

Vocabulary

哪兒	na3r	where	紐約在哪兒? (Niu3yue1 zai4 na3r) Where is New York ?	QW
住	zhu4	to live	你住在哪兒? (Ni3 zhu4 zai4 na3r ?) Where do you live ?	Verb
在	zai4	at, in	我住在紐約。(Wo3 zhu4 zai4 Niu3 yue1) I live in New York City.	Preposition on
紐約	Niu3 yue1	New York	紐約 (Niu3 yue1) New York	PW
城	cheng2	town	紐約上城 (Niu3 yue1 shang4 cheng2) uptown New York 中國城 (Zhong1guo2 cheng2) Chinatown	Noun /PW
街	jie1	street	包厘街 (Bao1 li3 jie1) Bowery Street	Noun
號	hao4	number	幾號? (Ji3 hao4?) What number?	Noun

Dialogue

A : 請問中文學校在哪兒? (Qing2 wen4 Zhong1wen2 xue2 xiao4 zai4 na3r?) Where is the Chinese school?

B : 在美國大道100號。(Zai4 Mei3guo2 da4 dao4 yi4 bai3 hao4.) At 100 Avenue of the Americas.

A : 請問你住在哪兒? (Qing3 wen4 ni3 zhu4 zai4 na3r?) Where do you live?

B : 我住在紐約中國城包厘街500號。(Wo2 zhu4 zai4 Niu3yue1 Zhong1guo2 cheng2 Bao1 li2 jie1 wu3 bai3 hao4.) I live at 500 Bowery street in Chinatown, New York.

3. Grammar

3.1 Expressing an address in Chinese

For addresses, the rule is to say the bigger unit first. So the word order for an address is:

country + city + street + building + number + floor + room number

Example:

* 美國紐約市中國城堅尼街200號孔子大廈 (da4 xia4 , building) 五樓 (lou2 , floor) 110 室 (shi4 , room or suite)

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