

MY NEIGHBOURHOOD

Writing About Places

OBJECTIVE

The learner will practice writing while considering important places in their community.


TIME

40 minutes.

MATERIALS

Paper and drawing materials.

WARM UP: READ MY TOWN

1. Sign in to ABRACADABRA.
2. Choose the category *Non-Fiction* in the Books section.
3. Select *My Town* from the available list. 
4. Click on *Go*.
5. Click on *Read*.

CLASSROOM DISCUSSION: PLACES

My Town is a non-fiction book, which some learners might not be familiar with. Have a discussion to explore what the purpose of this kind of book might be. Prompt them with:

- Why did the author write this story?
- What is the most interesting thing about this book?
- What did the author do to help you understand?
- Do you think there is more to know about this subject?
- Why do you think the author wrote this book?
- What are some of the places in your town?
- What places do you really like? Why?
- What places don't you like? Why?

FOCUS ON A LOCATION

1. Group learners into pairs.
2. Each group should select a place in their neighbourhood. Some examples:
 - Community centre
 - Local park
 - Library
 - Pool
 - Monument
 - Museum
3. Ask each group to draw a picture of their location.
4. One learner should write a sentence that explains what it is, and the other should write about why they chose it.
5. Compile artwork into a book. Keep them in your classroom or the school library.