

# 实用汉英词典

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## D

## dā

**耷** dā *formal* big-eared

【耷拉】droop; hang down

**搭** dā ① put up; build ② hang over; put over ③ come into contact; join ④ throw in more (people, money, etc.); add. ⑤ lift sth. together ⑥ take (a ship, plane, etc.); travel (or go) by

【搭班】① *old* temporarily join a theatrical troupe ② temporarily join in a group's work

【搭班子】① set up a theatrical troupe ② organize personnel for a job

【搭伴】join sb. on a trip; travel together

【搭茬儿】(same as 答茬儿) pick up the thread of a conversation and take part in it

【搭乘】travel by (plane, car, ship, etc.)

【搭档】① cooperate; work together ② partner

【搭调】① be in tune ② be reasonable; stand to reason ③ match; go together (with)

【搭盖】put up (sth. simple and crude, as a shed)

【搭话】① make conversation; get a word in ② send word

【搭伙】① join as partner ② eat regularly in (a mess, etc.)

【搭架子】① build a framework; get (an undertaking, etc.) roughly into shape ② *dial.* put on airs; assume great airs

【搭肩】① help to shoulder sth. heavy ② stand on another's shoulders (in order to climb up)

【搭建】① put up (a shed, etc.) ② set up (an organization)

【搭脚儿】*dial.* get a lift or a free ride; hitchhike

【搭界】① have a common boundary ② *dial.* (usu. used in the negative) have some contact with; have sth. to do with

【搭救】rescue; go to the rescue of

【搭拉】(same as 耷拉) droop; hang down

【搭理】(same as 答理) acknowledge (sb.'s greeting, etc.); respond; answer

【搭配】① arrange in pairs or groups ② *linguis.* collocation

【搭腔】① answer; respond ② talk to each other

【搭桥】① put up (or build) a bridge ② (also 搭鹊桥) act as a matchmaker

【搭讪】strike up a conversation with sb.; say sth. to smooth over an embarrassing situation

【搭手】give a hand; help

【搭载】(of trucks, freighters, etc.) pick up extra passengers or freight

**答** dā

【答茬儿】*dial.* pick up the thread of a conversation and take part in it

【答理】(usu. used in the negative) acknowledge (sb.'s greeting, etc.); respond; answer

【答腔】(same as 搭腔) ① answer ② talk to each other

【答应】① answer; reply; respond ② agree; promise; comply with

## dá

**打** dá *m.* dozen

**达** dá ① extend ② reach; attain; amount to ③ under-

stand thoroughly ④ express ; communicate ⑤ eminent ; distinguished

【达标】reach a set standard

【达成】reach ( agreement )

【达到】achieve ; attain ; reach

【达尔文主义】Darwinism

【达观】take things philosophically

【达官贵人】high officials and noble lords ; VIPs

【达赖喇嘛】the Dalai Lama

**答** dá ① answer ; reply ; respond ② return ( a visit , etc. ) ; reciprocate

【答案】answer ; solution ; key

【答拜】pay a return visit ( or call )

【答辩】reply ( to a charge , query or an argument )

【答词】thank-you speech ; answering speech ; reply

【答对】( usu. used in the negative ) answer sb. 's question ; reply

【答访】pay a return visit ( or call )

【答非所问】give an irrelevant answer

【答复】answer ; reply

【答话】( usu. used in the negative ) answer ; reply

【答卷】① answer the questions or solve the problems in a test paper ② an answered test paper

【答数】answer ( to an arithmetic problem )

【答问】① answer a question ② a question-and-answer form of writing

【答谢】express appreciation ( for sb. 's kindness or hospitality ) ; acknowledge

【答谢宴会】a return banquet

【答疑】( of a teacher , speaker , etc. ) answer questions

## dǎ

**打** dǎ ① strike ; hit ; knock ; beat ; fight ; attack ② make ( articles of daily use or food ) ③ spray ; spread ④ hold up ;

hoist ; raise ⑤ buy ⑥ catch ; hunt ⑦ play

【打靶】target ( or shooting ) practice

【打靶场】target range

【打摆子】*dial.* suffer from malaria

【打白条】issue IOUs ( I owed you )

【打败】① defeat ; beat ; worst ② suffer a defeat ; be defeated

【打板子】flog ; cane

【打扮】① dress up ; make up ; deck out ② way or style of dressing

【打包】① bale ; pack ② unpack

【打包机】baling press

【打包票】( also 打保票 ) vouch for ; guarantee

【打苞】( of wheat , sorghum , etc. ) form ears ; ear up

【打抱不平】take up the cudgels for the injured party ; defend sb. against an injustice ; be the champion of the oppressed

【打背包】pack up ; make up knapsack ; make one 's packs

【打比】① draw an analogy ; use a metaphor or simile ② *dial.* compare

【打不住】*inf.* ① be more than ② not be enough

【打草】cut grass

【打草惊蛇】beat the grass and startle the snake—act rashly and alert the enemy

【打喳喳】*dial.* whisper

【打杈】prune

【打岔】interrupt ; cut in

【打禅】( of a Buddhist ) sit in meditation

【打场】thresh grain ( on the threshing ground )

