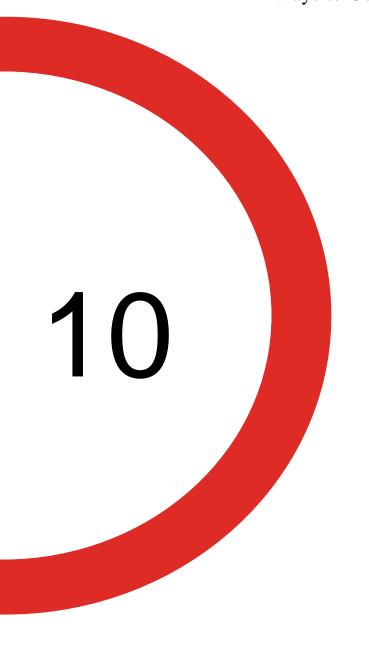
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Absolute Beginner S1
Ways to Get Around Hong Kong



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#### **Traditional Chinese**

我地點去啊? 搭巴士。 不如搭地鐵? 都得。

### **Jyutping**

ngo5 dei6 dim2 heoi3 aa3? daap3 baa1 si2。 bat1 jyu4 daap3 dei6 tit3? dou1 dak1。

### **English**

How do we get there? Let's take the bus. How about the subway? That'll also work.

Vocabulary

Traditional	Jyutping	English
搭	daap3	to take (a transport)
的士	dik1 si2	taxi
車	ce1	car
巴士	baa1 si2	bus
地鐵	dei6 tit3	subway
飛機	fei1 gei1	airplane
不如	bat1 jyu4	how about
都得	dou1 dak1	They're both okay.

## Vocabulary Sample Sentences

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搭車搭船都可以去。 daap3 ce1 daap3 syun4 dou1 We can go there by car or by ho2 ji5 heoi3。 boat.

唔好叫人地的士佬。 m4 hou2 giu3 jan4 dei6 dik1 Don't call people "taxi guy."

si2 lou2。

我想買部二手車。 ngo5 soeng2 maai5 bou6 ji6 I want to buy a second-hand

sau2 ce1。 car.

搭巴士過去都好方便。 daap3 baa1 si2 gwo3 heoi3

daap3 baa1 si2 gwo3 heoi3 Taking a bus there is very dou1 hou2 fong1 bin6。 convenient too.

His house is close to the

Plane tickets now are not

How about we go to dinner?

subway station.

expensive.

佢屋企喺地鐵站附近。 keoi5 uk1 kei2 hai2 dei6 tit3

zaam6 fu6 gan6。

而家飛機票唔貴。 ji4 gaa1 fei1 gei1 piu3 m4

gwai3。

不如我地去吃晚飯? bat1 jyu4 ngo5 dei6 heoi3

hek3 maan5 faan6?

點都得。 Any way works.

#### **Grammar Points**

The Focus of This Lesson is Making Suggestions

不如搭地 鐵?

bat1 jyu4 daap3 dei6 tit3 ?

"How about the subway?"

Making suggestions in Cantonese is simple. By using 不如 (bat1 jyu4), you can imply that one idea is better than another proposed idea and has the meaning of "How about..." When using 不如, you do not need to include the pronoun 我哋 ("we") because it is implied. The

suggestion following 不如 can be a verb, a noun, or a sentence.

Cantonese	Jyutping	"English"
不如去食嘢?	bat1 jyu4 heoi3 sik6	"How about we go
	ie5	eat something?"
不如搭飛機?	bat1 jyu4 daap3 fei1	"How about we take
	gei1	an airplane?"
不如搭的士?	bat1 jyu4 daap3 dik1	"How about we take
	si2	a taxi?"
不如我哋一齊食嘢?	bat1 jyu4 ngo5 dei6	"How about eating
	jat1 cai4 sik6 je5	together?"
不如蝦餃?	bat1 jyu4 haa1 gaau2	"How about shrimp
		dumplings?"

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#### **Cultural Insight**

#### Getting around in Hong Kong

Traveling within Hong Kong is convenient and fun. The layout of the Hong Kong territory is basically divided into two sections. To the south, you have the main Hong Kong Island along with other minor outlying islands, and to the north, you have the mainland territories of Kowloon. Hong Kong has an extensive network of subways that connects all parts of the city to each other. If you'd prefer to travel above ground, it is very easy to hail a taxi and get to where you need to go. The taxis drive on the left side of the road, so make sure you look right and then left before crossing the street.

One of the best ways of getting around, however, is by ferry. There are plenty of ferries that haul people from the main island and other small surrounding islands. The trip across the strait only takes around twenty minutes, which is plenty of time to take in the all the sights. If you want to head up to Victoria Peak, you can take a bus up the winding mountain, take in the mountaintop scenery, and then hop on the tram that takes you back down to sea level.