

Pinyin - English Glossary

Āgēntíng 阿根廷 Argentina

ài 愛 love

ǎi 矮 short (vertical)

ài de fēnbùkāi le 愛得分不開了
lovey-dovey; joined at the hip

Ài'ěrlán 愛爾蘭 Ireland

àiqíng 愛情 romantic love

àishàng 愛上 fall in love

ài sǐ-le 愛死了 love to death; adore

àixīn 愛心 compassion

ānānjìngjìngde 安安靜靜地

very calmly and quietly

ānānjìngjìngde zuòxià 安安靜靜地坐下
quietly sit down

ānjìng 安靜 calm

ānquándài 安全帶 seatbelt

ānquánmào 安全帽 helmet

àomàn 傲慢 arrogant

Àozhōu 澳洲 Australia

bā 八 eight

bàba 爸爸 father

bābǎi 八百 eight hundred

bā diǎn 八點 eight o'clock

bāguà 八卦 gossip

bā hào 八號 the 8th

bālè 芭樂 guava

Bǎ lěngqì guāndiào. 把冷氣關掉.

Turn off the AC.

bāiqiān 八千 eight thousand

bāshì 巴士 bus

bāyuè 八月 August

bǎi 百 hundred

bái 白 white

báibǎn 白板 whiteboard

báichī 白癡 idiot

bǎihuò gōngsī 百貨公司 department store

báijiǔ 白酒 white wine

báisè 白色 white (color)

báitiān 白天 daytime

báitiān gōngzuò 白天工作
work during the day

bàitūo 拜託 kowtow; beg

bǎi wén 百聞 hear a hundred times

bànfa 辦法 way; method

bānjiā 搬家 move

bànlü 夠侶 partner, mate

bānmǎ 斑馬 zebra

bàn tiān 半天 half a day

bāng 幫 assist, help

bāngmáng 幫忙 help

bāng wǒ 幫我 help me

bāng wǒ bùzhì 幫我佈置 help me decorate

bāng wǒ yíge máng 幫我一個忙 help me

with something; do me a favor

bāngyōng 幫傭 caregiver; domestic; maid

bǎobao 寶寶 baby

bāobāo 包包 bag, purse

bǎochí 保持 preserve

bǎojiànsì 保健室 infirmary

bǎojǐng 報警 make a report to the police

bàoqiàn 抱歉 to be sorry; to regret

bǎoquán 保全 24 hr security

bǎoyǎng 保養 maintain, preserve

bǎoyǎngpǐn 保養品 skin care products

bǎozhòng 保重 take care

bǎozhòng zìjǐ 保重自己
take care of yourself

bèi 背 back

běijí 北極 The North Pole

bèi lǎoshī mà 被老師罵

be scolded by the teacher

bèi línshī 被淋濕 get wet; be soaked

bèi mà 被罵 be chastised, scolded

bèi qīfù 被欺負 be humiliated

bèi qīfù le 被欺負了

to have been humiliated

bèi shāndiào -le 被刪掉了

to have been deleted

Běítóu wēnquán 北投溫泉

Beitou Hot Springs

bèixīn 背心 vest

bèn 笨 stupid

běn 本 stem, root; classifier for books

běnlái 本來 originally

bì 閉 close

bǐ...hái xiǎo 比...還小 even younger than...;

even smaller than

bǐjiào 比較 compare, comparison

bǐjiào ǎi 比較矮 shorter (vertical)

bi – bu

bǐjiào bù hǎo 比較不好 *not as good*
bǐjiào dà 比較大 *bigger*
bǐjiào duǎn 比較短 *shorter (horizontal)*
bǐjiào gāo 比較高 *taller*
bǐjiào hǎo 比較好 *better*
bǐjiào hǎochī 比較好吃 *better tasting*
bǐjiào hǎokàn 比較好看 *better looking*
bǐjiào kuài 比較快 *faster*
bǐjiào mǎn 比較慢 *slower*
bǐjiào shìhé 比較適合 *more suitable*
bǐjiào shìhé wǒ 比較適合我 *better suit me*
bǐjiào xiǎo 比較小 *smaller*
Bìlìshí 比利時 *Belgium*
bǐsài 比賽 *competition*
bìshàng yǎnjīng 閉上眼睛 *close eyes*
bìyè 畢業 *graduate*
bìyè -le 畢業了 *to have graduated*
bǐ yì bǐ 比一比 *casually compare*
bìyùn 避孕 *birth control; contraception*
bìyùnyào 避孕藥 *birth control pills*
bízi 鼻子 *nose*
biàn 變 *change*
biànchéng 變成 *transform*
biànláibiànqù 變來變去 *be changeable*
biànpàng 變胖 *get fat*
biǎoqing 表情 *expression*
biǎoyǎn 表演 *performance; perform*
bié 別 *don't*
bié dānxīn 別擔心 *Don't worry!*
biéde 別的 *other*
biérén 別人 *another; other people*
Bié zài wèn. 別再問. *Don't ask again.*
(serious/reprimanding tone)
Bié zài wèn la! 別再問啦! *Oh, don't ask!*
(said with a roll of the eyes)
biézhì 別緻 *distinctive*
bìng 痘 *sickness, illness*
bìng 並 *used for emphasis in negative statements*
bīngbàng 冰棒 *popsicle*
bìng bù liúxíng 並不流行
really not cool/fashionable
Bìng bù shì wǒ! 並不是我! *It wasn't me!*
bīngde 冰的 *cold (with ice)*
bìng de hěn zhòng 病得很重 *seriously ill*

bǐnggān 餅乾 *cookie*
bīngkuài 冰塊 *ice cubes*
bīngqílin 冰淇淋 *ice cream*
bìngqiè 並且 *moreover*
bīngrén 病人 *patient (n.)*
bú 不 *no; not*
búcuò 不錯 *not bad; pretty good*
bú dà 不大 *not big*
bùdǎ 不打 *not hit; not play... (a sport)*
bù dá 不達 *not reach, not attain*
bùdīng 布丁 *pudding*
bù duō 不多 *not much*
bùfèn 部份 *part; section*
bù gǎn 不敢 *not dare*
bù gǎn chī 不敢吃 *don't dare eat*
bù gānjìng 不乾淨 *unclean*
bù gǎn kàn 不敢看
dare not watch/ look at
bú gòu 不夠 *not enough*
bú gòu kǔ 不夠苦 *not bitter enough*
bú gòu là 不夠辣 *not spicy enough*
bú gòu suān 不夠酸 *not sour enough*
bú gòu tián 不夠甜 *not sweet enough*
bú gòu xián 不夠鹹 *not salty enough*
bùguǎn 不管 *no matter*
Bùguǎn wǒ zěnme... 不管我怎麼...
No matter how I...
búguò 不過 *however*
Búguò, wǒ tīngshuō... 不過, 我聽說...
However, I've heard...
bù hǎo 不好 *not good*
bù hé 不合 *not conform to; incompatible*
bú huì 不會 *unable to*
bú huì hěn guì 不會很貴
won't be very expensive
bù jí 不急 *not urgent*
Bù jí ba. 不急吧. *There's no hurry, is there?*
Bújìan-búsàn! 不見不散! *I'll be there!*
(to meet you; I'll stay till I see you.)
bùkān 不堪 *unbearable; cannot bear*
bù kěyǐ 不可以 *cannot*
bù kěyǐ wàngjì 不可以忘記 *cannot forget*
bù kěyǐ xìnlài de rén 不可以信賴的人
a person that cannot be trusted
bù lǐ 不理 *ignore*