

LESSON TRANSCRIPT

Top 25 Cantonese Questions You Need to Know S1 #20 What's the Weather Like? in Cantonese

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A: Top 25 Cantonese Questions You Need to Know - Lesson 20: What's the weather like? in Cantonese. In each lesson of this 25 part series, you'll master a common question for Cantonese learners, and then learn how to answer it like a native. You'll learn how these key phrases work by breaking them down into each component. Then through repetition and new vocabulary, you'll expand your understanding of the question, its answers, and any variations.

In this lesson, you'll learn how to respond to the common question “What's the weather like?” In Cantonese this is..

B: 天氣點呀?

The first word in the question is

B: 天氣

A: meaning “weather.”

B: (Slow, by syllable) 天氣

A: Now repeat.

B: 天氣

{Pause}

A: This pattern of first introducing a word at natural speed, providing the translation, breaking it down, and then giving it again at natural speed will be repeated throughout the series. Try to speak aloud as often as possible. The next word in the question is

B: 點

A: meaning “how.”

B: (Slow, by syllable) 點

A: Now repeat.

B: 點

{Pause}

Listen to the the first 2 words of the question and repeat.

B: 天氣點

{pause}

And next

B: 呀

A: The question marking particle.

B: (Slow, by syllable) 呀

A: Now repeat.

B: 呀

{Pause}

Listen to the the entire question and repeat.

B: 天氣點呀

{pause}

A: It literally means “Weather how?”

A: You will hear this common question again and again throughout your studies. Master the following pattern and responses to the question What's the weather like in Hong Kong?

B: 晴天。

A: "It's sunny." Again, slowly. Repeat the phrase.

B: (Slow) 晴天。

{pause}

A: Listen to the speaker say, “It's sunny.,”and then repeat.

B: 晴天。

{pause}

A: If it's cloudy, you can say..

B: 陰天。

A: "It's cloudy." Again, slowly. Repeat the phrase.

B: (Slow) 陰天。

{pause}

A: Listen to the speaker say, "It's cloudy" and then repeat.

B: 陰天。

{pause}

A: If it's foggy, you can say..

B: 大霧。

A: "It's foggy." Again, slowly. Repeat the phrase.

B: (Slow) 大霧。

{pause}

A: Listen to the speaker say, "It's foggy", and then repeat.

B: 大霧。

{pause}

A: If it's windy, you can say..

B: 大風。

A: "It's windy." Again, slowly. Repeat the phrase.

B: (Slow) 大風。

{pause}

A: Listen to the speaker say, "It's windy.", and then repeat.

B: 大風。

{pause}

Now it's time for a quiz. Imagine you are visiting Hong Kong and someone asks you
What's the weather like? You want to say it's sunny. Respond to the question.

B: 天氣點呀? (five seconds) 晴天。

A: Now you want to say it's cloudy. Respond to the question.

B: 天氣點呀? (five seconds) 陰天。

A: You want to say it's foggy. Answer the speaker's question.

B: 天氣點呀? (five seconds) 大霧。

A: You want to say it's windy. Respond to the question.

B: 天氣點呀? (five seconds) 大風。

A: You want to ask someone what the weather is like. Ask the question

(5 seconds)

B: 天氣點呀?

{pause}

A: This is the end of Lesson 20