

bǎi xiào jīng
百 孝 經

tiān dì zhòng xiào xiào dang xiān yī gè xiào zì quán jiā ān
天 地 重 孝 孝 當 先 一 個 孝 字 全 家 安

The world values filial piety as the ultimate virtue; Filial piety keeps the family at peace

xiào shùn néng shēng xiào shùn zǐ xiào shùn zǐ dì bì míng xián
孝 順 能 生 孝 順 子 孝 順 子 弟 必 明 賢

Filial people will have filial descendants; Filial descendants will be clever and virtuous

xiào shì rén dào dì yī bù xiào zǐ xiè shì jí wéi xiān
孝 是 人 道 第 一 步 孝 子 謝 世 即 為 仙

Filial piety is the first step to moral integrity; A filial person will be admitted to Heaven after leaving this world

zì gǔ zhōng chén duō xiào zǐ jūn xuǎn xián chén jǔ xiào lián
自 古 忠 臣 多 孝 子 君 選 賢 臣 舉 孝 廉

In history almost loyal courtiers were filial; The sovereign always chose filial courtiers

jìn xīn jié lì xiào fù mǔ xiào dào bú dú jiǎng chī chuān
盡 心 竭 力 孝 父 母 孝 道 不 獨 講 吃 穿

People should do their best to be filial; Filial piety is more than just providing food and clothing to one's parents

xiào dào guì zài xīn zhōng xiào xiào qīn qīn zé mò huí yán
孝 道 貴 在 心 中 孝 孝 親 親 責 莫 回 言

Filial piety comes from the bottom of the heart; A filial person, when blamed by his parents, does not talk back

xī hū rén jiān bú shí xiào huí xīn fù xiào tiān lǐ huán
惜 乎 人 間 不 識 孝 回 心 復 孝 天 理 還

It's a pity that many people don't appreciate filial piety; Heavenly principles will be reinstated when filial piety returns to peoples' hearts

zhū shì bú shùn yīn bú xiào zěn zhī xiào néng gǎn dòng tiān
諸 事 不 順 因 不 孝 怎 知 孝 能 感 動 天

When things are not going smoothly, it's due to a lack of filial piety; In the end, you will find out that filial piety can move Heaven

xiào dào guì shùn wú tā miào xiào shùn bú fēn nǚ gòng nán
孝 道 貴 順 無 他 妙 孝 順 不 分 女 共 男

The key to filial piety is to please your parents; Everyone, male and female alike, must practice filial piety

fú lù jiē yóu xiào zì dé tiān jiāng xiào zǐ lìng yǎn guān
福 祿 皆 由 孝 字 得 天 將 孝 子 另 眼 觀

Both happiness and wealth originate from filial piety; Heaven will favor those who uphold filial piety

rén rén dōu kě xiào fù mǔ xiào jìng fù mǔ rú jìng tiān
 人 人 都 可 孝 父 母 孝 敬 父 母 如 敬 天

Everyone is capable of being filial to his parents; Being filial to parents is the same as worshipping Heaven

xiào zǐ kǒu lǐ yǒu xiào yǔ xiào fù miàn shàng dài xiào yán
 孝 子 口 裡 有 孝 語 孝 婦 面 上 帶 孝 顏

Filial people speak filial words; A filial woman always has a smiling face,

gōng pó shàng biān néng jìn xiào yòu luò xiào lái yòu luò xián
 公 婆 上 邊 能 盡 孝 又 落 孝 來 又 落 賢

is filial to her parents-in-law, and will be respected for her filial piety and righteousness

nǚ dé shù míng xiān xué xiào sān cóng sì dé xiào zài qián
 女 得 淑 名 先 學 孝 三 從 四 德 孝 在 前

To build a good reputation, a woman must learn filial piety; Filial piety should be placed above other virtues expected of women

xiào zài xiāng dǎng rén qīn jìng xiào zài jiā zhōng dà xiǎo huān
 孝 在 鄉 黨 人 欽 敬 孝 在 家 中 大 小 歡

In their hometowns, filial people will be respected; at home they will be loved by everybody, young and old alike

xiào zǐ féng rén jiù quàn xiào xiào huà fēng sú rén pǐn duān
 孝 子 逢 人 就 勸 孝 孝 化 風 俗 人 品 端

Filial people should advise everyone to be filial; Filial piety can transform social customs and teach people to behave with dignity

shēng qián xiào zǐ shēng jià guì sǐ hòu xiào zǐ wàn gǔ chuán
 生 前 孝 子 聲 價 貴 死 後 孝 子 萬 古 傳

A filial person will have a good reputation in life and will be remembered from generation to generation after death

chǔ shì wéi yǒu xiào lì dà xiào néng gǎn dòng dì hé tiān
 處 世 惟 有 孝 力 大 孝 能 感 動 地 合 天

Filial piety is the strongest moral stand for anyone; Filial piety can touch the whole world

xiào jīng xiào wén bǎ xiào quàn xiào fù xiào mǔ xiào zǔ xiān
 孝 經 孝 文 把 孝 勸 孝 父 孝 母 孝 祖 先

The Classics and readings on filial piety promote filial piety and urge people to be filial to their parents and ancestors

fù mǔ shēng zǐ yuán wéi xiào néng xiào jiù shì hǎo ér nán
 父 母 生 子 原 為 孝 能 孝 就 是 好 兒 男