【打成一片】become one with ; identify oneself with ; merge with

【打冲锋】① charge ( in a battle ) ② be in the vanguard

【打错算盘】miscalculate ; make a wrong decision

【打打闹闹】have boisterous fun ; horseplay

【打蛋器】egg-whisk ; whisk

【打倒】overthrow

- 【打道】clear the way ( for officials in imperial times )
- 【打得火热】be very thick with each other ; be as thick as thieves
- 【打灯谜】guess lantern riddles ( as a game or pastime )
- 【打的】*inf.* go by taxi ; take a taxi
- 【打底】①eat sth. before having a drink ②feel secure ③*text.* bottoming
- 【打底子】①sketch a plan , picture , etc. ②lay a foundation
- 【打点】①get ( luggage , etc. ) ready ②bribe officials
- 【打掉】destroy ; knock out ; wipe out
- 【打动】move ; touch
- 【打洞机】( also 打眼机 ) perforator
- 【打赌】bet ; wager
- 【打断】①break ②interrupt ; cut short
- 【打盹儿】doze off ; take ( or have ) a nap
- 【打顿】make a pause ( in a speech , recitation , etc. )
- 【打耳光】box sb. 's ears ; slap sb. in the face
- 【打发】①send ; dispatch ②dismiss ; send away ③while away ( one 's time )
- 【打翻】overturn ; strike down
- 【打翻身仗】work hard to bring about a decisive turn for the better
- 【打分】give a mark ; mark students ' papers , etc.
- 【打稿】( also 打稿子 ) work out a draft
- 【打嗝儿】*inf.* ①hiccup ②belch ; burp
- 【打更】sound the night watches
- 【打埂】*agric.* ridging
- 【打工】*dial.* do manual work ; go temping
- 【打躬】make a bow ; bow
- 【打谷场】threshing ground ( or floor )
- 【打鼓】①beat a drum ②feel uncertain ( or nervous )
- 【打卦】divine by casting lots
- 【打官腔】speak in a bureaucratic tone ; talk like a bureaucrat ; stall with official jargon
- 【打官司】①go to court ( or law ) ; engage in a lawsuit ②*inf.* squabble
- 【打光棍】remain a bachelor
- 【打滚】roll about
- 【打棍子】beat with a big stick—criticize unsparingly or unfoundedly
- 【打哈哈】make fun ; crack a joke
- 【打哈欠】( also 打呵欠 ) yawn
- 【打鼾】snore
- 【打夯】ramming ; tamping
- 【打夯机】ramming machine ; rammer ; tamper
- 【打黑】crack down on speculation and profiteering
- 【打横】take the least important seat at a square table
- 【打横炮】raise unexpected difficulties ; deliberately complicate matters
- 【打呼】snore
- 【打滑】①skid around ②slip ( on slippery ground )
- 【打晃儿】wobble on one 's feet
- 【打火】strike sparks from a flint ; strike a light
- 【打火机】lighter
- 【打伙儿】*inf.* join together ; form a group
- 【打击】hit ; strike ; attack
- 【打击面】scope of attack
- 【打击歪风】combat unhealthy tendencies
- 【打击乐器】percussion instrument
- 【打家劫舍】loot ; plunder
- 【打假】launch a crackdown on fakes
- 【打架】come to blows ; fight ; scuffle
- 【打江山】fight to win state power
- 【打交道】come into ( or make ) contact with ; have dealings with
- 【打搅】disturb ; trouble
- 【打醮】perform a Taoist ritual
- 【打劫】rob ; plunder ; loot
- 【打结】tie a knot
- 【打结器】*chem.* fibre knotter
- 【打紧】*dial.* ( usu. used in the

- negative) urgent; serious
- 【打救】rescue
- 【打卡】punch card
- 【打开】① open; unfold ② turn on; switch on
- 【打开僵局】break the deadlock; bring the deadlock to an end
- 【打开缺口】make a breach
- 【打开思路】thought-provoking
- 【打瞌睡】doze off; nod
- 【打垮】defeat completely; rout
- 【打来回】make a round trip
- 【打捞】① get out of the water; salvage ② petroleum fishing
- 【打雷】thunder
- 【打擂】join in an open competition or contest
- 【打冷枪】① shoot from a hiding place; snipe ② attack in a sly way
- 【打量】① measure with the eye; look sb. up and down; size up ② think; suppose; reckon
- 【打猎】go hunting
- 【打铃】ring a bell
- 【打卤面】noodles served with thick gravy
- 【打乱】throw into confusion; upset
- 【打埋伏】① lie in ambush; set an ambush; ambush ② hold sth. back for one's own use; keep sth. in reserve
- 【打闷棍】① (of a robber) give sb. a staggering blow with a cudgel ② give sb. a stunning blow (fig.)
- 【打鸣儿】*inf.* (of a rooster) crow
- 【打磨】polish; burnish; shine
- 【打内战】engage in feuds; fight a civil war
- 【打牌】play mahjong or cards
- 【打屁股】① beat on the buttocks; spank ② *inf.* take sb. to task
- 【打破】break; smash
- 【打破沙锅问到底】insist on getting to the bottom of the matter
- 【打气】① inflate; pump up ② bolster up (or boost) the morale; encourage; cheer up
- 【打气筒】inflator; tyre pump
- 【打钎】drill a blasting hole in rock with a hammer and a drill rod
- 【打前站】act as an advance party; set out in advance to make arrangements
- 【打情骂俏】fool around and banter in flirtation
- 【打秋风】try to sponge on people
- 【打趣】banter; tease; make fun of
- 【打圈子】circle
- 【打拳】shadowbox
- 【打群架】engage in a gang fight
- 【打扰】(same as 打搅) disturb; trouble
- 【打散】break up; scatter
- 【打扫】sweep; clean
- 【打闪】(of lightning) flash
- 【打扇】fan sb.
- 【打食】① (of birds and beasts) seek food ② use medicine to aid digestion or ease constipation
- 【打手】hired roughneck (or thug); hatchet man
- 【打算盘】① calculate on an abacus ② calculate; scheme
- 【打算】plan; intend
- 【打碎】break into pieces; smash; destroy
- 【打胎】have an (induced) abortion
- 【打天下】① (of rebels) seize state power ② win success in a big enterprise
- 【打铁】forge iron; work as a blacksmith
- 【打听】ask about; inquire about
- 【打通】get through; open up
- 【打通宵】work all night
- 【打头】① take the lead ② *dial.* from the beginning
- 【打头炮】fire the first shot; be the first to speak or act
- 【打头阵】fight in the van; spearhead the attack; take the lead
- 【打退】beat back (or off); repulse
- 【打退堂鼓】retreat; withdraw
- 【打弯】① (of limbs) bend ② change one's mind or behaviour ③ talk in a roundabout way
- 【打围】encircle and hunt down (animals)

