

# Study Participants Wanted

## Querying OpenStreetMap in English

In the course of my Master's thesis at Heidelberg University's Department of Computational Linguistics, I am building an English Language Interface for OpenStreetMap, which you can see in action at <https://nlmaps.gorgor.de/>.

You can help us improve the system while at the same time contributing to an open dataset (CC BY-SA)!

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## The Annotation Job

Imagine you are asking *"Tell me spots near Brandenburg Gate in Berlin where I can play table tennis!"* and the system mistakenly looks for places with the OpenStreetMap tag `sport=tennis`. Then it will be your job to tell the system to look for places tagged `sport=table_tennis` instead.

If the system gets it right from the beginning, you will have to just tell it that it was right. This will also count as an annotation.

## Your Skills

We expect that you have excellent English skills and a basic familiarity with OpenStreetMap.

## The Pay

We are going to pay 150 € for 400 annotations. At 45 annotations per hour, this will take you less than 10 hours (already including a tutorial to get you started).

You can also do 200 annotations for 75 € instead.

## Contact

**By March 31**, send an informal email to Simon Will via [will@cl.uni-heidelberg.de](mailto:will@cl.uni-heidelberg.de) if you are interested in taking part in the annotation project. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.