HSK 1 word list, 2021 standard: 500 words in 50 groups

This is the HSK 1 list of the 2021 Chinese proficiency standard (GF0025-2021), the list the Hanzi Grove app follows. The exam itself now uses the shorter 2025 syllabus list. The 2021 HSK 1 list has 500 words. It is part of the elementary stage. Hanzi Grove splits the list into 50 groups of about 10, the same groups as the Hanzi Grove app. Open a group to learn its words with character breakdowns, example sentences and quick checks. Everything is free.

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Group 1

Meet someone and introduce yourself.

你 **nǐ** you	好 **hǎo** good	我 **wǒ** I	叫 **jiào** to be called
名字 **míngzi** name	是 **shì** to be	人 **rén** person	谁 **shéi** who
请 **qǐng** please	坐 **zuò** to sit		

Group 2

Ask, point and invite someone to sit.

来 **lái** to come	去 **qù** to go	站 **zhàn** station	这 **zhè** this
那 **nà** that	什么 **shénme** what	吗 **ma** question particle	呢 **ne** question particle (and you?
要 **yào** to want	用 **yòng** to use		

Group 3

Talk about the people in a home.

家 **jiā** home	有 **yǒu** to have	和 **hé** and	在 **zài** at
住 **zhù** to live	爸爸 **bàba** dad	妈妈 **māma** mom	孩子 **háizi** child
几 **jǐ** how many	您 **nín** you (polite)		

Group 4

Ask for food or a drink and talk about price.

吃 **chī** to eat	饭 **fàn** meal	水 **shuǐ** water	喝 **hē** to drink
茶 **chá** tea	买 **mǎi** to buy	钱 **qián** money	多少 **duōshao** how many
贵 **guì** expensive	不 **bù** not		

Group 5

Connect words to the actions of a day.

今天 **jīntiān** today	早上 **zǎoshang** early morning	起床 **qǐchuáng** to get out of bed	洗 **xǐ** to wash
衣服 **yīfu** clothes	出 **chū** to go out	走 **zǒu** to walk	到 **dào** to arrive
上班 **shàngbān** to go to work	回家 **huíjiā** to go home		

Group 6

Use words around studying and reading.

学生 **xuésheng** student	老师 **lǎoshī** teacher	书 **shū** book	看 **kàn** to look
写 **xiě** to write	读 **dú** to read	学习 **xuéxí** to study	学校 **xuéxiào** school
课本 **kèběn** textbook	字 **zì** character		

Group 7

Arrange to meet a friend.

朋友 **péngyou** friend	想 **xiǎng** to think	明天 **míngtiān** tomorrow	见面 **jiànmiàn** to meet
现在 **xiànzài** now	能 **néng** can	他 **tā** he	忙 **máng** busy
时间 **shíjiān** time	再见 **zàijiàn** goodbye		

Group 8

Find a stop, ask where, and get moving.

车 **chē** vehicle	车站 **chēzhàn** station	票 **piào** ticket	打车 **dǎchē** to take a taxi
走路 **zǒulù** to walk	这里 **zhèlǐ** here	哪里 **nǎlǐ** where	远 **yuǎn** far
前边 **qiánbian** in front	等 **děng** to wait		

Group 9

Choose something and discuss what you need.

商店 **shāngdiàn** shop	东西 **dōngxi** thing	个 **gè** general measure word	元 **yuán** yuan
块 **kuài** yuan (money)	小 **xiǎo** small	大 **dà** big	白 **bái** white
她 **tā** she	不用 **bùyòng** no need		

Group 10

Mix family words with actions and time.

哥哥 **gēge** older brother	工作 **gōngzuò** work	姐姐 **jiějie** older sister	回 **huí** to return
今年 **jīnnián** this year	弟弟 **dìdi** younger brother	年 **nián** year	妹妹 **mèimei** younger sister
时候 **shíhou** time	家里 **jiālǐ** at home		

Group 11

爱 **ài** love	出去 **chūqù** to go out	二 **èr** two	后 **hòu** behind
渴 **kě** thirsty	拿 **ná** to take	去年 **qùnián** last year	岁 **suì** years of age
先 **xiān** first	右边 **yòubian** right side		

Group 12

爱好 **àihào** hobby	穿 **chuān** to wear	饭店 **fàndiàn** restaurant	后边 **hòubian** behind
课 **kè** lesson	哪 **nǎ** which	热 **rè** hot	他们 **tāmen** they
先生 **xiānsheng** Mr	雨 **yǔ** rain		

