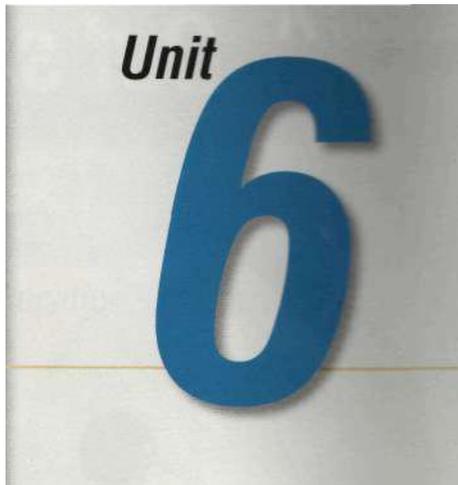


LECTURE 20



Around town

In Unit 6, you learn how to . . .

- use *Is there?* and *Are there?* to ask about places in a town.
- use location expressions like *across from* and *outside*.
- use *Can* and *Could* to offer help and ask for directions.
- talk about stores and favorite places in your city or town.
- check information by repeating key words, using “checking” expressions and asking “echo” questions.

Places in your town

- ▶ **Stores and Shops:**

grocery store, clothes store, drugstore

- ▶ **Free-Time Places:**

coffee shop, restaurant, parks

- ▶ **Services:**

Post office, banks, hospitals

New Vocabulary

- ▶ **Department store:** a large shop divided into several different parts, each of which sells different things.
- ▶ **Avenue:** a wide road, with trees or tall buildings on both sides, or a wide countryside path or road with trees on both sides.
- ▶ **Directions:** instructions that you give to someone about how to find a particular place.
- ▶ **Museum:** a building where objects of historical, scientific or artistic interest are kept.
- ▶ **Straight:** continuing in one direction without bending or curving.
- ▶ **Block:** a large, usually tall building divided into separate parts for use as offices or homes.
- ▶ **Ferry:** a boat or ship for taking passengers and often vehicles across an area of water, especially as a regular service.
- ▶ **Terminal:** the area or building at a station, airport or port which is used by passengers leaving or arriving by train, aircraft or ship.
- ▶ **Aquarium:** a glass container in which fish and other water animals can be kept.
- ▶ **Stadium:** a large closed area of land with rows of seats around the sides and often with no roof which is used for sports events.



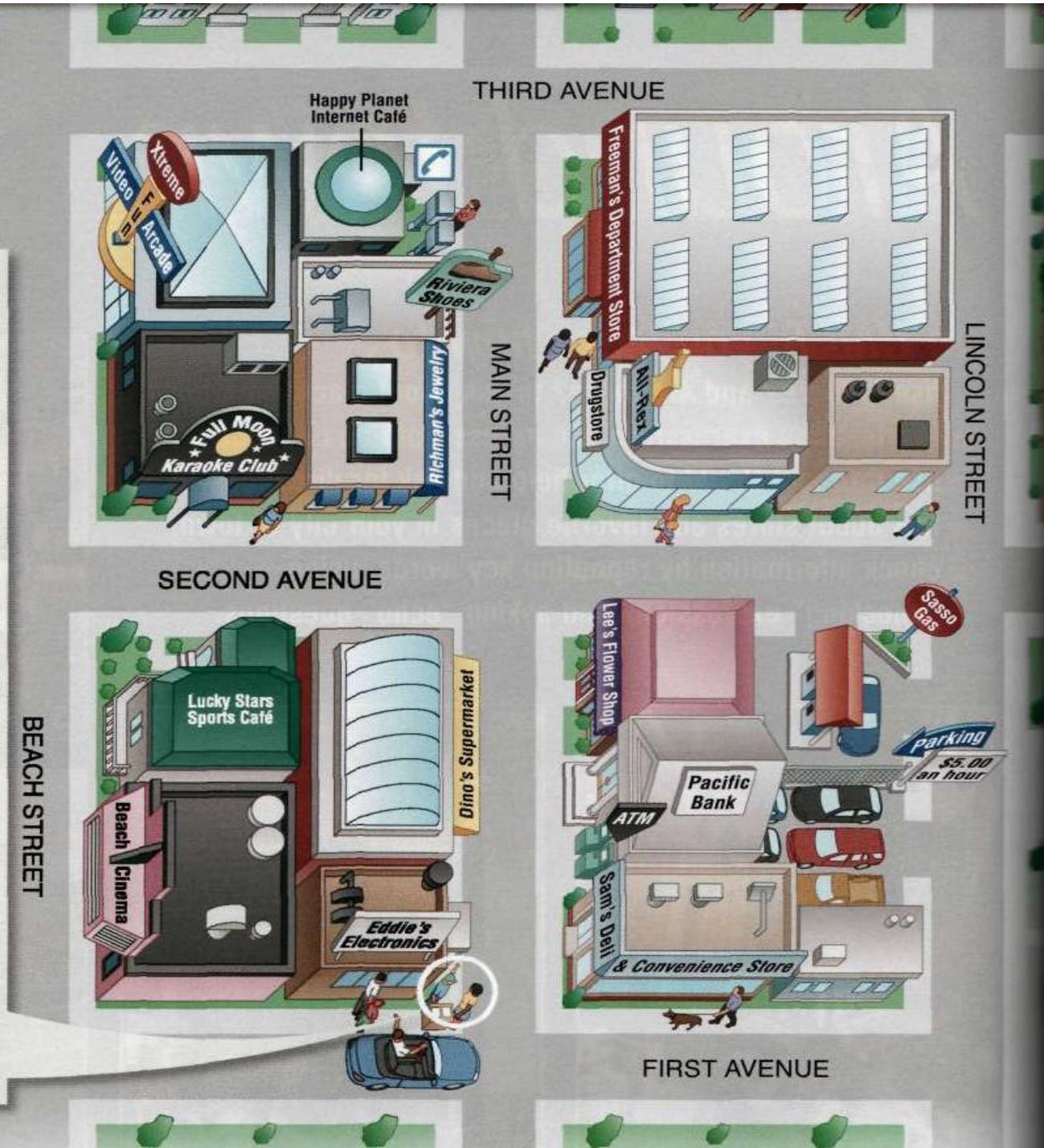
Woman Excuse me, please. Is there an Internet café near here?

