Learning directions with Google Maps

Aims:

1. to use Google Maps in the French language to find directions in Paris
2. to take a screen shot of the map
3. to provide a summary of the directions in English

• To get started go to Google Maps France (hold the Ctrl key and click on the link)

• Click on ‘français’

• Click on ‘Itinéraire’

• Get directions from Arc de Triomphe, Paris to Tour Eiffel, Paris (you can copy and paste these places in) - As you can see on the left hand side of the page each part of the journey is magically broken down in step by step chunks in easily understandable language.

• Open a new Publisher page and then take a screen shot of the Google map directions. Hold down the Ctlr key and press the PrtSc key (top right of keyboard) then go back to your Publisher page and Paste! It should look something like this!

• Now write a simplified translation of the directions in English. e.g. take Avenue Charles de Gaulle, turn 1st left, turn 2nd right….. (what do you think ‘un rond-point’ is?)

• Take a look around Paris with Street View

• If you have time try to do the same for an area you are familiar with—it can be in any country as long as you use the French map

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