

From A to B to C: freedom of movement

Freedom of movement – area signs

City in Area A of the West Bank

If you live here, your green ID gives you permission to travel in the West Bank, but you need a permit to go where the Israeli government has overall control.

- Mosque
- High school
- University
- Hospital
- Friends/family
- Buses to East Jerusalem
- Sports and entertainment facilities
- Bus station
- The bank
- District Coordination Office (where you must get permits)
- Marketplace

Village in Area B/C of the West Bank

If you live in a village, your green ID gives you permission to travel in the West Bank, but you need a permit to go where the Israeli government has overall control.

- Primary school
- Mosque
- Small shop
- Friends/family
- Farm

East Jerusalem

If you live here, your blue ID gives you permission to travel in the West Bank, but you may still be stopped and searched at checkpoints.

- Friends/family
- Al-Aqsa Mosque and other holy sites
- Large hospital
- Large sports and entertainment facilities
- High school
- University
- Elementary school
- Marketplace



A to B to C: your diary

Freedom of movement is a big challenge for Palestinians living in the occupied territories. Fill in the empty diary slots with places to visit from the West Bank city, village or East Jerusalem. You will need to move around to tick off all the diary entries for each day. You will have to pass through checkpoints, and you need either a blue ID or a permit to hand over if you want to visit East Jerusalem.



Journaling

- How do you think it feels to pass through a checkpoint?



A to B to C: your diary

Day	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Monday	(start at home) Go to your nearest high school		
Tuesday	Help on your uncle's farm in the village (Area C)		Go to a party with friends and family in the city (Area A)
Wednesday		Collect a younger relative from elementary school	
Thursday	Go to your nearest high school		Visit your grandmother in the village (Area C)
Friday (The weekend)	Attend al-Aqsa Mosque		

Soldiers at checkpoints should check everyone's ID, and can only let people enter East Jerusalem (which also leads to Israel) if they hand over a permit or show a blue ID. If the soldiers are not satisfied, they don't have to let people through. Soldiers at the District Coordination Office should ask security questions like "what is the purpose of your visit?" before deciding whether to give out permits.

Fact:
As of January 2017, there are 98 checkpoints in the West Bank.

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