

LESSON NOTES

Top 25 Cantonese Questions You Need to Know S1 #18 What Are You Doing? in Cantonese

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TRADITIONAL CHINESE

1. Q: 你做緊咩?
2. A: 我諗緊嘢。
3. A: 我食緊嘢。
4. A: 我做緊嘢。
5. A: 我畫緊嘢。

JYUTPING

1. Q: nei5 zou6 gan2 me1 ?
2. A: ngo5 lam2 gan2 je5
3. A: ngo5 sik6 gan2 je5
4. A: ngo5 zou6 gan2 je5
5. A: ngo5 waa2 gan2 je5

ENGLISH

1. Q: What are you doing?
2. A: I'm thinking.

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3. A: I'm eating.
4. A: I'm working.
5. A: I'm drawing.

VOCABULARY

Traditional	Romanization	English	Class
食緊	ji6 gan2	to be eating	verb
畫緊		to be drawing	verb
你	nei5	you (singular)	pronoun
做緊	zou6 gan2	to be doing, to be working	verb
咩	me1	what	pronoun
我	ngo5	I	pronoun
諗緊	lam2 gan2	to be thinking	verb
嘢	je5	thing, things	noun

SAMPLE SENTENCES

<p>你被邀請。</p> <p><i>nei5 bei6 jiu1 cing2.</i></p> <p>You are invited.</p>	<p>你最近點呀？</p> <p><i>nei5 zeoi3 gan6 dim2 aa3 ?</i></p> <p>How have you been lately?</p>
<p>發生咩事？</p> <p><i>Faat3 saang1 me1 si6 ?</i></p> <p>What happened?</p>	<p>你叫咩名？</p> <p><i>nei5 giu3 me1 meng2 ?</i></p> <p>What's your name?</p>

我叫Nicole。
ngo5 giu3 Nicole。

I'm (called) Nicole.

一齊食嘢。
jat1 cai4 sik6 je5。

Eat together.

GRAMMAR

The focus of this lesson is how to say "What are you doing?" in Cantonese.

The question is broken down into 3 words:

	Cantonese	Jyutping	English
Word 1	你	<i>nei5</i>	you (singular)
Word 2	做緊	<i>zou6 gan2</i>	to be doing, to be working
Word 3	咩	<i>me1</i>	what