

LESSON NOTES

Culture Class: Essential Cantonese Vocabulary S1 #6 Fruits

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TRADITIONAL CHINESE

1. What are the five most popular fruits in Hong-Kong?
2. 1. 沙田柚
3. 2. 荔枝
4. 3. 火龍果
5. 4. 龍眼
6. 5. 榴槤

JYUTPING

1. What are the five most popular fruits in Hong-Kong?
2. 1. saa1 tin4 jau2
3. 2. lai6 zi1
4. 3. fo2 lung4 gwo2
5. 4. lung4 ngaan5
6. 5. lau4 lin4

ENGLISH

CONT'D OVER

1. What are the five most popular fruits in Hong-Kong?
2. 1. pomelo
3. 2. lychee
4. 3. dragon fruit
5. 4. longan
6. 5. durian

VOCABULARY

Traditional	Romanization	English
沙田柚	saa1 tin4 jau2	pomelo
荔枝	lai6 zi1	lychee
火龍果	fo2 lung4 gwo2	dragon fruit
龍眼	lung4 ngaan5	longan
榴槤	lau4 lin4	durian

SAMPLE SENTENCES

<p>我突然之間好想食沙田柚添！ <i>ngo5 dak6 jin4 zi1 gaan1 hou2 seong5 sik6 saa1 tin4 jau2 tim1!</i></p> <p>I suddenly have a craving for pomelo!</p>	<p>荔枝有好多品種，例如糯米糍同桂味。 <i>lai6 zi1 jau5 hou2 do1 ban2 zung2, lai3 jyu4 nou3 mai5 ci4 tung4 gwai3 mei2.</i></p> <p>The lychee has a lot of varieties, including Nuomichi and Guiwei.</p>
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火龍果含大量纖維，幫助腸部蠕動。

fo2 lung4 gwo2 ham4 daai6 loeng6 cim1 wai4, bong1 zo3 coeng4 bou3 yong4 dong6.

Dragon fruit has a lot of fiber, which assists with the intestines' movements.

龍眼唔係成日有得食，要睇季節。

lung4 ngaan5 m4 hai6 sing4 jat6 jau5 dak1 sik6, jiu3 tai2 gwai3 zit3.

Longans are not available all year; we have to wait for the right season.

有啲人頂唔順榴槿陣香味。

jau5 di1 jan4 ding2 m4 seon3 lau4 lin4 zam3 hoeng1 mei6.

Some people cannot stand the durian's smell.

CULTURAL INSIGHT

1. Pomelo

The pomelo is native to Southeast Asia. It tastes like a sweet, mild grapefruit, although the typical pomelo is much larger in size than the grapefruit.

2. Lychee

The lychee has a sweet and delicate whitish pulp with a floral smell underneath a thin but tough inedible skin.

3. Dragon Fruit

The dragon fruit has a texture which is sometimes compared to that of the kiwi because of its black, crunchy seeds. The flesh, which is eaten raw, is mildly sweet and low in calories.

4. Longan

The longan is sweet, juicy, and succulent. It can be eaten fresh, although it is often used in East Asian soups, snacks, desserts, and sweet-and-sour foods.

5. Durian

The durian is commonly known as the King of Fruit because of its formidable look and overpowering odor.