



## Survival Phrases S1

How Do You Eat This in the Cantonese World?

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## Traditional Chinese

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呢個點食？  
呢個點用？  
呢個辣唔辣？  
呢個凍唔凍？  
呢個甜唔甜？

## Jyutping

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ni1 go3 dim2 sik6 ?  
ni1 go3 dim2 jung6 ?  
ni1 go3 laat6 m4 laat6 ?  
ni1 go3 dung3 m4 dung3 ?  
ni1 go3 tim4 m4 tim4 ?

## English

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How do you eat this?  
How do you use this?  
Is this spicy?  
Is this cold?  
Is this sweet?

## Vocabulary

Traditional	Jyutping	English
點	dim2	how to
食	sik6	to eat
用	jung6	to use
凍	dung3	cold
甜	tim4	sweet
辣	laat6	spicy

## Vocabulary Sample Sentences

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呢個點用？  
一齊食嘢。  
我可以搵筷子。  
加拿大好凍。

ni1 go3 dim2 jung6 ?  
jat1 cai4 sik6 je5。  
ngo5 ho2 ji5 jung6 faai3 zi2。  
gaa1 naa4 daai6 hou2  
dung3。

How do I use this?  
Eat together.  
I can use chopsticks.  
Canada is cold.

呢個太甜。  
我鍾意食辣。

ni1 go3 taai3 tim4。  
ngo5 zung1 ji3 sik6 laat6。

This is too sweet.  
I like eating spicy (food).

## Cultural Insight

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### Quick Tip: 1

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While dining out, you may meet some local people who haven't cooked at home for a decade, eating in restaurants is not cheap by Asian standards, although it is still cheaper than Europe and North America.

To stuff your stomach in a grassroots Caa Caan Teng (茶餐廳 - "local tea restaurant"), expect to pay \$10-20 for milk tea or coffee, \$8-10 for a toast and \$25-50 for a dish of rice with meats. Wonton noodles generally cost \$20-30. McDonald's, once the cheapest worldwide a decade ago, sells a Happy Meal set for around \$20-25. Other basic restaurants can usually be found in wet markets or outdoor locations, and cost about \$100-\$150 per person.

In midrange and upmarket restaurants, prices are hard to generalise. In a hotpot restaurant, \$100-150 per head is common, and \$200-400 per person is also expected for better choices of food. Sushi is popular with many locals and prices usually start at \$100-200 in a self-service bar to several hundred dollars for a tiny portion of high quality food.

Western restaurants, especially in Soho in Central, where rental payments are skyrocketing, tend to be particularly expensive, and \$300-\$500 per head is common. Fine dining restaurants, usually located at five-star hotels, can cost \$500-\$1500 per person, more if you are a wine enthusiast. Wine choices in these places are on par with any 5-star hotel.