

Question words (1) C How long • How far

Gigi : How long does it take to travel from here to the beach?

Ivan : It takes ten minutes.

Tony : How far is it from the beach to the picnic site?

Ivan : It's not far. It's half a kilometre.

Tony : How far is it from the picnic site to the pier?

Ivan : It's a long way. It's five kilometres.



kilometre(s) = km

How long → length of time

How long does it take to travel from here to Causeway Bay?

It takes 15 minutes.

Use 'take' (not 'use') to talk about the length of time we need to do something.

How far → distance

How far is it from here to the campsite?

It's not far. /

It's a long way.



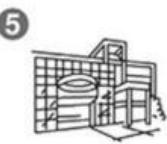
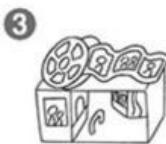
Fill in the blanks with 'How long' or 'How far'.

- A: _____ does it take to walk to the MTR station? 
- B: It takes twenty minutes.
- A: _____ is it from here to the nearest post office?
- B: It's not far. It's about 100 metres.
- A: _____ does it take to travel from Hong Kong to Macau?
- B: It takes one hour.
- A: _____ is it from here to the bus stop?
- B: It's a long way. It's seven kilometres.
- A: _____ is it from here to the barbecue site?
- B: It's not far. It's half a kilometre.
- A: _____ does it take to travel from here to Stanley?
- B: It takes forty minutes by bus.

Date: _____

Practice

Write questions using 'How long' or 'How far' and the words given. Follow the examples.



1 (walk) here → the book shop

A: How long does it take to walk from here to the book shop?

B: It takes fifteen minutes.

2 here → the barbecue site

A: How far is it from here to the barbecue site?

B: It's not far. It's one kilometre.

3 (walk) here → the cinema

A: _____

B: It takes half an hour.

4 (travel) here → the theme park

A: _____

B: It takes one hour by train.

5 here → the Science Museum

A: _____

B: It's a long way. It's five and a half kilometres.

6 here → the information board

A: _____

B: It's not far. It's one and a half kilometres.