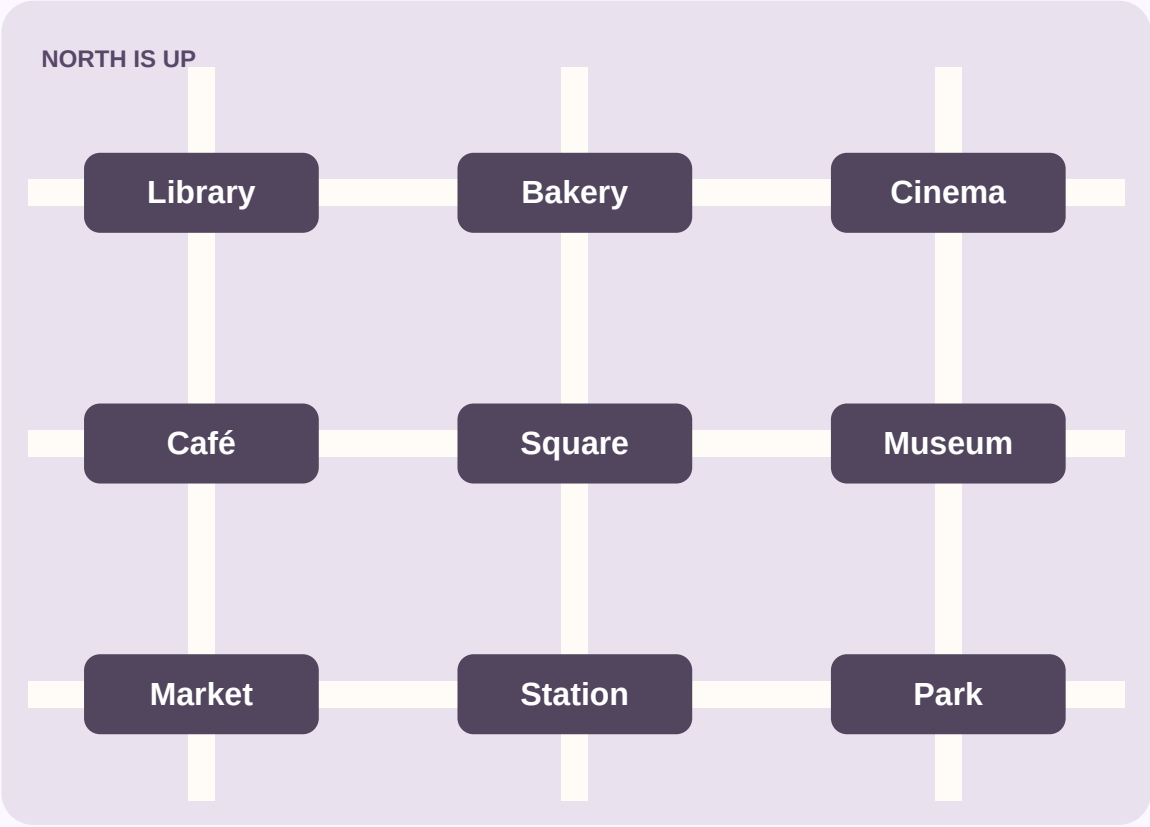
Giving directions in English

A digital listening lesson for pairs or a projected screen. Open a route by selecting its name.



Open a route

Use the audio first. Open the transcript on replay.

01 First turn

02 Past the first corner

03 Two turns

04 Second right

05 First after the turn

06 A changed instruction

07 Across the square

08 Last-minute change

Warm-up

Find the station. Point north. Say which place is one block ahead.

Open the listening map

Follow the route

Teacher view. Read the lines aloud, or open the audio for a shared listen.

01 First turn

Start at the station, facing north.

Walk straight for one block. Turn right at the square. Stop at the next corner.

Destination: Museum

Play this route >

02 Past the first corner

Start at the market, facing north.

Walk north. Go past the café. Stop at the corner after the café.

Destination: Library

Play this route >

03 Two turns

Start at the cinema, facing south.

Walk one block and turn right at the museum. Go one block, then turn left. Stop at the next corner.

Destination: Station

Play this route >

04 Second right

Start at the park, facing west.

Walk west. Take the second right, not the first. Stop after one block on that street.

Destination: Café

Play this route >

Partner A gives one new two-turn route. Partner B repeats the last turn and names the destination. Swap roles.

Listen for the change

Teacher view. Read the lines aloud, or open the audio for a shared listen.

05 First after the turn

Start at the museum, facing north.

Go north to the end of the road. Turn left. Stop at the first corner after the turn, not the second.

Destination: Bakery **Play this route >**

06 A changed instruction

Start at the café, facing east.

Walk east for one block and turn left. Sorry, keep going for one more block before you turn left. Then walk to the end of that street.

Destination: Cinema **Play this route >**

07 Across the square

Start at the bakery, facing south.

Walk south through the square. Keep going until that road ends. Turn left and walk one block.

Destination: Park **Play this route >**

08 Last-minute change

Start at the square, facing south.

Go south to the station. Turn left there. Wait, I meant right. Walk one block and meet me at the corner.

Destination: Market **Play this route >**

Exit ticket: Give one direction and correct it with “Sorry, I meant…”. A partner traces the revised route and explains what changed.