Jack Uh . . . there's one on Main Street – across from the big department store. It's right up this street.

Woman Thanks. Oh, and are there any cash machines around here?

Jack Yeah. There are some ATMs over there outside the bank, just across the street.

Woman Oh, yeah. I see them. Thanks.



There is / There are

- ▶ We use **there is (singular) / there are (plural)** to say that something is located in the place or exists:

There is an apple on the table. **There is** a student in the class.

There are five apples on the table. **There are** twenty five students in the class.

- We use **there isn't (singular) / there aren't (plural)** to say that something isn't located in the place or doesn't exist:

There isn't an apple on the table. **There isn't** a student in the class.

There aren't any apples on the table. **There aren't** any students in the class.

- We use **Is there...? (singular) / Are there...? (plural)** to ask whether something is located in the place or exists:

- ▶ **Is there** +a/an+ singular noun?

Is there an apple on the table?

Are there +any+ Plural noun?

Are there any apples on the table

There is / There are

Is there an Internet café near here?

Yes, there is. There's **one** on Main Street.

It's across from the department store.

No, there isn't (**one**).

Are there any cash machines near here?

Yes, there are. There are **some** outside the bank.

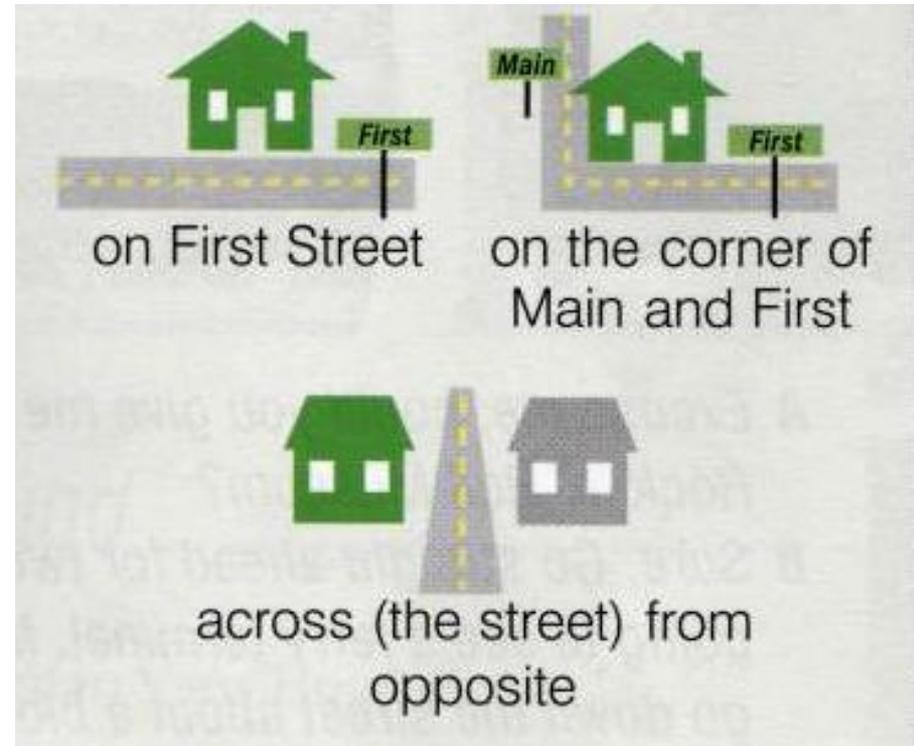
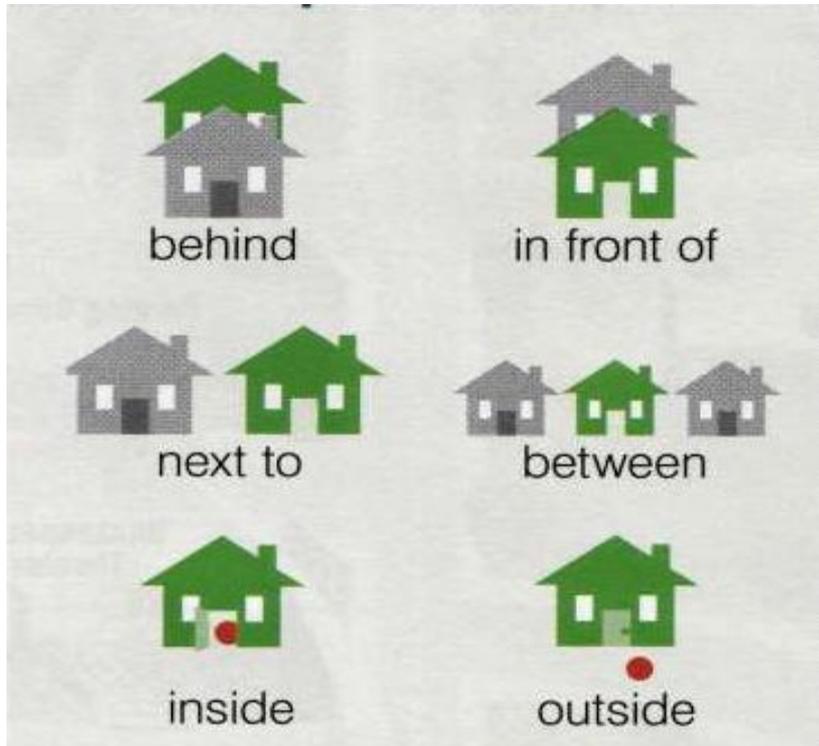