Group 13

八 **bā** eight	床 **chuáng** bed	房间 **fángjiān** room	后天 **hòutiān** day after tomorrow
课文 **kèwén** lesson text	哪儿 **nǎr** where	认识 **rènshi** to know (a person)	她们 **tāmen** they
小孩儿 **xiǎoháir** child	月 **yuè** month		

Group 14

吧 **ba** particle for suggestions (let's...)	次 **cì** measure word for times	房子 **fángzi** house	花 **huā** flower
口 **kǒu** mouth	哪些 **nǎxiē** which ones	认真 **rènzhēn** serious	太 **tài** too
小姐 **xiǎojie** Miss	再 **zài** again		

Group 15

白天 **báitiān** daytime	从 **cóng** from	放 **fàng** to put	话 **huà** words
快 **kuài** fast	那边 **nàbian** over there	日 **rì** day	天 **tiān** day
小朋友 **xiǎopéngyǒu** child	在家 **zàijiā** at home		

Group 16

百 **bǎi** hundred	错 **cuò** wrong	放假 **fàngjià** to have a holiday	坏 **huài** bad
来到 **láidào** to come to	那里 **nàli** there	日期 **rìqī** date	天气 **tiānqì** weather
小时 **xiǎoshí** hour	早 **zǎo** early		

Group 17

班 **bān** class	打 **dǎ** to play (ball)	放学 **fàngxué** to finish school for the day	还 **huán** to give back
老 **lǎo** old	那儿 **nàr** there	肉 **ròu** meat	听 **tīng** to listen
小学 **xiǎoxué** primary school	早饭 **zǎofàn** breakfast		

Group 18

半
bàn
half

打电话
dǎdiànhuà
to make a phone call

飞
fēi
to fly

回答
huídá
to answer

老人
lǎorén
old person

那些
nàxiē
those

三
sān
three

听到
tīngdào
to hear

小学生
xiǎoxuéshēng
primary school student

怎么
zěnme
how

Group 19

半年
bànnián
half a year

打开
dǎkāi
to open

飞机
fēijī
airplane

回到
huídào
to return to

了
le
particle for completed action or change

奶
nǎi
milk

山
shān
mountain

听见
tīngjiàn
to hear

笑
xiào
to smile

找
zhǎo
to look for

Group 20

半天 **bàntiān** half a day	打球 **dǎqiú** to play ball	非常 **fēicháng** very	回来 **huílai** to come back
累 **lèi** tired	奶奶 **nǎinai** grandma	商场 **shāngchǎng** shopping mall	听写 **tīngxiě** dictation
谢谢 **xièxie** thank you	找到 **zhǎodào** to find		

Group 21

帮 **bāng** to help	大学 **dàxué** university	分 **fēn** to divide	回去 **huíqu** to go back
冷 **lěng** cold	男 **nán** male	上 **shàng** on	同学 **tóngxué** classmate
新 **xīn** new	这边 **zhèbiān** this side		

Group 22

帮忙 **bāngmáng** to help	大学生 **dàxuéshēng** university student	风 **fēng** wind	会 **huì** can
里 **lǐ** in	男孩儿 **nánháir** boy	上边 **shàngbian** above	图书馆 **túshūguǎn** library
新年 **xīnnián** New Year	这儿 **zhèr** here		

Group 23

包 **bāo** bag	得到 **dédào** to get	干 **gān** dry	火车 **huǒchē** train
里边 **lǐbian** inside	男朋友 **nánpéngyou** boyfriend	上车 **shàngchē** to get on a vehicle	外 **wài** outside
星期 **xīngqī** week	这些 **zhèxiē** these		

Group 24

包子 **bāozi** steamed stuffed bun	地 **de** adverb particle (-ly)	干净 **gānjìng** clean	机场 **jīchǎng** airport
两 **liǎng** two	男人 **nánrén** man	上次 **shàngcì** last time	外边 **wàibian** outside
星期日 **xīngqīrì** Sunday	着 **zhe** ongoing-state particle		

Group 25

杯 **bēi** cup	的 **de** possessive particle	干 **gàn** to do	机票 **jīpiào** plane ticket
零 **líng** zero	男生 **nánshēng** boy	上课 **shàngkè** to have class	外国 **wàiguó** foreign country
星期天 **xīngqītiān** Sunday	真 **zhēn** really		

