

11. Asking for Information

These are important phrases you can use when you need to ask for information.

1	Can you tell me ~ ? (normal)	<i>Can you tell me how to get to the station?</i>
2	Could you tell me ~ ? (polite)	<i>Could you tell me the way to the station?</i>
3	I'd like to know ~ ?	<i>Hi, I'd like to know what floor the game software are on.</i>
4	Do you know ~ ?	<i>Excuse me, do you know where the toilet is?</i>
5	Do you have any idea ~ ?	<i>Hey, do you have any idea how to use this ticket machine?</i>
6	Could anyone tell me ~ ?	<i>Hey guys. Listen up. Could anyone tell me where I can order a hamburger?</i>
7	Would you happen to know ~ ?	<i>Excuse me, would you happen to know what time it is?</i>
8	I don't suppose you (would) know ~ ?	<i>Hey, I don't suppose you'd know the way to Korakuen, would you?</i>
9	I was wondering if you could tell me ~	<i>I was wondering if you could tell me how to get the toilet?</i>
10	I'm calling to find out ~ (phone)	<i>Hi, I'm calling to find out if you offer take-out options in your restaurant.</i>

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| - how to get to ○○ | - where the ○○ is | - the way to ○○ |
| - what time the bus leaves. | - where to catch the train to ○○ from. | - how to use this. |

- Do you ask for help when you are lost or try and find the place yourself?

Role-play

Use the above phrases in the following situations.

You don't know where to buy a train ticket.	You are looking for you hotel (The Hilton)	You want to catch a train to Kurashiki	You are calling a movie theatre to check the movie time.
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