

# Mandarin Measure Word Chart

Useful beginner classifiers for HSK and everyday sentences

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## COMMON MEASURE WORDS

- ge: common general classifier; people and many everyday nouns.
- ben: books and bound volumes.
- zhi: many animals and one-of-a-pair objects.
- zhang: flat things such as paper, tickets, photos, and tables.
- kou: family members or household members.

## SENTENCE FRAMES

- yi ge ren: one person.
- liang ben shu: two books.
- san zhi mao: three cats.
- zhe zhang piao: this ticket.
- wo jia you san kou ren: there are three people in my family.

## PRACTICE ROUTINE

- Learn measure words with nouns, not as a separate list.
- Practise number + measure word + noun.
- Use the Mandarin Grammar Wheel for extra measure word prompts.