qǐng wǒ chī fàn.	Thanks for treating me to a meal.
下次我請客	xià cì wǒ qǐng kè	I'll treat you next time.	下次我請客。	xià cì wǒ qǐng kè.	I'll treat you next time.
你身體還好吧	nǐ shēntǐ hái hǎo ba	Are you feeling okay?	你身體還好吧?	nǐ shēntǐ hái hǎo ba?	Are you feeling okay?
請多保重	qǐng duō bǎozhòng	Please take care.	請多保重。	qǐng duō bǎozhòng.	Please take care.
希望能早點康復	xīwàng néng zǎodiǎn kāngfù	I hope you get better soon.	希望你能早點康復。	xīwàng nǐ néng zǎodiǎn kāngfù.	I hope you get better soon.
謝啦	xiè la	Thanks!	謝啦!	xiè la!	Thanks!
謝謝	xièxie	Thanks.	謝謝你。	xièxie nǐ.	Thanks.
非常感謝您	fēicháng gǎnxiè nín	Thank you very much.	非常感謝您。	fēicháng gǎnxiè nín.	Thank you very much.
你幫了大忙	nǐ bāng le dà máng	You were a big help.	你幫了大忙，我很感謝你。	nǐ bāng le dà máng, wǒ hěn gǎnxiè nǐ.	You were a big help. I'm very grateful to you.
不知道要怎麼謝謝你才好	bù zhīdào yào zěnmě xièxie nǐ cái hǎo	I don't know how to thank you enough.	你幫我這麼多，我不知道要怎麼謝謝你才好。	nǐ bāng wǒ zhème duō, wǒ bù zhīdào yào zěnmě xièxie nǐ cái hǎo.	You've helped me so much. I don't know how to thank you enough.
謝謝你所做的一切	xièxie nǐ suǒ zuò de yīqiè	Thank you for everything you've done.	謝謝你所做的一切，我很感動。	xièxie nǐ suǒ zuò de yīqiè, wǒ hěn gǎndòng.	Thank you for everything you've done. I'm very touched.
這是我的一點心意，請收下	zhè shì wǒ de yīdiǎn xīnyì, qǐng shōuxià	This is a small gift. Please accept it.	這是我的一點心意，請收下。	zhè shì wǒ de yīdiǎn xīnyì, qǐng shōuxià.	This is a small gift. Please accept it.
希望你會喜歡	xīwàng nǐ huì xǐhuan	I hope you like it.	這份禮物希望你會喜歡。	zhè fèn lǐwù xīwàng nǐ huì xǐhuan.	I hope you like this gift.
我很高興你喜歡	wǒ hěn gāoxìng nǐ xǐhuan	I'm glad you like it.	你喜歡就好，我很高興。	nǐ xǐhuan jiù hǎo, wǒ hěn gāoxìng.	I'm glad you like it.
謝謝你的伴手禮	xièxie nǐ de bàنشǒulǐ	Thank you for the souvenir.	謝謝你的伴手禮，我很喜歡。	xièxie nǐ de bàنشǒulǐ, wǒ hěn xǐhuan.	Thank you for the souvenir. I really like it.
謝謝你送我這麼好的禮物	xièxie nǐ sòng wǒ zhème hǎo de lǐwù	Thank you for such a wonderful gift.	謝謝你送我這麼好的禮物。	xièxie nǐ sòng wǒ zhème hǎo de lǐwù.	Thank you for such a wonderful gift.
我會好好珍惜的	wǒ huì hǎohǎo zhēnxī de	I'll treasure it.	我會好好珍惜這份禮物。	wǒ huì hǎohǎo zhēnxī zhè fèn lǐwù.	I'll treasure this gift.

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謝謝你的幫忙	xièxie nǐ de bāngmáng	Thanks for your help.	謝謝你的幫忙，我完成了。	xièxie nǐ de bāngmáng, wǒ wánchéng le.	Thanks for your help. I finished it.
