

# Where in the World Is Mrs. Waffenschmidt? #6



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Can you name the city and country that I am visiting? Can you name this famous place?

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