## HSK 6 Grammar

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## 6.1 – The Usage Summary of the Word 上下

• Refer to space: upper and lower; up and down

 $(\pm \mp + noun)$ 

e.g.

他的新房子非常大,上下共三层。

• Refer to personnel: 上下 or 上上下下 (上级&下级;长辈&晚辈)

e.g.

马上过年了,全家上下都很开心。

• Indicate a round number : Quantifiers +  $\pm \mp$ 

(年龄; 重量)

e.g.

他的父母都在五十岁上下。

• Indicate (of level / degree) relative superiority / inferiority:

不相上下,难分上下 e.g. 这些孩子的智商都不相上下。

## 6.2 - The Usage Summary of the Word 人家

#### **Personal Pronoun**

[rén jia]

• Refer to someone mentioned above: 他 or 他们

e.g.

虽然他只是个孩子,你也要尊重人家。

• 别人: others; everybody else

e.g.

你要保护自己,不要被人家欺负。

• 我: refer to the speaker himself/herself

e.g.

你答应人家的事情别忘了哦!

#### Noun

[rén jiā]
4.住户 / 家庭: household or family
e.g.
这个村子有一百多户人家。

• Refer to family of a girl`s betrothed

e.g.

这个女孩子已经有人家了。

## 6.3 – The Usage Summary of the Word 番 (fān)

## 1. Verbal Classifier:

• modify an action which is time-consuming or energy-consuming

Structure: 一/ 几 + 番 To indicate multiple

Structure:翻 + Numeral words + 番

• To indicate multiple, "-fold; times"

e.g. 劝了他几番后,他不再哭了。 今年的房租翻了两番。

#### 2. Nominal Classifier:

modify thoughts, speeches, process

e.g.

他的一/几番话,让我突然醒悟。

## 6.4 – The Two Usages of the Word 不妨 (bùfáng)

不妨

Adv.

Meaning:

Advise someone to do something as it is harmless.

1) 不妨 + 重叠动词 / 动词性短语

#### e.g.

你不妨试试,可能有惊喜。

对孩子不妨多<u>夸奖他们</u>。

2) 重叠动词 / 动词性短语 + 也 + 不妨

e.g.

演讲都开始了,我们<u>听听</u>也不妨。

只要你喜欢,我们<u>走路</u>也不妨。

## 6.5 – The Two Sentence Structures of 明明 (míngmíng)

明明

Adv.

Meaning: clearly, apparently

1.....,明明.....

2. 明明....., .....

Note:

The first part of the structure 1 and the second part of the structure 2 can be Rhetorical question or Short transition sentence.

e.g.

- 我<u>明明</u>看见他进房间了,现在怎么不见了呢?
- 你心里<u>明明</u>很开心,还假装生气。

## 6.6 – The Usage Summary of the Word 偏偏 (piān piān)

偏偏

Adv.

Meaning: refer to the scope; "only; alone"

Tone: 不满

#### <u>....., subject + 偏偏 +.....</u>

1. against logic or other people's requirement on purpose.

#### e.g.

我叫他别去,可他<u>偏偏</u>不听。

2. actual situation is not what one needs or wishes for.

e.g.

我需要他时,他<u>偏偏</u>不在。

## 6.7 – The Usage and Structure Summary of 连同 (liántóng)

连同

Conj.

Meaning: 和;与

#### <u>A 连同 B</u>

• the nominal parts of A and B *are related in meanings* or *belong to one whole thing*.

e.g.

这个包连同上次买的包一共花了 500 块。

#### <u>连同……, subject + ……</u>

 can be used *before the Subject* with a pause, and normally there are *quantity phrases* in the sentence.

e.g.

连同刚才那碗饭,他一共吃了四碗饭了。

## 6.8 – The Usage and Structure of 而已

而已

Modal particle

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• Express one's slight disdain or resigned tone

#### e.g.

别误会!她不过是个普通朋友<u>而已</u>。 我这次赢得汉语比赛第一名不过是运气<u>而已</u>。

## 6.9 – The Summary of the Pivotal Sentence 嫌 (xián)

嫌

Meaning: dislike, dissatisfy

#### <u>Subject + 嫌 + someone + phrases</u>

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- The object of  $\, \ensuremath{\ensuremath{\#}}$  is also the subject of the verb after  $\, \ensuremath{\ensuremath{\#}}$ 

e.g.

孩子嫌这个菜难吃。

# 6.10 – The Comparison Between the Words 不免(bùmiǎn) vs 未免(wèimiǎn)

不免

Meaning: inevitably

• be used to say it's not easy to avoid something objectively

**1.....,...不免...** e.g. 他这么做,别人不免议论。

## 2. 不免 + Affirmative multi-syllable verbs / Adjectivs

e.g.