給您添了許多麻煩	gěi nín tiān le xǔduō máfan	I've caused you a lot of trouble.	真抱歉，給您添了許多麻煩。	zhēn bàoqiàn, gěi nín tiān le xǔduō máfan.	I'm really sorry for causing you so much trouble.
謝謝您這段時間的照顧	xièxie nín zhè duàn shíjiān de zhàogù	Thank you for taking care of me during this time.	謝謝您這段時間的照顧。	xièxie nín zhè duàn shíjiān de zhàogù.	Thank you for taking care of me during this time.
不好意思	bù hǎoyisi	Excuse me; sorry.	不好意思，請讓我過一下。	bù hǎoyisi, qǐng ràng wǒ guò yíxià.	Excuse me, please let me through for a moment.
對不起	duìbuqǐ	Sorry.	對不起，我遲到了。	duìbuqǐ, wǒ chídào le.	Sorry, I'm late.
都是我的錯	dōu shì wǒ de cuò	It's all my fault.	都是我的錯，請原諒我。	dōu shì wǒ de cuò, qǐng yuánliàng wǒ.	It's all my fault. Please forgive me.
非常抱歉	fēicháng bàoqiàn	I'm very sorry.	非常抱歉，讓您久等了。	fēicháng bàoqiàn, ràng nín jiǔ děng le.	I'm very sorry to have kept you waiting.
造成您的不便，敬請見諒	zàochéng nín de bùbiàn, jìngqǐng jiànliàng	Sorry for the inconvenience.	造成您的不便，敬請見諒。	zàochéng nín de bùbiàn, jìngqǐng jiànliàng.	Sorry for the inconvenience.
我代表公司，鄭重向您道歉	wǒ dàibiǎo gōngsī, zhèngzhòng xiàng nín dàoqiàn	On behalf of the company, I sincerely apologize.	我代表公司，鄭重向您道歉。	wǒ dàibiǎo gōngsī, zhèngzhòng xiàng nín dàoqiàn.	On behalf of the company, I sincerely apologize.
謝謝您寶貴的時間	xièxie nín bǎoguì de shíjiān	Thank you for your time.	謝謝您寶貴的時間。	xièxie nín bǎoguì de shíjiān.	Thank you for your time.
我先失陪了	wǒ xiān shīpéi le	Excuse me, I have to go now.	我先失陪了。	wǒ xiān shīpéi le.	Excuse me, I have to go now.
下次再聊吧	xiàcì zài liáo ba	Let's talk next time.	下次再聊吧。	xiàcì zài liáo ba.	Let's talk next time.
現在沒時間	xiànzài méi shíjiān	I don't have time now.	我現在沒時間。	wǒ xiànzài méi shíjiān.	I don't have time now.
我趕時間	wǒ gǎn shíjiān	I'm in a hurry.	我今天趕時間。	wǒ jīntiān gǎn shíjiān.	I'm in a hurry today.
現在有點忙	xiànzài yǒudiǎn máng	I'm a little busy right now.	我現在有點忙。	wǒ xiànzài yǒudiǎn máng.	I'm a little busy right now.
什麼時候	shénme shíhou	when	你什麼時候有空？	Nǐ shénme shíhou yǒu kòng?	When are you free?
用～好怎麼樣？	yòng ~ hǎo zěnmeyàng?	How about using ~?	用這個好怎麼樣？	Yòng zhège hǎo zěnmeyàng?	How about using this one?
看你什麼時候方便	kàn nǐ shénme shíhou fāngbiàn	Whenever is convenient for you	看你什麼時候方便。	Kàn nǐ shénme shíhou fāngbiàn.	Whenever is convenient for you.
我們在哪裡見面？	wǒmen zài nǎlǐ jiànmiàn?	Where shall we meet?	我們在哪裡見面？	Wǒmen zài nǎlǐ jiànmiàn?	Where shall we meet?

