

LESSON NOTES

Culture Class: Essential Cantonese Vocabulary S1 #2 Foods

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TRADITIONAL CHINESE

1. What are the five most popular foods in Hong Kong?
2. 1. 點心
3. 2. 燒味
4. 3. 炒飯
5. 4. 雲吞麵
6. 5. 蛋撻

JYUTPING

1. What are the five most popular foods in Hong Kong?
2. 1. dim2 sam1
3. 2. siu1 mei2
4. 3. caau2 faan6
5. 4. wan4 tan1 min6
6. 5. daan6 taat1

ENGLISH

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1. What are the five most popular foods in Hong Kong?
2. 1. Dim sum
3. 2. Roasted meat ("siu mei")
4. 3. Fried rice
5. 4. Wonton noodles
6. 5. Egg tart

VOCABULARY

Traditional	Romanization	English	Class
雲吞麵	wan4 tan1 min6	wonton noodles	noun
蛋撻	daan6 taat1	egg tart	noun
燒味	siu1 mei2	roasted meat	noun
點心	dim2 sam1	dim sum	noun
炒飯	caau2 faan6	fried rice	noun

SAMPLE SENTENCES

<p>呢間鋪頭嘅雲吞麵係全香港最出名嘅。</p> <p><i>ni1 gaan1 pou3 tau2 ge3 wan4 tan1 min6 hai6 cyun4 hoeng1 gong2 zeoi3 ceot1 meng2 ge3.</i></p> <p>The wonton noodles at this store are the most well-known in Hong Kong.</p>	<p>以前港督都食呢度嘅蛋撻㗎!</p> <p><i>ji2 cin4 gong2 duk1 dou1 sik6 ni1 dou6 ge3 daan6 taat1 gaa3!</i></p> <p>The Governor used to come here for the egg tarts!</p>
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咁多種燒味之中我最鍾意叉燒。
*gam3 do1 zung2 siu1 mei2 zi1 zung1 ngo5 zeoi3
zung1 ji3 caa1 siu1.*

Among all the roasted meats, barbecue pork is my favorite.

不如叫多籠點心吖？
bat1 jyu4 giu3 do1 lung4 dim2 sam1 aa1?

How about we order another dim sum?

蘿蔔糕係一種香港人好鍾意食嘅點心。
*lo4 baak6 gou1 hai6 jat1 zung2 heong1 gong2
jan4 hou2 zung1 ji3 sik6 ge3 dim2 sam1.*

Carrot (turnip) cake is a popular piece of dim sum in Hong Kong.

我哋每次嚟都會叫楊州炒飯。
*ngo5 dei6 mui5 ci3 lei4 dou1 wui5 giu3 joeng4
zau1 caau2 faan6.*

"We order the Yangzhou fried rice every time we come here."

兩份炒飯。
loeng5 fan6 caau2 faan6.

Two orders of fried rice.

CULTURAL INSIGHT

1. Dim sum

Dim sum refers to a style of Cantonese food prepared as small bite-sized or individual portions of food. The dishes are traditionally served in small steamer baskets or on small plates.

2. Roasted meat (*siu mei*)

Siu mei is the generic name given to meats roasted on spits over an open fire or a huge wood burning rotisserie oven. It creates a unique, deep barbecue flavor, and the roast is usually covered with a flavorful sauce.

3. Fried Rice

Fried rice is made from steamed rice which is stir-fried in a wok and often mixed with other ingredients, such as eggs, vegetables, and meat.

4. Wonton noodles

A bowl of wonton noodles is usually served in a hot broth with wonton dumplings and garnished with leafy vegetables.

5. Egg tart

An egg tart is a kind of custard pastry found in Portugal, England, Hong Kong, and other Asian countries. It consists of an outer pastry crust that is filled with egg custard and then baked.