



LESSON 2.2

GETTING AROUND

到处走走 DÀOCHÙ ZǒU ZǒU



- In Chinese there is no "to" preposition. Instead, there are many verbs to describe the specific actions. Below are two examples.



to go /
to leave

去
qù



to arrive/
to leave for

到
dào

你怎么去机
场?

nǐ zěnmē qù How do you get
jīchǎng to the airport?

他去上班了。

tā qù He has gone to
shàngbānle work.

他到了学校。

tā dào le
xuéxiào

He has arrived
at school.

他到了吗?

tā dào le ma Is he here yet?

TO TRAVEL BY/ TO DRIVE / TO RIDE



to travel by

乘坐

chéngzuò

他们乘船去岛上。

tāmen chéng
chuán qù dǎo
shàng

They go to the island by boat.

我不想坐飞机!

wǒ bùxiǎng
zuò fēijī

I don't want to fly!



to drive
/to open

开

kāi

他开车去上班。

tā kāichē qù
shàngbān

He drives to work.

她开了一家商店。

tā kāile yījiā
shāngdiàn

She opened a shop.



to ride

骑

qí

他喜欢骑自行车。

tā xǐhuān qí
zìxíngchē

He likes cycling.

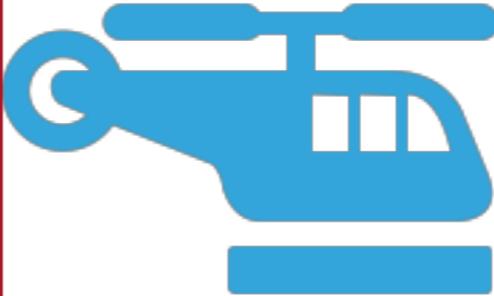
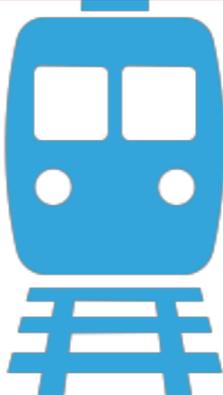
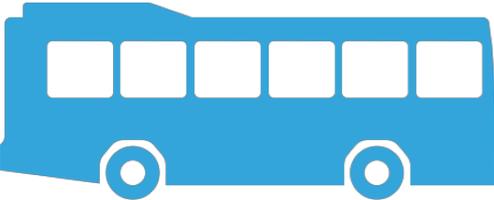
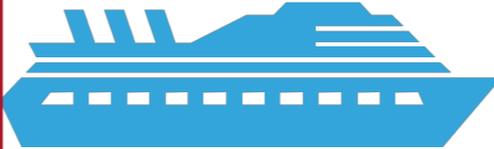
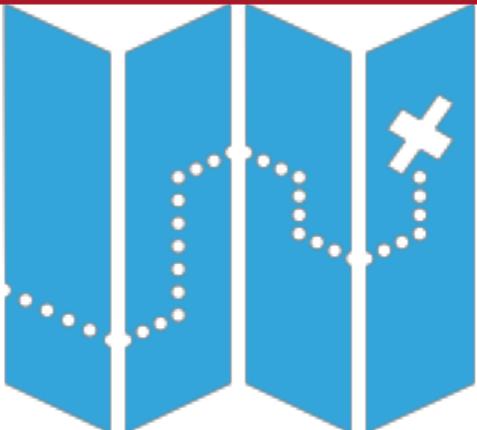
他会骑马。

tā huì qí mǎ

He can ride a horse.

