

## CONTENT QUESTION WORDS CHEAT SHEET

Question Word Pinyin	Question Word Chinese	Meaning	Example English	Example Pinyin	Example Chinese Characters
shéi	谁 / 誰	Who? (person)	<b>Who are you?</b> (lit. You are who?)	nǐ shì shéi ?	你是谁? 你是誰?
shéi de	谁的 / 誰的	Whose?	<b>Whose kid is this?</b> (lit. This is whose kid?) (lit. This kid is whose?)	zhè shì shéi de hái zi ? zhè ge hái zi shì shéi de ?	这是谁的孩子? 這是誰的孩子? 这个孩子是谁的? 這個孩子是誰的?
shén me	什么 / 什麼	What? (concrete or abstract object)	<b>What is this?</b> (lit. This is what?)	zhè shì shén me ?	这是什么? 這是什麼?
			<b>What's your name?</b> (lit. You are called what name?)	nǐ jiào shén me míng zi ?	你叫什么名字? 你叫什麼名字?
			<b>What job do you do?</b> (lit. You do what job?)	nǐ zuò shén me gōng zuò ?	你做什么工作? 你做什麼工作?
shén me shí hou	什么时候 什麼時候	When? (time including clock time)	<b>When is your birthday?</b> (lit. Your birthday is when?)	nǐ de shēng rì shì shén me shí hou ?	你的生日是什么时候? 你的生日是什麼時候?

			<b>When do you get up everyday?</b> (lit. You everyday when get up?)	nǐ měi tiān shén me shí hou qǐ chuáng ?	你每天什么时候起床？ 你每天什麼時候起床？
jǐ diǎn zhōng	几点钟 / 幾點鐘	When? (clock time) (lit. what 'o clock)	<b>What time is it now?</b> (Now what 'o clock?)	xiàn zài jǐ diǎn zhōng ?	现在几点钟？ 現在幾點鐘？
			<b>When did you go to sleep last night?</b> (lit. You yesterday night what o' clock sleep?)	nǐ zuó tiān wǎn shàng jǐ diǎn zhōng shuì jiào ?	你昨天晚上几点钟睡觉？ 你昨天晚上幾點鐘睡覺？
nǎ lǐ	哪里 / 哪裡	Where? (location) = what place	<b>Where is the restroom?</b> (lit. Restroom is where?)	xǐ shǒu jiān zài nǎ lǐ ?	洗手间在哪里？ 洗手間在哪裡？
			<b>Where do you work?</b> (lit. You where work?)	nǐ zài nǎ lǐ gōng zuò ?	你在哪里工作？ 你在哪裡工作？
wèi shén me	为什么 / 為什麼	Why? (reason)	<b>Why do you learn Chinese?</b> (lit. You why learn Chinese?)	nǐ wèi shén me xué zhōng wén ?	你为什么学中文？ 你為什麼學中文？
zěn me	怎么 / 怎麼	How? (method & manner)	<b>How do I say ___ in Chinese?</b> ( ___ using Chinese how to say?)	___ yòng zhōng wén zěn me shuō ?	___ 用中文怎么说？ ___ 用中文怎麼說？
nǎ	哪	Which (specifier)	<b>Which one is yours?</b>	nǎ ge shì nǐ de ?	哪个是你的？ 哪個是你的？
			<b>Which one do you want?</b> (lit. You want which one?)	nǐ yào nǎ ge ?	你要哪个？ 你要哪個？

jǐ	几 / 幾	How many? (usually 10 or less, used with countable nouns)	<b>How many kids do you have?</b> (lit. You have how many kids?)	nǐ yǒu jǐ ge hái zi ?	你有几个孩子？ 你有幾個孩子？
duō shǎo	多少	How many / how much? (used with countable nouns – usually more than 10 or uncountable nouns)	<b>How many people does China have?</b> (lit. China has how many people?)	zhōng guó yǒu duō shǎo rén ?	中国有多少人？ 中國有多少人？
			<b>How much is this one?</b> (lit. This one how much money?)	zhè ge duō shǎo qián ?	这个多少钱？ 這個多少錢？
duō	多	How (old, big, small) - size & degree	<b>How old are you?</b> (lit. You how old?)	nǐ duō dà ?	你多大？
			<b>How long are you going to stay here?</b> (lit. You are going to here stay how long?)	nǐ yào zài zhè lǐ zhù duō jiǔ ?	你要在这里住多久？ 你要在這裡住多久？
zěn me yàng	怎么样 / 怎麼樣	How is (are) ____? (*opinion*)	<b>How are you recently?</b> (lit. You recently how?)	nǐ zuì jìn zěn me yàng ?	你最近怎么样？ 你最近怎麼樣？