

Map your patch

Create a detailed map of where you live

Equipment:

Pens, pencils, paper, paint, natural materials, cardboard, large scraps of old wallpaper or similar paper.

Activity

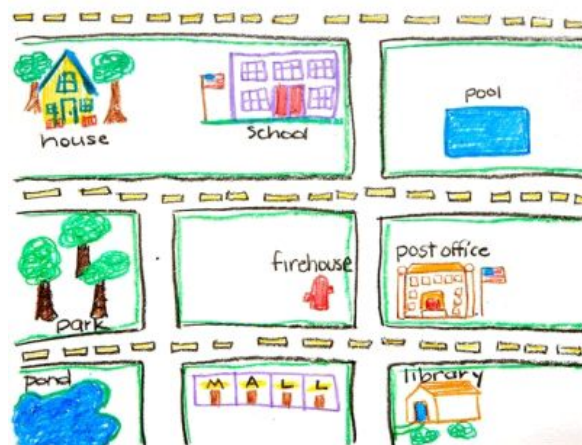
Think about the journey from your house to a particular place such as the park or shops.

1. You are going to create a map of this journey using whatever materials you like. It could be a painting/picture or a model.

2. Try to imagine that you are travelling along this route, picture in your mind all the things you see.

3. Think about all the senses you experience –what do you hear, what colours do you see, are there any strong smells at certain points? Do you go up or down any hills or turn any corners? How could you include these features in your map?

4. You could include details such as the shops, the houses, hedges, trees, parks, road turnings, church and so on. Can you also include features such as post boxes, bus stops, traffic lights, road markings?



Background information:

This activity encourages development of geographical skills, understanding and communicating information through map making. It asks learners to reflect on their individual place knowledge, focusing on geographical similarities and differences linked to where they live. It also provides opportunity for creativity in re-interpreting these maps using found and natural materials, in 3D or at different scales.

Message from Mrs Mansfield –I hope you enjoy this activity. Don't forget to send in photos for the school website please.