

#### **LESSON NOTES**

# Top 25 Cantonese Questions You Need to Know S1 #5 Do You Speak Cantonese?

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## TRADITIONAL CHINESE

你識唔識講廣東話? 1. Q: 識少少。 2. A: 識一啲。 3. A: 識啲啲。 4. A: 識大部分。 5. A: **JYUTPING** nei5 sik1 m4 sik1 gong2 gwong2 dung1 waa2? 1. **Q**: 2. **A**: sik1 siu2 siu2 sik1 jat1 di1 3. **A**: sik1 di1 di1 4. **A:** 5. **A**: sik1 daai6 bou6 fan1 **ENGLISH** Do you speak Cantonese? 1. Q:

Yes, I speak a little.

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2. **A**:

3. A: Yes, I speak some.

4. A: Yes, I speak a little tiny bit.

5. A: Yes, I speak quite a lot.

## **VOCABULARY**

Traditional	Romanization	English	Class
一啲	jat1 di1	some	adverb, adjective
啲 啲	di1 di1	a (tiny) bit	adverb
大部分	daai6 bou6 fan1	most of it	adverb
你	nei5	you (singular)	pronoun
識唔識	sik1 m4 sik1	to know or not	verb
講	gong2	to speak	verb
廣東話	gwong2 dung1 waa2	Cantonese language	noun
識	sik1	to know	verb
少少	siu2 siu2	a little	adjective

## SAMPLE SENTENCES

枱面上面有一啲舊書。	你被邀請。	
toi2 min2 soeng6 min6 jau5 jat1 di1 gau6 syu1.	nei5 bei6 jiu1 cing2.	
There are some old books on the table.	You are invited.	
你最近點呀?	你識唔識講廣東話?	
nei5 zeoi3 gan6 dim2 aa3?	nei5 sik1 m4 sik1 gong2 gwong2 dung1 waa2?	
How have you been lately?	Do you speak Cantonese?	

我識講廣東話。 ngo5 sik1 gong2 gwong2 dung1 waa2。 I (know how to) speak Cantonese.	你識唔識講廣東話? nei5 sik1 m4 sik1 gong2 gwong2 dung1 waa2? Do you (know how to) speak Cantonese?
你識唔識講英文?	佢高少少。
nei5 sik1 m4 sik1 gong2 jing1 man2?	keoi5 gou1 siu2 siu2。
Do you speak English?	He's a little bit taller.

## **GRAMMAR**

The focus of this lesson is how to say "Do you speak Cantonese?" in Cantonese. The question is broken down into 4 words:

	Cantonese	Jyutping	English
Word 1	你	nei5	you (singular)
Word 2	識唔識	sik1 m4 sik1	to know or not
Word 3	講	to speak	to speak
Word 4	廣東話	gwong2 dung1 waa2	Cantonese Ianguage