
PIMSLEUR MANDARIN CHINESE II TRANSCRIPT

----- UNIT 01 -----

i still haven't seen anything

w hái méi y u kàn shén me d ōng xi

我还没有看什么东西

when did you arrive?

n shì shén me shí hou dào de

你是什么时候到的

did you arrive yesterday?

n shì zuó ti ān dào de ma

你是昨天到的吗

No. i arrived this morning.

bú shì w ō shì j īn ti ān z āo shàng dào de

不是我是今天早上到的

i arrived yesterday

w ō shì zuó ti ān dào de

我是昨天到的

this morning

j īn ti ān z āo shàng

今天早上

yesterday morning

zuó ti ān z āo shàng

昨天早上

i arrived yesterday morning

w ō shì zuó ti ān z āo shàng dào de

我是昨天早上到的

would you like to drink something?

n xi āng h ē y ī di ān ěr d ōng xi ma

你想喝一点儿东西吗

i'd like to drink beer

w xi ng h pí ji

我想喝啤酒

today, what are you going to do?

j n ti n n yào zuò shén me

今天你要做什么

what did you do?

n zuò le shén me

你做了什么

what did you do?

n zuò shén me le

你做什么了

today, what did you do?

j n ti n n zuò shén me le

今天你做什么了

what did you buy?

n m i shén me le

你买什么了

something

y di n ér d ng xi

一点儿东西

i bought a few things, i spoke mandarin, then i ate lunch

w m i le y di n ér d ng xi w shu le p t ng huà rán hòu w ch w fàn le

我买了一点儿东西我说了普通话然后我吃午饭了

in the restaurant

zài fàn diàn

在饭店

i bought a little beer, i spoke mandarin, i went to the restaurant, then i went to the hotel

w m i le y di n ér pí ji w shu le p t ng huà w qù le fàn diàn rán hòu w qù le ji diàn le

我买了一点儿啤酒我说了普通话我去了饭店然后我去了酒店了

i ate lunch

w ch w fàn le
我吃午饭了

with some friends
g n j ge péng you yì q
跟几个朋友一起

i had lunch with some friends
w g n j ge péng you yì q ch w fàn le
我跟几个朋友一起吃午饭了

we went to beijing, we bought some tea, then we had lunch in the restaurant
w men qù le B i j ng w men m i le y di n ér chá rán hòu w men zài fàn diàn ch w fàn le
我们去了北京我们买了一点儿茶然后我们在饭店吃午饭了

in the quanjudé restaurant
zài quán jù dé fàn diàn
在全聚得饭店

a restaurant
y ji fàn diàn
一家饭店

you speak mandarin very well
n p t ng huà shu de h n h o
你普通话说说的很好

thats a very good restaurant
nà shì y ji h n h o de fàn diàn
那是一家很好的饭店

a very good restaurant
y ji h n h o de fàn diàn
一家很好的饭店

what did you do in beijing?
n zài B i j ng zuò shén me le
你在北京做什么了

i saw some friends, i bought a few things, then i ate lunch
w kàn le j ge péng you w m i le y di n ér d ng xi rán hòu w ch w fàn le
我看了几个朋友我买了一点儿东西然后我吃午饭了

in mandarin how do you say "spoke"?

p t ng huà spoke z n me shu

普通话spoke怎么说

this is said "shuo le"

zhè me shu shu le

这么说说了

spoke

shu le

说了

i spoke mandarin

w shu p t ng huà le

我说普通话了

in mandarin how do you say "word"?

p t ng huà word z n me shu

普通话word怎么说

this is said "ci"

zhè me shu cí

这么说词

word

cí

词

did you go?

n qù le m

你去了吗

did you go to beijing?

n qù B i j ng le ma

你去北京了吗

yes, i went

qù le w qù le

去了我去了

do you like beijing?

n x huan B i j ng ma

你喜欢北京吗

i like beijing very much
w h n x huan B i j ng
我很喜欢北京

what did you do in beijing?
n zài B i j ng zuò shén me le
你在北京做什么了

i bought a few things, i saw some friends, then i ate lunch
w m i le y di n ér d ng xi w kàn le j ge péng you rán hòu w ch w fàn le
我买了一点儿东西我看了几个朋友然后我吃午饭了

i didn't see
w méi y u kàn
我没有看

i didn't see anything
w méi y u kàn shén me d ng xi
我没有看什么东西

did you see anything?
n kàn shén me d ng xi le ma
你看什么东西了吗

no
méi y u kàn shén me d ng xi
没有看什么东西

i bought a little tea, i spoke mandarin, then i saw some friends
w m i le y di n ér chá w shu le p t ng huà rán hòu w kàn j ge péng you le
我买了一点儿茶我说了普通话然后我看几个朋友了

haven't yet seen
hái méi y u kàn
还没有看

i haven't yet seen anything
w hái méi y u kàn shén me d ng xi
我还没有看什么东西

what did you do today?

n j n ti n zuò shén me le

你今天做什么了

i went to beijing, i bought a few things, then i ate lunch with some friends

w qù le B i j ng w m i le y di n ér d ng xi rán hòu w g n j ge péng you yì q ch w fàn le

我去了北京我买了一点儿东西然后我跟几个朋友一起吃午饭了

i had lunch in the quanjudé restaurant

w zài quán jù dé fàn diàn ch w fàn le

我在全聚得饭店吃午饭了

but i haven't yet seen anything

k shì w hái méi y u kàn shén me d ng xi

可是我还没有看什么东西

how long are you going to stay?

n yào d i du j i le

你要呆多久了

how long are you going to stay in china?

n yào zài Zh ng guó d i du j i

你要在中国呆多久

one week

y gè x ng q

一个星期

i don't have very much time

w méi y u h n du shí ji n

我没有很多时间

goodbye

zài jiàn

再见

----- UNIT 02 -----

when did you arrive in China?

n shì shén me shí hou dào Zh ng guó de

你是什么时候到中国的

i arrived this morning

w shì jīn tiān zǎo shàng dào de

我是今天早上到的

for how long

duō jiǔ le

多久了

how long have you been in beijing?

n zài Běijīng dǎi le duō jiǔ le

你在北京呆了多久了

how long have you been staying?

n dǎi le duō jiǔ le

你呆了多久了

i arrived yesterday morning

w shì zuó tiān zǎo shàng dào de

我是昨天早上到的

i've been staying here

w zài zhè er dǎi le

我在这儿呆了

i've been staying here for one day

w zài zhè er dǎi le yī tiān le

我在这儿呆了一天了

i've been staying here for two days

w zài zhè er dǎi le liǎng tiān le

我在这儿呆了两天了

for one week

yī gè xīng qī le

一个星期了

i've been staying here for a week

w zài zhè er dǎi le yī gè xīng qī le

我在这儿呆了一个星期了

what have you been doing here?

n zài zhè er zuò shén me le

你在这儿做什么了

do you like Chengde?

n x huan Chéng dé ma
你喜欢承德吗

i very much like Chengde

w h n x huan Chéng dé
我很喜欢承德

yes, but i didn't see anything

x huan k shì w méi y u kàn shén me d ng xi
喜欢可是我没有看什么东西

where is the restaurant?

fàn diàn zài n ér
饭店在哪儿

the restaurant is not far

fàn diàn bù yu n
饭店不远

what about you? what did you do today?

n ne n j n ti n zuò shén me le
你呢你今天做什么了

i didn't do anything

w méi y u zuò shén me
我没有做什么

i haven't yet done anything

w hái méi y u zuò shén me
我还没有做什么

what did you see in chengde?

n zài Chéng dé kàn shén me le
你在承德看什么了

i haven't seen anything

w méi y u kàn shén me
我没有看什么

what time is it?

xiàn zài jǐ diǎn zhōng
现在几点钟

it's 1 o'clock
xiàn zài yí diǎn zhōng
现在一点钟

would you like to eat dinner?
nǐ xiǎng chī wǎn fàn ma
你想吃晚饭吗

did you eat dinner?
nǐ chī wǎn fàn le ma
你吃晚饭了吗

i haven't yet eaten anything
wǒ hái méi yǒu chī shén me dōng xī
我还没有吃什么东西

would you like to eat something together?
nǐ xiǎng yì qǐ chī yí diǎn ér dōng xī ma
你想一起吃一点儿东西吗

would you like to go to Chengde?
nǐ xiǎng qù Chéng dé ma
你想去承德吗

i would very much like to go
wǒ hěn xiǎng qù
我很想去

i'd very much like to go to the restaurant
wǒ hěn xiǎng qù fàn diàn
我很想去饭店

i have to
wǒ dé
我得

i have to excuse myself
wǒ dé shī péi le
我得失陪了

im sorry, i have to excuse myself

duì bu qǐ wǒ dī shì péi le

对不起我得失陪了

that is my friend

nà shì wǒ de péng you

那是我的朋友

mrs li's friends

lǐ tài tai de péng you

李太太的朋友

whats that person's name?

nà gè rén jiào shén me míng zi

那个人叫什么名字

who is that person?

nà gè rén shì shéi

那个人是谁

she's called huilan chen

tā jiào chén huì lán

她叫陈慧兰

are you acquainted with mrs chen?

chén tài tai nǐ rèn shi ma

陈太太你认识吗

where does she live?

tā zhù zài nǎ ér

他住在哪儿

she is mrs chen

tā shì chén tài tai

他是陈太太

----- UNIT 03 -----

what is your name?

nǐ jiào shén me míng zi

你叫什么名字

please let me ask, what is your honourable family name?

q ng wèn nín guì xìng

请问您贵姓

don't stand on ceremony (dont be so formal)

bié kè qì

别客气

my last name is chen

w xìng chén

我姓陈

my last name is chen, called dewei

w xìng chén jiào dé w i

我姓陈叫德伟

now what are you going to do?

xiàn zài n yào zuò shén me

现在你要做什么

do you have work to do?

n y u g ng zuò yào zuò ma

你有工作要做吗

no, i dont have a lot of work to do

méi y u w méi y u h n du g ng zuò yào zuò

没有我没有很多工作要做

but tomorrow i have a lot of work to do

k shì míng ti n w y u h n du g ng zuò yào zuò

可是明天我有很多工作要做

im going to see a friend

w yào kàn y gè péng you

我要看一个朋友

did you see him?

n kàn t le ma

你看他了吗

not yet

hái méi y u kàn

还没有看

i saw him yesterday
w zuó ti n kàn t le
我昨天看他了

matt is my friend
matt shì w de péng you
matt 是我的朋友

matt's wife is chinese, correct?
matt de tài tai shì Zh ng guó rén duì ba
matt 的太太是中国人对吧

do you have time?
n y u shí ji n ma
你有时间吗

do you have time to drink tea?
n y u shí ji n h chá ma
你有时间喝茶吗

lets go to my place, ok?
qù w nà ér h o ma
去我那儿好吗

lets drink tea, ok?
h chá h o ma
喝茶好吗

lets go to the quanjude restaurant ok?
qù quán jù dé fàn diàn h o ma
去全聚得饭店好吗

i don't have a lot of time
w méi y u h n du shí ji n
我没有很多时间

there is a friend going to come over to see me
y u y gè péng you yào lái kàn w
有一个朋友要来看我

who is going to come over?

shéi yào lái

谁要来

my friend is going to come over

wǒ de péng you yào lái

我的朋友要来

in that case, you dont have a lot of time, correct?

