

Mandarin
11月12号

光棍节

双十一

- The **Singles' Day** ([Chinese](#): 光棍节) or **Double 11** ([Chinese](#): 双11), originally called **Bachelors' Day**, is a Chinese unofficial holiday and shopping season that celebrates people who are not in relationships. The date, 11 November (11/11), was chosen because the numeral 1 resembles a bare stick ([Chinese](#): 光棍; [pinyin](#): *guānggùn*), which is [Chinese Internet slang](#) for an unmarried man who does not add branches" to the [family tree](#).^[1] The four '1's also abstractly refer to the [demographic group](#) of single people. Paradoxically, the holiday has become a popular date on which to celebrate relationships: more than 4,000 couples got married in [Beijing](#) on this date in 2011, far greater than the daily average of 700 marriages.
- The holiday has become the largest [physical retail](#) and [online](#) shopping day in the world. [Alibaba](#) shoppers exceeded 213.5 billion [yuan](#) ([USD](#) \$30.7 billion) in total spend during 2018 Singles Day.[[]

翻译

- This is too big
- 这个东西太大了
- He has already arrived
- 他已经到了
- As soon as you call me, I'll begin
- 你一给我打电话我就开始
- Today is so cold!
- 今天这么冷，今天那么冷
- He walks very slowly
- 他走路走得很慢

Writing lines

Write the following in characters – as many times as possible

- For revision:

- Běijīng zài xī'ān de dōng bian
- zhōngguó zài rìběn de xī biān
- Nǐ jiā zài nǎlǐ?

This time:

- **Měi gè yīshēng yào zhù zài běijīng**
- **Wǒ zài zhǎo zhè ge zì**
- **tāmen yào zǒu lù qù gōngsī**
- **Next time:**
- Wǒ de shǒujī zài nǎ'er? Zài nà.
- Wǒ de tóngxué yě zài shànghǎi gōngzuò

'The same' and 'difference-not-much'

- My job is the same as yours.
- *My job and your job the same*
- 我的工作和你的一样。
- My job is as difficult as yours.
- *My job and your job the same difficult*
- 我的工作和你工作一样难
- I'm same height as my friend
- *Me and my friend the same tall*
- 我和我的朋友一样高
- The weather today is very similar to yesterdays
- *Today's weather and yesterday's very similar*
- 今天的天气和昨天的差不多
- My homework is the same as my classmate's
- 我的作业和我同学的一样
- His listening skills are as good as mine
- 他的听力和我的一样好
- This book isn't very different from that one
- 这本书和那本书差不多

Vocabulary review

Fill in the blanks.

白天	báitiān	<i>n.</i>	daytime
_____	bǐ	<i>v.</i>	compare, contrast
部分	bùfen	<i>n.</i>	_____
差别	chābié	<i>n.</i>	difference
差不多	chàbùduō	<i>adj.</i>	_____
_____	chuān	<i>v.</i>	wear (clothes)
达到	dá dào	<i>v.</i>	_____
_____	dà	<i>adj.</i>	big, large
带	dài	<i>v.</i>	bring, take
戴	dài	<i>v.</i>	wear (clothing accessories like hat, scarf, etc.)
地区	dìqū	<i>n.</i>	area
_____	dōngtiān	<i>n.</i>	winter
度	dù	<i>n.</i>	_____
短裤	duǎnkù	<i>n.</i>	shorts
多云	duōyún	<i>n.</i>	_____
_____	fēng	<i>n.</i>	wind
将	jiāng	<i>adv.</i>	(for future tense, written)
_____	kōngqì	<i>n.</i>	air
冷	lěng	<i>adj.</i>	cold
零下	língxià	<i>n.</i>	_____
_____	máoyī	<i>n.</i>	sweater, jumper
墨镜	mòjìng	<i>n.</i>	_____
_____	nuǎnhuo	<i>adj.</i>	warm
起	qǐ	<i>v.</i>	since, starting from
气温	qìwēn	<i>n.</i>	_____
_____	qíng	<i>adj.</i>	sunny
如果	rúguǒ	<i>conj.</i>	if
上	shàng	<i>n./v.</i>	above, on top of; begin to do
手套	shǒutào	<i>n.</i>	_____

受	shòu	<i>v.</i>	suffer, receive, be subjected to
虽然	suīrán	<i>conj.</i>	_____
_____	tàiyáng	<i>n.</i>	sun
听说	tīngshuō	<i>v.</i>	_____
围巾	wéijīn	<i>n.</i>	scarf
下降	xiàjiàng	<i>v.</i>	_____
小	xiǎo	<i>adj.</i>	_____
_____	xiàxuě	<i>v.</i>	snow
行	xíng	<i>v.</i>	OK, right
夜间	yèjiān	<i>n.</i>	_____
_____	yīyàng	<i>adj.</i>	same
以上	yǐshàng	<i>n.</i>	above
阴	yīn	<i>adj.</i>	_____
影响	yǐngxiǎng	<i>v./n.</i>	influence; affect
_____	yǔ	<i>n.</i>	rain
预报	yùbào	<i>n./v.</i>	forecast
_____	zài	<i>adv.</i>	then; again
转	zhuǎn	<i>v.</i>	change
春天	chūntiān	<i>n.</i>	spring
风衣	fēngyī	<i>n.</i>	windcheater
夹克	jiákè	<i>n.</i>	jacket
凉爽	liángshuǎng	<i>adj.</i>	cool
帽子	màozi	<i>n.</i>	hat
牛仔裤	niúzáikù	<i>n.</i>	jeans
秋天	qiūtiān	<i>n.</i>	autumn
热	rè	<i>adj.</i>	hot
夏天	xiàtiān	<i>n.</i>	summer
羽绒服	yǔróngfú	<i>n.</i>	down jacket
雨伞	yǔsǎn	<i>n.</i>	umbrella
雨鞋	yǔxié	<i>n.</i>	rain boots

作业

- Read all notes carefully
- Practise writing your character-sentences p.4 Read through the two timetables on p.8 in preparation for speaking exercise
- Do the reading task on my website, ideally using the Chrome extension to help you when needed.
- <https://www.noproblemchinese.com/%E9%98%85%E8%AF%BB>
- https://chrome.google.com/webstore/detail/zhongwen-chinese-english/kkmlkkjojmombglmlpbpapmhcaljjkde?utm_source=chrome-ntp-icon