

“Visit” in Mandarin

Part 1

看, 看望: If you visit someone, you go to see them and spend time with them.

He went to Shanghai to visit his teacher.

Tā qù Shànghǎi kàn(wàng) tā lǎoshī le.

他去上海看(望)他老师了。

(lit. He went to Shanghai see his teacher)

Grandma was really pleased that I went to visit her.

Nǎinǎi hěn gāoxìng wǒ qù kàn(wàng) tā.

奶奶很高兴我去看(望)她。

(lit. Grandma was very pleased I went to see her)

Part 2

参观, 游览: If you visit a place, you go there for a short time.

We spent the day visiting temples and other historic buildings.

Wǒmen jīntiān cānguān le sìmiào hé qítā lìshǐ jiànzhù.

我们今天参观了寺庙和其它历史建筑。

(lit. We today visited temples and other historic buildings)

We visited a few galleries while we were in New York.

Zài Niǔyuē de shíhou, wǒmen cānguān le yìxiē yìshùguǎn.

在纽约的时候, 我们参观了一些艺术馆。

(lit. When in New York, we visited some galleries)

He'll be visiting four cities including Xi'an and Guangzhou.

Tā yào yóulǎn sì ge chéngshì, bāokuò Xī'ān hé Guǎngzhōu.

他要游览四个城市, 包括西安和广州。

(lit. He'll visit four cities, including Xī'ān and Guǎngzhōu)

There are several places of interest to visit in the area.

Zhèlǐ yǒu yìxiē míngshèng gǔjì kěyǐ yóulǎn.

这里有一些名胜古迹可以游览。

(lit. There are some places of interest to visit)

The difference between 参观 and 游览

We use “参观” to emphasize that the purpose of visiting a place is to learn something, while “游览” refers to visiting a place for pleasure.

Part 3

访问: to look at a website on the Internet

Over 1,000 people visit the site every week.

Měi zhōu yǒu yìqiān duō rén fǎngwèn zhè ge wǎngzhàn.

每周有一千多人访问这个网站。

(lit. Every week there are over 1,000 people visit the site)

For details please visit our website.

Guānyú xiángxì xìnxī, qǐng fǎngwèn wǒmen de wǎngzhàn.

关于详细信息，请访问我们的网站。

(lit. For details, please visit our website)

访问: to visit a place; a visit to some place

The president will visit Brazil next month.

Zǒngtǒng xià ge yuè fǎngwèn Bāxī.

总统下个月访问巴西。

(lit. The president next month visit Brazil)

He gave a talk about his visit to China.

Tā jiǎngshù le guānyú tā dào Zhōngguó de fǎngwèn.

他讲述了关于他到中国的访问。

(lit. He gave a talk about his visit to China)