“We were writing stories. We used pens, we stuck pictures about what happened and then we described what happened.”

MY NEIGHBOURHOOD

You will need

- A pen or pencil

Lots of strange and interesting things happen in the places where we live. Use your imagination to write a short story set in your neighbourhood.

1. Who is in your story?
   Include yourself and at least one other person you know.
   Find out some things about the other person so that you can put these things in your story.

2. Where does your story happen?
   Describe this place...
   Circle one of the below, or choose somewhere in your neighbourhood.

3. When does your story happen?
   Describe what this place is like at this time...
   Circle one of the below.

4. What happens?
   Use your imagination to think about what happens to these people, in this place, at this time...
   Circle one of the below.

Use the above suggestions to write a short story - include as much detail as you can about who, what, where and when. Your story can be funny or silly. You don’t need to use perfect grammar or spelling. Use a photocopier to print and share your story. You might also like to draw what happens in your story.

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