Basic Chinese conversation for beginners

The high-speed train from Beijing to Shanghai. The student in the next seat says hello.

Lín Fēng	你好！你是哪国人？ Nǐ hǎo! Nǐ shì nǎ guó rén? *Hello! Where are you from?*
You	你好！我是美国人。 Nǐ hǎo! Wǒ shì Měiguó rén. *Hello! I'm American.*
Lín Fēng	美国人！很好。你叫什么名字？ Měiguó rén! Hěn hǎo. Nǐ jiào shénme míngzi? *American! Great. What's your name?*
You	我叫安娜。你呢？ Wǒ jiào Ānnà. Nǐ ne? *I'm Anna. And you?*
Lín Fēng	我叫林峰。安娜，你去哪儿？ Wǒ jiào Lín Fēng. Ānnà, nǐ qù nǎr? *I'm Lín Fēng. Anna, where are you going?*
You	我去上海。 Wǒ qù Shànghǎi. *I'm going to Shanghai.*
Lín Fēng	上海很好！你做什么工作？ Shànghǎi hěn hǎo! Nǐ zuò shénme gōngzuò? *Shanghai is great! What work do you do?*
You	我是老师。 Wǒ shì lǎoshī. *I'm a teacher.*
Lín Fēng	老师！很好！我是学生。你喜欢中国吗？ Lǎoshī! Hěn hǎo! Wǒ shì xuésheng. Nǐ xǐhuan Zhōngguó ma? *A teacher! Great! I'm a student. Do you like China?*
You	很喜欢！ Hěn xǐhuan! *I like it a lot!*
Lín Fēng	你的汉语很好！ Nǐ de Hànyǔ hěn hǎo! *Your Chinese is very good!*
You	谢谢！很高兴认识你。再见！ Xièxie! Hěn gāoxìng rènshi nǐ. Zàijiàn! *Thanks! Nice to meet you. Goodbye!*

Four phrases for when you don’t understand

请再说一遍。
Qǐng zài shuō yí biàn.
Please say it again.

请说慢一点儿。
Qǐng shuō màn yìdiǎnr.
Please speak a little slower.

我听不懂。
Wǒ tīng bu dǒng.
I don't understand.

“teacher”汉语怎么说？
“Teacher” Hànyǔ zěnme shuō?
How do you say “teacher” in Chinese?

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