Yes, there's **one** over there.

No, there aren't (**any**).

There is / There are – Is there / are there

1. *There is* a lamp in the room.
2. Susan, *is there* a chair in the garden?
3. *Is there* a man in the garden?
4. *There are* two little trees in the garden.
5. *There is* a nice door in this house.
6. *Are there* many windows in the house?
7. Mum, *is there* some water in the glass?
8. In London *there are* a lot of museums.
9. In this glass *there is* some milk.
10. A: “Are there many windows in the house?”
B: “Yes, *there are* many.”

Location Expression



A Look at the map on page 54. Complete the questions with *Is there a* or *Are there any*. Complete the answers with *one*, *some*, *any*, and location expressions. Then practice with a partner.

Driver Is there a bank around here?

Jack Yeah, there's one right on Main Street.

It's next to the deli. Do you see Sam's Deli – just across the street?

Driver Oh, yeah. Can I park there? I mean, Is there a parking lot?

Jack Well, there's one just behind the bank, but the entrance is on Lincoln.

Driver Are there any public restrooms there?

Jack No, there aren't any. But there's a department store on the corner of Main and Third. I'm sure there are some there, inside the store.

Driver Thanks. Oh, and is there a supermarket anywhere?

Jack Uh, there's one over there – across from the bank.

Driver And one more thing – Are there any shoe stores near here?

Jack Yes, there's Riviera Shoes on Main, between Second and Third Avenues.

