

路

Directions

How to ask the way, understand the answer and read the signs you will see everywhere.

Where is the toilet?

洗手间在哪里？

xǐshǒujiān zài nǎlǐ?

Where is the metro station?

地铁站在哪里？

dìtiězhàn zài nǎlǐ?

How do I get here?

去这里怎么走？

qù zhèlǐ zěnmē zǒu?

Is it far?

远吗？

yuǎn ma?

How long does it take on foot?

走路要多久？

zǒulù yào duōjiǔ?

Can you show me on the map?

能在地图上指给我看吗？

néng zài dìtú shàng zhǐ gěi wǒ kàn ma?

Go straight on

一直走

yìzhí zǒu

Turn left

往左拐

wǎng zuǒ guǎi

Turn right

往右拐

wǎng yòu guǎi

It's right here

就在这里

jiù zài zhèlǐ

I'm lost

我迷路了

wǒ mílù le

Is there a convenience store
nearby?

附近有便利店吗?

fùjìn yǒu biànlìdiàn ma?

Where is the exit?

出口在哪里?

chūkǒu zài nǎlǐ?

Sign: Entrance

入口

rùkǒu

Sign: Exit

出口

chūkǒu

Sign: Men

男

nán

Sign: Women

女

nǚ

Good to know

- Have the address of your destination in Chinese characters: copy it from the booking or ask the hotel. People can read it even when they don't know the English name.
- Pointing at a map works better than describing the place.
“能在地图上指给我看吗? néng zài dìtú shàng zhǐ gěi wǒ kàn ma?” asks the person to show you on the map.
- Toilets are signed 洗手间 *xǐshǒujiān* or 厕所 *cèsuǒ*; 男 *nán* is men and 女 *nǚ* is women. Carry tissues: many public toilets don't have paper.
- Metro exits are numbered and lettered (A, B, C...). Check which exit is closest to your destination before you leave the station.