

Asking for and giving directions

I got lost!



Role 1: Imagine you are a tourist. You got lost and you need to ask for information to find a good restaurant.

Role 2: Imagine you meet a tourist. Give him/her the right directions to get to a typical restaurant of your town.

Here is a sample conversation. Read it and take inspiration for your role-play!

Sample Conversation: Asking for and giving directions

Tourist: Excuse me, Would you mind helping me? I think I got lost!

You : Where do you need to go?

Tourist: I was looking for a restaurant, its name is Jekyll's. Could you please show me the way to get there?

You: Sure. It's on Prince Street. Ok, to get to Prince Street you have to go straight on, then turn on the left to Strand street and take the first turning on your right. Go past the Post Office and go straight to the department store. In front of the department store there is a cinema. Cross the street and take the first turning on your left, then past the lights and you'll see a library on your right. Go straight to the roundabout and take the third turning on your right.

The restaurant is opposite the hospital, next to the police station.

Tourist: Ok, so Strand Street then ...in front of the hospital and next to the police station.

You: Yes, that's right

Tourist: Good. I'll get a taxi then. Thanks a lot.

A common way to give directions is to give the name of the street and then some buildings nearby. Look at the map of your town and find the given directions.

Here are some useful expressions to ask for directions:

- Excuse me, can you tell me the way to...
- Can you show me the way to...
- How do I get to...
- How long does it take from here to...
- How far is it to...

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