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在~等你, 好嗎?	zài ~děng nǐ, hǎo ma?	I'll wait for you there, okay?	我在門口等你, 好嗎?	Wǒ zài ménkǒu děng nǐ, hǎo ma?	I'll wait for you at the door, okay?
在老地方見	zài lǎo dìfāng jiàn	See you at the usual place	我們在老地方見。	Wǒmen zài lǎo dìfāng jiàn.	Let's meet at the usual place.
可不可以改到~?	kě bù kěyǐ gǎi dào ~?	Can we change it to ~?	可不可以改到明天?	Kě bù kěyǐ gǎi dào míngtiān?	Can we change it to tomorrow?
~點在~見吧	~ diǎn zài ~ jiàn ba	Let's meet at ~ o'clock at ~	三點在咖啡店見吧。	Sān diǎn zài kāfēidiàn jiàn ba.	Let's meet at the café at three.
我想確認一下, 是對吧?	wǒ xiǎng quèrèn yíxià, shì duì ba?	I want to confirm. Is that right?	我想確認一下, 是對吧?	wǒ xiǎng quèrèn yíxià, shì duì ba?	I want to confirm. Is that right?
我出去一下, 馬上回來	wǒ chūqù yíxià, mǎshàng huílái	I'm going out for a bit. I'll be right back.	我出去一下, 馬上回來。	wǒ chūqù yíxià, mǎshàng huílái.	I'm going out for a bit. I'll be right back.
可以等一下嗎?	kěyǐ děng yíxià ma?	Can you wait a moment?	可以等一下嗎?	kěyǐ děng yíxià ma?	Can you wait a moment?
等一下再說	děng yíxià zài shuō	Let's talk about it later.	這件事等一下再說。	zhè jiàn shì děng yíxià zài shuō.	Let's talk about this later.
今天謝謝您的邀請	jīntiān xièxie nín de yāoqǐng	Thank you for inviting me today.	今天謝謝您的邀請。	jīntiān xièxie nín de yāoqǐng.	Thank you for inviting me today.
打擾了	dǎrǎo le	Sorry to bother you.	打擾了, 我可以進來嗎?	dǎrǎo le, wǒ kěyǐ jìnlái ma?	Sorry to bother you. May I come in?
請隨便, 不要客氣	qǐng suíbiàn, búyào kèqì	Please, make yourself at home.	請隨便, 不要客氣。	qǐng suíbiàn, búyào kèqì.	Please, make yourself at home.
我差不多該回去了	wǒ chàbùduō gāi huíqù le	I should probably head back now.	我差不多該回去了。	wǒ chàbùduō gāi huíqù le.	I should probably head back now.
時間不早了	shíjiān bù zǎo le	It's getting late.	時間不早了, 我們回家吧。	shíjiān bù zǎo le, wǒmen huí jiā ba.	It's getting late. Let's go home.
今天真開心	jīntiān zhēn kāixīn	I'm really happy today.	今天真開心, 我們一起出去玩。	jīntiān zhēn kāixīn, wǒmen yìqǐ chūqù wán.	I'm really happy today. Let's go out and have fun together.
請問一下	qǐngwèn yíxià	Excuse me, may I ask?	請問一下, 洗手間在哪裡?	qǐngwèn yíxià, xǐshǒujiān zài nǎlǐ?	Excuse me, where is the restroom?
可以請教一個問題嗎?	kěyǐ qǐngjiào yí gè wèntí ma?	May I ask a question?	可以請教一個問題嗎?	kěyǐ qǐngjiào yí gè wèntí ma?	May I ask a question?
我有幾個問題想請教您	wǒ yǒu jǐ gè wèntí xiǎng qǐngjiào nín	I have a few questions I'd like to ask you.	我有幾個問題想請教您。	wǒ yǒu jǐ gè wèntí xiǎng qǐngjiào nín.	I have a few questions I'd like to ask you.
