



Map Editing

OVERVIEW

How accurate is Google Maps in your local area? Why not grab some food, call your squad of mappers, and fix the map together. “Add a place” and “Report a problem” features will be your best buddies.

EXAMPLES

Mapping the whole world is no easy feat. New businesses open, roads close, and bridges are built — there’s no end to the amount of mapping you could do. Help your local community and add or fix details on Google Maps. Here are some pointers:

Add it: Are places in your hometown missing from Google Maps? Invite a few friends over to discuss the latest openings and add details using ‘Add a place’ to help others find local businesses.

Fix it: In 1/2 mile turn left... wait, what? Use ‘Report a problem’ to fix the direction of a street and keep help others from being misled. Correcting details like opening hours, websites, and map pin locations help others save time and hassle.

TOP 5 TIPS

Do your homework: Before your Map Editing meet-up, collect a list of places that you know need to be added to your neighborhood. You can do this on the go by creating notes for missing places and then sharing those notes with attendees.

Set a theme: You can organize a Map Editing session around different themes, like making sure that every hospital or school is added to the Map and their details are correct.

Urban navigation: Urban planning changes all the time and sometimes streets change names or direction. Organize a meet-up where you primarily focus on getting directions right.

Make it fun: To make things more interesting, you can create contests around who makes the most edits/fixes and give recognition to the winners.

Power up: Make sure attendees have access to power and Internet for their computers, and maybe some snacks to keep them fueled!