Group 26

杯子 **bēizi** cup	地 **dì** ground	干什么 **gànshénme** what to do	鸡蛋 **jīdàn** egg
六 **liù** six	南 **nán** south	上网 **shàngwǎng** to go online	外语 **wàiyǔ** foreign language
行 **xíng** OK	真的 **zhēnde** really		

Group 27

北 **běi** north	地点 **dìdiǎn** location	高 **gāo** high	记 **jì** to remember
楼 **lóu** building	南边 **nánbian** south side	上午 **shàngwǔ** morning	玩儿 **wánr** to play
休息 **xiūxi** to rest	正 **zhèng** straight		

Group 28

北边 **běibiān** north side	地方 **dìfang** place	高兴 **gāoxìng** happy	记得 **jìde** to remember
楼上 **lóushàng** upstairs	难 **nán** difficult	上学 **shàngxué** to go to school	晚 **wǎn** late
学 **xué** to study	正在 **zhèngzài** in the process of		

Group 29

北京 **Běijīng** Beijing	地上 **dìshang** on the ground	告诉 **gàosu** to tell	记住 **jìzhu** to remember
楼下 **lóuxià** downstairs	你们 **nǐmen** you (plural)	少 **shǎo** few	晚饭 **wǎnfàn** dinner
学院 **xuéyuàn** college	知道 **zhīdào** to know		

Group 30

本 **běn** measure word for books	地图 **dìtú** map	歌 **gē** song	家人 **jiārén** family members
路 **lù** road	牛奶 **niúnǎi** milk	身上 **shēnshang** on the body	晚上 **wǎnshang** evening
爷爷 **yéye** paternal grandfather	知识 **zhīshi** knowledge		

Group 31

本子 **běnzi** notebook	第 **dì** ordinal prefix (first, second...)	给 **gěi** to give	间 **jiān** measure word for rooms
路口 **lùkǒu** intersection	女 **nǚ** female	身体 **shēntǐ** body	网上 **wǎngshàng** online
也 **yě** also	中 **zhōng** middle		

Group 32

比 **bǐ** to compare	点 **diǎn** point	跟 **gēn** with	见 **jiàn** to see
路上 **lùshang** on the road	女儿 **nǚ'ér** daughter	生病 **shēngbìng** to become ill	网友 **wǎngyǒu** online friend
页 **yè** page	中国 **Zhōngguó** China		

Group 33

别 **bié** don't	电 **diàn** electricity	工人 **gōngrén** worker	教 **jiāo** to teach
马路 **mǎlù** road	女孩儿 **nǚháir** girl	生气 **shēngqì** angry	忘 **wàng** to forget
一 **yī** one	中间 **zhōngjiān** middle		

Group 34

别的 **biéde** other	电话 **diànhuà** telephone	关 **guān** to close	教学楼 **jiàoxuélóu** classroom building
马上 **mǎshàng** immediately	女朋友 **nǚpéngyou** girlfriend	生日 **shēngrì** birthday	忘记 **wàngjì** to forget
医生 **yīshēng** doctor	中文 **Zhōngwén** Chinese (written language)		

Group 35

别人 **biéren** other people	电脑 **diànnǎo** computer	关上 **guānshàng** to close	介绍 **jièshào** to introduce
慢 **màn** slow	女人 **nǚren** woman	十 **shí** ten	问 **wèn** to ask
医院 **yīyuàn** hospital	中午 **zhōngwǔ** noon		

Group 36

病 **bìng** illness	电视 **diànshì** television	国 **guó** country	进 **jìn** to enter
毛 **máo** hair	女生 **nǚshēng** girl	事 **shì** matter	我们 **wǒmen** we
一半 **yībàn** half	中学 **zhōngxué** secondary school		

Group 37

病人 **bìngrén** patient	电视机 **diànshìjī** television set	国家 **guójiā** country	进来 **jìnlái** to come in
没 **méi** not	旁边 **pángbiān** beside	试 **shì** to try	五 **wǔ** five
一会儿 **yīhuìr** a moment	中学生 **zhōngxuéshēng** secondary school student		

Group 38

不大 **bùdà** not very	电影 **diànyǐng** film	国外 **guówài** abroad	进去 **jìnqù** to go in
没关系 **méiguānxi** it doesn't matter	跑 **pǎo** to run	是不是 **shìbushì** is it or not	午饭 **wǔfàn** lunch
一块儿 **yīkuàir** together	重 **zhòng** heavy		

