FUNCTION B: CATCHING A TAXI

GIVING DIRECTIONS➡ Below are some useful expressions for directing a taxi.

shaghghel él-ɛaddaad	turn the meter on	شـغّـل العـداد
rooh...	go...	روح...
...déghri	...straight ahead	...دغري
...ʔéddaam shwayye	...a little further	...قـدام شـويـة
...la (s-saaha)	...to (the circle)	...لـ (الـسـاحـة)
baɛdeen	then, after	بـعديـن
léff ɛa-...	turn to	لـفّ عـ...
...él-yamiin	...the right	...الـيـمـين
...él-yasaar	...the left	...الـيـسـار
...ésh-shmaal	...the left	...الشـمـال
léff ɛand...	turn at...	لـفّ عنـد ...
..ishaaret él-méruur	...the traffic lights	...إشـارة المـرور
...awwal ishaaret méruur	...the first traffic lights	...أول إشـارة مـرور
...taani ishaaret méruur	...the second traffic lights	...ثـانـي إشـارة مـرور
...aakher ishaaret méruur	...the last traffic lights	...آخـر إشـارة مـرور
khud...	take...	خـذ...
..awwal dakhle ɛa-l-yamiin	...the first turn on the right	...أول دخـلة عـالـيـمـين
hoon ɛandak	stop here	هـون عنـدك

The second commonly used word for "left" _ésh-shmaal_ الشـمـال   actually means "north" because when someone faces Mecca in the east, north is on the left.

It is best not to give overly complicated directions to a taxi driver. The most effective method is to give ONE direction just before you need it.

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1. Listen to the conversation and fill in the missing words.

A	_taksii! él-majles éth-thaqaafi_	تكسـي! المجـلس الثـقافـي	أ
	lé-briitaani iza bétriid.	البـريـطانـي إذا بـتريـد.	
B	_____ _él-majles?_	ـــــــــ المجـلس؟	ب
A	_b-Abu Remmaane._	بـأبـو رمـانـة.	أ
	_____ _déghri w baɛdeen_	ـــــــــدغري و بـعديـن	
	léff _____	لـفّ ـــــــــــ	
	ɛand ishaaret él-méruur.	عنـد إشـارة المـرور.	
	_____ _ɛandak iza bétriid._	ـــــــــعنـدك إذا بـتريـد.	
A	_tékrami._	تكـرمـي.	ب
B	_shukran._	شكـراً.	أ

2. **Write directions from the British Council to your house (use Map 3 as reference if necessary). Make your directions as simple as possible.**

Now practise directing someone to your house. The person being directed should either draw a map or make notes of the directions below, or trace their finger along a map, until the destination is reached.