- 【打先锋】fight in the van ; be a pioneer
- 【打响】①start shooting ; begin to exchange fire ②win initial success
- 【打响鼻】( of animals ) snort
- 【打消】give up ( an idea , etc. ) ; dispel ( a doubt ; etc. )
- 【打小报告】be an informer
- 【打小算盘】petty niggling
- 【打旋】turn round and round ; spin
- 【打雪仗】have a snowball fight ; throw snowballs
- 【打牙】①one 's teeth chatter with cold ②crack a joke ; jest ; make fun of sb.
- 【打牙祭】*dial.* have sth. special to eat
- 【打眼】①punch ( or bore ) a hole ; drill ②*dial.* catch the eye ; attract attention
- 【打掩护】provide cover for ; shield
- 【打样】①draw a design ②*print.* make a proof
- 【打样机】*print.* proof press
- 【打烊】*dial.* ( of shops ) put up the shutters ; close for the night
- 【打药】①laxative ; cathartic ; purgative ②ointment for wounds and injuries sold by quacks
- 【打噎】①hiccup or belch ②be choked by a piece of food
- 【打印】①put a seal on ; stamp ②cut a stencil and mimeograph ; mimeograph
- 【打硬仗】fight the enemy head-on ; a hard-fought battle
- 【打油】①scoop up oil—buy oil ( in a small quantity with one 's own container ) ②*dial.* extract oil
- 【打油诗】doggerel ; ragged verse
- 【打游击】①fight as a guerrilla ②*humor.* operate like a guerrilla—work , eat , sleep , etc. at no fixed place
- 【打鱼】try to catch fish ; fish
- 【打圆场】mediate a dispute ; smooth things over
- 【打杂儿】do odds and ends
- 【打早】*inf.* ①long ago ②as early as possible ; at the first opportunity
- 【打颤】( also 打战 ) shiver ; tremble ; shudder
- 【打仗】fight ; go to war ; make war
- 【打招呼】①greet sb. ; say hello ②notify ; let sb. know ③warn ; remind
- 【打照面儿】①meet unexpectedly ( or by chance ) ; have a chance encounter ②show one 's face ; make a brief appearance
- 【打折扣】①sell at a discount ; give a discount ②fall short of a requirement or promise
- 【打着灯笼没处找】not to be found even with a lantern—hard to come by ; rare
- 【打针】give or have an injection
- 【打制】make ( by hammering , chipping , etc. )
- 【打制石器】*archaeol.* chipped stone implement
- 【打肿脸充胖子】slap one 's face until it 's swollen in an effort to look imposing—puff oneself up to one 's own cost
- 【打中】hit the mark ( or target ) ; hit
- 【打中要害】The thrust goes home. ; deal a blow at the heart ; strike where it hurts ; hit squarely on the chin
- 【打皱】*dial.* crumple ; crease
- 【打主意】①think of a plan ; evolve an idea ②try to obtain ; seek
- 【打住】come to a halt ; ( in speech or writing ) stop
- 【打转】spin ; rotate ; revolve
- 【打桩】pile driving ; piling
- 【打桩机】pile driver
- 【打自己嘴巴】contradict oneself ; slap one 's own face
- 【打字】typewrite ; type
- 【打字带】typewriter ribbon
- 【打字稿】typescript
- 【打字机】typewriter
- 【打字员】typist
- 【打字纸】typing-paper
- 【打嘴】①slap sb. 's face ②*dial.* slap one 's own face—fail to

make good one's boast

【打嘴巴】slap sb.'s face

【打坐】(of a Buddhist or Taoist monk) sit in meditation

## dà

**大** dà ① big; large; great ② heavy (rain, etc.); strong (wind, etc.) ③ loud ④ general; main; major ⑤ size ⑥ *adv.* in a big way; on a big (or large) scale; with all-out efforts; vigorously ⑦ eldest ⑧ *honor.* your

【大白】come out; become known

【大白菜】Chinese cabbage

【大白话】colloquial speech

【大白天】broad daylight; daytime

【大伯子】*inf.* husband's elder brother; brother-in-law

【大败】① defeat utterly; put to rout ② suffer a crushing defeat

【大班】the top class in a kindergarten

【大阪】Osaka

【大板车】large flatbed tricycle

【大办】go in for sth. in a big way (or on a big scale)

【大半】*adv.* ① more than half; the greater part; most; more often than not ② most probably; most likely

【大棒】big stick—means of intimidation

【大包干】all-round contract system

【大饱眼福】feast one's eyes on

【大本营】① supreme headquarters ② base camp

【大笔】① pen ② *honor.* your writing; your handwriting

【大便】① defecate; have a bowel movement; shit ② stool; human excrement; shit; faeces

【大辩论】great (or mass) debate

【大兵】common soldier

【大兵团】large troop formation

【大饼】a kind of large flatbread

【大伯】① father's elder brother; uncle ② uncle (a polite form of address for an elderly man)

【大脖子病】*dial.* goitre

【大不】*adv.* very much not

【大不列颠】Great Britain

【大不了】① at the worst; if the worst comes to the worst ② (usu. used in the negative) alarming; serious

【大步流星】with vigorous strides

【大部】the greater part

【大部头】a voluminous work

【大材小用】large material put to small use—one's talent wasted on a petty job; not do justice to sb.'s talents

【大肠】*physiol.* large intestine

【大肠杆菌】colon bacillus

【大潮】spring tide

【大吵大嚷】make a great hue and cry

【大车】cart

【大臣】minister (of a monarchy)

【大吃大喝】(also 大吃八喝) eat and drink to one's heart's content; eat and drink extravagantly

【大吃一惊】be greatly surprised; be quite taken aback

【大冲】*astron.* favourable opposition

【大虫】*dial.* tiger

【大出其丑】hold one up to ridicule

【大出血】*med.* massive haemorrhage

【大吹大擂】make a great fanfare; make a big noise; beat the drum; fuss and feathers

【大吹大捧】laud someone or something to the skies

【大吹法螺】blow one's own trumpet; talk big; brag

【大锤】sledgehammer

【大慈大悲】infinitely compassionate and merciful

【大葱】green Chinese onion

【大错特错】completely mistaken; absolutely wrong

【大打出手】come to blows; get into a fight

【大大】*adv.* greatly; enormously

【大大不然】It is quite another story.

【大大加强】The forces of revolution grow from strength to strength.

