



## Asking & Giving Directions

It's really useful to know how to ask for and understand directions in English so you can reach your destination. It's also great to be able to give directions yourself to tourists or foreign colleagues.

### Before Asking for Directions:

Starting to conversation **kindly** is very good way. So, when we start talking, we can use the following forms:

Examples:

- Excuse me.
- Excuse me, could you help me, please?
- Sorry, I am not from around here.
- Hello, I seemed to be lost.

### Asking directions:

Sometimes we or someone need to find a place. And we need to ask someone else for help. When we're asking for directions to someone, we use some phrases.

Examples:

- **Can you give me directions to** the hospital?
- **How do you get to** the airport?
- **Where is the police station?**
- **Where can I find** the post office?
- **How do I get to** library?
- Is there a fish market **near here?**
- Do you know **where the driving school is?**
- Can you tell me **how to get to train station from here?**
- **How can I get to** the library?
- **What's the best way to get to** the stadium from here?
- Could you tell me **where the bus station is?**
- Can you tell me **the way to the Zoo?**
- Could you help me, please? **I'm looking for the bank.**

### Giving directions

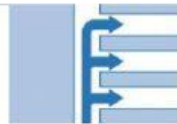
to instruct someone to go to a specific place, we generally use:

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| Go straight on...                                                   | Turn right...                           | Turn left...                       |
| Go straight ahead...                                                | Go across the street...                 | Go past the...                     |
| On the corner...                                                    | Go as far as the cinema...              | Go along the ... street...         |
| Take the 1 <sup>st</sup> / 2 <sup>nd</sup> / 3 <sup>rd</sup> street | Continue straight ahead for two blocks. | Follow this street for 300 meters. |
| Go straight on until...                                             | Take the .... Street / Avenue           | Walk .... Meters                   |

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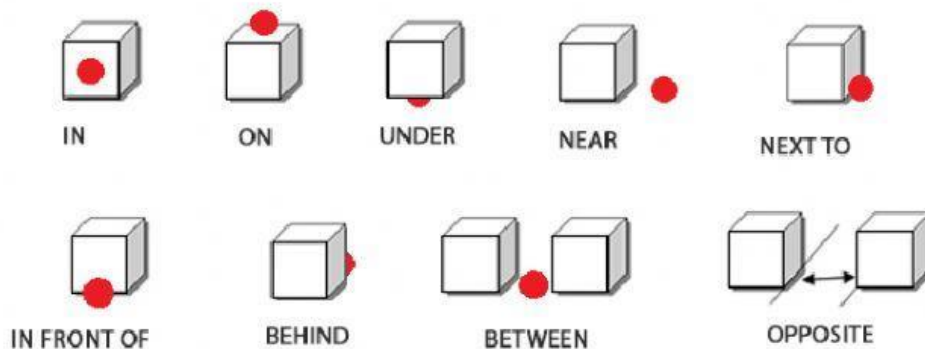
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|  <p><b>Turn left</b><br/>"gire a la izquierda"</p>        |  <p><b>Turn right</b><br/>"gire a la derecha"</p>           |  <p><b>Go straight on</b><br/><b>Go straight ahead</b><br/>"vaya recto"</p>                                                                            |  <p><b>Go past the</b><br/>"pase por delante de"</p>                                                                                                     |
|  <p><b>Go across the street</b><br/>"cruce la calle"</p>  |  <p><b>On the corner</b><br/>"en la esquina"</p>            |  <p><b>Go as far as</b><br/>"vaya hasta"</p>                                                                                                           |  <p><b>Go along the street</b><br/>"vaya por esta calle"</p>                                                                                             |
|  <p><b>Go up the street</b><br/>"suba por esta calle"</p> |  <p><b>Go down the street</b><br/>"baje por esta calle"</p> |  <p><b>Take the 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> street</b><br/>"tome la 1<sup>a</sup>/2<sup>a</sup>/3<sup>a</sup> calle a la derecha"</p> |  <p><b>Take the 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> street</b><br/>"tome la 1<sup>a</sup>/2<sup>a</sup>/3<sup>a</sup> calle a la izquierda"</p> |

## Preposition of Place

A preposition of place shows the position or location of something.



