

LESSON NOTES

Absolute Beginner Cantonese for Every Day S1 #3 Top 25 Cantonese Nouns

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VOCABULARY

Traditional	Romanization	English	Class
男人	naam4 jan2	man	noun
女人	neoi5 jan2	woman	noun
飯	faan6	rice (cooked)	noun
人	jan4	person	
車	ce1	car	noun
水	seo1	water	noun
咖啡	gaa3 fe1	coffee	noun
茶	caa4	tea	noun
牛肉	ngau4 juk6	beef	noun
豬肉	zyu1 juk6	pork	noun
雞肉	gai1 juk6	chicken (meat)	noun
酒店	zau2 dim3	hotel	noun
餐廳	caan1 teng1	restaurant	noun
機場	gei1 ceong4	airport	noun
洗手間	sai2 sau2 gaan1	washroom	noun
廁所	ci3 so2	toilet	noun
廁紙	ci3 zi2	toilet paper	noun
地鐵	dei6 tit3	metro	noun
的士	dik1 si2	taxi	noun
書	syu1	book	noun
屋企	uk1 kei5	home	noun
公司	gung1 si1	company	noun

老板	lou5 baan2	boss	
警察	ging2 caat3	police	noun
醫生	ji1 sang1	doctor	noun

SAMPLE SENTENCES

我嗰組有男人。 <i>ngo5 go2 zou2 mou5 naam4 jan2.</i> There are no men in my division.	佢具備所有好男人嘅優點。 <i>keoi5 geoi6 bei6 so2 jau5 hou2 naam4 jan2 ge3 jau1 dim2.</i> He has all virtues of a good man.
一個女人飲緊一杯咖啡。 <i>jat1 go3 neoi5 jan2 jam2 gan2 jat1 bui1 gaa3 fei1.</i> A woman is drinking a cup of coffee.	我鍾意食飯。 <i>ngo5 zung1 yi3 sik6 faan6.</i> I like eating rice.
炒飯 <i>cau2 faan6</i> fried rice	你識唔識揸車呀? <i>nei5 sik1 m4 sik1 zaa1 ce1 aa3?</i> Do you know how to drive (a car)?
佢揀咗部藍色車。 <i>keoi5 gaan2 zo2 bou6 laam4 sik1 ce1.</i> He chose a blue car.	又要供車，又要供樓，好辛苦呀！ <i>jau6 jiu3 gung1 ce1, jau6 jiu3 gung1 lau2, hou2 san1 fu2 aa6!</i> (I) have to pay the car loan as well as the mortgage, it's so hard!
停車熄火。 <i>ting4 ce1 sik1 fo2.</i> Stop the car and turn off the engine.	我想買部二手車。 <i>ngo5 soeng2 maai5 bou6 ji6 sau2 ce1.</i> I want to buy a second-hand car.
好口渴，我想飲水。 <i>hou2 hau2 hot3, ngo5 soeng2 jam2 seo12.</i> I'm so thirsty I want some water.	水對身體好。 <i>seo12 deoi3 san1 tai2 hou2.</i> Water is good for the body.

<p>我一起身就要飲咖啡。 <i>ngo5 jat1 hei2 san1 zau6 jiu3 jam2 gaa3 fe1.</i></p> <p>I can't start the day without coffee.</p>	<p>如果想瞓個好覺，夜晚就唔好飲咖啡喇。 <i>jyu4 gwo2 soeng2 fan3 go3 hou2 gaau3, je6 maan5 zau6 m4 hou2 jam2 gaa3 fe1 laa3.</i></p> <p>If you want to sleep well, do not drink coffee at night.</p>
<p>呢度嘅咖啡好正。 <i>ni1 dou6 ge3 gaa3 fe1 hou2 zeng3.</i></p> <p>The coffee here is awesome.</p>	<p>咖啡定茶？ <i>gaa3 fe1 ding6 caa4?</i></p> <p>Coffee or tea?</p>
<p>佢買俾我嘅茶有少少苦。 <i>keoi5 maai5 bei2 ngo5 ge3 caa4 jau5 siu2 siu2 fu2.</i></p> <p>The tea he bought me was a little bitter.</p>	<p>我爸爸鍾意飲功夫茶。 <i>ngo5 baa4 baa1 zung1 ji3 jam2 gung1 fu1 caa4.</i></p> <p>My father likes to drink Kung Fu tea.</p>
<p>好多遊客嚟買牛肉乾。 <i>hou2 do1 jau4 haak3 lei4 maai5 ngau4 juk6 gon1.</i></p> <p>Many tourists come to buy beef jerky.</p>	<p>呢塊牛肉好細。 <i>Nei1 faai3 ngau4 juk6 hou2 sai3.</i></p> <p>This piece of beef is very small.</p>
<p>豬肉三斤。 <i>Zyu1 juk6 saam1 gan1.</i></p> <p>Three jin(=1.5 kilograms) of pork.</p>	<p>佢想要啲雞肉。 <i>Koi5 soeng2 jiu3 di1 gai1 juk6.</i></p> <p>He wants some chicken.</p>
<p>搭穿梭巴士去酒店好方便。 <i>daap3 cyun1 so1 baa1 si2 heoi3 zau2 dim3 hou2 fong1 bin6.</i></p> <p>The shuttle service is a convenient way to get to your hotel.</p>	<p>酒店喺邊呀？ <i>zau2 dim3 hai2 bin1 aa3?</i></p> <p>Where is the hotel?</p>

