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## **Chapter 10**

## 中秋賞月 zung1 cau1 soeng2 jyut6 Mid Autumn, Admiring the Moon

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中	zung1	middle of something
秋	caul	autumn
賞	soeng2	admire, appreciate
月	jyut6	the moon
節	zit3	festival
中秋節	zung1 cau1 zit3	Mid Autumn festival
的	dik1	Grammatical: see below
晚上	maan5 soeng5	evening, night
月亮	jyut6 loeng6	the moon
又	jau6	and also Grammatical: see below
	jyun4	round
大	daai6	big
我們	ngo5 mun4	we
到	dou3	go to
公園	gung1 jyun4	the park

樹上	syu6 soeng5	on the tree
掛	gwaa3	hanging
了	liu5	Grammatical: see below
大大小小	daai6 daai6 siu2 siu2	big and small – all sizes
燈籠	dang1 lung4	lanterns
那些	naa5 se1	those
明亮	ming4 loeng6	bright
好看	hou2 hon3	lovely, look good

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妹妹	mui6 mui6	little sister
問	man6	asks
哪一個	naa5 jat1 go3	which?
最	zeoi3	the most
美麗	mei5 lai6	beautiful
爸爸	baal baal	Dad
笑着	siu3 zyu3	laughing
說	syut3	says
在天上	zoi6 tin1 soeng5	in the sky

#### Grammar

### 1) 的

When you are describing something 的 goes before the noun.

It goes after the descriptor and before the noun. eg.

我的書 ngo5 dik1 syu1 my book

他的狗 taal dikl gau2 his dog

明天的聽寫 ming4 tin1 dik1 ting3 se2 tomorrow's dictation

中秋節的晚上 zung1 cau1 zit3 dik1 maan5 soeng5 Mid autumn

festival's evening – or in English – the evening of Mid autumn festival

2) 又。。。又。。。 jau6。。。jau6。。。

This is used to say something is xxxx and is also xxx

月亮又圓又大 jyut6 loeng6 jau6 jyun4 jau6 daai6 The moon is round AND ALSO big

燈籠又明亮又好看 dang1 lung4 jau6 ming4 loeng6 jau6 hou2 hon3

The lantern is bright **AND ALSO** looks nice Or in English we would probably just say The lantern is bright **AND** looks nice

#### 3) 了 liu5

Tells you an action has been completed and there is a change of state. Before the lanterns were not hanging on the tree – now they are hanging on the tree.

also

# 燈籠 is quite difficult!

燈 on the left there is  $\nu$  - a lantern – a light - in the old days would = real fire.

籠 has got bamboo on the top - the character means a basket – which would be made from bamboo in the old days.



and underneath the bamboo is 龍 a dragon! So the basket is breathing fire, like a dragon. = a lantern. And 籠 also sounds like the word for dragon 龍 too.