你叫什麼名字?	nǐ jiào shénme míngzi?	What's your name?	你叫什麼名字?	nǐ jiào shénme míngzi?	What's your name?
怎麼稱呼您呢?	zěnmē chēnghu nín ne?	How should I address you?	請問怎麼稱呼您呢?	qǐngwèn zěnmē chēnghu nín ne?	May I ask how I should address you?

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您是哪裡人?	nín shì nǎlǐ rén?	Where are you from?	您是哪裡人?	nín shì nǎlǐ rén?	Where are you from?
您是哪裡出生的?	nín shì nǎlǐ chūshēng de?	Where were you born?	您是哪裡出生的?	nín shì nǎlǐ chūshēng de?	Where were you born?
你是哪國人?	nǐ shì nǎ guó rén?	What nationality are you?	你是哪國人?	nǐ shì nǎ guó rén?	What nationality are you?
你幾歲了?	nǐ jǐ suì le?	How old are you?	你幾歲了?	nǐ jǐ suì le?	How old are you?
你多大了?	nǐ duō dà le?	How old are you?	你多大了?	nǐ duō dà le?	How old are you?
您今年貴庚?	nín jīnnián guīgēng?	How old are you this year?	您今年貴庚?	nín jīnnián guīgēng?	How old are you this year?
現在幾點了?	xiànzài jǐ diǎn le?	What time is it now?	現在幾點了?	xiànzài jǐ diǎn le?	What time is it now?
需要多久時間?	xūyào duō jiǔ shíjiān?	How long will it take?	這個需要多久時間?	zhè ge xūyào duō jiǔ shíjiān?	How long will this take?
從~點到.....點	cóng ~ diǎn dào ... diǎn	from point ~ to point ...	這條路從A點到B點。	zhè tiáo lù cóng A diǎn dào B diǎn.	This road goes from point A to point B.
你的生日是什麼時候?	nǐ de shēngrì shì shénme shíhòu?	When is your birthday?	你的生日是什麼時候?	nǐ de shēngrì shì shénme shíhòu?	When is your birthday?
你是什麼星座的?	nǐ shì shénme xīngzuò de?	What's your zodiac sign?	你是什麼星座的?	nǐ shì shénme xīngzuò de?	What's your zodiac sign?
你的血型是?	nǐ de xuèxíng shì?	What's your blood type?	你的血型是什麼?	nǐ de xuèxíng shì shénme?	What's your blood type?
你是做什麼的?	nǐ shì zuò shénme de?	What do you do?	你是做什麼的?	nǐ shì zuò shénme de?	What do you do?
您在哪高就呢?	nín zài nǎ gāojiù ne?	Where do you work?	請問您在哪高就呢?	qǐngwèn nín zài nǎ gāojiù ne?	May I ask where you work?
能請教您是從事什麼行業嗎?	néng qǐngjiào nín shì cóngshì shénme hángyè ma?	May I ask what industry you work in?	能請教您是從事什麼行業嗎?	néng qǐngjiào nín shì cóngshì shénme hángyè ma?	May I ask what industry you work in?
你念哪間學校?	nǐ niàn nǎ jiān xuéxiào?	Which school do you attend?	你念哪間學校?	nǐ niàn nǎ jiān xuéxiào?	Which school do you attend?
你是幾年次的?	nǐ shì jǐ nián cì de?	What year were you born?	你是幾年次的?	nǐ shì jǐ nián cì de?	What year were you born?
你念什麼科系?	nǐ niàn shénme kēxì?	What department are you in?	你念什麼科系?	nǐ niàn shénme kēxì?	What department are you in?
你家有幾個人?	nǐ jiā yǒu jǐ ge rén?	How many people are in your family?	你家有幾個人?	nǐ jiā yǒu jǐ ge rén?	How many people are in your family?
