

Vocabulary (*cont.*)

9. wǒ	PR: I, me	13. hěn	AD: very, quite
10. nǐ	PR: you	14. tài	AD: excessively, too
11. tā	PR: he, she	15. dōu	AD: all, both, entirely
12. bu	AD: not		

## Substitution Tables

nǐ	gāu	ma?	wǒ	bu-	gāu
tā	hǎu		nǐ	hěn	máng
nǐmen	máng		tā	tài	hǎu
tāmen	dà		wǒmen		dà
			tāmen		lèi

## HOW TO USE THE SUBSTITUTION TABLES

Taking the second table above as an example, start by reading across the top of the substitution table: *wǒ bugāu*. Continue by replacing the first word in the first column by those given below it: *nǐ bugāu*, *tā bugāu*, *wǒmen bugāu*, *tāmen bugāu*. Second, repeat the process while replacing the first word in the second column by those given below it: *wǒ hěn gāu*, *nǐ hěn gāu*, *tā hěn gāu*, *wǒmen hěn gāu*, *tāmen hěn gāu*; *wǒ tài gāu*, *nǐ tài gāu*, *tā tài gāu*, *wǒmen tài gāu*, *tāmen tài gāu*. Repeat the first and second steps while replacing the first word in the third column by those given below it: *wǒ bumáng*, *nǐ bumáng*, *tā bumáng*, *wǒmen bumáng*, *tāmen bumáng*; *wǒ hěn máng*, *nǐ hěn máng*, *tā hěn máng*, *wǒmen hěn máng*, *tāmen hěn máng*; *wǒ tài máng*, *nǐ tài máng*, *tā tài máng*, *wǒmen tài máng*, *tāmen tài máng*; *wǒ buhǎu*, *nǐ buhǎu*, *tā buhǎu*, *wǒmen buhǎu*, *tāmen buhǎu*; *wǒ hěn hǎu*, *nǐ hěn hǎu*, and so on through the 75 possible sentences which can be made from this table. Be sure that no column is skipped. So long as one word is taken from each column a correct Chinese phrase or sentence is sure to result automatically. Since you do not have to worry about making a mistake in grammar, go through the tables as rapidly as possible. Say the sentences aloud until you become thoroughly familiar with the words and the order in which they appear.

In the first (left-hand) substitution table above, no substitution is to be made for the syllable *ma* in the third (last) column. That is, the table will yield 16 sentences, of three syllables, all 16 containing the syllable *ma*.

## Drill I. Questions and Answers

1. Tā-gāu-ma?	Is he tall?	5. Tā-bugāu.	He isn't tall.
2. Tā-máng-ma?	Is he busy?	6. Tā-bumáng.	He isn't busy.
3. Tā-hǎu-ma?	Is he good?	7. Tā-buhǎu.	He isn't good.
4. Tā-dà-ma?	Is he big?	8. Tā-budà.	He isn't big.
9. Tā-'gāu-bugāu?	Is he tall?	13. Tā-hěn-gāu.	He's very tall.
10. Tā-'máng-bumáng?	Is he busy?	14. Tā-hěn-máng.	He's very busy.
11. Tā-'hǎu-buhǎu?	Is he good?	15. Tā-hěn-hǎu.	He's very good.
12. Tā-'dà-budà?	Is he big?	16. Tā-hěn-dà.	He's very big.