Parents bear and raise children in order to fulfill their filial obligations to their ancestors; A filial person is a good person without exception

wéi rén néng bǎ fù mǔ xiào xià bèi xiào zǐ zhào yàng huán
 為 人 能 把 父 母 孝 下 輩 孝 子 照 樣 還

If a person is filial to his parents, he will be loved by his filial children

táng shàng fù mǔ bú zhī xiào bú xiào shòu qióng mò yuàn tiān
堂上父母不知孝不孝受窮莫怨天

If you show no filial piety to your parents, you cannot blame Heaven for your poverty

xiào zǐ miàn dài tài hé xiàng rù xiào chū tì zì rán ān
孝子面帶太和象入孝出悌自然安

A filial person always looks peaceful and content; A person will have peace of mind as long as he upholds filial piety at home and shows brotherly love outside of the home

qīn zài yīng xiào bú zhī xiào qīn sǐ zhī xiào hòu huǐ nán
親在應孝不知孝親死知孝後悔難

If you fail to practice filial piety while your parents are alive then it will be too late for you to repent after your parents pass away

xiào zài xīn xiào bú zài mào xiào guì shí xíng bú zài yán
孝在心孝不在貌孝貴實行不在言

What matters most is filial piety in your heart rather than in appearance, and what matters are deeds rather than words of filial piety

xiào zǐ qí jiā quán jiā lè xiào zǐ zhì guó wàn mín ān
孝子齊家全家樂孝子治國萬民安

When a filial person runs a family the whole family will live a happy life; When a filial person governs a nation the people will live in peace

wǔ gǔ fēng dēng jiē yīn xiào yī xiào jí shì tài píng nián
五穀豐登皆因孝一孝即是太平年

Bumper harvests are attributable to filial piety; Filial piety is bound to bring peace and joy

néng xiào bú zài pín hé fù shàn tǐ qīn xīn shì xiào nán
能孝不在貧和富善體親心是孝男

Everyone, rich or poor, has the potential to practice filial piety; A person who is able to read his parents' minds is a filial person

xiōng dì hé mù jí wéi xiào rěn ràng èr zì bǎ xiào quán
兄弟和睦即為孝忍讓二字把孝全

Harmony among siblings is a sign of filial piety; Tolerance helps you achieve filial piety

xiào cóng nán chù jiàn zhēn xiào xiào róng mǎn miàn chéng qīn yán
孝從難處見真孝孝容滿面承親顏

True filial piety in a person can be seen more clearly during troubled times; Take care of your parents with filial piety on your face

fù mǔ shuāng quán zhèng yí xiào xiào sī guān guǎ qīn yǐng dān
父母雙全正宜孝孝思鰥寡親影單

Lose no time in being filial to your parents while they are still alive as you may feel a sense of loss taking care of a widowed parent

gǎn jīn xiào lái guāng yīn kuài qīn yóu wǒ xiào shòu yóu tiān
趕緊孝來光陰快親由我孝壽由天

Lose no time in being filial to your parents because time flies; You should take care of your parents by yourself and make sure they enjoy longevity

shēng qián néng xiào fāng wéi xiào sǐ hòu jìn xiào tú wǎng rán
生前能孝方為孝 死後盡孝徒枉然

Only filial piety given to parents when they are still alive is considered true filial piety; Filial piety given after your parents' death will be in vain

xiào shùn chuán jiā xiào shì bǎo xiào xìng wēn hé xiào wèi gān
孝順傳家孝是寶 孝性溫和孝味甘

Filial piety is a treasure to pass from generation to generation; Filial piety helps you develop character and leaves you with warm feelings

yáng gāo guì rǔ shàng zhī xiào wū yā fǎn bǔ xiào qīn yán
羊羔跪乳尚知孝 烏鴉反哺孝親顏

Even lambs know filial piety as they suckle on bent knees, and crows feed their parents to show filial piety

wéi rén ruò shì bú zhī xiào bú rú qín shòu shí kě lián
為人若是不知孝 不如禽獸實可憐

If a person has no sense of filial piety, he is truly pathetic and inferior to animals

bǎi héng wàn shàn xiào wéi shǒu dāng zhī xiào zì shì gēn yuán
百行萬善孝為首 當知孝字是根源

Filial piety is the ultimate of virtues; Everyone should know that filial piety is the origin of all virtues

niàn fó xíng shàn yě shì xiào xiào zhàng fó lì chāo jiǔ tiān
念佛行善也是孝 孝仗佛力超九天

Worshipping Buddha and doing good deeds is also a form of filial piety; Filial piety, combined with Buddhism, is very powerful

dà zāi xiào hū dà zāi xiào xiào yǐ wú qióng xiào wú biān
大哉孝乎大哉孝 孝矣無窮孝無邊

Filial piety, oh, great filial piety! The power of filial piety knows no bounds

cǐ piān jù jù bú lí xiào lí xiào rén lún diān dǎo diān
此篇句句不離孝 離孝人倫顛倒顛

Every verse of this poem elaborates on filial piety; Human ethics will be overturned without filial piety

niàn dé shí biàn qiān gè xiào niàn dé bǎi biàn wàn xiào quán
念得十遍千個孝 念得百遍萬孝全

After reciting this poem ten times, you will achieve a thousand words to promote filial piety; After reciting this poem a hundred times, you will reach the perfect state of filial piety

qiān biàn wàn biàn cháng cháng niàn xiāo zāi miǎn nán bǎi xiào piān
千遍萬遍常常念 消災免難百孝篇

Recite these Classics of Filial Piety over and over again and it will keep you away from all kinds of misfortune