Lesson Thirteen

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驕傲的彩虹 giu1 ngou6 dik1 coi2 hung4 The Proud Rainbow

| Chinese | Pronunciation | Meaning | Spoken Cantonese |
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| 驕傲 | giu1 ngou6 | proud, arrogant | |
| 道 | dou6 | measure word for long and narrow things | tiu4 (條) |
| 彩虹 | coi2 hung4 | rainbow | |
| 古同 | gou1 | high | |
| 掛 | gwaa3 | hang | |
| 街 | gaai1 | street | |
| 行人 | hang4 jan4 | pedestrians | |
| 停 | ting4 | stop | |
| 下來 | haa6 loi4 | when 下來 is added to a verb like 停 it emphasizes that the action was completed | lok6 lai4 (落嚟) |
| 欣賞 | jan1 soeng2 | admire | |
| 騎着 | ke4 ke4 zeok6 | ride (a bike, a horse etc.) | ke4 zyu6 (騎住) |
| 自行車 | zi6 hang4 ce1 | bicycle | daan1 ce1 (單車) |
| 殸 | sing1 | sound | seng1 (聲幾) |
| 大聲 | daai6 sing1 | loudly | daai6 seng1 (大聲) |
| 多 | do1 | such, so (when used in front of an adjective) | gei2 (幾) |
| 美麗 | mei5 lai6 | beautiful | leng3 (靚) |

| | ting3 | hear | teng3 (聽) |
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| 得意 | dak1 ji3 | proud of oneself, pleased with oneself | |
| 太陽 | taai3 joeng4 | sun | |
| 讚美 | zaan3 mei5 | praise | |
| 天空 | tin1 hung1 | sky | |
| 美 | mei5 | beautiful (the same as 美麗 above) | leng3 (靚) |
| 微笑 | mei4 siu3 | smile | |
| 微微一笑 | mei4 mei4 jat1 siu3 | give a little smile | |
| 慢慢 | maan6 maan6 | slowly | maan6 maan2 (慢 慢) |
| 西邊 | sai1 bin1 | the west | |
| 落下 | lok6 haa6 | go down, drop | |
| 日落 | jat6 lok6 | sunset | |
| 跟着 | gan1 zeok6 | along with, together with | gan1 zyu6 (跟住) |
| 消失 | siu1 sat1 | disappear | |

The Proud Rainbow

After the rain, there was a rainbow hanging high in the sky. Pedestrians on the street stopped to admire it. A child on a bicycle said loudly: "Look, such a beautiful rainbow!"

On hearing this, the rainbow felt very pleased with himself, and proudly said to the sun: "Did you hear that? People are praising me! Am I not the most beautiful thing in the sky?"

The sun just gave a little smile and slowly went down in the west. As the sun set behind the western hills, the rainbow also disappeared.