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### Talking About Your Daily Routine in Cantonese

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## Traditional Chinese

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男孩在早上醒來。  
女人在刷牙。  
女孩在洗臉。  
一家人正在吃早餐。  
女人正在喝水。

## Jyutping

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naam4 haai4 zoi6 zou2 soeng6 sing2 loi4.  
nei5 jan2 zoi6 caat3 ngaa4  
nei5 haai4 zoi6 sai2 lim5  
jat1 gaa1 jan4 zing3 zoi6 hek3 zou2 caan1  
nei5 jan2 zing3 zoi6 hot3 sei2

## English

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The boy wakes up in the morning.  
The woman is brushing her teeth.  
The girl is washing her face.  
The family is eating breakfast.  
The woman is drinking water.

## Vocabulary

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Traditional	Jyutping	English
男孩	naam4 haai4	boy
醒來	sing2 loi4	wake up
女孩	neoi5 haai4	girl
水	seoi2	water
喝	hot3	to drink
女人	neoi5 jan2	woman
一家人	jat1 gaa1 jan4	family
早上	zou2 soeng6	morning
早餐	zou2 caan1	breakfast
吃	hek3	to eat
掃	sou3	to sweep, to brush
洗	sai2	to wash, to rinse
臉	lim6	face
牙	ngaa4	teeth

## Vocabulary Sample Sentences

男孩醒來，起床了。	naam5 haai4 sing2 loi4 hei2 cong4 liu5	The boy wakes up and leaves his bed.
男孩在早上醒來。	naam4 haai4 zoi6 zou2 soeng6 sing4 loi6	The boy wakes up in the morning.
女孩在洗臉。	neoi5 haai4 zoi6 sai2 min6	The woman is washing her face.
水對身體好。 我想飲酒。	seoi2 deoi3 san1 tai2 hou2。 ngo5 soeng2 jam2 zau2。	Water is good for the body. I want to drink alcohol.
女人正在刷牙。	neoi5 jan2 zing3 zoi6 caat3 ngaa4	The woman is brushing her teeth.
一家人吃早餐。	jat1 gaa1 jan4 zing3 zoi6 hek3 zou2 caan1	The family is eating breakfast.
男孩在早上醒來。	naam4 haai4 zoi6 zou2 soeng6 sing4 loi6	The boy wakes up in the morning.
一家人吃早餐。	jat1 gaa1 jan4 zing3 zoi6 hek3 zou2 caan1	The family is eating breakfast.
一家人吃早餐。	jat1 gaa1 jan4 zing3 zoi6 hek3 zou2 caan1	The family is eating breakfast.
女人正在外面掃地。	neoi5 jan2 zing3 zoi6 ngoi6 min4 sou3 dei6	The woman is sweeping outside.
女孩在洗臉。	neoi5 haai4 zoi6 sai2 min6	The woman is washing her

face.

## Grammar Points

The focus of this lesson is tense comparison in Cantonese.  
Present tense, Present Progressive tense, and Past tense

In this lesson you'll learn the difference between the different tenses in the Cantonese language: present tense, present progressive tense, and past tense.

### 1. 男孩在早上醒來。

naam4 haai4 zoi6 zou2 soeng6 sing2 loi4

"The boy wakes up in the morning."

Tense	Cantonese	Romanization	English
non-past tense	男孩在早上醒來。	naam4 haai4 zoi6 zou2 soeng6 sing2 loi4	"The boy wakes up in the morning."
present progressive tense	男孩正在早上醒來。	naam4 haai4 zing3 zoi6 zou2 soeng6 sing2 loi4	"The boy is waking up in the morning."
past tense	男孩在早上醒來了。	naam4 haai4 zoi6 zou2 soeng6 sing2 loi4 liu5	"The boy woke up in the morning."

### 2. 女人在刷牙。

neoi5 jan2 zoi6 caat3 ngaa4

"The woman is brushing her teeth."

Tense	Cantonese	Romanization	English
non-past tense	女人刷牙。	neoi5 jan2 caat3 ngaa4	"The woman brushes her teeth."
present progressive tense	女人在刷牙。	neoi5 jan2 zoi6 caat3 ngaa4	"The woman is brushing her teeth."
past tense	女人刷了牙。	neoi5 jan2 caat3 liu5 ngaa4	"The woman brushed her teeth."

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## 3. 女孩在洗臉。

nei5 haai4 zoi6 sai2 lim5

"The girl is washing her face."

Tense	Cantonese	Romanization	English
non-past tense	女孩洗臉。	nei5 haai4 sai2 lim5	"The girl washes her face."
present progressive tense	女孩在洗臉。	nei5 haai4 zoi6 sai2 lim5	"The girl is washing her face."
past tense	女孩洗過臉。	nei5 haai4 sai2 gwo3 lim5	"The girl washed her face."

## 4. 一家人正在吃早餐。

jat1 gaa1 jan4 zing3 zoi6 hek3 zou2 caan1

"The family is eating breakfast."

Tense	Cantonese	Romanization	English
non-past tense	一家人吃早餐。	jat1 gaa1 jan4 hek3 zou2 caan1	"The family eats breakfast."
present progressive tense	一家人在吃早餐。	jat1 gaa1 jan4 zoi6 hek3 zou2 caan1	"The family is eating breakfast."
past tense	一家人吃過早餐。	jat1 gaa1 jan4 hek3 gwo3 zou2 caan1	"The family ate breakfast."

## 5. 女人正在喝水。

nei5 jan2 zing3 zoi6 hot3 sei2

"The woman is drinking water."

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Tense	Cantonese	Romanization	English
present tense	女人喝水。	nei5 jan2 hot3 sei2	"The woman drinks water."
present progressive tense	女人正在喝水。	nei5 jan2 zing3 zoi6 hot3 sei2	"The woman is drinking water."
past tense	女人喝過水。	nei5 jan2 hot3 gwo3 sei2	"The woman drank water."