



Absolute Beginner S2

A Cantonese Summer

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Traditional Chinese

越嚟越熱!
係咩?
可唔可以開冷氣?
已經開咗。

Jyutping

jyut6 lei4 jyut6 jit6 !
hai6 me1 ?
ho2 m4 ho2 ji5 hoi1 laang5 hei3 ?
ji5 ging1 hoi1 zo2 。

English

A It's getting hotter and hotter.
B Is it?
A Can you turn on the air conditioning?
B It's already on.

Vocabulary

Traditional	Jyutping	English
越嚟越	jyut6 lai4 jyut6	more and more
開	hoi1	to turn on
熄	sik1	to turn off
熄細	sik1 sai3	to turn down
冷氣	laang5 hei3	air conditioner
暖氣	nyun5 hei3	heating
已經	ji5 ging1	already

Vocabulary Sample Sentences

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香港人口越嚟越多。	hoeng1 gong2 jan4 hau2 jyut6 lai4 jyut6 do1。	The population in Hong Kong is getting bigger and bigger.
開電視睇下。 停車熄火。	hoi1 din6 si6 tai2 haa5。 ting4 ce1 sik1 fo2。	Turn on the tv and have a look. Stop the car and turn off the engine.
煤氣熄細咗。 冷氣壞咗。 香港有暖氣。	mui4 hei3 sik1 sai3 zo2。 laang5 hei3 waai6 zo2。 hoeng1 gong2 jau5 nyun5 hei3。	The gas is turned down. The air conditioning is broken. There is heating in Hong Kong.
佢已經死咗。	keoi5 ji5 ging1 sei2 zo2。	She is already dead.

Grammar Points

The Focus of This Lesson is about More and More

越嚟越熱!

jyut6 lei4 jyut6 jit6!

"It's getting hotter and hotter."

越嚟越 means "more and more." It's usually followed by adjectives or adverbs to describe the degree of a certain state is increasing. Sometimes it's followed by verb phrases such as 越嚟越聽話, or its negation, 越嚟越唔聽話.

越嚟越 + adj/adv = "more and more" + adj/adv.

For Example:

1. 越嚟越靚

"more and more beautiful"

越嚟越唔 + adj/adv = "less and less" + adj/adv.

For Example:

1. 越嚟越唔靚

"less and less beautiful" ("more and more ugly")

Sample Sentences

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Cantonese	Romanization	English Translation
香港越嚟越熱。	hoeng1 gong2 jyut6 lei4 jyut6 jit6 。	"It's warmer and warmer in Hong Kong."
啲嘢越嚟越貴。	di1 je5 jyut6 lei4 jyut6 gwai3 。	"Things are more and more expensive."
我越嚟越老。	ngo5 jyut6 lei4 jyut6 lou5 。	"I'm getting older and older."
你越嚟越靚。	nei5 jyut6 lei4 jyut6 leng3 。	"You're getting prettier and prettier."
車越嚟越多。	ce1 jyut6 lei4 jyut6 do1 。	"There're more and more cars."

Examples from This Lesson

1. 越嚟越熱!

jyut6 lei4 jyut6 jit6

"It's hotter and hotter."