你家有幾個兄弟姐	nǐ jiā yǒu jǐ ge xiōngdì jiěmèi?	How many siblings do you have?	你家有幾個兄弟姐	nǐ jiā yǒu jǐ ge xiōngdì jiěmèi?	How many siblings do you have?

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你排行老幾?	nǐ páiháng lǎojiǐ?	What is your birth order?	你排行老幾?	nǐ páiháng lǎojiǐ?	What is your birth order?
這是誰的?	zhè shì shéi de?	Whose is this?	這是誰的?	zhè shì shéi de?	Whose is this?
那個人是誰?	nàge rén shì shéi?	Who is that person?	那個人是誰?	nàge rén shì shéi?	Who is that person?
那位是誰?	nà wèi shì shéi?	Who is that person?	那位是誰?	nà wèi shì shéi?	Who is that person?
你的夢想是什麼?	nǐ de mèngxiǎng shì shénme?	What is your dream?	我的夢想是當老師。	wǒ de mèngxiǎng shì dāng lǎoshī。	My dream is to be a teacher.
你有什麼願望嗎?	nǐ yǒu shénme yuànwàng ma?	What do you wish for?	你有什麼願望嗎?	nǐ yǒu shénme yuànwàng ma?	What do you wish for?
你想做什麼樣的工作?	nǐ xiǎng zuò shénme yàng de gōngzuò?	What kind of job do you want?	你想做什麼樣的工作?	nǐ xiǎng zuò shénme yàng de gōngzuò?	What kind of job do you want?
能不能借我一點錢?	néng bù néng jiè wǒ yīdiǎn qián?	Could you lend me some money?	你能不能借我一點錢?	nǐ néng bù néng jiè wǒ yīdiǎn qián?	Could you lend me some money?
什麼時候可以換錢?	shénme shíhòu kěyǐ huàncián?	When can I exchange money?	我什麼時候可以換錢?	wǒ shénme shíhòu kěyǐ huàncián?	When can I exchange money?
我跟你借了多少錢?	wǒ gēn nǐ jiè le duōshǎo qián?	How much money did I borrow from you?	我跟你借了多少錢?	wǒ gēn nǐ jiè le duōshǎo qián?	How much money did I borrow from you?
你平常喜歡做什麼?	nǐ píngcháng xǐhuan zuò shénme?	What do you usually like to do?	你平常喜歡做什麼?	nǐ píngcháng xǐhuan zuò shénme?	What do you usually like to do?
你的興趣是什麼?	nǐ de xìngqù shì shénme?	What are your hobbies?	你的興趣是什麼?	nǐ de xìngqù shì shénme?	What are your hobbies?
你最喜歡什麼?	nǐ zuì xǐhuan shénme?	What do you like best?	你最喜歡什麼食物?	nǐ zuì xǐhuan shénme shíwù?	What food do you like best?
你討厭什麼?	nǐ tǎoyàn shénme?	What do you hate?	你討厭什麼味道?	nǐ tǎoyàn shénme wèidào?	What smell do you hate?
什麼是你不拿手的?	shénme shì nǐ bù nǎshǒu de?	What are you not good at?	什麼是你不拿手的?	shénme shì nǐ bù nǎshǒu de?	What are you not good at?
你受不了的是什麼?	nǐ shòu bùliǎo de shì shénme?	What can't you stand?	你受不了的是什麼?	nǐ shòu bùliǎo de shì shénme?	What can't you stand?
你在做什麼呢?	nǐ zài zuò shénme ne?	What are you doing?	你在做什麼呢?	nǐ zài zuò shénme ne?	What are you doing?
你在幹嘛?	nǐ zài gàn ma?	What are you doing?	你在幹嘛?	nǐ zài gàn ma?	What are you doing?

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你去那裡做什麼?	nǐ qù nàlǐ zuò shénme?	What are you going there to do?	你去那裡做什麼?	nǐ qù nàlǐ zuò shénme?	What are you going there to do?