nà me nǐ méi yǒu hěn duō shí jiān duì ba

那么你没有很多时间对吧

now i have time to drink tea

xiàn zài wǒ yǒu shí jiān hē chá

现在我有时间喝茶

but this evening matt is going to come over to my place

kě shì jīn tiān wǎn shàng mǎt yào lái wǒ nà er

可是今天晚上matt要来我那儿

have you had anything to drink today?

nǐ jīn tiān hē shén me dōng xi le ma

你今天喝什么东西了吗

would you like to drink a glass of wine?

nǐ xiǎng hē yì bēi pú táo jiǔ ma

你想喝一杯葡萄酒吗

ok i'd like to order wine

hǎo wǒ xiǎng yào pú táo jiǔ

好我想要葡萄酒

i always drink wine

wǒ zǒng shì hē pú táo jiǔ

我总是喝葡萄酒

----- UNIT 04 -----

what would you like to drink?

nǐ xiǎng hē shén me

你想喝什么

i wouldnt like to drink anything

w bù xi ng h shén me
我不想喝什么

you like to drink wine, correct?
n x huan h pú táo ji duì ba
你喜欢喝葡萄酒对吧

correct
duì
对

i always drink wine
w z ng shì h pú táo ji
我总是喝葡萄酒

i never drink beer
w cóng lái bù h pí ji
我从来不喝啤酒

sometimes i drink a little beer
y u shí hou w h y di n ér pí ji
有时候我喝一点儿啤酒

but not always
k shì bú shì z ng shì
可是不是总是

there is a lot of work to do
y u h n du g ng zuò yào zuò
有很多工作要做

lets drink tea, ok?
h chá h o ma
喝茶好吗

ok, but where?
h o k shì qù n ér ne
好可是去哪儿呢

lets go to sanweishuwu, ok?
qù s n wèi sh w h o ma
去三味书屋好吗

i dont want to drink anything

w bù yào hē shén me

我不要喝什么

do you have time to drink tea with me?

nǐ yǒu shí jiān gōng nǐ wǒ yì qǐ hē chá ma

你有时间跟我一起喝茶吗

i always have time

wǒ zǒng shì yǒu shí jiān

我总是有时间

but i don't have much time

kě shì wǒ méi yǒu hěn duō shí jiān

可是我没有很多时间

today my colleague is going to come over

jīn tiān wǒ de tóng shì yào lái

今天我的同事要来

my colleague is going to come to beijing

wǒ de tóng shì yào lái Běi jīng

我的同事要来北京

my colleague is going to come over today

wǒ de tóng shì jīn tiān yào lái

我的同事今天要来

she's going to come over with her husband

tā yào gōng tóng de xiān shēng yì qǐ lái

他要跟他的先生一起来

she is not alone

tā bú shì yì gè rén

他不一个人

she isn't coming over alone

tā bú shì yì gè rén lái

他不一个人来

your colleague is american, correct?

nǐ de tóng shì shì mǐ guó rén duì ba

你的同事是美國人對吧

correct, she's american

duì tā shì měi guó rén

對他是美國人

she has been living in china for three years

tā zài Zhōng guó zhù le sān nián le

他在中国住了三年了

she has been living here for three years

tā zài zhè er zhù le sān nián le

他在这儿住了三年了

who is your colleague?

nǐ de tóng shì shì shéi

你的同事是誰

what is your colleague's name?

nǐ de tóng shì jiào shén me míng zì

你的同事叫什麼名字

how long will she stay in beijing?

tā zài Běi jīng dǔ duō jiǔ

他在北京呆多久

one week

yí gè xīng qī

一個星期

one week? thats a very short time

yí gè xīng qī shí jiān hěn duǎn

一個星期時間很短

thats a very long time

shí jiān hěn cháng

時間很長

my colleague is going to stay in beijing for one year

wǒ de tóng shì yào zài Běi jīng dǔ yí nián

我的同事要在北京呆一年

one year? thats a very long time

y nián shí ji n h n cháng

一年时间很长

i know where san wei shu'u is located

w zh dao s n wèi sh w zài n ér

我知道三味书屋在哪儿

i sometimes go there

w y u shí hou qù nà ér

我有时候去那儿

not always

bú shì z ng shì

不是总是

----- UNIT 05 -----

what would you like to order?

n xi ng yào shén me

你想要什么

im going to meet him

w yào jiàn t

我要见他

he and his wife arrived yesterday

t hé t de tài tai shì zuó ti n dào de

他和他的太太是昨天到的

i haven't yet met her

w hái méi y u jiàn t

我还没有见他

how long are they going to stay in china?

t men yào zài Zh ng guó d i du ji

他们要在中国呆多久

two years

li ng nián

两年

thats a very long time

shí jiān hěn cháng

时间很长

no its a very short time

bù cháng shí jiān hěn duǎn

不长时间很短

another colleague is going to come over

lìng wài yí gè tóng shì yào lái

另外一个同事要来

her husband is also going to come over

tā de xiān shēng yě yào lái

他的先生也要来

they both are americans

tā men liǎng gè dōu shì měi guó rén

他们两个都是美国人

im going to meet them today

wǒ yào jīn tiān jiàn tā men

我要今天见他们

they both can speak mandarin

tā men liǎng gè dōu huì shuō pǔ tōng huà

他们两个都会说普通话

when did they arrive in china?

tā men shì shén me shí hou dào Zhōng guó de

他们是什么时候到中国的

in that case we can go to a restaurant together

nà me wǒ men kě yì qǐ qù fàn diàn

那么我们可以一起去饭店

we can both go to a restaurant

wǒ men liǎng gè dōu kě yì qǐ qù fàn diàn

我们两个都可以去饭店

with them

gòng tóng tā men yì qǐ

跟他们一起

how about quanjudé?

quán jù dé z n me yàng

全聚得怎么样

wait one moment

d ng y huì ér

等一会儿

we always have to wait

w men z ng shì d i d ng

我们总是得等

i'm not waiting

w bù d ng

我不等

there are very many buses

g ng gòng qì ch h n du

公共汽车很多

there are not many buses

g ng gòng qì ch bù du

公共汽车不多

sorry, please say it again

duì bu q q ng zài shu y cì

对不起请在说一次

are we going on foot?

w men z u lù qù

我们走路去

i often go there on foot

w cháng cháng z u lù qù nà ér

我常常走路去那儿

i never take the bus

w cóng lái bù zuò g ng gòng qì ch qù

我从来不去公共汽车去

sometimes i take the bus

y u shí hou w zuò g ng gòng qì ch qù
有时候我坐公共汽车去

but i have to wait

k shì w d i d ng
可是我得等

do you always go there on foot?

n z ng shì z u lù qù nà ér ma
你总是走路去那儿吗

not always

bú shì z ng shì
不是总是

how about going there on foot?

z u lù qù nà ér z n me yàng
走路去那儿怎么样

i dont have very much time

w méi y u h n du shí ji n
我没有很多时间

my colleague is now in beijing

w de tóng shì xiàn zài zài B i j ng
我的同事现在在北京

i have to meet him

w d i jiàn t
我得见他

i can't go there on foot

w bù k y z u lù qù nà ér
我不可以走路去那儿

its not very far

bú shì h n yu n
不是很远

its not very fast

bú shì h n kuài

不是很快

how about taking the bus?

zuò gōng gòng qì chē qù zěn me yàng

坐公共汽车去怎么样

i often take the bus

wǒ cháng cháng zuò gōng gòng qì chē qù

我常常坐公共汽车去

we both can take the bus

wǒ men liǎng gè dōu kě yǐ gōng gòng qì chē qù

我们两个都可以公共汽车去

i have to go there on foot

wǒ dèi zǒu lù qù nà er

我得走路去那儿

----- UNIT 06 -----

he lives in taiwan

tā zhù zài Tái wān

他住在台湾

he lives in taipei

tā zhù zài Tái běi

他住在台北

how long has he been living in taipei

tā zài Tái běi zhù le duō jiǔ le

他在台北住了多久了

for a very long time (it has been a very long time)

hěn cháng de shí jiān le

很长的时间了

he has been living in taipei for a very long time

tā zài Tái běi zhù le hěn cháng de shí jiān le

他在台北住了很长的时间了

he lives in taiwan with his wife

tā gēn tā de tài tai yì qǐ zhù zài Tái wān

他跟他的太太一起住在台湾

they both live in taipei

t men li ng gè d u zhù zài Tái b i

他们两个都住在台北

they are going to stay in beijing for one year

t men yào zài B i j ng d i y nián

他们要在北京呆一年

thats a very long time

shí ji n h n cháng

时间很长

its a very short time

shí ji n h n du n

时间很短

do they both live in taiwan?

t men li ng gè d u zhù zài Tái w n ma

他们两个都住在台湾吗

i don't know

w bù zh dào

我不知道

another colleague is over there

lìng wài y gè tóng shì zài nà ér

另外一个同事在那儿

yesterday i met him

zuó ti n w jiàn t le

昨天我见他了

where is long peace street?

Cháng' n ji zài n ér

长安街在哪儿

where is wangfujin avenue?

wáng f j ng dà ji zài n ér

王府井大街在哪儿

its over there

zài nà ér

在那儿

lets go there, ok?

qù nà ér h o ma

去那儿好吗

now its 12 o'clock

xiàn zài shí èr di n zh ō ng

现在十二点钟

how about having lunch?

ch ū w ū f à n z ě n me y à ng

吃午饭怎么样

ok, but before that lets go to wangfujing avenue

h o k shì zài nà y q ián qù wáng f ū j ō ng dà ji e

好可是在那以前去王府井大街

i often go there

w ū cháng cháng qù nà ér

我常常去那儿

after going there lets have lunch, ok?

qù nà ér y hòu ch ū w ū f à n h o ma

去那儿以后吃午饭好吗

sometimes, not many

y ū shí hou bù du

有时候不多

bus stop

g ō ng gō ng qì ch ē zhàn

公共汽车站

where is the bus stop?

g ō ng gō ng qì ch ē zhàn zài n à ér

公共汽车站在哪儿

after taking the bus

zuò g ō ng gō ng qì ch ē qù y hòu

坐公共汽车去以后

before that

zài nà yǐ qián

在那以前

before having lunch lets go to wangfujing avenue

chī wǎn fàn yǐ qián qù wáng fǔ jǐng dà jiē

吃午饭以前去王府井大街

the shops are open (the shops doors have been opened)

shāng diàn kāi mén le

商店开门了

until what time?

dào jǐ diǎn zhōng

到几点钟

the shops are open until what time?

shāng diàn kāi dào jǐ diǎn zhōng

商店开到几点钟

open until 7 o'clock

kāi dào qī diǎn zhōng

开到七点钟

i have to go to wangfujing

wǒ dé qù wáng fǔ jǐng

我得去王府井

you have to take a bus to go there

nǐ dé zuò gōng gòng qì chē qù nà er

你得坐公共汽车去那儿

before that i have to work

zài nà yǐ qián wǒ dé gōng zuò

在那以前我得工作

after working

gōng zuò yǐ hòu

工作以后

but after working i have time

k shì g ng zuò y hòu w y u shí ji n

可是工作以后我有时间

----- UNIT 07 -----

we came over

w men lái le

我们来了

its been two days since we came over

w men lái le li ng ti n le

我们来了两天了

today are you going to stay at the hotel?

j n ti n n yào d i zài ji diàn ma

今天你要呆在酒店吗

today im going to go to wangfujing avenue

j n ti n w yào qù wáng f j ng dà ji

今天我要去王府井大街

today im going to buy something for my friends

j n ti n w yào m i y di n ér d ng xi g i w de péng you

今天我要买一点儿东西给我的朋友

how are you going to wangfujing avenue?

