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LESSON NOTES

# Absolute Beginner S2 #15 Opening a Bank Account in Hong Kong

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# TRADITIONAL CHINESE

1. 我想開戶。

2. 可以。幾錢?

3. 十蚊。

4. 十蚊? 唔好意思，唔得。

5. 點解?

6. 開戶至少要一百蚊。

# JYUTPING

1. ngo5 soeng2 hoi1 wu6 。

2. ho2 ji5 。 gei2 cin2 ?

3. sap6 man1 。

4. sap6 man1 ? m4 hou2 ji3 si1 , m4 dak1。

5. dim2 gaai2 ?

6. hoi1 wu6 zi3 siu2 jiu3 jat1 baak3 man1 。

# ENGLISH

| 1. | A: | I want to start an account. |
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| 2. | B: | Sure. How much? |
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| 3. | A: | Ten HKD. |
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| 4. | B: | Ten HKD? I'm sorry, that can't be done. |
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| 5. | A: | Why? |
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| 6. | B: | You need at least 100 HKD to start an account. |
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## VOCABULARY

| Traditional | Romanization | English | Class |
|-------------|--------------|---------|-------|
| 開戶 | hoi1 wu6 | to open an account | verb |
| 點解 | dim2 gaai2 | why | adverb |
| 至少 | zi3 siu2 | at least | adverb |
| 銀行 | ngan4 hong4 | bank | noun |
| 櫃枱 | gwai6 toi2 | counter | noun |
| 存錢 | cyun4 cin2 | to save money | verb |
| 攞錢 | lo2 cin4 | to take out money | verb |
| 利息 | lei6 sik1 | interest | noun |

## SAMPLE SENTENCES

| 開戶幾多錢? | 點解咁認真? |
|---|---|
| *hoi1 wu6 gei2 do1 cin2?* | *dim2 gaai2 gam3 jing6 zan1?* |
| How much do I need to open an account? | Why so serious? |
| 至少要試一次。 | 聽講呢間銀行尋日俾人打劫。 |
| *zi3 siu2 jiu3 si3 jat1 ci3。* | *teng1 gong2 ni1 gaan1 ngan4 hong4 cam4 jat6 bei2 jan4 daa2 gip6.* |
| At least try once. | I heard that this bank was robbed yesterday. |
| 櫃枱喺咽邊。 | 我想存錢。 |
| *gwai6 toi2 hai2 go2 bin1。* | *ngo5 soeng2 cyun4 cin2。* |
| The counter is over there. | I want to save money. |
| 邊個櫃枱攞錢? | 利息好低。 |
| *bin1 go3 gwai6 toi2 lo2 cin2 ?* | *lei6 sik1 hou2 dai1。* |
| At which counter can I withdraw money? | The interest is low. |

# GRAMMAR

**The Focus of This Lesson is Practicing Bank Vocabulary and the usage of 喺邊 (Where is...?)**
**銀行喺邊?**
**"Where is the bank?"**

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**Bank Vocabularies**

**ATM** 櫃員機 *gwai6 jyun4 gei1*

**customer service** 客戶服務 *haak3 wu6 fuk6 mou6*

**business counter** 企業窗口 *kei2 jip6 coeng1 hau2*

**business banking** 公司櫃台 *gung1 si1 gwai6 toi2*

**corporate banking** 企業櫃台 *kei2 jip6 gwai6 toi2*

**personal banking** 個人櫃台 *go3 jan4 gwai6 toi2*

**downstairs** 樓下 *lau4 haa6*

### Sample Sentences

| Cantonese | Romanization | "English Translation" |
|-----------|-------------|----------------------|
| 開戶幾多錢？ | *hoi1 wu6 gei2 do1 cin2 ？* | "How much do I need to start an account?" |
| 至少要試一次。 | *zi3 siu2 jiu3 si3 jat1 ci3 。* | "At least try once." |
| 附近有冇銀行？ | *fu6 gan6 jau5 mou5 ngan4 hong4 ？* | "Is there a bank nearby?" |
| 櫃枱喺嗰邊。 | *gwai6 toi2 hai2 go2 bin1 。* | "The counter is over there." |
| 我想存錢。 | *ngo5 soeng2 cyun4 cin2 。* | "I want to deposit some money." |
| 邊個櫃枱攞錢？ | *bin1 go3 gwai6 toi2 lo2 cin2 ?* | "Which counter (do I) withdraw money at?" |
| 利息好低。 | *lei6 sik1 hou2 dai1 。* | "The interest is low." |
| 最近嘅櫃員機喺邊？ | *zeoi3 kan5 ge3 gwai6 jyun4 gei1 hai2 bin1 ?* | "Where is the nearest ATM?" |