- 【大大咧咧】*dial.* careless ; casual
- 【大胆】bold ; daring ; audacious
- 【大刀】broadsword
- 【大刀阔斧】bold and resolute ; drastic
- 【大道】①main road ②the way of justice ③ the Great Tao ; the Great Way
- 【大道理】major principle ; general principle ; great truth
- 【大倒退】great retrogression
- 【大灯】headlight ( of a car )
- 【大敌】formidable enemy ; arch-enemy
- 【大敌当前】a formidable enemy stands before one ; be faced with a formidable foe
- 【大抵】*adv.* generally speaking ; in the main ; on the whole
- 【大地】earth ; mother earth
- 【大典】① grand ceremony ② a body of classical writings ; canon
- 【大殿】① audience hall ② main hall of a Buddhist temple
- 【大调】*mus.* major
- 【大动干戈】go to war ; get into a fight
- 【大动肝火】fly into a rage ; be furious ; be very angry
- 【大动脉】①*physiol.* main artery ; aorta ②main line of communication ; main communications artery
- 【大豆】soybean ; soya bean
- 【大都】*adv.* for the most part ; mostly
- 【大肚子】*inf.* ①pregnant ②big eater ③potbelly
- 【大度】*formal* magnanimous
- 【大队】① a military unit corresponding to the battalion or regiment ; group ② production brigade ( of a rural people 's commune ) ; brigade ③a large body of
- 【大多】*adv.* for the most part ; mostly
- 【大多数】great majority ; vast majority ; the bulk
- 【大而化之】carelessly ; casually ; sloppily
- 【大而无当】large but impractical ; unwieldy
- 【大发慈悲】show mercy
- 【大发横财】amass unprecedented riches ; make piles of money ; reap huge profits
- 【大发牢骚】dissipate one 's grievances extensively
- 【大发善心】become so benevolent that. . .
- 【大发雷霆】be furious ; fly into a rage ; bawl at sb. angrily
- 【大法】fundamental laws and principles ( of a state ) ; constitution
- 【大翻身】completely throw off the oppressor
- 【大凡】*adv.* generally ; in most cases
- 【大反攻】general counter-offensive
- 【大方】① generous ; liberal ② natural and poised ; easy ; unaffected ③in good taste ; tasteful
- 【大方向】general orientation
- 【大放厥词】talk a lot of nonsense ; spout a stream of empty rhetoric
- 【大费唇舌】long harangue ; ranting speech ; a lot of talking
- 【大粪】human excrement ; night soil
- 【大风】①*meteorol.* fresh gale ② gale ; strong wind
- 【大风大浪】wind and waves ; great storms
- 【大夫】a senior official in feudal China
- 【大副】first ( or chief ) mate ; mate ; chief officer
- 【大幅度】by a big ( large ) margin
- 【大腹贾】potbellied merchant ; rich merchant
- 【大腹皮】*Chin. med.* the shell of areca nut
- 【大腹便便】potbellied ; big-bellied
- 【大概】① general idea ; broad outline ② general ; rough ; approximate ③ *adv.* probably ; most likely ; presumably
- 【大概其】*dial.* general ; rough
- 【大干】work energetically ; go all

- out ; make an all-out effort
- 【大干一场】an all-out effort to do big things ; have a big go at it
- 【大纲】outline
- 【大哥】① eldest brother ② elder brother ( a polite form of address for a man about one 's own age )
- 【大哥大】① ( popular name for 移动电话 ) mobile phone ② *inf.* man with power ; boss
- 【大公】grand duke
- 【大公国】grand duchy
- 【大公无私】① selfless ; unselfish ② perfectly impartial
- 【大功】great merit ; extraordinary service
- 【大功告成】be brought to successful completion ; be accomplished ; be crowned with success
- 【大功率】*elec.* high-power
- 【大姑子】*inf.* husband 's elder sister ; sister-in-law
- 【大鼓】① *mus.* bass drum ② *da-gu* , versified story sung to the accompaniment of a small drum and other instruments
- 【大褂】unlined long gown
- 【大观】grand sight ; magnificent spectacle
- 【大管】*mus.* bassoon
- 【大规模】large-scale ; extensive ; massive ; mass
- 【大锅饭】food prepared in a large canteen cauldron ; mess
- 【大国沙文主义】( also 大国主义 ) great-nation chauvinism
- 【大过】serious offence
- 【大海捞针】fish for a needle in the ocean ; look for a needle in a haystack
- 【大喊大叫】① shout at the top of one 's voice ② conduct vigorous propaganda
- 【大汉】big ( or hefty , burly ) fellow
- 【大汉族主义】Han chauvinism
- 【大好】very good ; excellent
- 【大好河山】beautiful rivers and mountains ( of a country ) ; one 's beloved country
- 【大好机会】golden opportunity
- 【大号】① large size ② *mus.* tuba ; bass horn ③ *honor.* your ( given ) name
- 【大合唱】cantata ; chorus
- 【大河】① great river ② the Mighty River ( a literary name for 黄河 )
- 【大喝一声】jolt someone and tell him sharply
- 【大亨】*old* big shot ; bigwig ; magnate
- 【大红】bright red ; scarlet
- 【大后方】① rear area ② the area under KMT rule during the War of Resistance Against Japan
- 【大后年】three years from now
- 【大后天】( also 大后儿 ) three days from now
- 【大户】① rich and influential family ② large family ③ big player ; price maker ; pit trader
- 【大花脸】big flowery face ( a division of the flowery-face role 花脸 )
- 【大话】big ( or tall ) talk ; boast ; bragging
- 【大荒】① a great famine ② vast tracts of wasteland
- 【大黄蜂】hornet
- 【大黄鱼】large yellow croaker
- 【大茴香】*bot.* anise ; star anise
- 【大会】① plenary session ; general membership meeting ② mass meeting ; mass rally
- 【大伙儿】( also 大家伙儿 ) *inf.* we all ; you all ; everybody
- 【大祸临头】disaster is imminent ; disaster is hanging over one
- 【大惑不解】be extremely puzzled ; be unable to make head or tail of sth.
- 【大吉】very lucky ; highly auspicious
- 【大吉大利】good luck and great prosperity ( an expression of good wishes )
- 【大家】① a great master ; authority ② an old and well-known family ; a distinguished ( or prominent ) family ③ all ; everybody
- 【大家闺秀】a girl from a good family ; a well-bred girl ; lady
- 【大家庭】big family ; community
- 【大驾】*honor.* your good self—

