



Survival Phrases S1

Hotel in the Cantonese World 1: Checking In

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Traditional Chinese

我訂咗房。
我要一間房。
咩名啊？
點串啊？

Jyutping

ngo5 deng6 zo2 fong2 .
ngo5 jiu3 jat1 gaan1 fong2 .
me1 meng2 aa1 ?
dim2 cyun3 aa1 ?

English

I have a reservation.
I'd like a room.
What's your name?
How do you spell it?

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Vocabulary

Traditional	Jyutping	English
訂	deng6	to book
房	fong2	room
名	meng2	name
間	gaan1	measure word for rooms/houses
串	cyun3	to spell, to link
點	dim2	how to

Vocabulary Sample Sentences

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唔該，我想訂枱。

m4 goi1, ngo5 soeng2 deng6 toi2. Can I make a reservation?

仲有冇房？

zung6 jau5 mou5 fong2? Do you have any room left?

你有冇英文名？

nei5 jau5 mou5 jing1 man4 meng2? Do you have an English name?

一人一間房。

jat1 jan4 jat1 gaan1 fong4. One room each.

魔術師在串字。

mo1 seot6 si1 zoi6 cyun3 zi6. The magician is spelling the word.

呢個點用？

ni1 go3 dim2 jung6 ? How do I use this?

Cultural Insight

Quick Tip

The Cantonese language has adopted many foreign words, especially from English. For example:

- 去shopping - "go shopping"
- 去食lunch - "go eat lunch"
- 落club - "go to the club"