

Measure Words Part 2 (Food/Fruits/Vegetables/Plants)

Measure Words for Food

wǎn

碗 for food in bowl

yì wǎn miàn

一碗面 a bowl of noodles

yì wǎn tāng

一碗汤 a bowl of soup

pán

盘 dish, and can be used for a plate of food

dào

道 course of food (formal)

yì pán cài yí dào cài

一盘菜 = 一道菜 a dish

yì pán jiǎo zi

一盘饺子 a plate of dumplings

guō

锅 pot, pan, boiler

yì guō zhōu

一锅粥 a pot of porridge

yì guō tāng

一锅汤 a pot of soup

lóng

笼 bamboo or wooden utensil for steaming food

yì lóng bāo zi

一笼包子 an order of steamed stuffed buns

yì lóng zhēng jiǎo

一笼蒸饺 an order of steamed dumplings

dié

碟 small plate

yì dié cù

一碟醋 a dish of vinegar

yì dié huā shēng mǐ

一碟花生米 a dish of peanuts

gè

个 general measure word

yí ge mán tou

一个馒头 a steamed bun

yí ge jī dàn

一个鸡蛋 an egg

piàn

片 slice - thin, flat, sometimes irregular objects

yí piàn miàn bāo

一片面包 a slice of bread

yí piàn péi gēn

一片培根 a slice of bacon

kuài

块 irregularly shaped, chunk, lump or piece

yí kuài dàn gāo

一块蛋糕 a piece of cake

yí kuài niú ròu

一块牛肉 a chunk of beef

bāo

包 pack, packet, package, bundle

yì bāo táng guǒ

一包糖果 a pack of candies

yì bāo bǐng gān

一包饼干 a pack of biscuits

hú

壶 pot

yì hú chá

一壶茶 a pot of tea

yì hú jiǔ

一壶酒 a pot of wine

bēi

杯 glass; cup

yì bēi shuǐ

一杯水 a glass of water

yì bēi pí jiǔ

一杯啤酒 a glass of beer

hé

盒 box; carton

yì hé niú nǎi

一盒牛奶 a carton of milk

yì hé qiǎo kè lì

一盒巧克力 a box of chocolate

píng

瓶 bottle

yì píng yǐn liào

一瓶饮料 a bottle of drink

yì píng shuǐ

一 瓶 水 a bottle of water

guàn

罐 can; jar

yí guàn nǎi fěn

一 罐 奶 粉 a can of milk powder

yí guàn fēng mì

一 罐 蜂 蜜 a jar of honey

tīng

听 can

yì tīng kě lè

一 听 可 乐 a can of cola

yì tīng pí jiǔ

一 听 啤 酒 a can of beer

fèn

份 for a meal of a fixed menu in a restaurant

yí fèn kuài cān

一 份 快 餐 a snack

yí fèn mǐ fàn

一 份 米 饭 an order of rice

dùn

顿 meal

yí dùn fàn

一 顿 饭 a meal

yí dùn zǎo cān

一 顿 早 餐 a breakfast

yí dùn wǔ cān

一 顿 午 餐 a lunch

yí dùn wǎn cān

一 顿 晚 餐 a supper

Measure Words for Fruits/Vegetables/Plants

gè

个 general measure word

yí ge píng guǒ

一个苹果 an apple

yí ge lí

一个梨 a pear

yí ge jú zi

一个橘子 an orange

yí ge xī guā

一个西瓜 a watermelon

yí ge fān qié

一个番茄 a tomato

yí ge qié zi

一个茄子 an eggplant

kuài

块 irregularly shaped, chunk, lump or piece

yí kuài xī guā

一块西瓜 a slice of watermelon

yí kuài píng guǒ

一块苹果 a slice of apple

gēn

根 long slender objects; thin, flexible strands

yì gēn xiāng jiāo

一根香蕉 a banana

yì gēn hú luó bo

一根胡萝卜 a carrot

yì gēn huáng guā

一根黄瓜 a cucumber

kē

颗 small objects, objects appearing small (hearts, pearls, diamonds, teeth, satellites, etc.)

yì kē pú tao

一颗葡萄 a grape

yì kē yīng táo

一颗樱桃 a cherry

kē

棵 classifier for trees, cabbages, plants, etc

yì kē shù

一棵树 a tree

yì kē bái cài

一棵白菜 a Chinese cabbage

yì kē cōng

一棵葱 a scallion

yì kē cǎo

一棵草 a grass

lì

粒 grain; classifier for small round things (seeds, peas, bullets, peanuts, pills, grains etc)

yì lì zhǒng zi

一粒种子 a seed

yì lì dà mǐ

一粒大米 a grain of rice

yì lì huáng dòu

一粒黄豆 a soya bean

tóu

头 bulb

yì tóu suàn

一头蒜 a bulb of garlic

yì tóu yáng cōng

一 头 洋 葱 an onion

bàn

瓣 for segment or division of fruits, flowers, or corm, etc. the retroflex suffix-r is often added.

yí bànr suàn

一 瓣 儿 蒜 a clove of garlic

yí bànr jú zi

一 瓣 儿 橘 子 a slice of orange

bǎ

把 for a quantity of things that can be held in one hand

yì bǎ xiāng jiāo

一 把 香 蕉 a hand of bananas

yì bǎ qīng cài

一 把 青 菜 a bunch of green vegetables

yì bǎ dòu jiǎo

一 把 豆 角 a bunch of carob

duǒ

朵 for flowers, clouds or things similar to them

yì duǒ huā

一 朵 花 a flower

yì duǒ mián huā

一 朵 棉 花 a piece of cotton

piàn

片 1.a flat, thin piece; slice; flake

2.surface, part of a place

yí piàn yè zi

一 片 叶 子 a leaf

yí piàn cǎo dì

一 片 草 地 a tract of meadow