n z n me qù wáng f j ng dà ji

你怎么去王府井大街

how about taking the bus?

zuò g ng gòng qì ch qù z n me yàng

坐公共汽车去怎么样

at what time are you going?

n j di n zh ng qù

你几点钟去

2 o'clock. would you like to go together?

li ng di n zh ng n xi ng yì q qù ma

两点钟你想一起去吗

you're going to stay on wangfujing avenue

n yào zài wáng fǔ jǐng dà jiē dǎi

你要在王府井大街呆

you're going to stay on wangfujing avenue until when?

n yào zài wáng fǔ jǐng dà jiē dǎi dào shén me shí hou

你要在王府井大街呆到什么时候

there's a letter for you

yǒu nǐ de xìn

有你的信

who sent it?

shì shéi xiě lái de

是谁写来的

Dan Carter sent it (its from Dan Carter)

shì Dan Carter xiě lái de

是Dan Carter写来的

he's coming over with his wife

tā gēn tā de tài tai yì qǐ lái

他跟他的太太一起来

is his wife also american?

tā de tài tai yě shì měi guó rén ma

他的太太也是美国人吗

no she is chinese

bú shì tā shì Zhōng guó rén

不是他是中国人

but she now lives in washington

kě shì tā xiàn zài zhù zài Huá shèng dùn

可是他现在住在华盛顿

she has been living in washington for a very long time

tā zài Huá shèng dùn zhù le hěn cháng de shí jiān le

他在华盛顿住了很长的时间了

before that she lived in beijing

zài nà yǐ qián tā zhù zài Běi jīng

在那以前他住在北京

when are you coming over?

n shén me shí hou lái

你什么时候来

when are your friends coming over?

n de péng you shén me shí hou lái

你的朋友什么时候来

they are arriving on monday

t men x ng q y dào

他们星期一到

they are going to stay for 2 days

t men yào d i li ng ti n

他们要呆两天

they are arriving at 5 o'clock

t men w di n zh ng dào

他们五点钟到

20 minutes

èr shí f n

二十分

10 minutes to 5 o'clock

w di n zh ng chà shí f n

五点钟差十分

10 minutes to 5 o'clock

w di n chà shí f n

五点差十分

they are arriving at 10 minutes to 5

t men w di n chà shí f n dào

他们五点差十分到

mr and mrs carter

Carter xi n sheng hé tài tai

Carter先生和太太

mr and mrs carter are arriving at 20 minutes to 5

Carter xi n sheng hé tài tai w di n chà èr shí f n dào
Carter先生和太太五点差二十分到

we're going to go to the restaurant later
w men yào guò y huì ér qù fàn diàn
我们要过一会儿去饭店

how are you going to go to the restaurant?
n men yào z n me qù fàn diàn
你们要怎么去饭店

would you like to go together?
n xi ng yì q qù ma
你想一起去吗

im sorry, i have a lot of work to do until 6 o'clock
duì bu q w y u h n du g ng zuò yào zuò dào liù di n zh ng
对不起我有很多工作要做到六点钟

after working i have time
y hòu w y u shí ji n
工作以后我有时间

monday im working
x ng q y w g ng zuò
星期一我工作

do you have time on tuesday?
n x ng q èr y u shí ji n ma
你星期二有时间吗

mr and mrs carter are arriving on tuesday at 10 minutes to 7
Carter xi n sheng hé tài tai x ng q èr dào q di n chà shí f n
Carter先生和太太星期二到七点差十分

on tuesday what are you going to do?
x ng q èr n yào zuò shén me
星期二你要做什么

before he arrives lets have dinner together, ok?
t dào y qián yì q ch w n fàn h o ma
他到以前一起吃晚饭好吗

----- UNIT 08 -----

it came from taiwan

shì cóng Tái w ān lái de

是从台湾来的

for whom?

g ǎi shéi

给谁

for my american friends

g ǎi w ǒ de M ǎi guó péng you

给我的美国朋友

a letter for you Bill

n ǐ de xìn Bill

你的信Bill

a letter for me?

w ǒ de xìn

我的信

together lets take a bus there, ok?

yì q ǐ zuò g ōng gòng qì ch ǎng qù nà ér h ǎo ma

一起坐公共汽车去那儿好吗

i'd like to go by taxi

w ǒ xi ǎng d ǎ dí qù

我想打的去

lets go drink something, ok?

qù h ǎi y ǎn d ǎ xi ǎo xi h ǎo ma

去喝一点儿东西好吗

im going to buy something for a friend

w ǒ yào g ǎi y ǎn g è péng you m ǎi y ǎn d ǎ xi ǎo xi

我要给一个朋友买一点儿东西

im sorry, my husband isn't here

duì bu q ǐ w ǒ de xi ǎn sheng bù zài zhè ér

对不起我的先生不再这儿

he's going to work until 6
t yào g àng zuò dào liù di ǎn
他要工作到六点

then lets eat later, ok?
nà me guò y 一会儿 chī fàn h o ma
那么过一会儿吃饭好吗

then after eating lets go drink something, ok?
nà me chī fàn y 以后 qù h 去 y 喝 y 一点儿 dōng xī h o ma
那么吃饭以后去喝一点儿东西好吗

later if you don't mind
guò y 一会儿 rú gu 如果 n 不 jiè yì 介意

if you don't mind, we can have dinner together
rú gu 如果 n 不 jiè yì 介意 w 我们 k 可以 yì q 一起 chī w 吃 wǎn fàn 晚饭

1 o'clock more or less
y 一点 zh 钟 zu 左右 yòu

he's arriving on friday
t 他 x 星期五 q 到 w 到 dào

mrs carter is also going to come over
Carter de tài tai y 太太 yì q 也 lái lái
Carter的太太也一起来

they are going to stay until monday or tuesday
t 他们 yào d 呆 dào x 星期 q 一 y 或者 huò zh 星期 q 二 èr
他们要呆到星期一或者星期二

are they coming on monday or tuesday?
t 他们 x 星期 q 一 y 还是 hái shì x 星期 q 二 èr lái lái
他们星期一还是星期二来

when are they arriving?

tā men shén me shí hou dào
他们什么时候到

7 o'clock more or less
qī diǎn zhōng zuǒ yòu
七点钟左右

tomorrow if you dont mind lets have lunch together, ok?
míng tiān rú guǒ nǐ bù jiè yì yì qǐ chī wǎn fàn hǎo ma
明天如果你不介意一起吃午饭好吗

10 minutes past 1
yī diǎn shí fēn
一点十分

10 minutes past 8
bā diǎn shí fēn
八点十分

10 minutes to 8
bā diǎn chà shí fēn
八点差十分

i'm going to work until 8
wǒ yào gōng zuò dào bā diǎn
我要工作到八点

would you like to see a movie?
nǐ xiǎng kàn diàn yǐng ma
你想看电影吗

Would you like to go together?
nǐ xiǎng yì qǐ qù ma
你想一起去吗

would you like to see a movie together?
nǐ xiǎng yì qǐ qù kàn diàn yǐng ma
你想一起去看电影吗

how about friday?
xīng qī wǒ zěn me yàng
星期五怎么样

can we go on friday?

w men k y x ng q w qù ma

我们可以星期五去吗

at what time?

j di n zh ng

几点钟

----- UNIT 09 -----

you have a letter

y u n de xìn

有你的信

its from mr carter

shì Carter xi n sheng xi lái de

是Carter先生写来的

its from america

shì cóng M i guó lái de

是从美国来的

when does the movie begin?

diàn y ng shén me shí hou k i sh

电影什么时候开始

later, how about having dinner together?

guò y huì ér yì q ch w n fàn z n me yàng

过一会儿一起吃晚饭怎么样

10 o'clock is too late

shí di n zh ng tài w n le

十点钟太晚了

then before seeing the movie lets eat, ok?

nà me kàn diàn y ng y qián ch fàn h o ma

那么看电影以前吃饭好吗

i'd like to go see a beijing opera along with a friend

w xi ng g n y gè péng you yì q qù kàn j ng jù

我想跟一个朋友一起去看京剧

would you like to go to see a movie?

n xi ng qù kàn diàn yǐng ma

你想去看电影吗

i like to travel

wǒ xǐ huan lǚ xíng

我喜欢旅行

do you often travel?

nǐ cháng cháng lǚ xíng ma

你常常旅行吗

not often, i don't often travel because its too expensive

bù cháng cháng wǒ bù cháng cháng lǚ xíng yǐn wei tài guì le

不常常我不常常旅行因为太贵了

but i often go to see beijing opera

kě shì wǒ cháng cháng qù kàn jīng jù

可是我常常去看京剧

i too like beijing opera

wǒ yě xǐ huan jīng jù

我也喜欢京剧

saturday there is a very good beijing opera

xīng qī liù yǐn hǎo de jīng jù

星期六有很好的京剧

when does the beijing opera begin?

jīng jù shén me shí hou kāi shǐ

京剧什么时候开始

when does it begin?

shén me shí hou kāi shǐ

什么时候开始

it begins at 8pm

wǎn shàng bā diǎn zhāng kāi shǐ

晚上八点钟开始

at 7:15 in the evening it begins

w n shang q di n shí w k i sh

晚上七点十五开始

until when

dào shén me shí hou

到什么时候

until 9 o'clock

dào ji di n zh ng zu yòu

到九点钟左右

before seeing the beijing opera lets eat dinner together, ok?

kàn j ng jù y qián yì q ch w n fàn h o ma

看京剧以前一起吃晚饭好吗

after seeing the beijing opera

kàn le j ng jù y hòu

看了京剧以后

after seeing the movie

kàn le diàn y ng y hòu

看了电影以后

before seeing the movie

kàn diàn y ng y qián

看电影以前

before seeing the beijing opera

kàn j ng jù y qián

看京剧以前

after seeing the beijing opera lets go drink something, ok?

kàn le j ng jù y hòu qù h y di n ér d ng xi h o ma

看了京剧以后去喝一点儿东西好吗

on saturday are you going to changde?

x ng q liù n yào qù Chéng dé duì ba

星期六你要去承德对吧

no im going monday or tuesday

bù w x ng q y huò zh x ng q èr qù

不我星期一或者星期二去

i like to travel

wǒ xǐ huan lǚ xíng
我喜欢旅行

i often take business trips

wǒ cháng cháng chū chāi
我常常出差

do you like taking business trips?

nǐ xǐ huan chū chāi ma
你喜欢出差吗

no i don't like it

bù xǐ huan wǒ bù xǐ huan
不喜欢我不喜欢

do you like your work?

nǐ xǐ huan nǐ de gōng zuò
你喜欢你的工作

yes but i don't like to take business trips

xǐ huan kě shì wǒ bù xǐ huan chū chāi
喜欢可是我不喜欢出差

tomorrow morning i have to go to shanghai

míng tiān zǎo shàng wǒ dé qù Shàng hǎi
明天早上我得去上海

----- UNIT 10 -----

at 10 in the evening my friends are arriving in beijing

wǎn shàng shí diǎn wǒ de péng you dào Běi jīng
晚上十点我的朋友到北京

Do you often take business trips?

nǐ cháng cháng chū chāi ma
你常常出差吗

thats right, i often take business trips

shì de wǒ cháng cháng chū chāi
是的我常常出差

but i don't very much like taking business trips

k shì w bù h n x huan ch ch i

可是我不很喜欢出差

you often have to take business trips, correct?

