

LESSON NOTES

Survival Phrases S1 #46

How Do You Eat This in the Cantonese World?

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TRADITIONAL CHINESE

1. 呢個點食?
2. 呢個點用?
3. 呢個辣唔辣?
4. 呢個凍唔凍?
5. 呢個甜唔甜?

JYUTPING

1. ni1 go3 dim2 sik6 ?
2. ni1 go3 dim2 jung6 ?
3. ni1 go3 laat6 m4 laat6 ?
4. ni1 go3 dung3 m4 dung3 ?
5. ni1 go3 tim4 m4 tim4 ?

ENGLISH

1. How do you eat this?
2. How do you use this?

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3. Is this spicy?
4. Is this cold?
5. Is this sweet?

VOCABULARY

Traditional	Romanization	English	Class
點	dim2	how to	noun
食	sik6	to eat	verb
用	jung6	to use	verb
凍	dung3	cold	adjective
甜	tim4	sweet	adjective
辣	laat6	spicy	noun

SAMPLE SENTENCES

<p>呢個點用? <i>ni1 go3 dim2 jung6 ?</i></p> <p>How do I use this?</p>	<p>一齊食嘢。 <i>jat1 cai4 sik6 je5.</i></p> <p>Eat together.</p>
<p>我可以用筷子。 <i>ngo5 ho2 ji5 jung6 faai3 zi2.</i></p> <p>I can use chopsticks.</p>	<p>加拿大好凍。 <i>gaa1 naa4 daai6 hou2 dung3.</i></p> <p>Canada is cold.</p>
<p>呢個太甜。 <i>ni1 go3 taai3 tim4.</i></p> <p>This is too sweet.</p>	<p>我鍾意食辣。 <i>ngo5 zung1 ji3 sik6 laat6.</i></p> <p>I like eating spicy (food).</p>

CULTURAL INSIGHT

Quick Tip: 1

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 \$0-20 for milk tea or coffee, \$-10 for a toast and \$5-50 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 \$00-\$50 per person.

In midrange and upmarket restaurants, prices are hard to generalise. In a hotpot restaurant, \$00-150 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 \$00-200 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 \$00-\$00 per head is common. Fine dining restaurants, usually located at five-star hotels, can cost \$00-\$500 per person, more if you are a wine enthusiast. Wine choices in these places are on par with any 5-star hotel.