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Survival Phrases S1 Making Friends With Cantonese

Traditional **Jyutping** English Vocabulary **Cultural Insight**

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Traditional Chinese

可唔可以幫你影張相? 可唔可以請你食餐飯? 可唔可以請你飲杯嘢?

Jyutping

ho2 m4 ho2 ji5 bong1 nei5 jing2 zoeng1 soeng2? ho2 m4 ho2 ji5 ceng2 nei5 sik6 caan1 faan6? ho2 m4 ho2 ji5 ceng2 nei5 jam2 bui1 je5?

English

Can I take your picture? Can I buy you dinner? Can I buy you a drink?

Vocabulary

Traditional	Jyutping	English
請	ceng2	please; to treat
食飯	sik6 faan6	to have dinner
餐	caan1	measure word for dinner
飲嘢	jam2 je5	to have drinks
杯	bui1	glass (measure word for drink)

Vocabulary Sample Sentences

我想請你睇戲。 ngo5 soeng2 ceng2 nei5 tai2 I want to treat you to a movie.

hei3。

一齊食飯好唔好? jat1 cai4 sik6 faan6 hou2 m4 Eat together, shall we?

hou2 ?

可唔可以請你食餐飯? ho2 m4 ho2 ji5 ceng2 nei5 sik6Can I buy you dinner?

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我哋想飲嘢。 再飲一杯。 caan1 faan6 ? ngo5 dei6 soeng2 jam2 je5。 zoi3 jam2 jat1 bui1 。

We want to have a drink. Another drink.

Cultural Insight

Quick Tip: 1

The Victoria Peak, or the Peak, 太平山頂, (tai ping saan deng), is a must-see if you are in Hong Kong! It is simply amazing to be on the top of the Hong Kong island. There is so much to see when you are there, especially at night. The view from the Peak is amazing. You get an amazing view of the Victoria Sea and whole of the Hong Kong island. The perfect spot to take pictures and practice your Survival phrases!

Quick Tip: 2

While in Hong Kong, a must for any traveler is to visit the Cantonese Islands. Hong Kong is famous for its clear blue water and clean beaches, so don't miss the chance to see some of the most beautiful sceneries in the world!