n cháng cháng d i ch ch i duì ba

你常常得出差对吧

correct, i often have to take business trips

duì w cháng cháng d i ch ch i

对我常常得出差

i have to take a business trip to shanghai

w d i ch ch i qù Shàng h i

我得出差去上海

would you like to drink a cup of coffee?

n xi ng h y b i k f i

你想喝一杯咖啡

please give me some milk

q ng g i w y di n ér niú n i

请给我一点儿牛奶

would you like to add milk?

n xi ng ji niú n i ma

你想加牛奶吗

what about sugar?

táng ne

糖呢

i don't add sugar

w bù ji táng

我不加糖

i don't add milk either

w y bù ji niú n i

我也不加牛奶

i take it black (i don't add milk, don't add sugar)

w bù ji niú n i bù ji táng

我不加牛奶不加糖

you take it black?

n bù ji niú n i bù ji táng ma

你不加牛奶不加糖吗

that's right

shì de

是的

your coffee

n de k f i

你的咖啡

earlier he lived in taiwan

y qián t zhù zài Tái w n

以前他住在台湾

he has been living in china for 10 years

t zài Zh ng guó zhù le shí nián le

他在中国住了十年了

he has been working in china for 10 years

t zài Zh ng guó g ng zuò le shí nián le

他在中国工作了十年了

he came from nanjing

t shì cóng Nán j ng lái de

他是从南京来的

friday i'm going to see him

x ng q w w yào qù kàn t

星期五我要去看他

how long are you going to stay in nanjing?

n yào zài Nán j ng d i du jì

你要在南京呆多久

until monday or tuesday

d i dào x ng q y huò zh x ng q èr

呆到星期一或者星期二

----- UNIT 11 -----

im not going to nanjing

w bù qù Nán j ng

我不去南京

you're leaving on saturday, correct?

n x ng q liù z u duì ba

你星期六走对吧

no, im leaving tomorrow morning

bù w míng ti n z o shang z u

不我明天早上走

i'm leaving tomorrow evening at 10

w míng ti n w n shang shí di n z u

我明天晚上十点走

have a nice trip

y lù shùn f ng

一路顺风

do you have free time?

n y u kòng ma

你有空吗

you (polite)

nín

您

if you don't mind (polite)

rú gu nín bù jiè yì

如果您不介意

i'm leaving very early

w h n z o jiù z u

我很早就走

i'm leaving very early tomorrow morning

w míng ti n z o shang h n z o jiù z u

我明天早上很早就走

do you have free tim now?

nín xiàn zài y u kòng ma

您现在有空吗

would you like to add a little sugar?

nín xiǎng jiā yí diǎn ér táng ma

您想加一点儿糖吗

would you like to order some mung bean cake?

nín xiǎng yào yí diǎn ér lǜ dòu gāo ma

您想要一点儿绿豆糕吗

is there mung bean cake?

yǒu lǜ dòu gāo ma

有绿豆糕吗

yes, here you are

yǒu ne

有呢

yes, here you are (polite)

yǒu qǐng

有请

when are you going to take a vacation?

nín yào shén me shí hou dù jià

您要什么时候度假

july or august

qī yuè huò zhāo bā yuè

七月或者八月

tomorrow morning i'm leaving very early

míng tiān zǎo shàng wǒ hěn zǎo jiù zǒu

明天早上我很早就走

my husband works in nanjing

wǒ de xiān shēng zài Nán jīng gōng zuò

我的先生在南京工作

i work in washington

wǒ zài Huá shèng dùn gōng zuò

我在华盛顿工作

im going to go to nanjing in july

w yào q yuè qù Nán j ng

我要七月去南京

----- UNIT 12 -----

i have too much work

w y u tài du de g ng zuò le

我有太多的工作了

i don't often have free time

w bù cháng cháng y u kòng

我不常常有空

thursday morning im leaving very early

x ng q sì z o shang w h n z o jiù z u

星期四早上我很早就走

in august im going to go to changde

b yuè w yào qù Chéng dé

八月我要去承德

then have a nice trip

nà me y lù shùn f ng

那么一路顺风

i'm going to leave this week

w yào zhè gè x ng q z u

我要这个星期走

next week (the following week)

xià gè x ng q

下个星期

next week im going to take a vacation

xià gè x ng q w yào dù jià

下个星期我要度假

please let me ask, is mr tian in?

q ng wèn tián xi n sheng zài ma

请问田先生在吗

im sorry, he's not in

duì bu qǐ tā bù zài
对不起他不在

he'll return at 2 o'clock
tā liǎng diǎn zhōng huí lái
他两点钟回来

yes he's in
zài tā zài
他在

this honourable person is mr tian
zhè wèi shì tián xiān shēng
这位是田先生

hello, my family name is tian
nín hǎo wǒ xìng tián
您好我姓田

today it's very hot
jīn tiān hěn rè
今天很热

today it's very hot isn't it?
jīn tiān hěn rè shì ba
今天很热是吧

it isn't very hot
bú shì hěn rè
不是很热

hot tea
rè chá
热茶

would you like to drink a cup of hot tea?
nín xiǎng hē yì bēi rè chá ma
您想喝一杯热茶吗

its very cold today isn't it?
jīn tiān hěn lěng shì ba
今天很冷是吧

would you like to drink tea or coffee?

nín xǐng hǎi chá hǎi shì kǎfēi

您想喝茶还是咖啡

is the tea still hot?

chá hǎi shì rè de ma

茶还是热的吗

that's right, it's still hot

shì de hǎi shì rè de

是的还是热的

would you like to drink some hot tea?

nín xǐng hǎi yī diǎn ér rè chá ma

您想喝一点儿热茶吗

still hot

hǎi shì rè de

还是热的

hot tea

rè chá

热茶

cold

lěng

冷

i don't like cold tea

wǒ bù xǐ huan lěng chá

我不喜欢冷茶

----- UNIT 13 -----

i'd like to travel

wǒ xǐng lǚ xíng

我想旅行

to where? to hong kong?

qù nǎ er qù xiāng gǎng ma

去哪儿去香港吗

no, to taiwan

bù qù Tái w ān

不去台湾

taiwan is a very nice place

Tái w ān shì y è h àn h o de dì fāng

台湾是一个很好的地方

taiwan is a very beautiful place

Tái w ān shì y è h àn m ěi de dì fāng

台湾是一个很美的地方

when are you leaving?

nín shén me shí hou z ǒu

您什么时候走

are you leaving this week?

nín zhè gè x īng q ī z ǒu ma

您这个星期走吗

no, next week

bù xià gè x īng q ī

不下个星期

i'd like to leave next week

w ǒ xi àng xià gè x īng q ī z ǒu

我想下个星期走

how's the weather in taiwan?

Tái w ān de ti ān qì z ǎn me yàng

台湾的天气怎么样

not too good

bù tài h o

不太好

the weather in taiwan is very good

Tái w ān de ti ān qì h àn h o

台湾的天气很好

its not cold

bù l ǎng

不冷

its not very cold

bú shì hěn lěng

不是很冷

is it cold?

lěng ma

冷吗

no, now its not very cold

bù xiàn zài bú shì hěn lěng

不现在不是很冷

is it hot?

rè ma

热吗

its not very hot

bú shì hěn rè

不是很热

now the weather is very good

xiàn zài tiān qì hěn hǎo

现在天气很好

but i can't go on vacation this week

kě shì wǒ bù kě yǐ zhè gè xīng qī dù jià

可是我不可以这个星期度假

i'm going to go on vacation next week

wǒ yào xià gè xīng qī dù jià

我要下个星期度假

i'd like to wait until august, more or less

wǒ xiǎng dào àng dòu bā yuè zuǒ yòu

我想等到八月左右

why?

wèi shén me

为什么

because i have a lot of work to do

y n wei w y u h n du g ng zuò yào zuò
因为我有很多工作要做

i'd like to travel with a friend
w xi ng g n y gè péng you yì q l xíng
窝想跟一个朋友一起旅行

but my friend doesn't have free time either
k shì w de péng you y méi y u kòng
可是我的朋友也没有空

that's too bad
k x
可惜

i have to wait until august
w d i d ng dào b yuè
我得等到八月

where are you going to travel?
nín yào qù n ér l xíng
您要去哪儿旅行

we'd like to go to taiwan
w men xi ng qù Tái w n
我们想去台湾

what does that mean?
shén me yì s
什么意思

taipei is a very interesting place
Tái b i shì y gè h n y u yì si de dì fang
台北是一个很有意思的地方

over there there are many interesting places
nà ér y u h n du h n y u yì si de dì fang
那儿有很多很有意思的地方

----- UNIT 14 -----

im sorry, mr lin is not in today
duì bu q lín xi n sheng j n ti n bù zài

对不起林先生今天不在

you're coming over next week, isn't that so?

n xià gè x ng q lái shì ba

你下个星期来是吧

could i bother you to give this to mr lu?

w néng má fan nín b zhè gè g i lu xi n sheng ma

我能麻烦您把这个给lu先生吗

i'd like to invite you to come to my place for dinner

w xi ng q ng nín lái w nà ér ch w n fàn

我想请您来我那儿吃晚饭

its embarrassing (im embarrassed to accept your generous offer)

bù h o yì si

不好意思

its too embarrassing

tài bù h o yì si le

太不好意思了

another colleague is also going to come over with his children

lìng wài y gè tóng shì g n t de xi o hái ér yì q y yào lái

另外一个同事跟他的小孩儿一起也要来

his son is very grown up

t de ér zi h n dà le

他的儿子很大了

is his wife also going to come over?

t de tài tai y yào lái ma

他的太太也要来吗

i don't know yet

w hái bù zh dào

我还不知道

his wife is going to go to taiwan this week

t de tài tai zhè gè x ng q yào qù Tái w n

他的太太这个星期要去台湾

to taipei?

qù tái b i ma

去台北吗

no

bù

不

that's right, she's going to go to taipei

shì de tā yào qù Tái b i

是的他要去台北

taipei is a very interesting place

Tái b i shì y gè h n y u yì si de dì fang

台北是一个很有意思的地方

are his daughters and son also going to go to taiwan?

t de n ér hé ér zi yào qù Tái w n ma

他的女儿和儿子也要去台湾吗

i don't know

w bù zh dào

我不知道

could

néng

能

could not

bù néng

不能

her husband couldn't go

t de xi n sheng bù néng qù

他的先生不能去

his wife is going to taipei alone

t de tài tai y gè rén qù Tái b i

他的太太一个人去台北

that's too bad

k x

可惜

to travel you need a lot of money

lǚ xíng xū yào hěn duō qián
旅行需要很多钱

you need a lot of money

xū yào hěn duō qián
需要很多钱

i agree

wǒ tóng yì
我同意

i agree, to travel you need a lot of money

wǒ tóng yì lǚ xíng xū yào hěn duō qián
我同意旅行需要很多钱

it's not too expensive

bù tài guì
不太贵

earlier it was not too expensive

yǐ qián bù tài guì
以前不太贵

it wasn't expensive?

bù guì ma
不贵吗

that's right, it wasn't expensive

shì de bù guì
是的 不贵

but now its very expensive

kě shì xiàn zài hěn guì
可是现在很贵

i'd like to invite you to travel to taipei

wǒ xiǎng qǐng nín qù Tái bēi lǚ xíng
我想请您去台北旅行

----- UNIT 15 -----

could i bother you to give this to miss lin?