你覺得怎麼樣?	nǐ juéde zěnmeyàng?	What do you think?	你覺得這本書怎麼樣?	nǐ juéde zhè běn shū zěnmeyàng?	What do you think of this book?
還可以吧?	hái kěyǐ ba?	Is it okay?	這樣還可以吧?	zhèyàng hái kěyǐ ba?	This is okay, right?
關於~, 您覺得如何?	guānyú ~, nín juéde rúhé?	What do you think about ~?	關於這個提案, 您覺得如何?	guānyú zhège tí'àn, nín juéde rúhé?	What do you think about this proposal?
你懂嗎?	nǐ dǒng ma?	Do you understand?	我說得太快, 你懂嗎?	wǒ shuō de tài kuài, nǐ dǒng ma?	I'm speaking too fast. Do you understand?
你懂我說的嗎?	nǐ dǒng wǒ shuō de ma?	Do you understand what I mean?	你懂我說的嗎?	nǐ dǒng wǒ shuō de ma?	Do you understand what I mean?
你能理解~嗎?	nǐ néng lǐjiě ~ ma?	Can you understand ~?	你能理解這個意思嗎?	nǐ néng lǐjiě zhège yìsi ma?	Can you understand this meaning?
為什麼你喜歡~?	wèi shénme nǐ xǐhuan ~?	Why do you like ~?	為什麼你喜歡這首歌?	wèi shénme nǐ xǐhuan zhè shǒu gē?	Why do you like this song?
為什麼?	wèi shénme?	Why?	你為什麼不來?	nǐ wèi shénme bù lái?	Why aren't you coming?
你為什麼那樣做?	nǐ wèi shénme nànyàng zuò?	Why did you do that?	你為什麼那樣做?	nǐ wèi shénme nànyàng zuò?	Why did you do that?
我也這麼覺得	wǒ yě zhème juéde	I think so too.	我也這麼覺得。	wǒ yě zhème juéde.	I think so too.
一點也沒錯	yīdiǎn yě méi cuò	Exactly right.	你說得一點也沒錯。	nǐ shuō de yīdiǎn yě méi cuò.	You are exactly right.
您說得很對	nín shuō de hěn duì	You are right.	您說得很對。	nín shuō de hěn duì.	You are right.
也許吧	yěxǔ ba	Maybe.	也許吧。	yěxǔ ba.	Maybe.
可能吧	kěnéng ba	Maybe.	可能吧。	kěnéng ba.	Maybe.
算是吧	suànshì ba	I guess so.	算是吧。	suànshì ba.	I guess so.
不對!	bù duì	Wrong!	你說錯了, 不對!	nǐ shuō cuò le, bù duì!	You got it wrong, that's not right!
不是那樣的	bù shì nà yàng de	That's not how it is.	不是那樣的。	bù shì nà yàng de.	That's not how it is.
並不是那樣子	bìng bù shì nà yàng zi	That's not the case.	事情並不是那樣子。	shì qíng bìng bù shì nà yàng zi.	That's not how things are.
我不太確定	wǒ bù tài què dìng	I'm not quite sure.	我不太確定答案。	wǒ bù tài què dìng dá àn.	I'm not quite sure about the answer.
不是很清楚	bù shì hěn qīng chǔ	Not very clear.	這件事我不是很清楚。	zhè jiàn shì wǒ bù shì hěn qīng chǔ.	I'm not very clear about this matter.
我記得沒錯的話	wǒ jì de méi cuò de huà	If I remember correctly.	我記得沒錯的話, 他明天來。	wǒ jì de méi cuò de huà, tā míng tiān lái.	If I remember correctly, he is coming tomorrow.

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你在笑什麼?	nǐ zài xiào shén me?	What are you laughing at?	你在笑什麼?	nǐ zài xiào shén me?	What are you laughing at?
很奇怪嗎?	hěn qí guài ma?	Is that strange?	這樣做很奇怪嗎?	zhè yàng zuò hěn qí guài ma?	Is doing it this way strange?