Getting Around

▶ When people go to different places, it's called getting around.

▶ How do you usually get around?

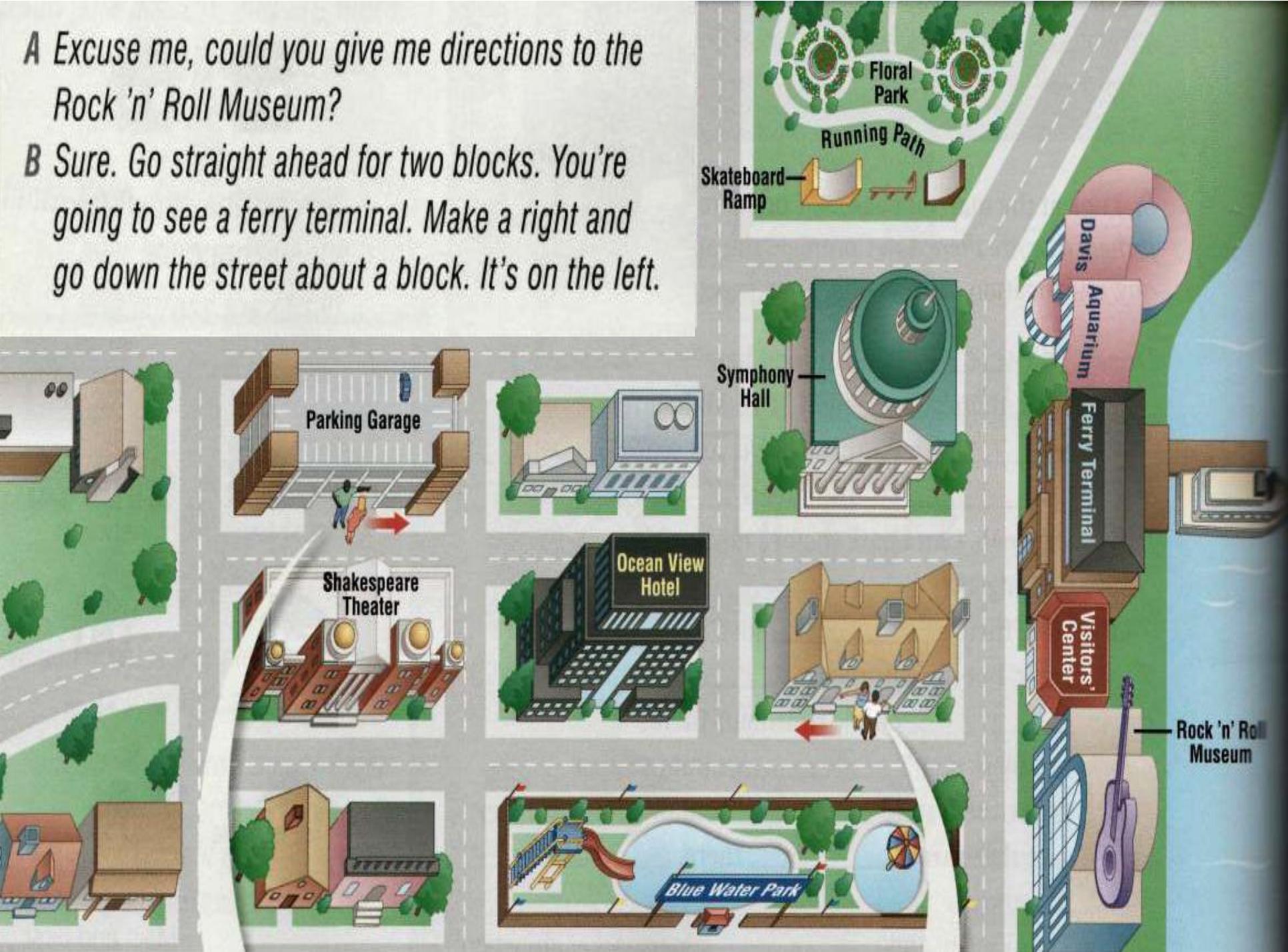
Car– Taxi– Bus – Subway –Train– Bicycle – Walk

▶ When you want to find out how to get to a place, what can you do?

look at a map Ask people

A Excuse me, could you give me directions to the Rock 'n' Roll Museum?

