

UNIT 73

Names of streets, buildings, etc. with and without **the**

a We do not normally use **the** with names of streets, roads, avenues, boulevards, squares, etc.:

Bloor Street	Fifth Avenue	Piccadilly Circus
Wilshire Boulevard	Broadway	Red Square

b Many names (for example, of airports or universities) are two or three words:

Kennedy Airport **Boston University**

The first word is usually the name of a person ("Kennedy") or a place ("Boston"). We do not usually say **the** with names like these:

Pearson International Airport	Buckingham Palace
Penn Station	Hyde Park

But we say "**the** White House," "**the** Royal Palace" because "white" and "royal" are not names. This is only a general rule. There are exceptions. See section (c) for hotels, etc., and section (e) for names with **of**.

c We usually say **the** before the names of these places:

<i>hotels</i>	the Hilton Hotel, the Sheraton (Hotel)
<i>restaurants</i>	the Bombay Restaurant, the Stage Delicatessen
<i>theaters</i>	the Shubert (Theater), the National Theater
<i>movie theaters</i>	the RKO Plaza, the Quad
<i>museums/galleries</i>	the Metropolitan Museum, the National Gallery, the Louvre
<i>buildings/monuments</i>	the Empire State Building, the Washington Monument

But banks do not usually take **the**:

First Interstate Bank Citibank Lloyds Bank

d Many stores and restaurants are named after the people who started them. These names end in **s** or **'s**. We do not use **the** with these names:

- "Where did you buy that hat?" "At Macy's." (*not* the Macy's)
- We're going to have lunch at Mama Leone's. (*not* the Mama Leone's)

Churches are sometimes named after saints (St. = Saint):

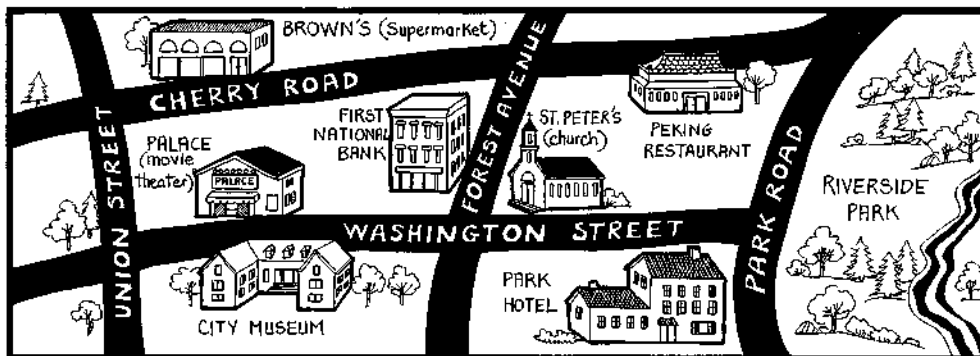
St. John's Church St. Patrick's Cathedral

e We say **the** before the names of places, buildings, etc., with **of**:

the Tower of London	the Museum of Modern Art
the Great Wall of China	the University of Southern California

UNIT 73 Exercises

73.1 Use the map to answer the questions in the way shown. Write the name of the place and the street it is on. On maps we don't normally use **the**; in your sentences, use **the** if necessary.



Example: "Is there a movie theater near here?" "Yes, *the Palace on Washington.*"

1. "Is there a supermarket near here?" "Yes, on"
2. "Is there a hotel near here?" "Yes, on"
3. "Is there a bank near here?" "Yes, on"
4. "Is there a restaurant near here?" "Yes, on"
5. "Is there a church near here?" "Yes,"
6. "Is there a museum near here?" "Yes,"
7. "Is there a park near here?" "Yes, at the end of"

73.2 Choose the correct form, with or without **the**.

Example: When we were in Washington, D.C., we visited ~~National Gallery~~ / the National Gallery.

1. The President lives in White House / the White House.
2. One of the nicest buildings in Washington is Supreme Court Building / the Supreme Court Building, which is very close to Capitol Building / the Capitol Building.
3. Frank is a student at Georgetown University / the Georgetown University.
4. If you want to buy some new clothes, the store I would recommend is Jack's / the Jack's.
5. We flew from Washington to O'Hare Airport / the O'Hare Airport in Chicago.
6. Smithsonian / The Smithsonian is an important museum in Washington.
7. A favorite restaurant is Luigi's / the Luigi's.
8. Have you ever visited Lincoln Memorial / the Lincoln Memorial?
9. "Which hotel are you staying at?" "At Sheraton / the Sheraton."
10. Did you see the movie at Quad / the Quad (movie theater)?
11. In my opinion, the best stores in Toronto are on Yonge Street / the Yonge Street.
12. Yesterday I opened a checking account at Barclay's Bank / the Barclay's Bank.