

Unit 4, Reference List

1. A: Nǐ bàba zhème zǎo jiù
qǐlái le!
Your father got up so early!
- B: Tā niánji dà le, měitiān
shuǐde zǎo.
He's getting on in years, and
he goes to bed early.
2. A: Xiǎo Wángde yéye yòu hé
nèixie xiǎo péngyou
liáo tiānr ne!
Xiǎo Wáng's grandfather is
talking with those kids
again!
- B: Tā rén hěn hǎo, hěn
xǐhuan hái zi.
He's a very good person, and
he likes children a lot.
3. A: Zhèi liǎngnián nǐ nǎinai
shēntǐ hǎo ma?
Has your grandmother's health been
good the past couple of years?
- B: Hái hǎo, yǒu shíhou hái
néng qǐlái shōushi
shoushi wūzi.
Fairly good; sometimes she
can still get up and straighten
up the room.
4. A: Zhāng jiāde érxífu hěn
yǒu guīju.
The Zhāng family's daughter-
in-law is a proper young woman.
- B: Shì a, Zhāng jiā nǎinai
zhēn yǒu fúqi.
Yes, the Zhāng family's grand-
mother is really blessed with
good fortune.
5. A: Guòqù, Zhōngguó rén
chū guó niǎn shū duó
nán!
In the past how difficult it
was for Chinese to go abroad
to study!
- B: Xiànzài hǎo le, zǒu dào
nǎr yě méi rén kànbuqǐ
le.
Now it's better, no matter where
they go, no one looks down on
them anymore.
6. A: Rénjiā dōu juéde Xiǎo Wáng
shì ge hěn yǒu lǐmào de
hái zi.
Everyone feels Xiǎo Wáng is a very
well-mannered child.

7. A: Zhèi yìjiā rén dōu niànguo
bù shǎo shū.
B: Tīngshuō tāmen de sūnzi
sūnnǚ xiànzài dōu
niàn Sī Shū ne!
This whole family has had
quite a good education.
I understand that their grandsons
and granddaughters are (all)
studying the Four Books now!
8. A: Tāmen jiā guòqù shì yǒu
qián rén, yǒu bù shǎo
cáichǎn.
B: Nǐ shuōde cáichǎn shì
tǔdì ba?
Their family used to be rich.
They had quite a lot of
property.
The property you're talking
about is land, isn't it?
9. A: Nǐ zhùxiàlai ba, yě kéyǐ
gěi wǒmen bāng dianr
máng.
B: Wǒ báitiān yǒu kè, zhǐ hǎo
wǎnshang zuò diǎnr shì.
Stay (live) here and you can help
us a bit.
I have classes during the day;
I can only work at night.
10. A: Wǒ mǔqīn zǒng dānxīn wǒ gēge
zài wàibianr chī kǔ.
B: Tāmen jǐge xiǎo péngyou
hùxiāng bāng máng, bú
huì chī kǔde.
My mother is always worried
that my older brother is having
a rough time away from home.
His bunch of friends help
each other out. They don't
have such a rough time.

VOCABULARY

bàba	father, dad, papa
bāng máng	to help; help
bù shǎo	to be quite a lot, to be much, to be many
cáichǎn	property
chī kǔ	to suffer, to undergo hardship
dānxīn	to be worried, to be uneasy
duó (duō)	how...!
érxífu(r) (érxífer)	daughter-in-law
fúqi	blessings, good fortune
guīju	rules of proper behavior, social etiquette, manners; rule (of a community or organization), es- tablished practice, custom
guòqù	the past
hái	fairly, passably
hùxiāng	mutually
-jiā	(counter for families)
kànbuqǐ	to look down on, to scorn, to despise
lǐmào	manners, politeness
nǎinai	grandmother (on father's side)
niánji	age
qǐlai	to get up (in several senses)
rén	person; body; self
rénjia	people; they; he, she; I
shēntǐ	body; health
shōushi	to straighten up; to get one's things ready
Sì Shū	the Four Books (<u>Dàxué</u> , <u>Zhōngyōng</u> , <u>Lúnyǔ</u> , <u>Mèngzǐ</u>)
sūnnǚ	granddaughter (through one's son)
sūnzi	grandson (through one's son)
tǔdì	land
xiǎo péngyou	little friend; kids

yéye
yòu
yǒu guīju
yǒu lǐmào
yǒu qián

zhǐ hǎo
zhùxiālai

grandfather (on the father's side)
also
to have manners, to be proper
to be well mannered, to be polite
to be rich

can only, to have to, to be forced to
to move and stay (in a place), to
settle down