

The American tourist

Paul is an American tourist in London. Jane is British. She works at a tourist information office. It's her first day and she doesn't know American English very well. Complete their conversation below with words from this lesson and then read it with your partner.

Paul: Excuse me, is there a clothes _____¹ around here?

Jane: Yes, there's a shop called Smiths. What kind of clothes do you want to buy?

Paul: I need to buy some _____².

Jane: Oh no, they don't sell underwear.

Paul: I'm sorry?

Jane: Oh, you mean trousers. Yes, they have a lot of trousers.

Paul: Thank you. Is it far?

Jane: No, it's quite near. Just keep walking down this street and turn left at the crossroads.

Paul: Turn left at the what? Oh, you mean the _____³?

Jane: Yes, that's right. Anything else I can help you with?

Paul: Yes, how do I get to the British Museum?

Jane: Oh, you need to take the _____⁴. The nearest station is at the end of this street opposite the car park.

Paul: Opposite the what? Oh, you mean the _____⁵?

Jane: Yes.

Paul: Can I get a _____⁶ to the museum?

Jane: Yes, you can get a cab, but it will be very expensive.

Paul: I see. One more thing. I'm quite hungry. Where can I buy some _____⁷?

Jane: There's a McDonald's down the road.

Paul: No, I don't mean fries.

Jane: Oh, you mean crisps! Right, there's a small supermarket across the street. They should have crisps.