<p>酒店嘅質量係用星嚟衡量嘅。 zau2 dim3 ge3 zat1 loeng6 hai6 jung6 sing1 lei4 hang4 loeng6 ge3.</p> <p>The quality of a hotel is measured in stars.</p>	<p>呢度附近得呢一間酒店。 ni1 dou6 fu6 gan3 dak1 ni1 jat1 gaan1 zau2 dim3.</p> <p>There is only this one hotel in this neighborhood.</p>
<p>印度餐廳 jan3 dou6 caan1 teng1</p> <p>Indian restaurant</p>	<p>最近嘅印度餐廳喺邊? zeoi3 kan5 ge3 jan3 dou6 caan1 teng1 hai2 bin1?</p> <p>Where is the nearest Indian restaurant?</p>
<p>我最鍾意嘅餐廳係SUBWAY。 ngo5 zeoi3 zung1 ji3 ge3 caan1 teng1 hai6 SUBWAY.</p> <p>My favorite restaurant is Subway.</p>	<p>我鍾意呢間餐廳。 ngo5 zung1 ji3 ni1 gaan1 caan1 teng1.</p> <p>I like this restaurant.</p>
<p>餐廳喺邊? caan1 teng1 hai2 bin1?</p> <p>Where is the restaurant?</p>	<p>去機場搭飛機 heoi3 gei1 coeng4 daap3 fei1 gei1</p> <p>go to the airport to take a flight</p>
<p>因為打風，好多遊客滯留機場。 jan1 wai6 daa2 fung1, hou2 do1 jau4 haak3 zai6 lau4 gei1 coeng4.</p> <p>Many tourists are stranded in the airport, due to the stormy weather.</p>	<p>到機場要二百蚊。 dou3 gei1 coeng4 jiu1 ji6 baak3 man1.</p> <p>It's 200 HKD to go to the airport.</p>
<p>洗手間喺邊? sai2 sau2 gaan1 hai2 bin1?</p> <p>Where is the washroom?</p>	<p>佢去咗廁所。 keoi5 heoi3 zo2 ci3 so2.</p> <p>He went to the bathroom.</p>
<p>佢要去廁所。 keoi5 jiu3 heoi3 ci3 so2.</p> <p>He wants to go to the toilet.</p>	<p>冇晒廁紙呀！點算呀？ mou5 saai3 ci3 zi2 aa3! dim2 syun3 aa3?</p> <p>All the toilet paper is gone! What should we do?</p>

<p>我想搭地鐵。 <i>ngo5 soeng2 daap3 dei6 tit3.</i></p> <p>I want to take the subway.</p>	<p>地鐵好迫呀。 <i>dei6 tit3 hou2 bik1 aa3.</i></p> <p>It's very crowded in the subway.</p>
<p>喂！的士！ <i>wai3! dik1 si2!</i></p> <p>Hey! Taxi!</p>	<p>今日嘅內容係如何避免喺中國大陸搭的士俾人扼錢！ <i>gam1 jat6 ge3 noi6 jung4 hai6 jyu4 ho4 bei6 min5 hai2 zung1 gwok3 daai6 luk6 daap3 dik1 si2 bei2 jan4 ak1 cin2!</i></p> <p>Today's content is how to avoid getting cheated in mainland taxis.</p>
<p>唔好叫人地的士佬。 <i>m4 hou2 giu3 jan4 dei6 dik1 si2 lou2.</i></p> <p>Don't call people "taxi guy."</p>	<p>我睇書。 <i>ngo5 tai2 syu1.</i></p> <p>I read books.</p>
<p>呢本書幾得意。 <i>ni1 bun2 syu1 gei2 dak1 ji3.</i></p> <p>This book is pretty funny.</p>	<p>圖書館可以借書。 <i>tou4 syu1 gwun2 ho2 ji5 ze3 syu1.</i></p> <p>One can borrow books from the library.</p>
<p>你屋企喺邊度？ <i>nei5 uk1 kei2 hai2 bin1 dou6 ?</i></p> <p>Where's your house?</p>	<p>佢屋企喺地鐵站附近。 <i>keoi5 uk1 kei2 hai2 dei6 tit3 zaam6 fu6 gan6.</i></p> <p>His house is close to the subway station.</p>
<p>我返屋企喇。 <i>ngo5 faan1 uk1 kei5 laa3.</i></p> <p>I'm going home.</p>	<p>我公司喺中環。 <i>ngo5 gung1 si1 hai2 zung1 waan4.</i></p> <p>My office is in Central.</p>
<p>我邀請父母去公司嘅聖誕PARTY。 <i>ngo5 jiu1 cing2 fu6 mou5 heoi3 gung1 si1 ge3 sing3 daan3 PARTY.</i></p> <p>I invited my parents to my company Christmas party.</p>	<p>今日老板會嚟，你醒定啲呀！ <i>gam1 jat6 lou5 baan2 wui5 lei4, nei5 sing2 ding6 di1 aa3!</i></p> <p>The boss is coming today, you better behave!</p>

快啲叫警察呀！ <i>faai3 di1 giu3 ging2 caat3 aa3!</i>	我係警察。 <i>ngo5 hai6 ging2 caat3.</i>
Call the police!	I'm a policeman.
睇醫生 <i>tai2 ji1 sang1</i> to go to see a doctor	我要睇醫生。 <i>ngo5 jiu3 tai2 ji1 sang1.</i> I need to see a doctor.