

LESSON NOTES

Survival Phrases S1 #34

How Do You Say This in Cantonese?

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TRADITIONAL CHINESE

1. "Seafood" 廣東話點講?
2. 呢個廣東話點講?
3. 嗰個廣東話點講?
4. "Happy birthday" 廣東話點翻譯?

JYUTPING

1. "Seafood" gwong2 dung1 waa2 dim2 gong2 ?
2. ni1 go3 gwong2 dung1 waa2 dim2 gong2 ?
3. go2 go3 gwong2 dung1 waa2 dim2 gong2 ?
4. "Happy birthday" gwong2 dung1 waa2 dim2 faan1 jik6 ?

ENGLISH

1. How do you say "seafood" in Cantonese?
2. How do you say this in Cantonese?
3. How do you say that in Cantonese?
4. How do you translate "happy birthday" in Cantonese?

VOCABULARY

Traditional	Romanization	English	Class
點講	dim2 gong2	how to say	phrase
呢個	ni1 go3	this one	pronoun
嗰個	go2 go3	that one	pronoun
廣東話	gwong2 dung1 waa2	Cantonese language	noun
翻譯	faan1 jik6	to translate	verb

SAMPLE SENTENCES

<p>"Seafood"廣東話點講? <i>"Seafood" gwong2 dung1 waa2 dim2 gong2 ?</i></p> <p>How do you say "seafood" in Cantonese?</p>	<p>我要呢個。 <i>Ngo5 jiu3 ni1 go3.</i></p> <p>I want this one.</p>
<p>嗰個幾錢? <i>go2 go3 gei2 cin2?</i></p> <p>How much is that?</p>	<p>我識講廣東話。 <i>ngo5 sik1 gong2 gwong2 dung1 waa2.</i></p> <p>I (know how to) speak Cantonese.</p>
<p>你識唔識講廣東話? <i>nei5 sik1 m4 sik1 gong2 gwong2 dung1 waa2 ?</i></p> <p>Do you (know how to) speak Cantonese?</p>	<p>"Happy birthday"廣東話點翻譯? <i>"Happy birthday" gwong2 dung1 waa2 dim2 faan1 jik6 ?</i></p> <p>How do you translate "happy birthday" in Cantonese?</p>

CULTURAL INSIGHT

Quick Tip

English is a major working language in Hong Kong and Macau, and many of its words are widely used in daily conversations as well, like the words for "office," "file," "supermarket," etc.

So if you happen to forgot a certain noun, try the English word for it.