wǒ néng má fan nín bǎ zhè gè gěi lín xiǎo jiě ma

我能麻烦您把这个给林小姐吗

next week, i'd like to invite you to come over to my place

xià gè xīng qī wǒ xǐng qǐng nín lái wǒ nà er

下个星期我想请您来我那儿

mr ma also is going to come over

mǎ xiān shēng yě yào lái

马先生也要来

mr ma has two daughters, isnt that so?

mǎ xiān shēng yǒu liǎng gè nǚ ér shì ba

马先生有两个女儿是吧

that's right, his daughters are very beautiful

shì de tā de nǚ ér hěn měi

是的他的女儿很美

are his daughters also going to come over?

tā de nǚ ér yě yào lái ma

他的女儿也要来吗

you're welcome

bié kè qì

别客气

does travelling cost a lot of money?

lǚ xíng xū yào hěn duō qián ma

旅行需要很多钱吗

that's right, it costs a lot of money

shì de xū yào hěn duō qián

是的需要很多钱

but travelling costs a lot of money now

kě shì lǚ xíng xiàn zài xū yào hěn duō qián

可是旅行现在需要很多钱

every day

m i t i n d u
每天都

i drink coffee every day
w m i t i n d u h k f i
我每天都喝咖啡

but now its more expensive
k shì xiàn zài b jiào guì
可是现在比较贵

the dishes were all very delicious
cài d u h n h o ch
菜都很好吃

there wasn't anything to eat (modest - it was nothing special)
méi y u shén me d ng xi ch
没有什么东西吃

thank you for inviting me
xiè xie nín q ng w
谢谢您请我

the tea is also very delicious
chá y h n h o h
茶也很好喝

i come over every day (i come here every day)
w m i t i n d u lái
我每天都来

you're children are how big? (how old are your children?)
nín de xi o hái ér du dà
您的小孩儿多大

today
j n ti n
今天

this year
j n nián
今年

how old is your son?

nín de ér zi du dà

您的儿子多大

my son is 15 this year

wǒ de ér zi jīn nián shí wǔ

我的儿子今年十五

he is 22 this year

tā jīn nián èr shí èr

他今年二十二

your son is very grown up

nín de ér zi hěn dà le

您的儿子很大了

that's right, but my daughter is very young

shì de kě shì wǒ de nǚ ér hěn xiǎo

是的可是我的女儿很小

how old is she this year?

tā jīn nián duō dà

他今年多大

she's 13 this year

tā jīn nián shí sān

他今年十三

does your son work?

nín de ér zi gōng zuò ma

您的儿子工作吗

yes he works in shanghai

gōng zuò tā zài Shàng hǎi gōng zuò

工作他在上海工作

earlier he worked in beijing

yǐ qián tā zài Běi jīng gōng zuò

以前他在北京工作

where does your son live?

nín de ér zi zhù zài nǎ er

您的儿子住在哪儿

he lives in shanghai
t zhù zài Shàng h i
他住在上海

he works in shanghai
t zài Shàng h i g ng zuò
他在上海工作

but earlier he lived in beijing
k shì y qián t zhù zài B i j ng
可是以前他住在北京

where do you live now?
nín xiàn zài zhù zài n ér
您现在住在哪儿

i now live in beijing
w xiàn zài zhù zài B i j ng
我现在住在北京

i have lived in beijing for 5 years
w zài B i j ng zhù le w nián le
我在北京住了五年了

the tea was very delicious
chá h n h o h
茶很好喝

its embarrassing, thanks
bù h o yì si xiè xiè
不好意思谢谢

you're welcome
bié kè qì
别客气

----- UNIT 16 -----

a company
y jī g ōng sī
一家公司

earlier i worked in a company

y qián w zài y ji g ng s g ng zuò
以前我在一家公司工作

i worked in a company in beijing

w zài B i j ng de y ji g ng s g ng zuò
我在北京的一家公司工作

my son also worked there

w de ér zi y zài nà ér g ng zuò
我的儿子也在那儿工作

in a company in beijing

zài B i j ng de y ji g ng s
在北京的一家公司

my son worked in a company in beijing

w de ér zi zài B i j ng de y ji g ng s g ng zuò
我的儿子在北京的一家公司工作

i have two sons

w y u li ng gè ér zi
我有两个儿子

one works at a bank

y gè zài y ji yín háng g ng zuò
一个在一家银行工作

my son works at a bank in nanjing

w de ér zi zài Nán j ng de y ji yín háng g ng zuò
我的儿子在南京的一家银行工作

one works in nanjing

y gè zài Nán j ng g ng zuò
一个在南京工作

the other one works in hong kong

lìng wài y gè zài xi ng g ng g ng zuò
另外一个在香港工作

they're both grown up

t men li ng gè d u h n dà le

他们两个都很大了

i would like to make a telephone call

w xi ng d y gè diàn huà

我想打一个电话

where's the telephone?

diàn huà zài n ér

电话在哪儿

it's here

diàn huà zài zhè ér

电话在这儿

to make a telephone call

d y gè diàn huà

打一个电话

telephone book

diàn huà bù

电话簿

do you need a telephone book?

n x yào diàn huà bù ma

你需要电话簿吗

no i don't need it

bù x yào w bù x yào

不需要我不需要

i know the telephone number

w zh dao diàn huà hào m

我知道电话号码

where's the telephone book?

diàn huà bù zài n ér

电话不再哪儿

it's over there

zài nà ér

在那儿

mrs lin has gone to hong kong

lín tài tài qù xi ng g ng le

林太太去香港了

in that case, could i bother you to give this to mrs wang?

nà me w néng má fan nín b zhè gè g i wáng tài tai ma

那么我能麻烦您把这个给王太太吗

----- UNIT 17 -----

he works in a bank in beijing

t zài B i j ng de y ji yín háng g ng zuò

他在北京的一家银行工作

before that he worked in a company in beijing

zài nà y qián t zài B i j ng de y ji g ng s g ng zuò

在那以前他在北京的一家公司工作

earlier he lived in beijing

y qián t zhù zài B i j ng

以前他住在北京

where do you work?

nín zài n ér g ng zuò

您在哪儿工作

is the work interesting?

g ng zuò y u yì si ma

工作有意思吗

yes its very interesting

y u yì si h n y u yì si

有意思很有意思

study (learning)

xué

学

university

dà xué

大学

university student

dà xué sheng
大学生

my daughter is a university student
wǒ de nǚ ér shì yí gè dà xué sheng
我的女儿是一个大学生

a university
yí suǒ dà xué
一所大学

high school
zhōng xué
中学

high school student
zhōng xué sheng
中学生

my son is a high school student
wǒ de ér zǐ shì yí gè zhōng xué sheng
我的儿子是一个中学生

my daughter is a university student
wǒ de nǚ ér shì yí gè dà xué sheng
我的女儿是一个大学生

a university in beijing
Běijīng de yí suǒ dà xué
北京的一所大学

what is your daughter studying at the university?
nín de nǚ ér zài dà xué xué shén me
您的女儿在大学学什么

she's studying english
tā xué Yīng wén
他学英文

what is she studying?
tā xué shén me
他学什么

she's studying english at the university

tā zài dà xué xué Yīng wén

他在大学学英文

a university in shanghai

zài Shàng hǎi de yī suǒ dà xué

在上海的一所大学

a company in shanghai

zài Shàng hǎi de yī jiā gōng sī

在上海的一家公司

post office

yóu jú

邮局

excuse me, please let me ask, where is the post office?

duì bu qǐ qǐng wèn yóu jú zài nǎ er

对不起请问邮局在哪儿

i'm looking for a post office

wǒ zài zhǎo yóu jú

我在找邮局

are you looking for a post office?

nín zài zhǎo yóu jú ma

您在找邮局吗

go straight ahead fifty metres, more or less

yì zhí wǎng qián zǒu wǎng shí mǐ zuǒ yòu

一直往前走五十米左右

----- UNIT 18 -----

stamps

yóu piào

邮票

the road on the right

yòu biān nà tiáo lù

右边那条路

on the right there is a bank
yòu bi n y u y ji yín háng
右边有一家银行

on the left there is a high school
zu bi n y u y su zh ng xué
左边有一所中学

turn right (turn toward the right)
xiàng yòu gu i
向右拐

then go straight ahead twenty-five metres, more or less
rán hòu yì zhí w ng qián z u èr shí w m zu yòu
然后一直往前走二十五米左右

on the left there is a bank
zu bi n y u y ji yín háng
左边有一家银行

the post office is on the left
yóu jú zài zu bi n
邮局在左边

turn left
xiàng zu gu i
向左拐

hospital
y yuàn
医院

please let me ask, where is the hospital?
q ng wèn y yuàn zài n ér
请问医院在哪儿

my wife is not too comfortable (my wife is not feeling well)
w de tài tai bù tài sh fu
我的太太不太舒服

i'm looking for the hospital

w zài zhōu yuàn
我在找医院

kilometre
gōng lǐ
公里

one kilometre
yī gōng lǐ
一公里

go straight ahead one kilometre, more or less
yì zhí wǎng qián zǒu yī gōng lǐ zuǒ yòu
一直往前走一公里左右

the hospital is on the right
yī yuàn zài yòu biān
医院在右边

our children are not in china
wǒ men de xiǎo hái ér bù zài Zhōng guó
我们的小孩儿不在中国

with us
gēn wǒ men yì qǐ
跟我们一起

they're not with us
tā men bù gēn wǒ men zài yì qǐ
他们不跟我们一起

how big have they gotten?
tā men duō dà le
他们多大了

the daughter is 23
nǚ ér èr shí sān
女儿二十三

the son is 16
ér zǐ shí liù
儿子十六

----- UNIT 19 -----

do you often write letters? (polite, to mr tian)

tián xi n sheng cháng cháng xi xìn ma

田先生常常写信吗

your son (polite, to mr tian)

tián xi n sheng de ér zi

田先生的儿子

you should take a taxi (polite, to mr tian)

tián xi n sheng y ng g i d dí qù

田先生应该打的去

does your wife often write letters? (polite, to mr tian)

tián xi n sheng de tài tai cháng cháng xi xìn ma

田先生的太太常常写信吗

that's right, my wife often writes letters

shì de w de tài tai cháng cháng xi xìn

是的我的太太常常写信

we often give him a call on the telephone

w men cháng cháng g i t d diàn huà

我们常常给他打电话

because the telephone is very fast

y n wei diàn huà h n kuài

因为电话很快

he never writes letters

t cóng lái bù xi xìn

他从来不写信

i should give him a call on the telephone

w y ng g i g i t d y gè diàn huà

我应该给他打一个电话

excuse me, i'd like to make a telephone call

duì bu q w xi ng d y gè diàn huà

对不起我想打一个电话

no problem, please do (please call)

méi y u wèn tí q ng d

没有问题请打

i'm looking for the post office

w zài zh o yóu jú

我在找邮局

from here / to here

l zhè ér

里这儿

is it far from here?

l zhè ér yu n ma

里这儿远吗

it's very close to here

l zhè ér h n jìn

里这儿很近

is the post office close?

yóu jú jìn ma

邮局进吗

is the hospital very far?

y yuàn h n yu n ma

医院很远吗

is the hospital very far from here?

