

Valentines Day

Common Phrases

ngo ⁵ oi ³ nei ⁵	<i>I love you</i>
ngo ⁵ (hou ²) jung ¹ yi ³ nei ⁵	<i>I (really) like you</i>
ngo ⁵ jung ¹ yi ³ -jo ² nei ⁵ hou ² noi ⁶ la ³	<i>I've liked you for a long time.</i>
nei ⁵ ho ² -m ⁴ -ho ² yi ⁵ tung ⁴ ngo ⁵ yat ¹ chai ⁴ a ³ ?	<i>Can we be together?</i>
ngo ⁵ ho ² -m ⁴ -ho ² yi ⁵ sek ³ nei ⁵ a ³ ?	<i>May I kiss you?</i>
nei ⁵ hou ² leng ³ jai ² /neui ² a ³	<i>You are so handsome/ beautiful</i>
ngo ⁵ /nei ⁵ dou ¹ hai ⁶	<i>Me/ you too</i>
ngo ⁵ hou ² gwa ³ -jyu ⁶ nei ⁵	<i>I (really) miss you</i>
bat ¹ yu ⁴ ngo ⁵ dei ⁶ heui ³ sik ⁶ faan ⁶ lo ³	<i>Let's go to have dinner</i>

Vocabulary

Vocabulary	English	Part of Speech
oi ³	<i>love/to love</i>	<i>N/V</i>
jung ¹ yi ³	<i>like</i>	<i>V</i>
noi ⁶	<i>a long time</i>	<i>Adj</i>
ho ² -m ⁴ -ho ² yi ⁵	<i>May I... ?/ Can I... ?</i>	<i>Expression</i>
tung ⁴	<i>with</i>	<i>Conj</i>
yat ¹ chai ⁴	<i>(to be) together</i>	<i>Adv</i>
paak ³ to ¹	<i>to be in a relationship</i>	<i>V</i>
sek ³	<i>to kiss</i>	<i>V</i>
dou ¹	<i>also</i>	<i>Adv</i>
leng ³	<i>handsome/ pretty</i>	<i>Adj</i>
jai ²	<i>male</i>	<i>N</i>
neui ²	<i>female</i>	<i>N</i>
heui ³	<i>(to) go to</i>	<i>V</i>
bat ¹ yu ⁴ (ngo ⁵ dei ⁶)...	<i>Let (us)...</i>	<i>Expression</i>

Grammar

(1) To ask a question: Can you/would you like to...

Structure: (person, usually 2nd person pronoun) **ho²-m⁴-ho²yi⁵** (request)?

Example: nei⁵ ho²-m⁴-ho²yi⁵ tung⁴ ngo⁵ yat¹chai⁴ a³?
 You can/cannot with me together (QW)
 (can you/ would you like to (be))

To answer this kind of question:

Positive: ho²yi⁵ *can* Negative: m⁴ho²yi⁵ *cannot*
 OR: hou² *good/okay* m⁴hou² *no*

(2) To make a suggestion: Let (us)...

Structure: **bat¹yu⁴** (ngo⁵dei⁶) **heui³** (suggestion: places or things to do)... **lo³**

Example: bat¹yu⁴ ngo⁵dei⁶ heui³ sik⁶fan⁶ lo³
 Let us go eat dinner (particle)

To answer this kind of question:

Positive: hou² *good/okay* Negative: m⁴hou² *no/ not okay/ don't want to*

Some common places and activities

haang ⁴ gaai ¹	<i>shopping</i>
tai ² hei ³	<i>watch movie</i>
hei ³ yun ²	<i>theater/ cinema</i>
chaan ¹ teng ¹	<i>restaurant</i>
leui ⁵ hang ⁴	<i>traveling</i>
haang ⁴ saan ¹	<i>hiking</i>
cheung ³ K	<i>sing karaoke</i>
hoi ² taan ¹	<i>beach</i>
saan ¹ deng ²	<i>the top of a hill/ mountain</i>
tai ² sing ¹ sing ¹	<i>watch stars</i>
gung ¹ yun ²	<i>park</i>
saan ³ bou ⁶	<i>to have a walk</i>
yaau ⁴ lok ⁶ cheung ⁴	<i>theme park</i>
waat ⁶ syut ³	<i>skiing</i>

Activities

Pair up in groups of two. Make a skit of asking each other out. Try to use both of the sentence structures you have learned in this lesson.