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Chinese Measure Words

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Word	Pinyin	Meaning	Example Pinyin
一 + 量词 + 名词 yī + liàngcí + míngcí	one + measure word + noun	一本书	one book
数字 + 量词 + 名词 shùzì + liàngcí + míngcí	number + measure word + noun	三只猫	three cats
这 / 那 + 量词 + 名词 zhè / nà + liàngcí + míngcí	this / that + measure word + noun	那辆车	that car
个	gè	general classifier	yí gè wèntí
本	běn	books and bound items	liǎng běn cídiǎn
张	zhāng	flat objects	yì zhāng zhuōzi
只	zhī	many animals	sān zhī niǎo
条	tiáo	long narrow things	yì tiáo kùzi
杯	bēi	cups or glasses of drinks	liǎng bēi chá
碗	wǎn	bowls of food	yì wǎn tāng
辆	liàng	vehicles	yí liàng gōngjiāochē
件	jiàn	clothes, matters	yí jiàn wàitào
位	wèi	polite classifier for people	liǎng wèi kèrén
块	kuài	piece (of money, cake, etc.)	yí kuài qián
双	shuāng	pair	yì shuāng xié
把	bǎ	handful, for objects with a handle	yì bǎ yàoshi
台	tái	unit (for machines)	yì tái diànnǎo
棵	kē	measure word for trees and plants	yì kē shù
瓶	píng	bottle (of)	yì píng shuǐ
支	zhī	a stick-like object (long, slender)	yī zhī bǐ
套	tào	a set or suite	yī tào fángzi
座	zuò	a large or solid structure	yī zuò shān
笔	bǐ	a sum of money	yī bǐ qián
首	shǒu	a piece of art/music	yī shǒu gē
部	bù	a unit for machines or works	yī bù diànyǐng
次	cì	time (occurrence)	yī cì
家	jiā	for families, companies, shops	yī jiā shāngdiàn
间	jiān	for rooms	yī jiān fángjiān
幅	fú	for pictures, paintings	yī fú huà

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场	chǎng	for performances, movies, events	yī chǎng diànyǐng
群	qún	group, crowd (of people/animals)	yī qún rén
种	zhǒng	kind, type	yī zhǒng shuǐguǒ
份	fèn	portion, copy	yī fèn bàozhǐ
片	piàn	flat piece, slice	yī piàn miànbāo
段	duàn	section, segment	yī duàn shíjiān
阵	zhèn	a short period, gust	yī zhèn fēng
对	duì	pair, couple	yī duì fūqī
篇	piān	measure word for articles, essays, reports	yī piān wénzhāng
句	jù	measure word for sentences, phrases, lines of poetry	yī jù huà
顿	dùn	measure word for meals, beatings, scoldings	yī dùn fàn
朵	duǒ	measure word for flowers, clouds, blossom	yī duǒ huā
根	gēn	measure word for long, thin objects (e.g., sticks, hairs)	yī gēn tóufa
滴	dī	measure word for drops of liquid	yī dī shuǐ
匹	pǐ	measure word for horses	yī pǐ mǎ
头	tóu	measure word for cattle and large animals	yī tóu niú
口	kǒu	measure word for family members or wells	sān kǒu rén
面	miàn	measure word for flat objects like mirrors	yī miàn jìngzi
扇	shàn	measure word for doors and windows	yī shàn mén
粒	lì	measure word for small grains or pills	yī lì mǐ
盏	zhǎn	a measure word for lights, lanterns	yī zhǎn dēng
艘	sōu	a measure word for large ships, vessels	yī sōu lúnchuán
栋	dòng	a measure word for buildings	yī dòng dàlóu
串	chuàn	a measure word for bunches, strings	yī chuàn pútao
包	bāo	a measure word for packets, bags	yī bāo bǐnggān
盒	hé	a measure word for boxes, cartons	yī hé qiǎokèlì
架	jià	used for machines, planes, etc.	yī jià fēijī
所	suǒ	used for buildings, institutions	yī suǒ xuéxiào
封	fēng	used for letters, mail	yī fēng xìn
层	céng	used for floors, layers	yī céng lóu

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团	tuán	used for balls, masses	yī tuán zhǐ
颗	kē	used for small round things	yī kē xīng
节	jié	for periods, classes, or segments	yī jié kè
门	mén	for subjects or courses	zhè mén kè
堂	táng	for classes or periods	yī táng kè
盘	pán	for dishes of food or games	yī pán cài
身	shēn	for suits of clothes or the whole body	nà shēn yīfu
副	fù	for pairs or sets	yī fù yǎnjìng
道	dào	for dishes, questions, orders, etc.	yī dào cài
枚	méi	for small flat objects like coins, stamps	yī méi yóupiào
项	xiàng	for items in a list, tasks, projects	yī xiàng rènwu
则	zé	for pieces of writing like news, jokes	yī zé xīnwén
株	zhū	for plants, flowers, small trees	yī zhū huā
幢	zhuàng	for large buildings, mansions	yī zhuàng dàlóu
名	míng	for people with professional titles or identities	yī míng xuéshēng
册	cè	volume (of books)	yī cè shū
页	yè	page	yī yè shū
期	qī	issue (of magazine/newspaper)	yī qī zázhi
趟	tàng	trip, time for a round trip or journey	qù yī tàng Běijīng
遍	biàn	time (through an action)	dú yī biàn
顶	dǐng	measure word for hats, caps, tents	yī dǐng mào zi
堆	duī	pile, heap, mound of things	yī duī shā
批	pī	batch, shipment, group, lot	yī pī huò wù
股	gǔ	strand, stream, whiff, share (financial)	yī gǔ fēng
发	fā	round (of ammunition), gunshot	yī fā zǐ dàn
届	jiè	session (of a conference), graduating class, term	yī jiè xué shēng
束	shù	bunch; bundle	yī shù huā
行	háng	row; line	yī háng zì
列	liè	for trains; series	yī liè huǒchē
排	pái	row	yī pái yǐzi
丝	sī	a strand; a wisp	yī sī yān