- you
- 【大建】a lunar month of 30 days
- 【大件商品】major durable consumer goods
- 【大江】① a great river ② the Great river ( a literary name for 长江 )
- 【大将】① senior general ② high-ranking officer
- 【大教堂】cathedral
- 【大街】main street ; street
- 【大街小巷】streets and lanes
- 【大节】political integrity
- 【大捷】great victory
- 【大姐】① eldest sister ② elder sister ( a polite form of address for a woman about one 's own age )
- 【大姐大】*inf.* woman with power ; boss
- 【大解】go to the lavatory ( to defecate ) ; have a bowel movement
- 【大襟】the front of a Chinese garment which buttons on the right
- 【大惊失色】turn pale with fright
- 【大惊小怪】be surprised or alarmed at sth. quite normal ; make a fuss about nothing
- 【大静脉】*physiol.* vena cava
- 【大舅子】*inf.* wife 's elder brother ; brother-in-law
- 【大局】overall ( *or* general , whole ) situation
- 【大举】carry out ( a military operation ) on a large scale
- 【大举进攻】large-scale invasion ; to attack in force
- 【大举围攻】launch an all-out and converging attack on
- 【大决斗】decisive fight
- 【大军】① main forces ; army ② large contingent
- 【大开方便之门】open the gates wide to ; open the floodgates
- 【大开门户】throw the door wide open
- 【大砍大杀】big chopping off and cutting down
- 【大考】end-of-term examination ; final exam
- 【大可不必】not at all necessary
- 【大客车】( also 大轿车 ) bus ; coach
- 【大课】a lecture given to a large number of students ; enlarged class
- 【大快人心】( *usu.* of the punishment of an evil-doer ) affording general satisfaction ; most gratifying to the people ; to the immense satisfaction of the people
- 【大块头】*dial.* a fat person ; a person of big build ; fatty
- 【大块文章】a long article
- 【大款】*inf.* tycoon ; moneybags
- 【大牢】*inf.* prison ; jail
- 【大老粗】uncouth fellow ; uneducated person ; rough and ready fellow
- 【大老远】*inf.* very far away
- 【大礼拜】an extended Sunday— an alternate Sunday on which one has a day off ; a fortnightly holiday
- 【大理石】marble
- 【大力】energetic ; vigorous
- 【大力士】a man of unusual strength , esp. a weight-lifter
- 【大殓】encoffining ceremony
- 【大梁】ridgepole ; ridgepiece
- 【大量】① a large number ; a great quantity ② generous ; magnanimous
- 【大料】*dial.* aniseed
- 【大龄未婚青年】a single man or woman of around thirty who is in want of a spouse
- 【大楼】multi-storied building
- 【大陆】continent ; mainland
- 【大陆架】continental shelf
- 【大陆漂移】continental drift
- 【大陆坡】continental slope
- 【大陆性气候】continental climate
- 【大路】main road ; highway
- 【大路菜】basic and common vegetables
- 【大路货】popular goods of dependable quality
- 【大妈】① father 's elder brother 's wife ; aunt ② aunt ( an affectionate or respectful form of address for an elderly woman )
- 【大麻】① hemp ② marijuana
- 【大骂】heap so much abuse on . . .
- 【大骂特骂】scurrilous and violent

- abuse
- 【大麦】barley
- 【大忙】very busy
- 【大忙季节】rush season
- 【大忙人】busy bee
- 【大熊猫】giant panda
- 【大毛】long-haired pelt
- 【大媒】*inf.* matchmaker ; go-between
- 【大门】entrance ( *or* front ) door ; gate
- 【大米】( husked ) rice
- 【大面儿】*dial.* general appearance ; surface
- 【大民主】great ( *or* extensive ) democracy
- 【大民族主义】big-nationality chauvinism
- 【大名】① one 's formal personal name ② *honor.* your ( given ) name
- 【大名鼎鼎】famous ; celebrated ; well-known
- 【大谬不然】entirely wrong ; grossly mistaken
- 【大模大样】in an ostentatious manner ; with a swagger
- 【大拇哥】*dial.* thumb
- 【大拇指】*inf.* thumb
- 【大拿】*inf.* ① person with power ; boss ② authority ; expert
- 【大难】catastrophe ; disaster
- 【大难临头】with great disaster hanging over one ; be faced with imminent disaster
- 【大脑】*physiol.* cerebrum
- 【大脑半球】cerebral hemisphere
- 【大脑皮层】cerebral cortex
- 【大闹天宫】create a tremendous uproar.
- 【大闹一场】raise a tumult
- 【大逆不道】treason and heresy ; worst offence ; greatest outrage
- 【大年初一】*inf.* first day of the lunar year ; lunar New Year 's Day
- 【大年夜】*dial.* lunar New Year 's Eve
- 【大娘】*inf.* ① wife of father 's elder brother ; aunt ② aunt ( a respectful form of address used for an elderly woman )
- 【大排行】order of seniority among cousins in an extended family or descendants of the same paternal grandfather
- 【大炮】① artillery ; big gun ; cannon ② *inf.* one who speaks boastfully or forcefully ; one who noisily overstates things
- 【大批】① large quantities ( *or* numbers , amounts ) of ② mass criticism
- 【大骗局】a pure swindle ; fraud ; hoax
- 【大漂】*bot.* water lettuce ; water cabbage
- 【大泼冷水】damp down enthusiasm ; pour cold water on
- 【大破】destroy in a big way ; destroy energetically ; destroy on a grand scale
- 【大破大立】eradicate... and foster... with the utmost vigour ; utterly destroy... and vigorously establish the supremacy of
- 【大起大落】violent fluctuations ; big ups and downs
- 【大气】① *meterol.* atmosphere ; air ② heavy breathing
- 【大气层】atmospheric layer ; atmosphere
- 【大气电】atmospheric electricity
- 【大气干扰】atmospheric interference
- 【大气候】① *meterol.* macroclimate ② general tendency ; general political climate
- 【大气环流】atmospheric circulation ; general circulation of atmosphere
- 【大气科学】atmospheric sciences
- 【大气磅礴】of great momentum ; powerful ; grand and magnificent
- 【大气污染】air ( *or* atmospheric ) pollution
- 【大气压】atmospheric pressure ; atmosphere
- 【大气折射】atmospheric ( *or* astronomical ) refraction
- 【大器晚成】great vessels take years to produce—great minds mature slowly
- 【大千世界】the boundless universe
- 【大前年】three years ago

