

3d The city of Atlanta

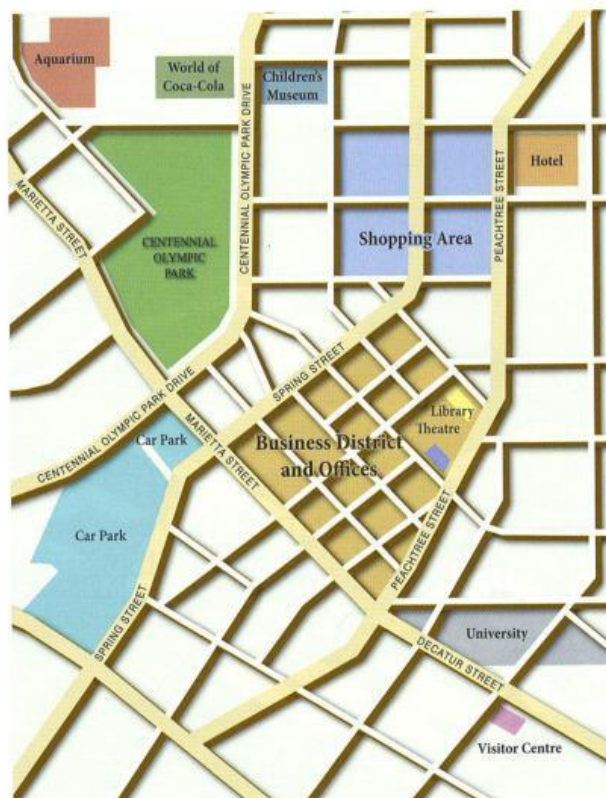
Vocabulary places in a city

- 1 When you are a tourist in a new city, what places do you normally visit?
- 2 Look at the map of Atlanta, in the USA. Where do you do these things?

1 get tourist information	6 read a book
2 learn about history	7 meet clients and colleagues
3 relax outside	8 look at sea life
4 see a play or a musical	9 stay the night
5 park your car	

Real life giving directions

- 3 ▶ 37 Listen to a conversation at the visitor centre. What places on the map do they talk about?



- 4 ▶ 37 Look at the expressions for giving directions. Complete the conversation at the visitor centre. Then listen again and check.

T = Tourist, G = Guide

T: Hello. We'd like to go to the aquarium. It's ¹ _____?

G: It's ² _____ fifteen minutes _____, but you go past some interesting places on the way. So look at this map. Go ³ _____ Decatur Street and then up Marietta Street. ⁴ _____ Spring Street and take the first street ⁵ _____. Centennial Olympic Park is on the corner. It's very nice. Go across the park and on the right there's the World of Coca-Cola.

T: Oh, that sounds interesting.

G: Yes, it is. ⁶ _____ it and the aquarium is opposite.

T: Great. Thanks a lot.

▶ GIVING DIRECTIONS

Asking for directions

Where is ...?

I'd like to go to ...

Is it near here?

Giving directions

It's near here. / It's about ten minutes away.

Go past the ...

Go across ...

Go straight up ...

Take the first street on the left. / Turn left

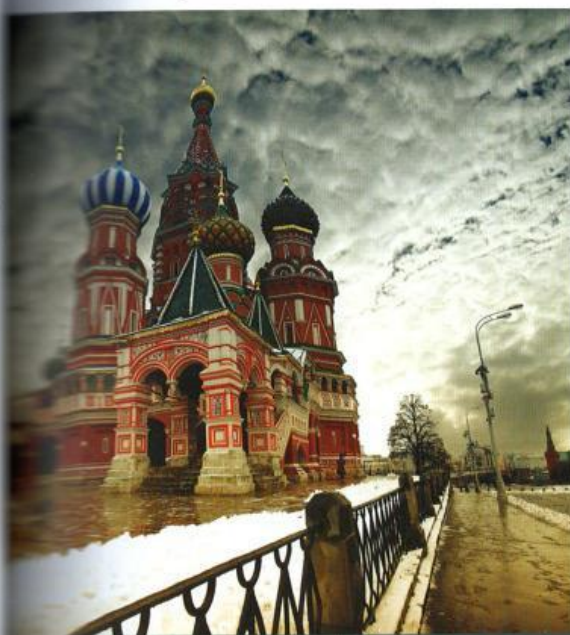
Take the first street on the right. / Turn right

- 5 Work in pairs. Practise similar conversations at the visitor centre. Ask for and give directions to different places on the map of Atlanta.

3e My favourite city

Writing a description of a place

- 1 When you travel to a new place, where can you find information?
- 2 Bella Potachouck writes for a travel website. Read about her favourite city. Tick (✓) the items she mentions (1–6).
- 1 the name of her city
 - 2 good places to visit
 - 3 her favourite time of year
 - 4 places to meet friends
 - 5 her favourite cafés and restaurants
 - 6 good ways to travel around the city



WHY I LOVE MOSCOW

My favourite place in Russia is Red Square in Moscow because there are interesting museums and art galleries. I also like other parts of Moscow; for example, Krasnaya Presnya Park is great. On Saturdays in the summer I meet friends there in the afternoon. We relax and play sport – and it's free! I also love the winter in Moscow. December is my favourite month because the snow is beautiful and we go ice-skating.

3 Writing skill capital letters

- a Read the description in Exercise 2 again. Which of these things (1–7) do not have a capital letter?
- 1 the word at the beginning of a sentence
 - 2 the pronoun I
 - 3 names of people, cities or places
 - 4 countries, nationalities or languages
 - 5 parts of the day
 - 6 days and months
 - 7 seasons
 - 8 streets, roads, parks and squares
- b Look at this description by a student. Which words need a capital letter? Look at the examples and circle all the incorrect letters.



I'm from @ustralia and i love sydney! there are over four million people here, but it's never crowded. that's because there's a harbour with the famous sydney opera house and there are beautiful beaches. on saturdays i go with my friends to narabeen beach. it's quiet and relaxed. in the evening we go to the city centre. there are over three thousand restaurants. my favourites are japanese and lebanese.

- 4 Write a description of your favourite town or city for a website.
- 5 Display the descriptions around the classroom. Walk around and read each other's descriptions. Check the capital letters.