

Build up – Finding out about Lady Liberty

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1. Planning the visit

[conversation téléphonique]

Tourism office: Manhattan Tourist Information Center, how can I help you?

Girl: Hi, I have a few questions about Liberty Island. How long do I need to visit the Statue of Liberty?

Tourism office: Well... One hour at least, but you can stay longer, you know! It definitely takes one hour to walk up to the Crown anyway!

Girl: Thanks! I have another question: how far is it from Ellis Island?

Tourism office: It's about 1 mile. Make sure you have your ferry ticket!

Girl: How much is it to buy a ferry ticket to both islands?

Tourism office: It's \$16 dollars for a child, \$25 per adult and one ticket takes visitors to both islands and includes the audio tour.

Girl: Oh that's all right, not too expensive! How often does the ferry run?

Tourism office: The ferry is scheduled every 30 minutes.

Girl: Oh great! I heard there are many stairs to walk up the Crown? How many are there?

Tourism office: There are 354 stairs from the lobby to the Crown! And remember there's no elevator to the top!

Girl: Pretty awesome! Now what's the best way to Liberty Island from the Bronx? See, that's where I'm staying.

Tourism office: Take the subway to Battery Park. It's easier. Then take a ferry.