你那是什麼表情啊?	nǐ nà shì shén me biǎo qíng a?	What's that look on your face?	你那是什麼表情啊?	nǐ nà shì shén me biǎo qíng a?	What's that look on your face?
為什麼問這個?	wèi shén me wèn zhè ge?	Why do you ask?	你為什麼問這個?	nǐ wèi shén me wèn zhè ge?	Why do you ask this?
不要再問了	bùyào zài wèn le	Don't ask again.	你不要再問了。	nǐ bù yào zài wèn le	Don't ask again.
這個問題很難回答	zhège wèntí hěn nán huídá	This question is hard to answer.	這個問題很難回答。	zhège wèntí hěn nán huídá	This question is hard to answer.
我不知道該說什麼才好	wǒ bù zhīdào gāi shuō shénme cái hǎo	I don't know what to say.	我現在不知道該說什麼才好。	wǒ xiànzài bù zhīdào gāi shuō shénme cái hǎo	I don't know what to say right now.
難以說明	nányǐ shuōmíng	Hard to explain.	這件事很難以說明。	zhè jiàn shì hěn nányǐ shuōmíng	This is hard to explain.
不予置評	bù yǔ zhì píng	No comment.	這件事我不予置評。	zhè jiàn shì wǒ bù yǔ zhì píng	I have no comment on this.
我不知道	wǒ bù zhīdào	I don't know.	我不知道。	wǒ bù zhīdào	I don't know.
我也完全不懂	wǒ yě wánquán bù dǒng	I don't understand at all, either.	這個我也完全不懂。	zhè ge wǒ yě wánquán bù dǒng	I don't understand this at all, either.
我不懂你的意思	wǒ bù dǒng nǐ de yìsi	I don't understand what you mean.	我不懂你的意思。	wǒ bù dǒng nǐ de yìsi	I don't understand what you mean.
我什麼也不知道	wǒ shénme yě bù zhīdào	I know nothing.	我什麼也不知道。	wǒ shénme yě bù zhīdào	I know nothing.
我怎麼可能知道!	wǒ zěnmē kěnéng zhīdào	How could I possibly know?	我怎麼可能知道!	wǒ zěnmē kěnéng zhīdào	How could I possibly know?
誰知道啊	shéi zhīdào a	Who knows?	誰知道啊?	shéi zhīdào a	Who knows?
我不記得我做了什麼	wǒ bù jìde wǒ zuò le shénme	I don't remember what I did.	我不記得我做了什麼。	wǒ bù jìde wǒ zuò le shénme	I don't remember what I did.
我想不起來	wǒ xiǎng bù qǐ lái	I can't remember.	我想不起來。	wǒ xiǎng bù qǐ lái	I can't remember.
一不小心忘了	yī bù xiǎoxīn wàng le	I accidentally forgot.	我一不小心忘了。	wǒ yī bù xiǎoxīn wàng le	I accidentally forgot.
跟你沒關係吧!	gēn nǐ méi guānxi ba	This has nothing to do with you, right?	這跟你沒關係吧!	zhè gēn nǐ méi guānxi ba	This has nothing to do with you, right?
太多管閒事了	tài duō guǎn xiánshì le	You're being too nosy.	你太多管閒事了。	nǐ tài duō guǎn xiánshì le	You're being too nosy.
請不要再說了	qǐng bú yào zài shuō le	Please stop talking.	請不要再說了, 我想休息。	qǐng bú yào zài shuō le, wǒ xiǎng xiūxi.	Please stop talking. I want to rest.

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我還沒決定	wǒ hái méi juédìng	I haven't decided yet.	我還沒決定要不要去。	wǒ hái méi juédìng yào bú yào qù.	I haven't decided whether to go yet.
還不知道	hái bù zhīdào	I don't know yet.	我還不知道答案。	wǒ hái bù zhīdào dá'àn.	I don't know the answer yet.