- 【大前提】*log.* major premise
- 【大钳】tongs
- 【大巧若拙】great skill seems awkward
- 【大秋】① harvest season in autumn ② crops harvested in autumn ; autumn harvest
- 【大秋作物】crops sown in spring and reaped in autumn ; autumn-harvested crops
- 【大曲】① yeast for making hard liquor ② a hard liquor made with such yeast
- 【大权】power over major issues ; authority
- 【大权独揽】centralize power in one person 's hands ; have sole power ; arrogate all authority to oneself
- 【大权在握】have ( hold ) in one 's hands immeasurable power
- 【大人】① adult ; grown-up ② *old* Your Excellency or His Excellency
- 【大人物】important person ; great personage ; big shot ; VIP
- 【大肉】pork
- 【大扫除】general cleaning ; thorough cleanup
- 【大嫂】① eldest brother 's wife ; sister-in-law ② elder sister ( a polite form of address for a woman about one 's own age )
- 【大杀风景】( also 大煞风景 ) utterly spoil the fun
- 【大厦】① large building ② mansions ( used in names of large buildings )
- 【大少爷】① eldest son ( of a rich family ) ② a spoilt son of a rich family ; spendthrift
- 【大舌头】*inf.* a thick-tongued person ; one who lisps ; lisper
- 【大赦】amnesty ; general pardon
- 【大婶儿】aunt ( an affectionate or respectful form of address for a woman about one 's mother 's age )
- 【大声疾呼】raise a cry of warning ; loudly appeal to the public
- 【大失所望】greatly disappointed ; to one 's great disappointment
- 【大师】① great master ; master ② Great Master , a courtesy title used to address a Buddhist monk
- 【大师傅】cook ; *chef*
- 【大使】ambassador
- 【大使馆】embassy
- 【大使级会谈】talks at ambassadorial level ; ambassadorial talks
- 【大使衔】ambassadorial rank
- 【大事】① great ( or major ) event ; important matter ; major issue ② overall ( or general ) situation ③ in a big way
- 【大事记】chronicle of events
- 【大势】general trend of events
- 【大势所趋】the trend of the times ; the general trend
- 【大势已定】a foregone conclusion
- 【大势已去】the situation is hopeless ; the game is as good as lost ; it 's all up with sb.
- 【大是大非】major matters of principle ; cardinal questions of right and wrong
- 【大手笔】① the work of a well-known writer ② a well-known writer
- 【大手大脚】wasteful ; extravagant
- 【大书特书】record in letters of gold ; write volumes about
- 【大叔】① younger brother of one 's father ; uncle ② uncle ( a polite form of address for a man about one 's father 's age )
- 【大水】flood ; floodwater
- 【大肆】without restraint ; wantonly
- 【大肆吹捧】extol something to the sky ; go out of one 's way to laud someone
- 【大肆泛滥】run rampant ; run rife
- 【大肆攻击】wantonly attack ; lash out at ; vigorously attack ; violent attack ; wantonly vilify ; launch unbridled attack on ( against )
- 【大肆鼓吹】make a big hue and cry about ; vociferously advocate
- 【大肆进攻】massive attacks
- 【大肆渲染】play up ; enormously exaggerate
- 【大肆宣扬】vigorously propagate ; loudly sing the praises of ; widely advertise ; give great publicity

- 【大苏打】*chem.* sodium thiosulfate ; sodium hyposulfite ; hypo
- 【大蒜】garlic
- 【大踏步】in big strides
- 【大谈】prate about ; talk volubly about ; talk glibly about ; talk quite a lot about
- 【大堂】the court room in a *yamen*
- 【大提琴】violoncello ; cello
- 【大体上】generally ; roughly ; by and large ; on the whole ; in general outline
- 【大体相同】essentially the same ; six of one and half a dozen of the other
- 【大天白日】*inf.* broad daylight
- 【大田】land for growing field crops
- 【大田作物】field crop
- 【大厅】hall
- 【大庭广众】( before ) a big crowd ; ( on ) a public occasion
- 【大同】Great Harmony ( an ideal or perfect society )
- 【大同小异】much the same but with minor differences ; alike except for slight differences ; very much the same
- 【大头】① head mask ② the bigger end ; the main part ③ *derog.* spendthrift ; wastrel
- 【大头菜】*bot.* rutabaga
- 【大头针】pin
- 【大屠杀】holocaust ; mass slaughter
- 【大团圆】① happy reunion ② happy ending
- 【大腿】thigh
- 【大腕】*inf.* ① star ( usu. referring to actors , singers , etc. ) ; top notch ② past master
- 【大王】① king ; magnate ② a person of the highest class or skill in sth. ; ace
- 【大为】*adv.* to a large extent ; greatly ; considerably
- 【大尉】senior captain
- 【大无畏】dauntless ; utterly fearless ; indomitable
- 【大西洋】the Atlantic ( Ocean )
- 【大喜】*inf.* ① great rejoicing ② wedding
- 【大喜过望】be delighted that things are better than one expected
- 【大戏】① a full-scale traditional opera ② *dial.* Beijing opera
- 【大虾】prawn
- 【大显身手】display one 's skill to the full ; give full play to one 's abilities ; distinguish oneself ; give a good account of oneself
- 【大显神通】give full play to one 's remarkable skill ( or abilities ) ; display one 's prowess
- 【大相径庭】widely divergent ; entirely different ; poles apart
- 【大小】① big or small ② size ③ degree of seniority ④ adults and children
- 【大校】senior colonel
- 【大协作】large-scale cooperation ; a major pooling of efforts
- 【大写】① the capital form of a Chinese numeral ② capitalization
- 【大兴土木】go in for large-scale construction ; be busy putting up buildings
- 【大猩猩】gorilla
- 【大行星】*astron.* major planet
- 【大型】large-scale ; large
- 【大型轧钢厂】rail and structural shape mill
- 【大熊猫】giant panda
- 【大熊座】*astron.* Ursa Major ; the Great Bear
- 【大休整】rest and consolidation on a large scale
- 【大修】*mech.* overhaul ; heavy repair
- 【大选】general election
- 【大学】university ; college
- 【大学生】university ( or college ) student
- 【大血战】“ great , sanguinary war ”
- 【大循环】*physiol.* systemic circulation
- 【大牙】① molar ② front tooth
- 【大雅】elegance ; refinement ; good taste
- 【大烟】( common name for 鸦片 ) opium
- 【大烟鬼】opium addict
- 【大言不惭】brag unblushingly ;