### Examples of Asking and Giving Directions

#### 1. Excuse me, where is the cafe?

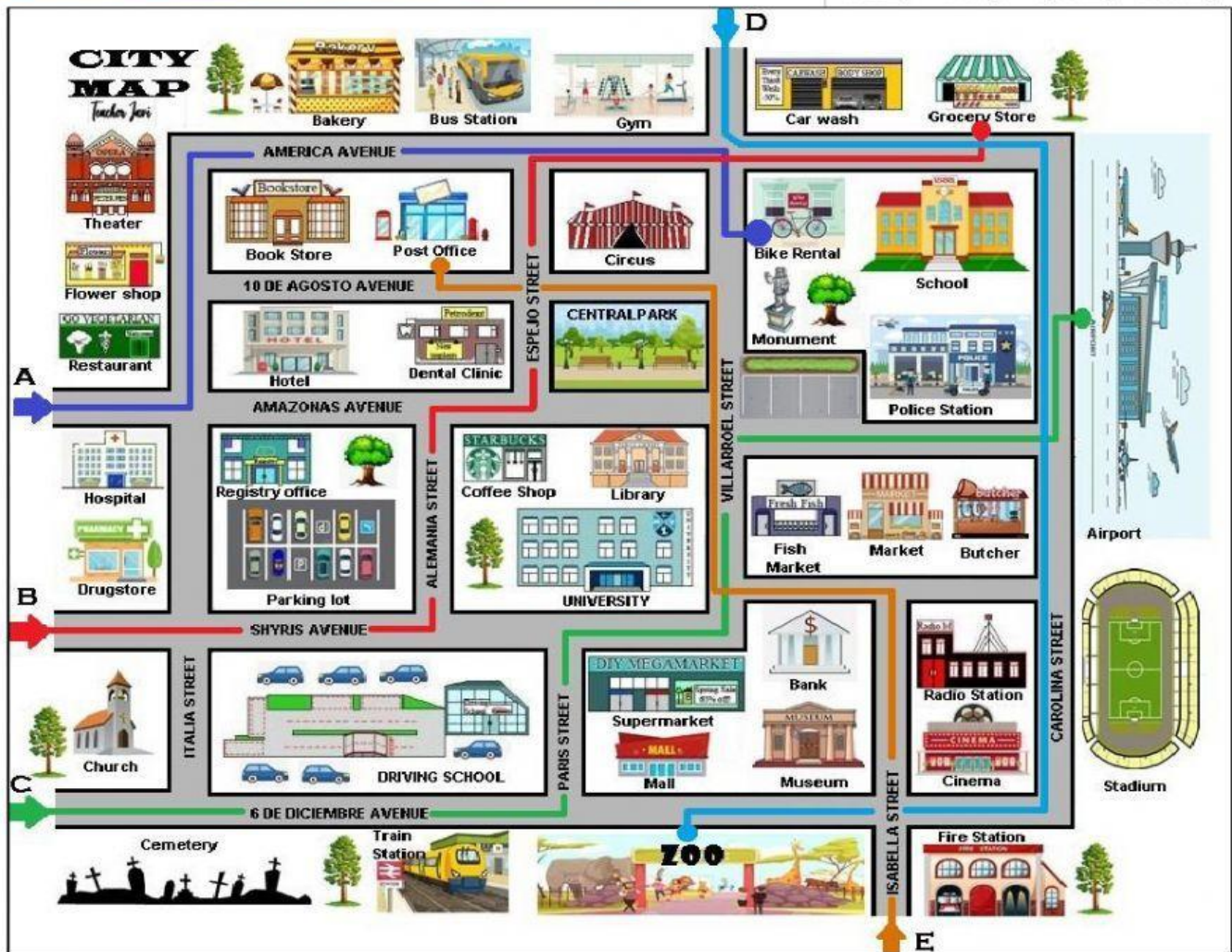
Go straight on Amazonas Avenue, the Coffee shop is next to the library.

#### 2. Excuse me, could you tell me the way to the museum, please?

Sure! Go straight ahead on Shyris Avenue, turn right on Paris street and then, on the corner turn left on 6 de Diciembre Avenue, continue straight ahead for 20 meters. The museum is next to the Mall.



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Look at the map, write the directions for:

- A. Excuse me, **can you give me direction to the bike rental?**
- B. **Where is the grocery store?**
- C. **Could you tell me how to get to airport from here?**
- D. Excuse me, **do you know where the zoo is?**
- E. Could you help me, please, **what's the best way to get to the post office from here?**