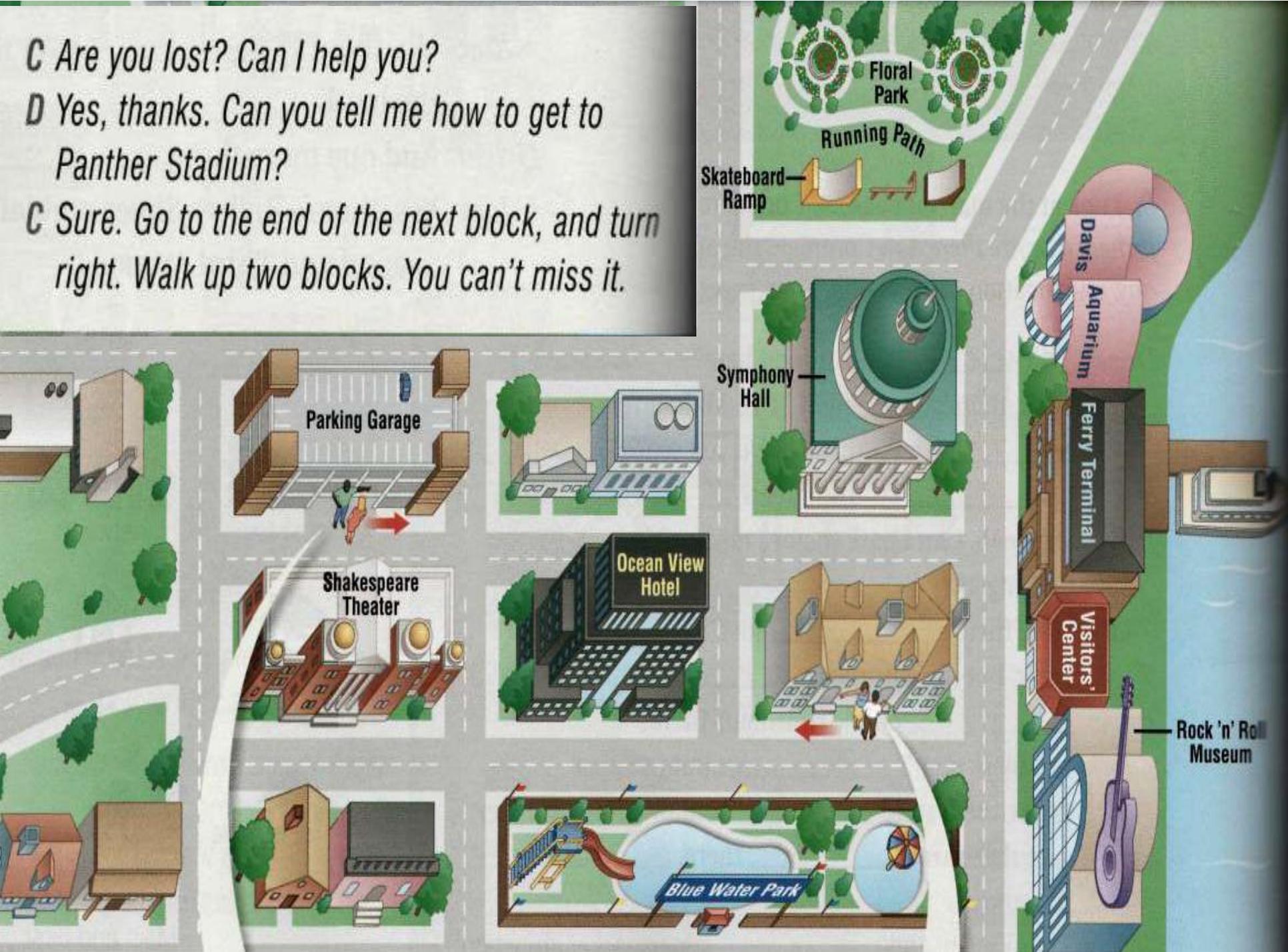
B Sure. Go straight ahead for two blocks. You're going to see a ferry terminal. Make a right and go down the street about a block. It's on the left.



C Are you lost? Can I help you?

D Yes, thanks. Can you tell me how to get to Panther Stadium?

C Sure. Go to the end of the next block, and turn right. Walk up two blocks. You can't miss it.



You're just outside the parking garage. You ask:
"Could you tell me how to get to the aquarium?"