路上一直堵车,他不免着急。

未免

Meaning: rather, a bit too, truly

• to negate some unreasonable situations with an emphasis on judging them.

6.11 – The Comparison Between the Words 时而 (shí'ér) vs 不时 (bùshí)

时而

Adv.

Meaning: indicate some thing happens repeatedly and not regularly

## <u>时而 + Verbal Phrases</u>

e.g. 远方时而传来鸟叫声。 时而.....,时而.....

e.g.

天气时而冷,时而热。

不时

Adv.

Meaning: indicate some thing happens repeatedly and not regularly

## 不时(地) + Verbal Phrases

e.g.

远方不时(地)传来鸟叫声。

# 6.12 – The Comparison Between the Words 特意 (tèyì) vs 故意 (gùyì) vs 特别 (tèbié)

## 特意

Meaning: To do something for specific purposes

## <u>特意 + Verb</u>

e.g. 我特意给你买的粥。 你特意注意一下那个人。

## 故意

#### Meaning: To do something that one expects not to be allowed to do

e.g.

为了不上课,他故意装病。

## *特别:*

## <u>特别 + Verb</u>

<u> 特别 + Adj./Psychological Verb</u>

e.g.

你特别注意一下那个人。

今天我特别高兴。

## 6.13 - The Comparison Between the Words 以致 (yǐzhì) vs 以

至 (yǐzhì)

以致

Meaning:

- in a cause-effect compound sentence;
- to introduce the result of the clause before it.

Use:

• stress a bad or undesirable result

e.g. 她出发晚了,以致没赶上火车。

以至

Meaning:

- in a cause-effect compound sentence;
- to introduce the result of the clause before it.

Use:

- stress a neutral result
- to indicate the extension of time, quantity, degree, scope etc.

e.g.

科学技术发展迅速,以至很多科幻小说里的情节变成了现实。 这个项目要延续到明年,以至大后年。

6.14 – The Comparison Between the Words 虽然 (suīrán) vs 固然 (gùrán)

虽然 Meaning: more about **making a concession** Position: **before or after subject** 

<u>虽然 + Subject + …, … / Subject + 虽然 + …, …</u>

e.g.

虽然他没来,我还是给他留了位置。

固然

Meaning: more about admitting a fact

Position: Subject +

<u>Subject + 固然 + …,…</u>

e.g. 这台电脑固然好,那台也不错。

#### Note:

when two clauses are **contradictory**, 固然 **and** 虽然 **can replace each other**; **otherwise, can't replace.** 

# 6.15 – The Summary of the Sentence Structure …固然…,但是

/也 ……

固然

Conj.

Meaning: It indicates that you admit a fact first, and then *shift to a turn or make a further explanation*.

## A + 固然.....,但是/可是/不过/却.....

(Although A has advantages, A also has disadvantages.)

e.g.

房子的设计我固然喜欢,但是周围太吵了。

## A + 固然……, B + 也……

(when the meanings of Clause1 and Clause2 are not contradictory)

e.g.

他固然有错,你也有错。

6.16 – The Summary of the Sentence Structure ……, 反之 (fǎnzhī) ……

#### 反之

Conj.

反之 is used between two *clauses, sentence or paragraphs* to *lead to an opposite meaning.* 

Meaning: 相反、反过来说、反过来做

(whereas; on the contrary)

#### e.g.

你考试成绩越好得到的奖励越大,反之则越小。

## 6.17 – The Summary of the Sentence Structure 凡是……, ……

凡是

Adv.

所有,一切 "all, every"

Position: before the subject

## <u>凡(是).....的(+ noun)(,)(都).....</u>

e.g.

凡是会说汉语的请站起来。

6.18 – The Summary of the Sentence Structure 鉴于……, ……

Conj.

## <u> 鉴于 + clause 1, clause 2</u>

• used before the whole sentence to *indicate the result based on the previous reason or reference*.

e.g.

鉴于你这次的表现不错,我决定给你满分。

Prep.

## <u> 鉴于 + Noun/Nominal Phrases, Clause</u>

• indicate *thinking about something on basis of a certain situation*.

e.g.

鉴于你的身份,你不方便出席本次会议。

## 6.19 – The Summary of the Sentence Structure ……, 以免……

<u>.....,以免.....</u>

Conj.

Meaning: 免得, 避免 "in case, in order to avoid"

1<sup>st</sup> clause: the action

2<sup>nd</sup> clause: the bad results

The bad result can be avoided by doing what is mentioned in the first clause.

e.g.

我们得经常运动,以免身体不健康。

## 6.20 – The Summary of the Sentence Structure 到……为止

<u>到.....为止</u>

e.g.

• 到 + 目前/现在/此..... + 为止

为止: be up to indicate time or rate of progress

<u>到目前为止</u>,我们还不能确定有没有外星人。 我们的关系<u>到此为止</u>。