y yuàn l zhè ér h n yu n ma

医院里这儿很远吗

it's not too close to here

l zhè ér bù tài jìn

里这儿不太进

pharmacy

yào fáng

药房

i'm looking for a pharmacy

w zài zh o yào fáng

我在找药房

it's very far from here

l zhè ér h n yu n

里这儿很远

go straight along this road

yán zhe zhè tiáo lù yì zhí w ng qián z u

沿着这条路一直往前走

theres a bank on the right

yòu bi n

右边

turn right

xiàng yòu gu i

向右拐

go straight ahead one kilometre

yì zhí w ng qián z u y g ng l

一直往前走一公里

the hospital is on the left

y yuàn zài zu bi n

医院在左边

it's not too far from here

l zhè ér bù tài yu n

里这儿不太远

go 5 metres, more or less

z u w m zu yòu

走五米左右

the pharmacy is on the left

yào fáng zài zu bi n

药房在左边

is it close to here?

l zhè ér jìn ma

里这儿进吗

no its very far from here
bù jìn lǐ zhè er hěn yuǎn
不进里这儿很远

----- UNIT 20 -----

is the pharmacy very far from here?

yào fáng lǐ zhè er hěn yuǎn ma
药房里这儿很远吗

yes, from here it's very far

yuǎn lǐ zhè er hěn yuǎn
远里这儿很远

thats too bad

zhēn zāo gāo
真糟糕

from here its not very far

lǐ zhè er bú shì hěn yuǎn
里这儿不是很远

compared with

bǐ
比

the telephone is faster than letters

diàn huà bǐ xìn kuài
电话比信快

the hospital is closer than the pharmacy

yī yuàn bǐ yào fáng jìn
医院比药房进

ticket

piào
票

a ticket / one ticket

yī zhāng piào
一章票

one ticket to beijing

y zh ng qù B i j ng de piào

一章去北京的票

please let me ask, how much is it?

q ng wèn du sh o qián

请问多少钱

200 units

èr b i kuài

二百块

in change, you get 80 units

zh o n b shí kuài

找你八十块

platform

yuè tái

月台

which platform is it? (what number platform is it?)

j hào yuè tái

几号月台

platform number 3

s n hào yuè tái

三号月台

how many hours

j ge xi o shí

几个小时

to go to shang hai needs how many hours?

qù Shàng h i x yào j ge xi o shí

去上海需要几个小时

by express train, 19 hours

kuài ch shì shí jì gè xi o shí

快车是十九个小时

i'd like to buy one ticket

w xi ng m i y zh ng piào

我想买一章票

i'd like to buy one ticket to shang hai
w xi ng m i y zh ng qù Shàng h i de piào
我想买一章去上海的票

i'd like to take an express train
w xi ng zuò kuài ch qù
我想坐快车去

----- UNIT 21 -----

i'm going to see him today
w yào j n ti n qù kàn t
我要今天去看他

is he going to come over to your place?
t yào lái n nà ér ma
他要来你那儿吗

no i'm going to go to his place
bù w yào qù t nà ér
不我要去他那儿

Mr Carter's place
Carter xi n sheng nà ér
Carter 先生那儿

i'm going to go to Mr Carter's place
w yào qù Carter xi n sheng nà ér
我要去Carter先生那儿

are you acquainted with him?
n rèn shi t ma
你认识他吗

yes i know him too
rèn shi w y rèn shi t
认识我也认识他

we'll go together, OK?
w men yì q qù h o ma
我们一起去好吗

let's go there by taxi, OK?

dǎ dí qù nà ér hǎo ma
打的去那儿好吗

it's too expensive

tài guì le
太贵了

let's take the bus, OK?

zuò gōng gòng qì chē qù hǎo ma
坐公共汽车去好吗

it's too far

tài yuǎn le
太远了

farther than the pharmacy

bǐ yào fáng yuǎn
比药房远

his place is farther than the pharmacy

tā nà ér bǐ yào fáng yuǎn
他那儿比药房远

i'm going to go to the store

wǒ yào qù shāng diàn
我要去商店

is it very far from here?

lǐ zhè ér hěn yuǎn ma
里这儿很远吗

no, very close

bù yuǎn hěn jìn
不远很近

along this road go straight

yán zhe zhè tiáo lù yì zhí wǎng qián zǒu
沿着这条路一直往前走

i now have free time

w xiàn zài y u kòng
我现在有空

lets go to the store together, alright?
yì q qù sh ōng diàn h o ma
一起去商店好吗

computer
diàn n o
电脑

my computer isn't working
w de diàn n o huài le
我的电脑坏了

i'd like to make a call
w xi ng d y gè diàn huà
我想打一个电话

no problem, please do
méi y u wèn tí q ōng d
没有问题请打

i'm giving my friend a call
w g i w de péng you d y gè diàn huà
我给我的朋友打一个电话

i have to go to the post office
w d i qù yóu jú
我得去邮局

i'd like to buy stamps
w xi ng m i yóu piào
我想买邮票

where can i buy them?
w k y zài n ér m i
我可以在哪儿买

you can buy them at the post office
n k y zài yóu jú m i
你可以在邮局买

one ticket

y zh ng piào

一张票

the post office is not open today

yóu jú j n ti n bù k i mén

邮局今天不开门

today is a holiday

j n ti n shì jià rì

今天是假日

is the bank also not open today?

yín háng y j n ti n bù k i mén ma

银行也今天不开门吗

no the bank isn't open either

bù k i mén yín háng y bù k i mén

不开门银行也不开门

----- UNIT 22 -----

i'll wait over there

w zài nà ér d ng

我在那儿等

how much is it?

du sh o qián

多少钱

340 units

s n b i sì shí kuài

三百四十块

576 units

w b i q shí liù kuài

五百七十六块

775 units

q b i q shí w kuài

七百七十五块

how many hours does it take to get to Shanghai?

qù Shàng hǎi xū yào jǐ ge xiǎo shí
去上海需要几个小时

how are you going to go?

nín yào zěn me qù
您要怎么去

I'd like to take an express train

wǒ xiǎng zuò kuài chē qù
我想坐快车去

by express train it's 16 hours

kuài chē shì shí liù ge xiǎo shí
快车是十六个小时

where can i buy a ticket to Nanjing?

wǒ kě yǐ zài nǎ er mǎi yī zhāng qù Nán jīng de piào
我可以在哪儿买一张去南京的票

which platform is it?

jǐ hào yuè tái
几号月台

platform number 5

wǒ hào yuè tái
五号月台

where can i buy stamps?

wǒ kě yǐ zài nǎ er mǎi yóu piào
我可以在哪儿买邮票

Can i buy stamps at the hotel?

wǒ kě yǐ zài jiǔ diàn mǎi yóu piào ma
我可以在酒店买邮票吗

no, but you can buy them at the post office

bù kě shì nǐ kě yǐ zài yóu jú mǎi
不可是你可以在邮局买

is it far from here?

l zhè ér yu n ma
里这儿远吗

is the post office far from here?

yóu jú l zhè ér yu n ma
邮局里这儿远吗

no, but it's not very close

bù yu n k shì bù h n jìn
不远可是不很进

you should go by taxi

n y ng g i d dí qù
你应该打的去

to go by taxi, 10 minutes, more or less

d dí qù shí f n zh ng zu yòu
打的去十分钟左右

10 minutes to 5

w di n chà shí f n
五点差十分

to take a bus, 20 minutes, more or less

zuò g ng gòng qì ch qù èr shí f n zh ng zu yòu
坐公共汽车去二十分钟左右

i'm leaving very early

w h n z o jiù z u
我很早就走

right now

m shàng jiù
马上就

are you going right now?

n m shàng jiù qù ma
你马上去吗

that's right, i'm going right now

shì de w m shàng jiù qù
是的我马上去

i would like to go right now

w xi ng m shàng jiù qù

我想马上去

subway

dì ti

地铁

take the subway

zuò dì ti qù

坐地铁去

are you taking the subway?

n zuò dì ti qù ma

你坐地铁去吗

are you taking the subway or taking the bus?

n zuò dì ti qù hái shì zuò g ng gòng qì ch qù

你坐地铁去还是坐公共汽车去

i would not like to take the bus

w bù xi ng zuò g ng gòng qì ch qù

我不想坐公共汽车去

the bus is very slow

g ng gòng qì ch h n màn

公共汽车很慢

slower than the subway

b dì ti màn

比地铁慢

the bus is slower than the subway

g ng gòng qì ch b dì ti màn

公共汽车比地铁慢

to take the subway, 20 minutes, more or less

zuò dì ti qù èr shí f n zh ng zu yòu

坐地铁去二十分钟左右

the subway is faster than the bus

dì ti b g ng gōng qì ch kuài
地铁比公共汽车快

to take a bus, 55 minutes, more or less
zuò g ng gōng qì ch qù w shí w f n zh ng zu yòu
坐公共汽车去五十五分钟左右

tennis
w ng qiú
网球

can you play tennis? (do you know how to play tennis?)
n huì d w ng qiú ma
你会打网球吗

yes, i can (yes, i know how to)
huì w huì
会我会

would you like to play tennis?
n xi ng d w ng qiú ma
你想打网球吗

let's play right now, OK?
m shàng jiù d h o ma
马上就打好吗

today is impossible because my computer isn't working
j n ti n bù xíng w de diàn n o huài le
今天不行我的电脑坏了

how about tomorrow?
míng ti n ne
明天呢

how about 2 o'clock?
li ng di n zh ng z n me yàng
两点钟怎么样

in that case, see you tomorrow
nà me míng ti n jiàn
那么明天见

----- UNIT 23 -----

why do you ask?

n wèi shén me wèn

你为什么问

i'd like to play tennis with him

w xi ng g n t yì q d w ng qiú

我想跟他一起打网球

i'm going to go to his place

w yào qù t nà ér

我要去他那儿

i'm taking the subway

w zuò dì ti qù

我坐地铁去

how about the bus?

g ng gòng qì ch z n me yàng

公共汽车怎么样

are you going right now?

n m shàng jiù qù ma

你马上去吗

that's right, going right now

shì de m shàng jiù qù

是的马上去

i'd like to go shopping

w xi ng qù m i d ng xi

我想去买东西

i'd like to go shopping today but today is a holiday

w xi ng j n ti n qù m i d ng xi k shì j n ti n shì jià rì

我想今天去买东西可是今天是假日

the shops are not open

sh ng diàn bù k i mén

商店不开门

i often play tennis with him

w cháng cháng g n t yì q d w ng qiú
我常常跟他一起打网球

i play tennis with Dan

w g n Dan yì q d w ng qiú
我跟Dan一起打网球

does his wife also play tennis?

t de tài tai y d w ng qiú ma
他的太太也打网球吗

yes they both play tennis

d t men li ng gè d u d w ng qiú
打他们两个都打网球

they both know how to play tennis

t men li ng gè d u huì d w ng qiú
他们两个都会打网球

they both play very well

t men li ng gè d u d dí h n h o
他们两个都打的很好

Dan plays very well

Dan d de h n h o
Dan 打的很好

Dan plays better than his wife

Dan d de b t de tàitai h o
Dan 打的比他的太太好

together lets go play tennis, OK?

yì q qù d w ng qiú h o ma
一起去打网球好吗

ok, but where would you like to go?

