

Hanyu Pinyin Special Rules

- Two third tones together
- Changing tones of 不 and 一



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3-3 特别法则 (3-3 Special Rule)

ONLY change the way we read the tone marks; do not change the way we write

	Examples	First Word HYPY Tone 声调	Second Word HYPY Tone 声调
	可以 kě yǐ 举手 jǔ shǒu 九点 jiǔ diǎn 洗脸 xǐ liǎn	 kě	 yǐ
 Write 写 	可以 kě yǐ 举手 jǔ shǒu 九点 jiǔ diǎn 洗脸 xǐ liǎn	 kě	 yǐ
 Read 读 	可以 k ^é yǐ 举手 j ^ú shǒu 九点 ji ^ú diǎn 洗脸 x ^í liǎn	 k ^é	 yǐ

“不” 拼音特别法则 (Changing Tone of “不”)

Write the tone marks the **SAME** as how we read them

不的变调		 Read 读  Write 写	Changes
“不” alone	单说: “不!”	bù 4	No change
“不” in front of words with HYPY first, second, third tone	在第一、第二、第三声前	bù chī 4 1 bù dú 4 2 bù hǎo 4 3	No change
“不” in front of words with HYPY fourth tone	第四声前	bú yào 2 4 	Change to second tone
“不” being sandwiched	夹在词语中	 hǎo bu hǎo yào bu yào	Change to light tone

“一” 拼音特别法则 (Changing Tone of “一”)

Write the tone marks the **SAME** as how we read them

不的变调		 Read 读  Write 写	Changes
“一” alone or at the end of sentence	单说: “一” 或在句末	yī 1	No change
“一” in front of words with HYPY first, second, third tone	在第一、第二、第三声前	yì zhī 4 1 yì pán 4 2 yì běn 4 3	No change
“一” in front of words with HYPY fourth tone	第四声前	yí gè 2 4 	Change to second tone
“一” being sandwiched	夹在词语中	 xiǎng yī xiǎng kàn yī kàn	Change to light tone