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HSK 1

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Pronouns

9 words

我	wǒ I, me	你	nǐ you	他	tā he, him
她	tā she, her	我们	wǒmen we, us	你们	nǐmen you (plural)
他们	tāmen they	这	zhè this	那	nà that

Numbers

10 words

一	yī one	二	èr two	三	sān three
四	sì four	五	wǔ five	六	liù six
七	qī seven	八	bā eight	九	jiǔ nine
十	shí ten				

Time & Calendar

11 words

年	nián year	月	yuè month, moon	日	rì day, sun
星期	xīngqī week	今天	jīntiān today	明天	míngtiān tomorrow
昨天	zuótiān yesterday	现在	xiànzài now	点	diǎn o'clock, dot
分钟	fēnzhōng minute	小时	xiǎoshí hour		

Family & People

12 words

爸爸	bàba dad	妈妈	māma mum	儿子	érzi son
女儿	nǚ'ér daughter	人	rén person	朋友	péngyou friend
医生	yīshēng doctor	老师	lǎoshī teacher	学生	xuésheng student
先生	xiānsheng mr, sir	小姐	xiǎojiě miss	同学	tóngxué classmate

Food & Drink

8 words

吃	chī to eat	喝	hē to drink	菜	cài dish, vegetable
米饭	mǐfàn cooked rice	水果	shuǐguǒ fruit	苹果	píngguǒ apple
水	shuǐ water	茶	chá tea		

Common Verbs

26 words

是	shì to be	有	yǒu to have	在	zài to be at, in
去	qù to go	来	lái to come	看	kàn to look, watch
听	tīng to listen	说	shuō to speak, say	读	dú to read
写	xiě to write	认识	rènshi to know (someone)	喜欢	xǐhuan to like
想	xiǎng to want, think	做	zuò to do, make	工作	gōngzuò to work, job
回	huí to return	住	zhù to live	打电话	dǎ diànhuà to make a phone call
睡觉	shuìjiào to sleep	买	mǎi to buy	开	kāi to open, drive
学习	xuéxí to study	请	qǐng please, to invite	能	néng can, able
会	huì can, will, know how	爱	ài to love		

Adjectives

9 words

好	hǎo good	大	dà big	小	xiǎo small
多	duō many, much	少	shǎo few, less	冷	lěng cold
热	rè hot	高兴	gāoxìng happy	漂亮	piàoliang beautiful

Question Words

8 words

谁	shéi who	什么	shénme what	哪	nǎ which
哪儿	nǎr where	怎么	zěnmē how	怎么样	zěnmeyàng how is it
几	jǐ how many (small)	多少	duōshǎo how many, how much		

Greetings & Phrases

7 words

你好	nǐ hǎo hello	谢谢	xièxie thank you	不客气	bú kèqì you're welcome
再见	zàijiàn goodbye	对不起	duìbuqǐ sorry	没关系	méi guānxi it's okay, no problem
喂	wéi hello (on phone)				

Particles & Connectors

11 words

的	de possessive particle	了	le aspect particle	吗	ma question particle
呢	ne question particle	不	bù no, not	没	méi no, not have
也	yě also, too	都	dōu all, both	很	hěn very
太	tài too, very	和	hé and, with		

Common Objects

20 words

书	shū book	钱	qián money	名字	míngzi name
椅子	yǐzi chair	桌子	zhuōzi table, desk	衣服	yīfu clothes
杯子	bēizi cup	电脑	diànnǎo computer	电视	diànshì television
电影	diànyǐng movie	飞机	fēijī airplane	出租车	chūzūchē taxi
天气	tiānqì weather	猫	māo cat	狗	gǒu dog
东西	dōngxi thing	字	zì character, letter	米	mǐ rice, metre
中文	Zhōngwén Chinese (language)	汉语	Hànyǔ Mandarin (Han language)		

Measure Words & Counters

4 words

个	gè general measure word	些	xiē some, a few	块	kuài yuan (currency), piece
岁	sui year(s) of age				

Directions & Positions

7 words

上	shàng up, on, above	下	xià down, below, next	里	lǐ inside, in
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