h o k shì n xi ng qù n ér
好可是你想去哪儿

to the park

qù gōng yuán
去公园

we can play tennis at the park
wǒ men kě yǐ zài gōng yuán dǎ wǎng qiú
我们可以在公园打网球

at the park, lets play tennis, OK?
zài gōng yuán dǎ wǎng qiú hǎo ma
在公园打网球好吗

im going to take the subway
wǒ yào zuò dì tiě qù
我要坐地铁去

im taking the subway
wǒ zuò dì tiě qù
我坐地铁去

do you have enough money?
nǐ qián gòu ma
你钱够吗

yes I have enough money
gòu wǒ qián gòu le
够我钱够了

today lets go play tennis, OK?
jīn tiān qù dǎ wǎng qiú hǎo ma
今天去打网球好吗

lets go to the park, OK?
qù gōng yuán hǎo ma
去公园好吗

i like to play tennis, but today i'd like to go shopping
wǒ xǐ huan dǎ wǎng qiú kě shì jīn tiān wǒ xiǎng qù mǎi dōng xī
我喜欢打网球可是今天我想去买东西

then we can go tomorrow, OK?
nà me wǒ men kě yǐ míng tiān qù hǎo ma
那么我们可以明天去好吗

----- UNIT 24 -----

what is the time?

xiàn zài jǐ diǎn zhōng

现在几点钟

a quarter to 2

liǎng diǎn chà yí kè

两点差一刻

a quarter past 2

liǎng diǎn yí kè

两点一刻

when does the beijing opera begin?

jīng jù shén me shí hou kāi shǐ

京剧什么时候开始

at a quarter past 8 it begins

bā diǎn yí kè kāi shǐ

八点一刻开始

it begins at a quarter to 8

bā diǎn chà yí kè kāi shǐ

八点差一刻开始

there still is time

hái yǒu shí jiān

还有时间

there still is time, correct?

hái yǒu shí jiān duì ba

还有时间对吧

now it is a quarter past 5

xiàn zài shì wǔ diǎn yí kè

现在是五点一刻

would you like to go to the tea house?

nǐ xiǎng qù chá guǎn ma

你想去茶馆吗

lets go to the tea house, OK?

qù chá guǎn hǎo ma
去茶馆好吗

right away
mǎ shàng jiù
马上就

i can't go right away to the tea house
wǒ bù kě yǐ mǎ shàng jiù qù chá guǎn
我不可以马上去茶馆

busy
máng
忙

this week i'm very busy
zhè gè xīng qī wǒ hěn máng
这个星期我很忙

what does huì mean?
huì shì shén me yì sī
会是什么意思

it means "meeting"
yì sī shì meeting
意思是meeting

what are you doing on thursday?
nǐ xīng qī sì zuò shén me
你星期四做什么

i have a meeting
wǒ yǒu yí gè huì
我有一个会

i have a meeting thursday
wǒ xīng qī sì yǒu yí gè huì
我星期四有一个会

that doesn't matter
méi guān xi

没关系

we often play tennis together

wǒ men cháng cháng yì qǐ dǎ wǎng qiú

我们常常一起打网球

we often drink tea together

wǒ men cháng cháng yì qǐ hē chá

我们常常一起喝茶

we often go to the tea house together

wǒ men cháng cháng yì qǐ qù chá guǎn

我们常常一起去茶馆

after going to the tea house we often go to the park to play tennis

qù chá guǎn yǐ hòu wǒ men cháng cháng qù gōng yuán dǎ wǎng qiú

去茶馆以后我们常常去公园打网球

we often go to beihai park

wǒ men cháng cháng qù Běi hǎi gōng yuán

我们常常去北海公园

does his wife also know how to play tennis?

tā de tài tai yě huì dǎ wǎng qiú ma

他的太太也会打网球吗

yes she plays very well

huì dǎ de hěn hǎo

会她打的很好

better than I

bǐ wǒ hǎo

比我好

she plays better than I

tā dǎ de bǐ wǒ hǎo

她打的比我好

10 years

shí nián

十年

she has been playing tennis for 10 years

t w ng qiú d le shí nián le

她网球打了十年了

how long have you been playing tennis?

n w ng qiú d le du jǐ le

你网球打了多久了

it has been how many years?

du sh o nián le

多少年了

how many years have you been living in China?

n zài Zh ng guó zhù le du sh o nián le

你在中国住了多少年了

has it been 20 years?

èr shí nián le

二十年了

thats right, its been 20 years

shì de èr shí nián le

是的二十年了

where are we going to go to play?

w men yào qù n ér d

我们要去哪儿打

how about beihai park?

B i h i g ng yuán z n me yàng

北海公园怎么样

i don't play well

w d de bù h o

我打的不好

Mr Li plays better than I

l xi n sheng d de b w h o

李先生打的比我好

that doesn't matter

méi gu n xi

没关系

together lets go to a tea house, OK?

yì q òu chá gu ān h o ma
一起去茶馆好吗

but the tea house isn't very close to here

k è shì chá gu ān l i zhè ér bù shì h èn jìn
可是茶馆里这儿不是很进

lets take the subway, OK?

zuò dì ti ǎo qù h o ma
坐地铁去好吗

i'm sorry, i'm very busy now

duì bu qǐ wǎn xiàn zài h èn máng
对不起我现在很忙

i have a meeting at 2

wǎng liǎng diǎn zhōng yǒu yí gè huì
我两点中有一个会

----- UNIT 25 -----

today at 9 o'clock i have a meeting

jīn tiān jiǔ diǎn zhōng wǒ yǒu yí gè huì
今天九点钟我有一个会

what about wednesday?

xīng qī sān nǐ
星期三呢

wednesday i'm going to take a business trip

xīng qī sān wǒ yào chū chāi
星期三我要出差

you're very busy (to Mr Carter)

Carter xiān shēng h èn máng
Carter先生很忙

that doesn't matter, i have free time now

méi guān xi wǒ yǒu kòng
没关系我有空

bowling (bowling ball)

b o líng qiú

保龄球

he bowls

t d b o líng qiú

他打保龄球

do you bowl? (to Mr Carter)

Carter xi n sheng d b o líng qiú ma

Carter先生打保龄球吗

yes but i like playing tennis even more

d k shì w gèng x huan d w ng qiú

打可是我更喜欢打网球

you have been playing tennis for how many years?

n w ng qiú d le du sh o nián le

你网球打了多少年了

15 years, more or less

shí w nián zu yòu le

十五年左右了

but i don't play well

k shì w d de bù h o

可是我打的不好

i like bowling even more

w gèng x huan b o líng qiú

我更喜欢保龄球

in that case we'll go bowling

nà me w men qù d b o líng qiú

那么我们去打保龄球

we'll go bowling on Wednesday, OK?

w men x ng q s n qù d b o líng qiú h o ma

我们星期三去打保龄球好吗

this wednesday, is it possible?

zhè gè x ng q s n xíng ma

这个星期三行吗

this wednesday is a holiday

zhè gè xīng qī sān shì jià rì

这个星期三是假日

sorry, the morning is impossible

duì bu qǐ zǎo shàng bù xíng

对不起早上不行

i'm very busy wednesday morning

wǒ xīng qī sān zǎo shàng hěn máng

我星期三早上很忙

but the evening is possible

kě shì wǎn shàng xíng

可是晚上行

thousand

qiān

千

one thousand units

yī qiān kuài

一千块

one thousand three hundred

yī qiān sān bǎi

一千三百

where can i exchange money?

wǒ kě yǐ zài nǎ ér huàn qián

我可以在哪儿换钱

where can one exchange money?

nǎ ér kě yǐ huàn qián

哪儿可以换钱

you can exchange money over there

nín kě yǐ zài nà ér huàn qián

您可以在那儿换钱

at the bank
zài yín háng
在银行

you can exchange money at the bank
nín kě yǐ zài yín háng huàn qián
您可以在银行换钱

you get 300 units in change
zhǎo nǐ sān bǎi kuài
找你三百块

thursday lets go see a movie, OK?
xīng qī sì qù kàn diàn yǐng hǎo ma
星期四去看电影好吗

i'd like to go to see a movie with you, but thursday is impossible
wǒ xiǎng gē nǐ yì qǐ qù kàn diàn yǐng kě shì xīng qī sì bù xíng
我想跟你一起去看电影可是星期四不行

how about friday?
xīng qī wǔ zěn me yàng
星期五怎么样

friday is possible
xīng qī wǔ xíng
星期五行

before seeing the movie lets go to the tea house together
kàn diàn yǐng yǐ qián yì qǐ qù chá guǎn
看电影以前一起去茶馆

see you later
guò yí huì er jiàn
过一会儿见

----- UNIT 26 -----

did you play tennis?
nǐ dǎ wǎng qiú le ma
你打网球了吗

when did you play tennis?

n shì shén me shí hou dǎ wǎng qiú de
你是什么时候打网球的

i played tennis yesterday

wǒ shì zuó tiān dǎ de
我是昨天打的

with whom did you play?

n shì gēn shuí yì qǐ dǎ de
你是跟谁一起打的

Mr Chen's wife

chén xiān shēng de tài tai
陈先生的太太

i played tennis with Mr Chen's wife

wǒ shì gēn chén xiān shēng de tài tai yì qǐ dǎ wǎng qiú de
我是跟陈先生的太太一起打网球的

his wife plays very well

tā de tài tai dǎ de hěn hǎo
他的太太打的很好

where did you play tennis?

n shì zài nǎ er dǎ wǎng qiú de
你是在哪儿打网球的

we played at the park

wǒ men shì zài gōng yuán dǎ de
我们是在公园打的

we played at beihai park

wǒ men shì zài Běi hǎi gōng yuán dǎ de
我们是在北海公园打的

i didn't play tennis

wǒ méi yǒu dǎ wǎng qiú
我没有打网球

i was very busy yesterday

wǒ zuó tiān hěn máng
我昨天很忙

我昨天很忙

next wednesday lets play tennis, OK?

xià gè xīng qī sànbā wǎng qiú hǎo ma

下个星期三打网球好吗

next wednesday is a holiday

xià gè xīng qī sànbā shì jià rì

下个星期三是假日

how many years have you been playing tennis?

nǐ wǎng qiú dǎ le duō shǎo nián le

你网球打了多少年了

it has been 15 years, more or less

shíwǔ nián zuǒ yòu le

十五年左右了

thats a very long time

shí jī nǐ hěn cháng

时间很长

do you also bowl?

nǐ yě dǎ bǎo líng qiú ma

你也打保龄球吗

i like to bowl even more

wǒ gèng xǐ huan dǎ bǎo líng qiú

我更喜欢打保龄球

after bowling we'll go to the tea house, OK?

