

Practice for Erhua (儿化)

Xiǎonǚháir

小女孩儿

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Xiǎonǚháir, hóng liǎndàn,

小女孩儿, 红⁽¹⁾脸蛋儿,

hóng tóushéng, zā xiǎobiàn.

红⁽²⁾头绳儿, 扎⁽³⁾小辫儿。

Hēiyǎnzhū, dīliūliū zhuàn,

黑眼珠儿, 滴溜溜儿 转,

shǒu qiǎo, xīnyǎnr hǎo,

手儿 巧, 心眼儿 好,

huì zuò wàzi, huì zuò xié.

会 做 袜子, 会 做 鞋儿。

Néng kāi dì, néng zhòng cài,

能 开 地儿, 能 种 菜儿,

yòu huì jiāo huā yòu zuò fàn.

又 会 浇 花儿 又 做 饭儿。

English

Little girl, red cheeks,
 Red ribbon, strung through a little braid.
 Black pupils, darting round and round,
 Nimble fingered, Good natured,
 Can make stockings, can make shoes.
 Able to till soil, able to plant crops,
 Can also water flowers and cook food.

(1) 脸蛋儿 [liǎndàn] n.
 cheek

(2) 头绳 (儿) [tóushéng] n.
 string for binding one's hair

(3) 扎 [zā] v.
 tie

(4) 心眼儿 [xīnyǎnr] n.
 nature, heart