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## Lower Intermediate S1

Making Last-minute Travel Plans in China

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## Traditional Chinese

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- A 唔該，而家仲有冇學生機票剩？  
B 打算咩時間飛邊度？  
A 下個月，北京到香港。  
B 稍等，我幫你查下。  
A ...  
B 唔好意思，學生機票已經賣晒喇。

## Jyutping

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- A M4 goi1,ji4 gaa1 zung6 jau5 mou5 hok6 saang1 gei1 piu3 zing6?  
B Daa2 syun3 me1 si4 gaan3 fei1 bin1 dou6?  
A Haa6 go3 jyut6,baak1 ging1 dou3 hoeng1 gong2.  
B Saau2 dang2,Ngo5 bong1 nei5 caa4 haa5.  
A ...  
B M4 hou2 ji3 si1,hok6 saang1 gei1 piu3 ji5 ging1 maai6 saai3 laa3.

## English

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- A Excuse me, are there any student plane tickets left?  
B When do you want to take the flight and to where?  
A Next month, from Beijing to Hong Kong.  
B Please wait for a moment. I'll check it out for you.  
A ...  
B Sorry, all the student tickets are sold out.

## Vocabulary

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Traditional	Jyutping	English
學生票	hok6saang1piu3	student ticket
成人票	cing4jan4piu3	adult ticket
兒童票	ji4tung4piu3	children's ticket
折扣	zit3kau3	dicount
機票	gei1piu3	plane ticket
剩	zing6	to have left
稍等	saau2dang2	wait for a moment
賣曬	maai6sai3	to be sold out

## Vocabulary Sample Sentences

如果要買學生票，就要記得帶學生證。	Jyu4 gwo2 jiu3 maai5 hok6saang1piu3,zau6 jiu3 gei3dak1 daai3 hok6saang1zing3.	If you want to buy a student ticket,remember to bring a student card.
成人票通常都係要用原價。	Cing4jan4piu3 tung1coeng4 dou1 hai6 jiu3 jung6 jyun4gaa3.	Adult tickets are always the original price.
係香港12歲以下先可以買兒童票。	Hai2 heong1gong2 sap6ji6 seoi3 sin1 ho2ji5 maai5 ji4tung4piu3.	You can only buy the children's ticket under 12.
如果無折扣我就唔買啦。	Jyu4gwo2 mou5 zit3kau3 ngo5 zau6 m4 maai5 laa3.	If there isn't a discount, I won't buy it.
你要買機票就趁而家打折買啦。	Nei5 jiu3 maai3 gei1piu3 zau6 can3 ji4gaa1 daa2zik3 maai5 laa1.	You'd better buy the ticket for the sale now.
如果你太遲去個度就會無位剩。	Jyu4 gwo2 nei5 taai3 ci4 heoi3 go2dou6 zau6wui5 mou5 waa2 zing6.	There will have no seat left if you go too late.
請稍等，而家人太多未有空位。	Cing2 saau2dang2,ji4gaa1 jan4 taai3 do1 mei6jau5 hong1waa2.	Please wait for a moment, there are too many people and no available tables.
七點嘅票已經賣曬，你介唔介意九點嘅？	Cat1 dim2 ge3 piu3 ji5ging1 maai6sai3,nei5 gaai3 m4 gaai3 ji3 gau2 dim2 ge3?	The tickets on 7:00 are sold out, how about 9:00?

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## Grammar Points

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The Focus of this Lesson is How to Communicate a Sense of Finality

唔好意思，學生機票已經賣晒喇。

"Sorry, our student tickets are all sold out."

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Our grammar point today is about the verb complement 晒. As with other verb complements, this is simply placed after the verb to change the aspect of the verb. In this case, the change communicates that an action has finished completely. In our dialogue, we heard this used in this sentence 唔好意思，學生機票已經賣晒喇 ("Sorry, all our student tickets are sold out"). This is a very flexible verb complement that can be used in many more situations though, such as in the following examples:

1. 你迟到咗，啲人已經走晒。  
"You are late, everyone is gone."
2. 距已经做晒喇工作，可以安排咗其他。  
"He's finished all his work and needs some more."
3. 我啲已經食晒喇食物，可以再叫多啲。  
"We've finished all the food, let's order more."

## Cultural Insight

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A Fun Airport!

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Hong Kong may just have the world's best international airport. And if you're going to be stranded anywhere while waiting for a flight, you might as well make it Hong Kong. In addition to the usual fast food restaurants and duty free shops that can be found in most airports, the Hong Kong airport has a huge range of better dining establishments and non-chain restaurants. Everything from Italian food to—of course—Chinese food is available, along with fresh juices and of course coffee. Shopping is also a pleasure, and in addition to the usual duty-free items available anywhere, you can buy electronics and clothing. The fashion store Zara has an outlet right off the waiting lounge!

The reason the airport is so large and convenient is of course because Hong Kong is one of the most important air transport hubs in Asia. And while the city can be reached by most international airlines these days, it also supports three airline companies of its own: Cathay Pacific Airways (国泰航空公司), Hong Kong Dragon Airlines (港龙航空公司) and Hong Kong

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