

HSK 2 · Weather, Describing Places and Directions

Level-two directions; classroom examples, not official exam items.

Directions a listener can draw

从 到 frames the route, 往 marks turns, and 先 再 orders the steps.

从 到 and 往

- 1 **The route frame** 从车站到学校 (cóng chēzhàn dào xuéxiào) — from the station to the school.
- 2 **Turning** 往右走 (wǎng yòu zǒu) — go toward the right.
- 3 **Distance and comparison** 学校离我家很近。今天比昨天冷。 — Close to my home; colder than yesterday.
- 4 **Try it** Frame your own route from home to school.

Decision

从 starts it, 到 ends it, 往 steers it.

Left, right, inside

Word	Pinyin	Meaning
左	zuǒ	Left
右	yòu	Right
左边 / 右边	zuǒbian / yòubian	On the left / right
里面	lǐmiàn	Inside

先 再: the ordered route

The checked directions

从车站往右走，先过桥，再往左走。 — From the station go right; first cross the bridge, then go left.

医院在学校旁边。 — The hospital is next to the school.

Watch out: 来 and 去 are relative

- 来 and 去 depend on a reference point — not absolute compass directions.
- From the speaker's position, 来 is toward, 去 is away.

Check yourself

Your turn

Which pair is right? (1) Which word marks a route's start? (2) Which character is "right"?

- A. 到; 左
- B. 从; 右
- C. 往; 右
- D. 从; 左