

# Grammar Point Summary

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## 【之: Expressing possession】

之 is one of the characters from classical Chinese that has come into common usage. It is a formal written way to express possession similarly to 的 in modern Chinese. It is used for titles of works, poems, formal documents etc. Note in these cases, 之 cannot be replaced by 的.

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Nanjing is one of the biggest cities of China.

几天之后, 他要回美国

Several days later, he will go back to USA.

我的法国之行明天开始, 我很激动

My tour of France starts tomorrow. I am so excited.

他说话声音之大, 你在外国都能听见

He spoke so loud that you could hear it in foreign countries.



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