

Mandarin
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Can you remember this
vocab?

小时

回答

远

妻子

桌子

离

多长时间?

How long does it take?

- 法国
- 法国离这里远不远?
- 不远
- 要多长时间?
- 坐火车要两个小时

Practise this dialogue to yourself, using the places on the next page. It's not complicated in terms of grammar, but takes a long time for your mouth and memory to wrap themselves around the structure so lots of practice and repetition can really help

多长时间?

- 中国
 - 书店
 - 小学
 - 澳大利亚
 - 大学
 - 饭馆
 - 饭店
 - 火车站
 - 你家
- Long way from here?
 - 回答
 - How long does it take?
 - 回答 Transport - time

47. Book (shu1)
48. Volume (ben3)
49. On/above (shang4)
50. Under/below (xia4)
51. Face, side (mian4)
52. Fire (huo3)
53. Vehicle (che1)
54. Very (hen3)
55. Good (hao3)
56. Peace (an1)
57. Door (men2)
58. To want, need, will (yao4)
59. North (bei3)
60. Capital (jing1)

Crazy sentences

- The doctor's book
- Are you in Xi an?
- Your book is on top
- Outside Xi an
- He is too small
- His spoon is very small. Hers is very big.
- Tiananmen is very big. It isn't in Xi'an.
- Is work OK? (work good-not-good)
- My friend wants to go to Beijing tomorrow

As a verb 给 means 'to give' but it's often used as a preposition where can usually be translated as 'for'

A: 今天 晚上 我们一起吃饭吧, 给你过生日。

B: 今天? 离我的生日还有一个多星期呢!

A: 下个星期我要去北京, 今天过吧。

B: 好吧, 离这儿不远有一个中国饭馆,

走几分钟就到了。

The verb 过 means 'to pass' but it can also imply the meaning of 'celebrate'

过—过生日—过新年—怎么过

—你什么时候过生日？

—过新年的时候我想回国。

—今天晚上我们一起吃饭吧，给你过生日。

到—到学校—到饭馆—到下个月—到十点

—今天我七点就到学校了。

—到下个月我就二十岁了。

—离这儿不远有一个中国饭馆，走几分钟就到了。

Practise reading these sentences/phrases

Walk for a few minutes
and then you're there



Reading paper – HSK2

- Print out and try out this test paper. Reading starts p 8, qu 36.
- <http://hummedia.manchester.ac.uk/schools/salc/centres/confucius/hsk/pastpapers/hsk2/H21330-exam-paper.pdf>
- Any access problems - just email me
- You have 20 minutes for it in actual exam so if you want to test yourself – see how you get on in that time scale and with no dictionary.
- The answers are on the next page. Be brave.
- Have a good week and, Ann, 万事如意

- 36 C
- 37 A
- 38 E
- 39 F
- 40 B
- 41 F
- 42 A
- 43 B
- 44 D
- 45 C

- 46.不对
- 47.对
- 48.不对
- 49.不对
- 50.对
- 51.D
- 52.A
- 53.B
- 54.F
- 55.C
- 56.A
- 57.C
- 58.D
- 59.B
- 60.E