- talk big
- 【大盐】crude salt
- 【大雁】wild goose
- 【大洋】①ocean ②silver dollar
- 【大洋洲】Oceania; Oceanica
- 【大样】① *print.* full-page proof  
② *archit.* detail drawing
- 【大摇大摆】strutting; swaggering
- 【大要】main points; gist
- 【大爷】*inf.* ① father's elder brother; uncle ② uncle (a respectful form of address for an elderly man)
- 【大业】great cause; great undertaking
- 【大衣】overcoat; topcoat
- 【大姨】*inf.* mother's eldest sister; aunt
- 【大姨子】*inf.* wife's elder sister; sister-in-law
- 【大义】cardinal principles of righteousness; righteous cause
- 【大义凛然】inspiring awe by upholding justice; with stern righteousness
- 【大义灭亲】place righteousness above loyalty to one's family; sacrifice ties of blood to righteousness
- 【大意】general idea; main points; gist; tenor
- 【大印】great seal—the seal of power
- 【大有】①there is much ②formal abundance
- 【大有可为】be well worth doing; have bright prospects
- 【大有人在】there are plenty of such people; such people are by no means rare
- 【大有文章】there's something behind all this; there's more to this than meets the eye
- 【大有作为】have full scope for one's talents; be able to develop one's ability to the full; have great possibilities
- 【大雨】heavy rain
- 【大雨倾盆】Rain cascaded from the heavens. ; It rains cats and dogs.
- 【大雨如注】the rain is pouring down; it's raining cats and dogs; it's raining in torrents
- 【大元帅】generalissimo
- 【大员】*old* high-ranking official
- 【大远】far away
- 【大院】courtyard; compound
- 【大约】*adv.* ①approximately; about ②probably
- 【大跃进】the Big Leap Forward
- 【大运河】the Grand Canal
- 【大杂烩】hodgepodge; hotchpotch
- 【大杂院儿】a compound occupied by many households
- 【大灾难】catastrophe; disaster; calamity
- 【大早】very early in the morning
- 【大张旗鼓】on a grand scale; in a big way
- 【大丈夫】true man; real man; man
- 【大震动】great upheavals
- 【大政方针】fundamental policy (of a state); major policy
- 【大指】thumb
- 【大志】high aim; lofty aim; exalted ambition; high aspirations
- 【大致】*adv.* roughly; approximately; more or less
- 【大智若愚】a man of great wisdom often seems slow-witted
- 【大众】the masses; the people; the public; the broad masses of the people
- 【大众化】popularize
- 【大众文艺】literature and art for the masses
- 【大洲】continent
- 【大主教】archbishop
- 【大专】college for professional training
- 【大专学校】universities and colleges for professional training
- 【大专院校】universities and colleges; institutions of higher education
- 【大子儿】a former large copper coin worth 20 cash
- 【大字报】*dazibao*; big-character poster
- 【大字本】*print.* large-character edition; large-type edition
- 【大自然】nature
- 【大宗】① a large amount (or quantity) ②staple

- 【大宗商品】bulk commodity  
 【大作】① *honor.* your writing ② spring up ; break out

## dāi

- 呆 dāi ① slow-witted ; dull ② blank ; wooden ③ *inf.* stay  
 【呆板】stiff and awkward ; rigid ; not natural ; inflexible  
 【呆痴】stupid ; slow-witted  
 【呆气】stupidity ; foolishness  
 【呆若木鸡】dumb as a wooden chicken ; dumbstruck ; transfixed ( with fear or amazement )  
 【呆头呆脑】stupid-looking  
 【呆小症】*med.* cretinism  
 【呆性物质】*chem.* inert material  
 【呆账】bad debt  
 【呆滞】① dull ② idle  
 【呆子】idiot ; simpleton ; block-head

待 dāi *inf.* stay

- 【待会儿】in a moment

## dǎi

歹 dǎi bad ; evil ; vicious

- 【歹毒】*dial.* sinister and vicious  
 【歹人】*dial.* villain ; gangster or robber  
 【歹徒】scoundrel ; ruffian ; evil-doer  
 【歹心】( also 歹意 ) malice ; malicious intent

逮 dǎi capture ; catch

## dài

大 dài

- 【大夫】*inf.* doctor ; physician  
 【大王】great king ( a term of address for a king or a bandit chief , used in traditional operas and novels )

代 dài ① take the place of ; be in place of ② acting ③ his-

torical period ④ *geol.* era ⑤ generation

【代办】① do sth. for sb. ; act on sb. ' s behalf ② *diplomacy* chargé d ' Affaires

【代办处】*diplomacy* Office of the Chargé d ' Affaires

【代笔】write ( a letter , etc. ) for sb. ; be a ghost writer

【代表】① deputy ; delegate ; representative ② represent ; stand for ③ on behalf of ; in the name of

【代表大会】congress ; representative assembly ( or conference )

【代表权】representation

【代表人物】representative figure ( or personage ) ; typical representative ; leading exponent

【代表团】delegation ; mission ; deputation

【代表资格】qualifications of a representative

【代表作】representative work

【代步】*formal* ride instead of walk

【代词】*gram.* pronoun

【代沟】generation gap

【代购】buy on sb. ' s behalf ; act as a purchasing agent

【代号】code name

【代价】price ; cost

【代金】cash equivalent

【代金券】coupons

【代课】take over a class for an absent teacher

【代劳】do sth. for sb. ; take trouble on sb. ' s behalf

【代理】① act on behalf of sb. in a responsible position ② act as agent ( or proxy , procurator )

【代理人】① agent ; deputy ; proxy ② *leg.* procurator ; attorney

【代脉】*Chin. med.* slow , intermittent pulse

【代名词】① ( same as 代词 ) pronoun ② synonym

【代人受过】suffer for the faults of another ; bear the blame for sb. else ; be made a scapegoat

【代售】be commissioned to sell sth. ( usu. as a sideline )

