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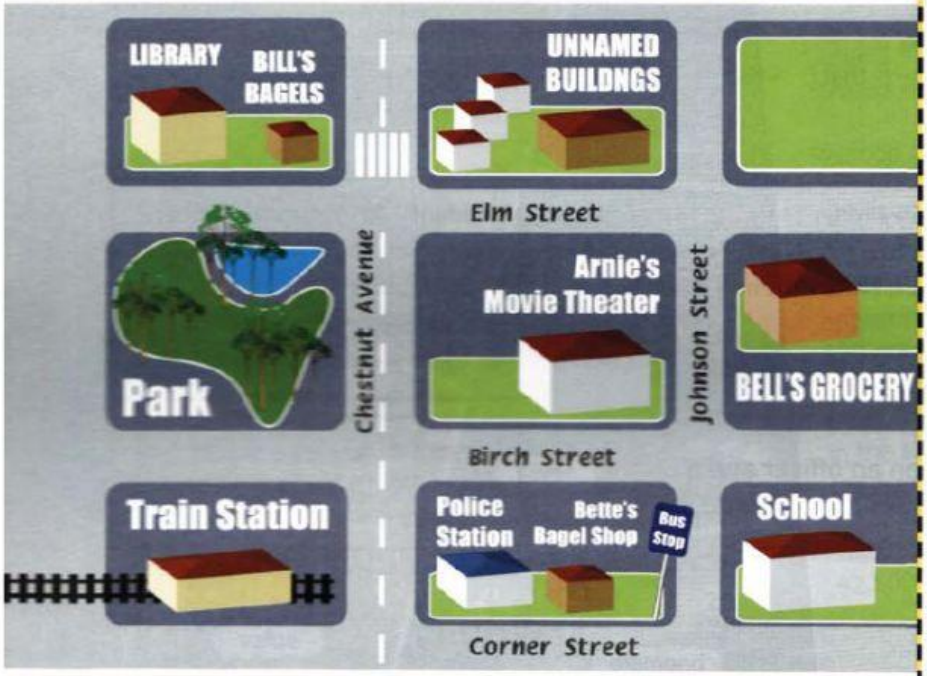
Get ready!

1 Before you read the passage, talk about these questions.

1 What are some places that tourists walk to in your town or city?
2 Is your town or city easy to walk around? Why or why not?



Directions to the Watson Area Police Station

*The following routes can all be taken **on foot**.
From the library: Walk one **block** down Elm Street **past** Bill's Bagels. Take the **crosswalk** at the corner onto Chestnut Avenue. **Go down** two more blocks to arrive at the police station.
From Bell's Grocery: Walk one block down Johnson Street. **Cross** the street. You will be on the same side as the **train station**. Walk one block on Corner Street to arrive at the police station.
From Annie's Movie Theater: Go **across** Birch Street and walk one block. Take a right at the **bus stop**. Up ahead you will see Bette's Bagel Shop. The police station is right **beside** the bagel shop.

Reading

2 Read the pamphlet from a police station. Then, choose the correct answers.

1 What is the purpose of this pamphlet?
A to describe the Watson police force
B to explain ways to get to the police station
C to promote businesses that donate to the police
D to show the locations of different police stations

2 Which is NOT indicated by the pamphlet?
A what street Bette's business is on
B how to reach the police station from the library
C how to drive from Bell's Grocery to the police station
D what business is next to the police station

3 What can you infer from this pamphlet?
A Watson does not have an airport.
B Watson has at least two bagel shops.
C The bus stop is across from Bell's Grocery.
D More people walk than drive in Watson.

Vocabulary

3 Match the words (1-6) with the definitions (A-F).

1 __ beside
2 __ block
3 __ on foot
4 __ cross
5 __ go down
6 __ past

A to travel in a specific direction
B next to
C the distance between one street and another
D to be walking
E to go from one side to another
F to pass without stopping

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4 Fill in the blanks with the correct words and phrases from the word bank.

WORD BANK

police station bus stop across
train station crosswalk

1 The man was taken to the _____ after he was arrested.
2 Mary had to go _____ the street to get to the dentist.
3 Use the _____ when crossing the street.
4 Brenda went to the _____ to wait for the bus to arrive.
5 Dave spent all day at the _____ because his train was late.

5 Listen and read the pamphlet again. Which location is probably closest to the police station?

Listening

6 Listen to a conversation between a pedestrian and an officer. Mark the statements as true (T) or false (F).

1 __ The hotel is far from the pedestrian's location.
2 __ The officer recommends that the pedestrian wait for a bus.
3 __ The hotel is located on Park Street.

7 Listen again and complete the conversation.

Pedestrian: Well, I'm here on vacation. I'm 1 _____ for the Grand Hotel.
Officer: It's not far from here, only a few 2 _____.
Pedestrian: Okay. So what's the best way to get there?
Officer: 3 _____ _____ Park street until you get to the 4 _____ _____.
Pedestrian: Okay. Then what?
Officer: Cross Baldwin Avenue. It's just after the bus stop. The Grand Hotel will be 5 _____ _____ _____.
Pedestrian: Great, so it's not 6 _____ _____ _____. Thank you officer.

Speaking

8 With a partner, act out the roles below based on Task 7. Then, switch roles.

USE LANGUAGE SUCH AS:

I'm looking for ...
What is the best way ...
It will be on your right/left.

Student A: You are a police officer. Talk to Student B about:
- his / her destination
- the best way to walk there

Student B: You are a tourist. Ask Student A for directions. Make up a destination.

Writing

9 Use the conversation from Task 8 to fill out the directions to your destination.

Destination:

How do you get there?

1. Take _____.
2. Cross _____ at the _____.
3. The _____ will be _____.

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