Rule No. 8 – Some Places

For some places when we use go to + "the". However, not for every place though which makes it confusing. We use it for things like the cinema, theatre, bank, etc.

But not for "go to" and the general idea. For example, we don't say, "I go to the work." We don't say, "Ken's brother is in the prison for robbery." But if we are talking about something related to "the" specific prison then we do, "Ken went to the prison to visit his brother."

Look at this vocabulary and decide where you'd use and where you wouldn't:

Party	Concert	a Restaurant	Airport	Supermarket
Doctor	Festival	Bar	Bank	Dentist
Toilet	Cinema	Post Office	City Centre	Meeting
Conference	Theatre	Office	Bus stop	Football
Conference	Theatre	Office	Bus stop	Football match

Go to a	Go to the
Party	Doctor