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Traditional Chinese

去旺角火車站 去尖沙咀 我要去旺角火車站 就呢度吖,唔該。 呢度停吖,唔該。 一百蚊有冇得找啊? 五百蚊有冇得找啊?

Jyutping

heoi3 wong6 gok3 fo2 ce1 zaam6 heoi3 zim1 saa1 zeoi2 ngo5 jiu3 heoi3 wong6 gok3 fo2 ce1 zaam6 zau6 ni1 dou6 aa1, m4 goi1. ni1 dou6 ting4 aa1, m4 goi1. jat1 baak3 man1 jau5 mou5 dak1 zaau2 a3 ? ng5 baak3 man1 jau5 mou5 dak1 zaau2 a3 ?

English

to Mongkok train station to Tsimshachui I'd like to go to the Mongkok train station Here is fine, thank you. Stop here, thank you. Do you have change for 100 HKD? Do you have change for 500 HKD?

Vocabulary

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Traditional	Jyutping	English
旺角	wong6 gok3	Mongkok
火車站	fo2 ce1 zaam6	train station
就	zau6	precisely, namely
呢度	ni1 dou6	here
停	ting4	stop
得	dak1	can, to be able to
找	zaau2	to return (change)

Vocabulary Sample Sentences

佢去咗旺角火車站。 keoi5 heoi3 zo2 wong6 gok3 He went to the Mongkok train

fo2 ce1 zaam6 。 station.

我要去火車站。 ngo5 jiu3 heoi3 fo2 ce1 zaam6 I'd like to go to the train station.

就呢個吖,唔該。 zau6 ni1 go3 aa1 ,m4 goi1 This one exactly, please.

呢度吖,唔該。 ni1 dou6 aa1 , m4 goi1 。 Stop here, thank you 呢度停吖,唔該。 ni1 dou6 ting4 aa1 , m4 goi1 Stop here, thank you

一百蚊有冇得找啊? jat1 baak3 man1 jau5 mou5 Do you have change for 100

dak1 zaau2 a3? HKD?

五百蚊有冇得找啊? ng5 baak3 man1 jau5 mou5 Do you have change for 500

dak1 zaau2 a3 ? HKD?

Cultural Insight

Quick Tip

Taxis are plentiful throughout Hong Kong apart from remote areas, and can be hailed on the street (except restricted areas) or summoned by phone. All are metered, relatively cheap, air-conditioned and clean. Taxi fare ranges from HK\$13 to HK\$18 for the first 2 kilometers and charges about HK\$1.5 every 200 meters or part thereof.