dǎ bǎo líng qiú yǐ hòu wǒ men qù chá guǎn hǎo ma

打保龄球以后我们去茶馆好吗

i like tea, but i like mung bean cake even more

wǒ xǐ huan chá kě shì wǒ gèng xǐ huan lǜ dòu gāo

我喜欢茶可是我更喜欢绿豆糕

noon

zhōng wǔ

中午

i have a meeting at noon
w zh ng w y u y gè huì
我中午有一个会

welcome
hu n yíng gu ng lín
欢迎光临

over there there is a bank
nà ér y u y ji yín háng
那儿有一家银行

the bank is very close
yín háng h n jìn
银行很近

i'll return right away
w m shàng jiù huí lái
我马上就回来

i'd like to exchange some money
w xi ng huàn y diàn ér qián
我想换一点儿钱

i'd like to exchange for renminbi
w xi ng huàn rén mín bì
我想换人民币

i don't have any renminbi
w méi y u rén mín bì
我没有人民币

when did you arrive?
nín shì shén me shí hou dào de
您是什么时候到的

when did you go shopping?
nín shì shén me shí hou qù m i d ng xi de
您是什么时候去买东西的

I went shopping yesterday
w shì zuó ti n qù m i d ng xi de

我是昨天去买东西的

nearby there is a bank
fù jìn y u y jì yín háng
附近有一家银行

nearby there is a bank of china
fù jìn y u y jì Zh ōng guó Yín háng
附近有一家中国银行

the bank of china is closer than the bank of shanghai
Zh ōng guó Yín háng bǐ Shàng h aihai yín háng jìn
中国银行比上海银行近

is there a bank nearby?
fù jìn y u yín háng ma
附近有银行吗

i'd like to go to the bank to exchange some money
wǒ xiǎng qù yín háng huàn y diǎn ér qián
我想去银行换一点儿钱

nearby there is a bank of shanghai
fù jìn y u y jì Shàng h aihai yín háng
附近有一家上海银行

also there is a bank of china
y e y u y jì Zh ōng guó Yín háng
也有一家中国银行

the bank of shanghai is close
Shàng h aihai yín háng jìn
上海银行近

the bank of china is even closer
Zh ōng guó Yín háng gèng jìn
中国银行更近

----- UNIT 27 -----

when did you arrive?
nǐ shì shén me shí hou dào de

你是什么时候到的

i arrived yesterday

wǒ shì zuó tiān dào de

我是昨天到的

with whom?

gēn shuí yì qǐ

跟谁一起

with whom did you arrive?

nín shì gēn shuí yì qǐ dào de

您是跟谁一起到的

i arrived with my wife

wǒ shì gēn wǒ de tài tai yì qǐ dào de

我是跟我的太太一起到的

nearby is there a bank? (a bank in general)

fù jìn yǒu yínháng ma

附近有银行吗

yes, there is a bank (a specific bank)

yǒu yī jiā yínháng

有一家银行

you can go there in foot

nǐ kě yǐ zǒu lù qù nà er

你可以走路去那儿

i exchanged money there

wǒ zài nà er huàn qián le

我在那儿换钱了

when did you exchange money?

nín shì shén me shí hou huàn qián de

您是什么时候换钱的

i exchanged money yesterday

wǒ shì zuó tiān huàn qián de

我是昨天换钱的

i'm going to go to the bank right now because i don't have any renminbi

w yào mǎ shàng jiù qù yín háng y n wéi wǒ méi yǒu rén mín bì

我要马上去银行因为我没有人民币

i have to go to the bank right now

wǒ de mǎ shàng jiù qù yín háng

我得马上去银行

green tea

lǜ chá

绿茶

do you like green tea?

nǐ xǐ huān lǜ chá ma

你喜欢绿茶吗

you're going to go to Qingdao, correct?

nǐ yào qù Qīng dǎo duì ba

你要去青岛对吧

correct, i'm going this wednesday

duì wǒ zhè gè xīng qī sān qù

对我这个星期三去

train

huǒ chē

火车

are you taking the train?

nǐ zuò huǒ chē qù ma

你坐火车去吗

that's right, i'm taking the train to Qingdao

shì de wǒ zuò huǒ chē qù Qīng dǎo

是的我坐火车去青岛

when do you return?

nǐ shí nǐ shí hòu huí lái

你什么时候回来

only

zhǐ

只

a few

j

几

i'll only stay there a few days

w zài nà ér zhǐ dǐ jǐ tiān

我在那儿只呆几天

saturday

xīng qī liù

星期六

sunday

xīng qī tiān

星期天

i'm returning on sunday

w xīng qī tiān huí lái

我星期天回来

i'll only stay in Qingdao a few days

w zài Qīng dǎo zhǐ dǐ jǐ tiān

我在青岛只呆几天

i'm taking the train to Nanjing

w zuò huǒ chē qù Nán jīng

我坐火车去南京

how long are you going to stay in Nanjing?

nǐ yào zài Qīng dǎo dǐ duō jiǔ

你要在青岛呆多久

i'm going to stay there one week

w yào zài nà ér dǐ yí gè xīng qī

我要在那儿呆一个星期

are you going to Qingdao along?

nǐ yí gè rén yào qù Qīng dǎo

你一个人去青岛

no, Mr Chen is also going

bù chén xiān shēng yě qù
不陈先生也去

he's going to stay there 2 weeks
tā yào zài nà ér dǎi liǎng gè xīng qī
他要在那儿呆两个星期

are you taking the train or taking an airplane?
nǐ zuò huǒ chē qù hái shì zuò fēi jī qù
你坐火车去还是坐飞机去

i'll take the train to Nanjing but i'll take a plane to Qingdao
wǒ zuò huǒ chē qù Nán jīng kě shì wǒ zuò fēi jī qù Qīng dǎo
我坐火车去南京可是我坐飞机去青岛

----- UNIT 28 -----

i don't mind
wǒ bù jiè yì
我不介意

water
shuǐ
水

mineral water
kuàng quán shuǐ
矿泉水

how about mineral water?
kuàng quán shuǐ zěn me yàng
矿泉水怎么样

then, mineral water, lets say?
nà me kuàng quán shuǐ ba
那么矿泉水吧

boat
chuán
船

i'm taking a boat to Nanjing

w zuò chuán qù Nán jīng
我坐船去南京

i live in Boston
w zhù zài bō shì dùn
我住在波士顿

what kind of place is Boston?
bō shì dùn shì yí gè shén me yàng de dì fāng
波士顿是一个什么样的地方

city
chéng shì
城市

what kind of city?
shén me yàng de chéng shì
什么样的城市

Boston is a very beautiful city
bō shì dùn shì yí gè hěn měi de chéng shì
波士顿是一个很美的城市

Boston has very many boats, correct?
bō shì dùn yǒu hěn duō de chuán duì ba
波士顿有很多的传对吧

also there are many universities
yǒu hěn duō de dà xué
也有很多大学

in August i'm going to Boston to see my children
bā yuè wǒ yào qù bō shì dùn kàn wǒ de xiǎo hái ér
八月我要去波士顿看我的小孩儿

----- UNIT 29 -----

in front of the subway
dì tiě zhàn dé qián biān
地铁站得前边

in front of the subway there's a bank, correct?
dì tiě zhàn de qián biān yǒu yí jī yín háng duì ba

地铁站的前边有一家银行对吧

map
dì tú
地图

draw
huà
画

i'll draw a map
wǒ huà yì zhāng dì tú
我画一张地图

i'll draw a map for you
wǒ gěi nǐ huà yì zhāng dì tú
我给你画一张地图

in front of the subway station there is a very good tea house
zài dì tiě zhàn de qián biān yǒu yì jiā hěn hǎo de chá guǎn
在地铁站的前边有一家很好的茶馆

together lets go there to drink tea, OK?
yì qǐ qù nà er hē chá hǎo ma
一起去那儿喝茶好吗

family
jiā rén
家人

lets go to my home to eat dinner, OK?
qù wǒ de jiā chī wǎn fàn hǎo ma
去我的家吃晚饭好吗

weekend
zhōu mò
周末

this weekend lets go to my home to eat dinner, OK?
zhè gè zhōu mò qù wǒ de jiā chī wǎn fàn hǎo ma
这个周末去我的家吃晚饭好吗

my home is located in front of the tea house

w de ji zài chá guǎn de qián biān

我的家在茶馆的前边

saturday i have a lot of work to do

xīng qī liù wǒ yǒu hěn duō gōng zuò yào zuò

星期六我有很多工作要做

we'll go sunday morning

wǒ men xīng qī tiān zǎo shàng qù

我们星期天早上去

we'll return sunday evening

wǒ men xīng qī tiān wǎn shàng huí lái

我们星期天晚上回来

i'm going to go to Qingdao in March

wǒ yào sān yuè qù Qīng dǎo

我要三月去青岛

its a very interesting city

shì yí gè hěn yǒu yì sī de chéng shì

是一个很有意思的城市

by boat it takes a lot of time

zuò chuán xū yào hěn duō shí jiān

坐船需要很多时间

i don't like to take a boat

wǒ bù xǐ huan zuò chuán

我不喜欢坐船

i like to take the train

wǒ xǐ huan zuò huǒ chē

我喜欢坐火车

my home is located in front of the post office

w de ji zài yóu jú de qián biān

我的家在邮局的前边

did you come by bus?

nǐ shì zuò gōng gòng qì chē lái de ma

你是坐公共汽车来的吗

no, i came by taxi

bú shì wǒ shì dī lái de

不是我是打的来的

the bus takes a lot of time

zuò gōng gòng qì chē xū yào hěn duō shí jiān

坐公共汽车需要很多时间

has your son come to china?

nǐ de ér zǐ lái Zhōng guó le ma

你的儿子来中国了吗

my son came to china in march

wǒ de ér zǐ shì sān yuè lái Zhōng guó de

我的儿子是三月来中国的

----- UNIT 30 -----

my family is going to go to the restaurant

wǒ de jiā rén yào qù fàn diàn

我的家人要去饭店

come to my home to eat dinner, OK?

lái wǒ de jiā chī wǎn fàn hǎo ma

来我的家吃晚饭好吗

i'm going to go there in May to see my son

wǒ yào wǔ yuè qù nà er kàn wǒ de ér zǐ

我要五月去那儿看我的儿子

did your wife also come to China?

nín de tài tai yě lái Zhōng guó le ma

您的太太也来中国了吗

yes

lái le

来了

she came over in March

tā shì sān yuè lái de

她是三月来的

did you go with your wife?

nín g n nín de tài tai yì q qù Q ng d o le ma

您跟您的太太一起去青岛了吗

yes, we went

qù le w men qù le

去了我们去了

along that road go straight ahead 150 metres, more or less

yán zhe nà ér tiáo lù yì zhí w ng qián z u y b i w shí m zu yòu

沿着那儿条路一直往前走一百五十米左右

go 300 metres more or less

z u s n b i m zu yòu

走三百米左右

from the subway station

cóng dì ti zhàn

从地铁站

i came by taxi from the subway station because the bus is very slow

w shì cóng dì ti zhàn d dí lái de y n wei g ng gòng qì ch h n màn

我是从地铁站打的来的因为公共汽车很慢

please come in

q ng jìn

请进

how's the weather?

tì n qì z n me yàng

天气怎么样

how's the weather today?

j n ti n de ti n qì z n me yàng

今天的天气怎么样

the weather in beijing is very good

B i j ng de ti n qì h n h o

北京的天气很好

snow

xu

雪

it snows

xià xu

下雪

its very cold

h n l ng

很冷

winter

d ng ti n

冬天

in winter does it often snow?

d ng ti n cháng cháng xià xu ma

冬天常常下雪吗

that's right, often it snows

shì de cháng cháng xià xu

是的常常下雪

summer

xià ti n

夏天

how about the summer?

xià ti n z n me yàng

夏天怎么样

its very hot

h n rè

很热

its a little hot

y u y di n ér rè

有一点儿热

rain

y

雨

it rains

xià y

下雨

does it rain?

xià y ma

下雨吗

yes, in Boston it rains

xià b shì dùn xià y

下波士顿下雨

in Boston it sometimes rains

b shì dùn y u shí hou xià y

波士顿有时候下雨

in Nanjing it often rains

Nán j ng cháng cháng xià y

南京常常下雨

in March it often rains

s n yuè cháng cháng xià y

三月常常下雨

in July and August it often rains

q yuè b yuè cháng cháng xià y

七月八月常常下雨

in the summer it often rains, but the summer is very beautiful

xià ti n cháng cháng xià y k shì xià ti n h n m i

夏天常常下雨可是夏天很美