TRAVEL MEANS



				
On foot	By plane	By helicopter	By train	By car
徒步/行路	乘飞机	乘直升机	乘火车	坐车
<i>túbù/ xínglù</i>	<i>chéng fēijī</i>	<i>chéng zhíshēngjī</i>	<i>chéng huǒchē</i>	<i>zuòchē</i>
				
By bus	By boat	Go on a cruise	By coach	Follow the tour guide
坐公共汽车/巴士	乘船	坐邮轮	乘坐长途汽车	跟随导游
<i>zuò gōnggòng qìchē/ bāshì</i>	<i>chéng chuán</i>	<i>zuò yóulún</i>	<i>chéngzuò chángtú qìchē</i>	<i>gēnsuí dǎoyóu</i>

GETTING TO HOTEL FROM AIRPORT



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- Lily is stopping over in HK en route to Shanghai. She is at Chek Lap Kok Airport.

请问，我怎么去文华东方？

qǐngwèn, wǒ zěnmē qù wén huá dōngfāng

Excuse me. How do I get to Mandarin Oriental?

您可以乘坐酒店穿梭巴士。

nín kěyǐ chéngzuò jiǔdiàn chuānsuō bāshì

You may take the hotel shuttle.

还有其他方法吗？

hái yǒu qítā fāngfǎ ma

Is there other way?

您可以乘机场快线到中環站。

nín kěyǐ chéng jīchǎng kuài xiàn dào zhōnghuán zhàn

You may take the Airport Express to Central station.

EXPLORING THE CITY



- Lily is getting advice from the hotel reception.

我想探索这个城市。

wǒ xiǎng tàn suǒ zhè ge chéng shì

I'd like to explore the city.

去太空馆的最佳方法是什么？

qù tài kōng guǎn de zuì jiā fāng fǎ shì shén me

What is the best way to get to the Space Museum? *(Lit. Going to the Space Museum's best way is what?)*

您可以从天星小轮码头乘渡轮。

nín kě yǐ cóng tiān xīng xiǎo lún mǎ tóu chéng dù lún

You can take the ferry from the Star Ferry terminal. *(Lit. You can from the Star Ferry terminal taking the ferry)*

这会带您过维多利亚港到九龙。

zhè huì dài nín guò wéi duō lì yǎ gǎng dào jiǔ lóng

This would take you across Victoria Harbour to Kowloon. *(Lit. ...arriving Kowloon)*

TOP OF THE WORLD



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世界之巅 *shìjiè zhī diān*

我想欣赏这个城市的美景。

*wǒ xiǎng xīnshǎng zhège chéngshì
de měijǐng*

I'd like to have a
good view of the city. *(Lit. I want
to appreciate this city's beautiful
scenery)*

坐山顶缆车到山顶怎么样？

*zuò shāndǐng lǎnchē dào shāndǐng
zěnmeyàng*

How about
taking the Peak Tram to the
Peak?

是 funicular 吗？

shì funicular ma

Is it a funicular?

是的，您可以看到天际线的全景。

*shì de,
nín kěyǐ kàn dào tiānjì xiàn de quánjǐng*

Yes, it
is. You can get a
panoramic view of the skyline.
*(Lit. You can see skyline's whole
view)*



在哪里可以看到大熊猫?

zài nǎlǐ kěyǐ kàn dào dà xióngmāo

Where can I see giant panda?

您可以参观海洋公园。

nín kěyǐ cānguān hǎiyáng gōngyuán

You can visit Ocean Park.

顶呱呱! 怎么去?

dǐngguāgūa! zěnmē qù

Brilliant! How do I get there?

您可以乘地铁南港岛线,
在海洋公园站下车。

*nín kěyǐ chéng dìtiě nán gǎngdǎo xiàn,
zài hǎiyáng gōngyuán zhàn xià chē*

You can take the MTR South Island Line. Get off at Ocean Park Station.

GRAMMAR: ENQUIRY



- Two frequently used patterns for “getting around” enquiry are:

Excuse me (lit. May I ask)	+	target place (e.g. bus stop)	+	how to get there?
请问		巴士站		怎么去?
<i>qǐngwèn</i>		<i>bāshì zhàn</i>		<i>zěnmē qù</i>

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请问		我怎么去		巴士站?
<i>qǐngwèn</i>		<i>wǒ zěnmē qù</i>		<i>bāshì zhàn</i>