【代数】algebra

【代数方程】algebraic equation

- 【代数式】algebraic expression  
 【代数数论】algebraic theory of numbers  
 【代替】replace; substitute for; take the place of  
 【代为】(used before verbs) on behalf of; for (sb.)  
 【代谢】① supersession ② *biol.* metabolize  
 【代谢物】*biol.* metabolite  
 【代行】act on sb.'s behalf  
 【代序】an article used in lieu of a preface (or by way of introduction)  
 【代言人】spokesman; mouth-piece  
 【代用】substitute  
 【代用品】substitute; ersatz  
 【代职】hold a position in an acting capacity
- 带** dài ① belt; girdle; ribbon; band; tape ② tyre ③ zone; area; belt ④ take; bring; carry ⑤ lead; head ⑥ look after; bring up; raise
- 【带病】in spite of illness  
 【带材】*metall.* strip  
 【带刺儿】with veiled sarcasm  
 【带电】electrified; live; charged  
 【带电粒子】*phys.* charged particle  
 【带电体】charged (or electrified) body  
 【带电作业】live-wire work  
 【带动】drive; spur on; bring along  
 【带好儿】give regards to  
 【带劲】① energetic; forceful ② interesting; exciting; wonderful  
 【带锯】*mech.* band saw  
 【带菌】carry disease germs  
 【带菌者】*med.* carrier  
 【带累】implicate; involve; get sb. into trouble  
 【带领】lead; guide  
 【带路】(also 带道) show (or lead) the way; act as a guide  
 【带路人】guide  
 【带身子】*inf.* be in the family way; be pregnant  
 【带头】take the lead; be the first; take the initiative; set an example
- 【带头羊】bellwether  
 【带徒弟】train (or take on) an apprentice  
 【带孝】wear mourning for a parent, relative, etc.; be in mourning  
 【带信儿】take or bring a message  
 【带引】guide; lead the way  
 【带鱼】hairtail  
 【带职】in service; on the job  
 【带子】belt; girdle; ribbon; band; tape
- 殆** dài *formal* ① dangerous; perilous ② *adv.* nearly; almost
- 贷** dài ① loan ② borrow or lend ③ shift (responsibility); shirk ④ pardon; forgive
- 【贷方】*bookkeeping* credit side; credit
- 【贷款】① provide (or grant) a loan; extend credit to; make an advance to ② loan; credit
- 【贷学金】student loans
- 待** dài ① treat; deal with ② entertain ③ wait for; await
- 【待到】by the time; when  
 【待机】await an opportunity; bide one's time  
 【待机而动】wait for one's opportunity  
 【待价而沽】wait to sell at a good price; wait for the highest bid  
 【待考】need checking; remain to be verified  
 【待命】(also 待令) await orders  
 【待命出动】be ready for orders to march to...  
 【待人处世】the way one treats people and conducts oneself in society  
 【待人接物】the way one gets along with people  
 【待人以宽】large-mindedness in dealing with people  
 【待时】*formal* bide one's time  
 【待续】to be continued  
 【待业】job-waiting; unemployed  
 【待遇】① treatment; reception ② remuneration; pay; wages; salary
- 怠** dài idle; remiss; slack

- 【怠惰】idle ; lazy ; indolent  
 【怠工】slowdown ; go slow  
 【怠忽】be indolent and neglectful  
 【怠倦】be indolent and listless ;  
 be languid and idel  
 【怠慢】① cold-shoulder ; slight  
 ② *pol.* ( used by the host at the  
 end of a reception , etc. )

**袋** dài bag ; sack ; pocket ;  
 pouch

- 【袋泡茶】teabag  
 【袋兽】marsupial  
 【袋鼠】kangaroo  
 【袋装】in bags  
 【袋子】sack ; bag

**逮** dài *formal* reach

- 【逮捕】arrest ; take into custody  
 【逮捕证】arrest warrant

**戴** dài ① put on ; wear ② re-  
 spect ; honour

- 【戴高帽子】① flatter ; lay it on  
 thick ② wear a tall paper hat  
 ( as a mark of shame ) ; wear a  
 dunce 's cap  
 【戴绿帽】( also 戴绿头巾 ) be a  
 cuckold  
 【戴帽子】be branded as ; be la-  
 belled  
 【戴胜】*zool.* hoopoe  
 【戴孝】( same as 带孝 ) wear  
 mourning for sb.  
 【戴罪立功】atone for one 's  
 crimes by doing good deeds ; re-  
 deem oneself by good service

**黛** dài a black pigment used by  
 women in ancient times to  
 paint their eyebrows

- 【黛绿】*formal* dark green

## dān

**丹** dān ① red ② *Chin. med.*  
 pellet or powder

- 【丹忱】a sincere heart ; absolute  
 sincerity  
 【丹顶鹤】red-crested crane ; red-  
 crowned vrane  
 【丹毒】*med.* erysipelas  
 【丹皮】*Chin. med.* the root bark  
 of the tree peony  
 【丹青】*liter.* red and green col-

ours—painting

- 【丹田】the pubic region  
 【丹心】a loyal heart ; loyalty  
**担** dān ① carry on a shoulder  
 pole ② take on ; undertake

- 【担保】assure ; guarantee ; vouch  
 for  
 【担保人】guarantor ; guarantee  
 【担不起】① be unable to shoulder  
 ( the responsibility ) ; be une-  
 qual to ( a task ) ② *hum.* I real-  
 ly don 't deserve this ; you flat-  
 ter me

- 【担不是】take the blame  
 【担承】bear ; undertake ; assume  
 the responsibility for  
 【担待】*inf.* ① be magnanimous ;  
 be tolerant ② bear the responsi-  
 bility

【担当】take on ; undertake ; as-  
 sume

【担负】bear ; shoulder ; take on ;  
 be charged with

【担搁】( same as 耽搁 ) ① stop o-  
 ver ② delay

【担架】stretcher ; litter

【担惊受怕】feel alarmed ; be in a  
 state of anxiety

【担任】assume the office of ; hold  
 the post of

【担心】worry ; feel anxious  
 【担忧】worry ; be anxious

**单** dān ① one ; single ② odd  
 ③ single ; solitary ④ *adv.* on-  
 ly ; alone ⑤ unlined ( clothing )  
 ⑥ bill ; list

【单摆】*phys.* simple pendulum

【单板】veneer

【单帮】a travelling trader working  
 on his own

【单倍体】*biol.* monoploid ; hap-  
 loid

【单比】*math.* digital ratio

【单比例】*math.* digital ratio e-  
 quation

【单边】*econ.* unilateral

【单兵】① individual soldier ②  
*formal* an isolated force

【单薄】① ( of clothing ) thin ②  
 thin and weak ; frail ③ insub-  
 stantial ; flimsy ; thin

【单产】per unit area yield

【单车】*dial.* bicycle