目前還不確定	mùqián hái bù quèdìng	It's still not certain.	目前還不確定。	mùqián hái bù quèdìng.	It's still not certain right now.
一定會	yí dìng huì	Will definitely.	他一定會來。	tā yí dìng huì lái.	He will definitely come.
我確定沒問題	wǒ quèdìng méi wèntí	I'm sure it's fine.	我確定沒問題。	wǒ quèdìng méi wèntí.	I'm sure it's fine.
很有可能	hěn yǒu kěnéng	Very likely.	明天很有可能下雨。	míngtiān hěn yǒu kěnéng xià yǔ.	It's very likely to rain tomorrow.
老實說	lǎoshí shuō	Honestly.	老實說，我不喜歡。	lǎoshí shuō, wǒ bù xǐhuān.	Honestly, I don't like it.
有話直說吧	yǒu huà zhí shuō ba	Just say it directly.	有話直說吧，不用客氣。	yǒu huà zhí shuō ba, bú yòng kè qì.	Just say it directly; no need to be polite.
你不覺得嗎？	nǐ bù jué de ma	Don't you think so?	你不覺得嗎？這樣比較好。	nǐ bù jué de ma? zhè yàng bǐ jiào hǎo.	Don't you think so? This way is better.
我說得對吧？	wǒ shuō de duì ba	Am I right?	我說得對吧？你也同意。	wǒ shuō de duì ba? nǐ yě tóng yì.	Am I right? You agree too.
你不覺得……比較好嗎？	nǐ bù jué de ... bǐ jiào hǎo ma	Don't you think ... is better?	你不覺得這樣比較好嗎？	nǐ bù jué de zhè yàng bǐ jiào hǎo ma?	Don't you think this way is better?
好主意	hǎo zhǔ yì	Good idea	這是個好主意。	zhè shì gè hǎo zhǔ yì.	That's a good idea.
好喔	hǎo ou	Okay.	好喔，我知道了。	hǎo ou, wǒ zhī dào le.	Okay, I got it.
都可以	dōu kě yǐ	Either is fine.	這兩個都可以。	zhè liǎng gè dōu kě yǐ.	Either of these two is fine.
我贊成你的意見	wǒ zàchéng nǐ de yìjiàn	I agree with your opinion.	我贊成你的意見。	wǒ zàchéng nǐ de yìjiàn.	I agree with your opinion.
不錯啊	bùcuò a	Not bad!	這家店不錯啊。	zhè jiā diàn bùcuò a.	This shop is pretty good.
我完全同意	wǒ wánquán tóngyì	I completely agree.	我完全同意。	wǒ wánquán tóngyì.	I completely agree.
你說的沒錯	nǐ shuō de méi cuò	You're right.	你說的沒錯。	nǐ shuō de méi cuò.	You're right.
你說的話很有道理	nǐ shuō de huà hěn yǒu dàolǐ	What you said makes a lot of sense.	你說的話很有道理。	nǐ shuō de huà hěn yǒu dàolǐ.	What you said makes a lot of sense.
話是這樣說沒錯，可是～	huà shì zhèyàng shuō méi cuò, kěshì ~	That's true, but...	話是這樣說沒錯，可是我還要想想。	huà shì zhèyàng shuō méi cuò, kěshì wǒ hái yào xiǎng xiǎng.	That's true, but I still need to think about it.

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是這樣沒錯，但是 ~	shì zhèyàng méi cuò, dànshì ~	That's right, but...	是這樣沒錯， 但是太貴了。	shì zhèyàng méi cuò, dànshì tài guì le.	That's right, but it's too expensive.
也許是那樣，不過 ~	yěxǔ shì nàyang, bùguò ~	Maybe so, but...	也許是那樣， 不過我不確定。	yěxǔ shì nàyang, bùguò wǒ bù quèding.	Maybe so, but I'm not sure.