5 *The aquarium is going to be on your right.*

2 *You're going to see a ferry terminal.*

1 *Go straight ahead for two blocks.*

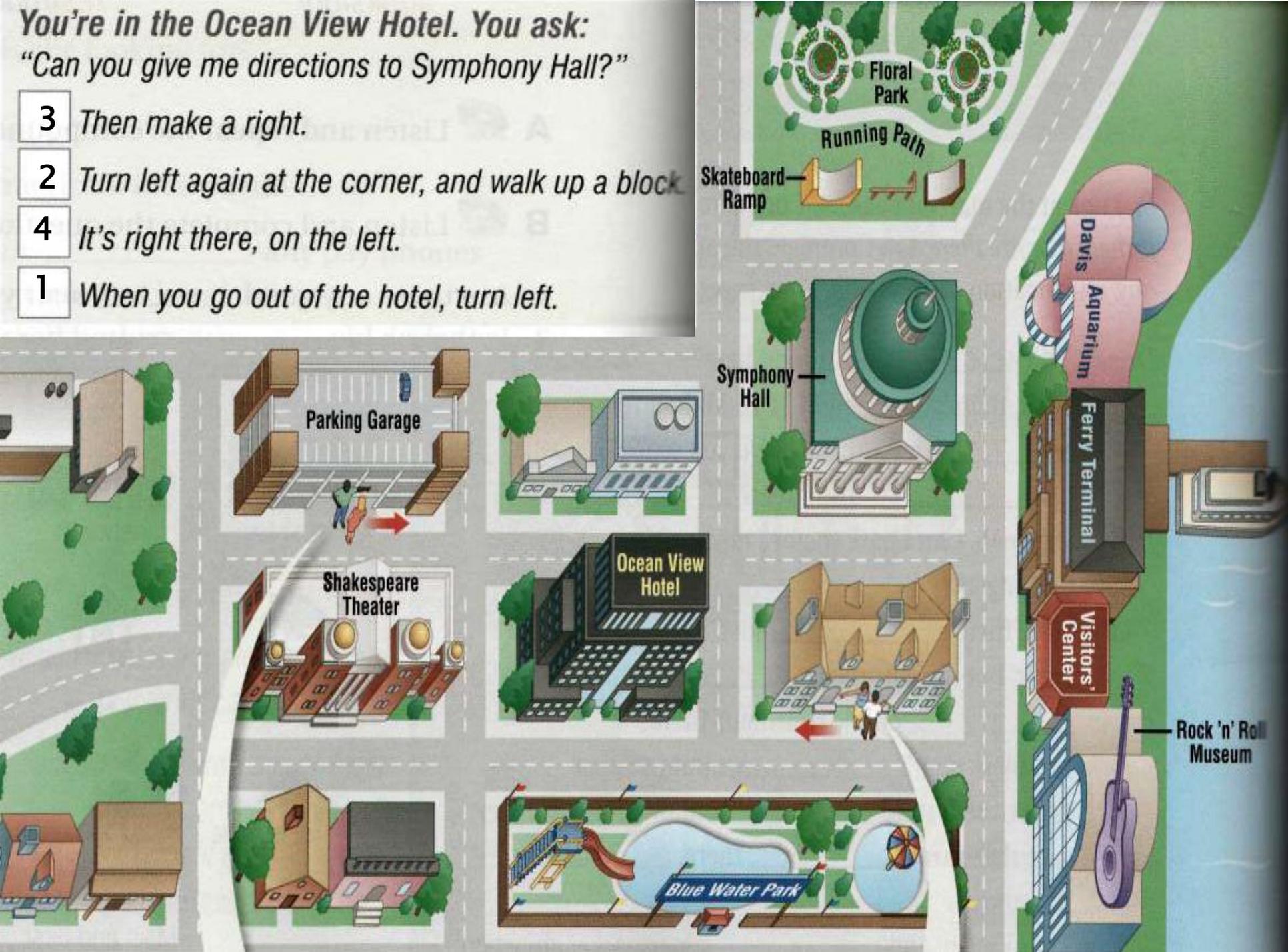
3 *Make a left.*

4 *Walk up the street about one block.*



*You're in the Ocean View Hotel. You ask:
"Can you give me directions to Symphony Hall?"*

- 3** Then make a right.
- 2** Turn left again at the corner, and walk up a block.
- 4** It's right there, on the left.
- 1** When you go out of the hotel, turn left.



Offers & Requests

Offers

Can I help you?

What **can** I do?

How **can** I help?

Requests

Can you help me?

Can you tell me how to get to the aquarium?

Could you give me directions?