Group 39

不对 **bùduì** wrong	电影院 **diànyǐngyuàn** cinema	过 **guò** to pass	九 **jiǔ** nine
没什么 **méishénme** nothing much	七 **qī** seven	手 **shǒu** hand	西 **xī** west
一下儿 **yīxiàr** a little while	重要 **zhòngyào** important		

Group 40

不客气 **bùkèqi** you are welcome	东 **dōng** east	还 **hái** still	就 **jiù** then
没事儿 **méishìr** it is all right	起 **qǐ** to get up	手机 **shǒujī** mobile phone	西边 **xībiān** west side
一样 **yīyàng** same	准备 **zhǔnbèi** to prepare		

Group 41

菜 **cài** vegetable	东边 **dōngbian** east side	还是 **háishi** or	觉得 **juéde** to feel
没有 **méiyǒu** not have	起来 **qǐlai** to get up	书包 **shūbāo** schoolbag	洗手间 **xǐshǒujiān** toilet
一边 **yībiān** one side	桌子 **zhuōzi** table		

Group 42

差 **chà** poor	动 **dòng** to move	还有 **háiyǒu** also	开 **kāi** to open
门 **mén** door	汽车 **qìchē** car	书店 **shūdiàn** bookshop	喜欢 **xǐhuan** to like
一点儿 **yīdiǎnr** a little	子 **zi** noun suffix		

Group 43

常 **cháng** often	动作 **dòngzuò** action	汉语 **Hànyǔ** Chinese language	开车 **kāichē** to drive
门口 **ménkǒu** doorway	前 **qián** front	树 **shù** tree	下 **xià** down
一起 **yīqǐ** together	最 **zuì** most		

Group 44

常常 **chángcháng** often	都 **dōu** all	汉字 **hànzì** Chinese character	开会 **kāihuì** to have a meeting
门票 **ménpiào** admission ticket	前天 **qiántiān** day before yesterday	水果 **shuǐguǒ** fruit	下班 **xiàbān** to finish work
一些 **yīxiē** some	最好 **zuìhǎo** best		

Group 45

唱 **chàng** to sing	读书 **dúshū** to study	好吃 **hǎochī** delicious	开玩笑 **kāiwánxiào** to joke
们 **men** plural suffix	钱包 **qiánbāo** wallet	睡 **shuì** to sleep	下边 **xiàbian** below
有的 **yǒude** some (of them)	最后 **zuìhòu** last		

Group 46

唱歌 **chànggē** to sing	对 **duì** right	好看 **hǎokàn** good-looking	看病 **kànbìng** to see a doctor
米饭 **mǐfàn** cooked rice	请假 **qǐngjià** to ask for leave	睡觉 **shuìjiào** to sleep	下车 **xiàchē** to get off a vehicle
有名 **yǒumíng** famous	昨天 **zuótiān** yesterday		

Group 47

车票 **chēpiào** bus or train ticket	对不起 **duìbuqǐ** sorry	好听 **hǎotīng** pleasant to hear	看到 **kàndào** to see
面包 **miànbāo** bread	请进 **qǐngjìn** please come in	说 **shuō** to speak	下次 **xiàcì** next time
有时候 **yǒushíhou** sometimes	左 **zuǒ** left (direction)		

Group 48

车上 **chēshàng** on the bus	多 **duō** many	好玩儿 **hǎowánr** fun	看见 **kànjiàn** to see
面条儿 **miàntiáor** noodles	请问 **qǐngwèn** may I ask	说话 **shuōhuà** to speak	下课 **xiàkè** to finish class
有些 **yǒuxiē** some	左边 **zuǒbian** left side		

Group 49

吃饭 **chīfàn** to eat a meal	饿 **è** hungry	号 **hào** number	考 **kǎo** to take an exam
明白 **míngbai** to understand	请坐 **qǐngzuò** please sit down	四 **sì** four	下午 **xiàwǔ** afternoon
有用 **yǒuyòng** useful	坐下 **zuòxia** to sit down		

Group 50

出来 **chūlái** to come out	儿子 **érzi** son	很 **hěn** very	考试 **kǎoshì** exam
明年 **míngnián** next year	球 **qiú** ball	送 **sòng** to give	下雨 **xiàyǔ** to rain
右 **yòu** right (direction)	做 **zuò** to do		

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