

Asking the Way to the Station

Level: A2

Listen to a tourist asking a local the way, and then to an order in a cafe. Listen first, then do the exercises.

The audio for this activity is available online.

Reading text

A: Excuse me, could you help me, please? **B:** Of course, what do you need? **A:** I am looking for the railway station. **A:** Is it far from here? **B:** No, it is not far. **B:** It is about ten minutes on foot. **A:** Great! Which way do I go? **B:** Go straight on and turn left at the bank. **B:** Then walk past the post office and take the second right. **A:** Is there a bus? **A:** My bag is very heavy. **B:** Yes, but the bus stop is far, so walking is faster. **B:** The station is opposite the park, next to a small cafe. **A:** Thank you very much! **A:** You are very kind.

B: Welcome to the cafe next to the station. What would you like? **A:** Hello, I would like a cup of tea and a cheese sandwich, please. **B:** Certainly, would you like anything else? **A:** Yes, an orange juice, please. **A:** How much is it? **B:** That is seven euros fifty. **B:** Do you want to eat here? **A:** Yes, please. **A:** My train leaves at half past two, so I am in a hurry. **B:** Please sit down, and your food will be ready in five minutes. **A:** Thank you.

Glossary

railway station	a place where you get on and off trains
on foot	walking, not in a car or bus
straight on	forward, without turning
opposite	on the other side, in front of
bank	a place where people keep money
bus stop	a place where a bus stops for people
certainly	yes, of course
hurry	when you must go fast because you have little time

Exercise 1: Listen and choose

Listening: online only.

Exercise 2: Choose the correct answer

Select the option that answers the question.

- What is the tourist looking for?
a) A bus stop b) The railway station c) A post office
- What food does the tourist order?
a) A cheese sandwich b) A salad c) A cake

3. Why is the tourist in a hurry?

- a) The cafe closes soon b) The bus is late c) The train leaves soon

4. How much is the order?

- a) Six euros b) Seven euros fifty c) Nine euros

Exercise 3: Right or wrong?

Decide whether each sentence is correct.

5. The local says the bus is faster than walking. True / False

6. The station is next to a cafe. True / False

7. The tourist asks for a coffee. True / False

8. The tourist's train leaves at half past two. True / False

Exercise 4: Listen and write

Listening: online only.

Answer key

Exercise 2: Choose the correct answer

1. b) The railway station
2. a) A cheese sandwich
3. c) The train leaves soon
4. b) Seven euros fifty

Exercise 3: Right or wrong?

5. False
6. True
7. False
8. True

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