

LESSON TRANSCRIPT

Culture Class: Essential Cantonese Vocabulary S1 #9 Pop and Traditional Culture

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INTRODUCTION

Gabriella: Hi everyone, I'm Gabriella.

Olivia: And I'm Olivia!

Gabriella: And welcome to Culture Class: Essential Cantonese Vocabulary, Lesson 9! In this lesson you'll learn five essential words related to society and culture. These are five common examples of Cantonese pop and traditional culture. Hand picked. You can find a complete list of vocabulary at CantoneseClass101.com

FIVE KEY VOCABULARY ITEMS

Gabriella: Olivia, what's our first word?

Olivia: 太極

Gabriella: Tai Chi

Olivia: (slow) 太極 (regular) 太極

Gabriella: Listeners, please repeat:

Olivia: 太極

[pause - 5 sec.]

Gabriella: This internal Chinese martial art is practiced for both its defense training and its health benefits.

Gabriella: Now let's hear a sample sentence using this word.

Olivia: (normal) 我學咗太極十年㗎喇。

Gabriella: I've practiced Tai Chi for ten years.

Olivia: (slow) 我學咗太極十年㗎喇。

Gabriella: Okay, what's the next word?

Olivia: 中醫

Gabriella: traditional Chinese medicine

Olivia: (slow) 中醫 (regular) 中醫

Gabriella: Listeners, please repeat:

Olivia: 中醫

[pause - 5 sec.]

Gabriella: Traditional Chinese medicine includes a broad range of medical practices that share common concepts developed in China thousands of years ago. Some examples include acupuncture, some types of massage, and dietary therapy.

Gabriella: Now let's hear a sample sentence using this word.

Olivia: (normal) 你咁耐都未好返，我建議你試下睇中醫。

Gabriella: You've still not recovered yet; I suggest you get some traditional Chinese medicine.

Olivia: (slow) 你咁耐都未好返，我建議你試下睇中醫。

Gabriella: Okay, what's the next word?

Olivia: 粵劇

Gabriella: Cantonese opera

Olivia: (slow) 粵劇 (regular) 粵劇

Gabriella: Listeners, please repeat:

Olivia: 粵劇

[pause - 5 sec.]

Gabriella: Cantonese opera is a traditional art form which involves music, singing, martial arts, acrobatics, and acting.

Gabriella: Now let's hear a sample sentence using this word.

Olivia: (normal) 《帝女花》係最出名嘅粵劇之一。

Gabriella: "Princess Chang Ping" is one of the most well-known Cantonese opera plays.

Olivia: (slow) 《帝女花》係最出名嘅粵劇之一。

Gabriella: Okay, what's the next word?

Olivia: 港產片

Gabriella: Hong Kong-made movies

Olivia: (slow) 港產片 (regular) 港產片

Gabriella: Listeners, please repeat:

Olivia: 港產片

[pause - 5 sec.]

Gabriella: For decades, Hong Kong was home to the third largest motion picture industry in the world after Hollywood and the Indian cinema industry.

Gabriella: Now let's hear a sample sentence using this word.

Olivia: (normal) 近年有幾部港產片改編咗做荷李活電影。

Gabriella: Several Hong Kong-made movies have been adapted into Hollywood movies in recent years.

Olivia: (slow) 近年有幾部港產片改編咗做荷李活電影。

Gabriella: Okay, what's the last word?

Olivia: 遊行

Gabriella: protest

Olivia: (slow) 遊行 (regular)

遊行

Gabriella: Listeners, please repeat:

Olivia: 遊行

[pause - 5 sec.]

Gabriella: There are protests in Hong Kong against many business leaders almost every week. Most of them are lead by the Civil Human Rights Front, a Chinese organization which focuses on political issues in Hong Kong.

Gabriella: Now let's hear a sample sentence using this word.

Olivia: (normal) 前面遊行，所以大塞車呀。

Gabriella: There's a protest in front, hence the traffic jam.

Olivia: (slow) 前面遊行，所以大塞車呀。

QUIZ

Gabriella: Okay listeners, are you ready to be quizzed on the words you just learned?

Olivia will give you the Cantonese – please say the English meaning out loud! Are you ready?

Olivia: 太極

[pause] Gabriella: Tai Chi

Olivia: 中醫

[pause] Gabriella: traditional Chinese medicine

Olivia: 粵劇

[pause] Gabriella: Cantonese opera

Olivia: 港產片

[pause] Gabriella: Hong Kong made movies

Olivia: 遊行

[pause] Gabriella: protest

OUTRO

Gabriella: There you have it – five examples of pop and traditional culture in Hong Kong! We have more vocab lists available at CantoneseClass101.com, so be sure to check them out. Thanks everyone, see you next time!

Olivia: 拜拜!