Dream Vacation

Project Based Learning

4th, 5th, 6th Grade Print & Google Slides



- Realistic learning situations
- Print & Go, Low Prep



Book Your Transportation

One of the first things you must do is book the transportation to your destination! This will help you determine your budget for lodging and activities. Consider the best way to travel. You may want to do some initial research on costs and travel time by each mode of transportation before you purchase your tickets.

Transportation Mode	Is this a reasonable way to travel?	Estimated Cost
		(Car Rental + Fuel)
Car		$100.00
Airplane		
Train		
Boat		
Other		

Book Your Transportation

Which is the best mode of transportation to and from your destination? Why?

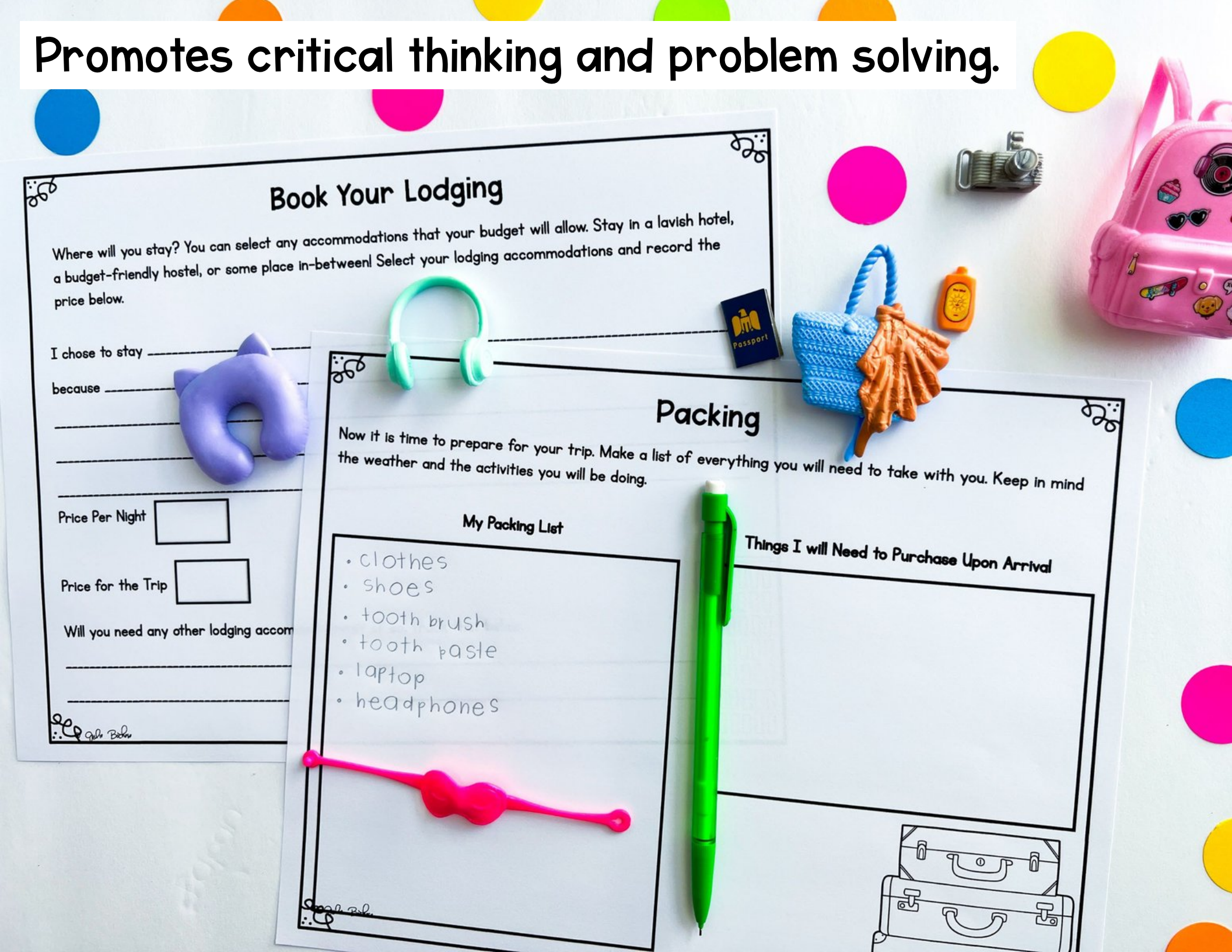
Airplane

Will you need any other forms of transportation once you arrive at your destination (e.g., car rental; train, subway or boat tickets)? If so, research the cost of the additional transportation.

Yes, I will need to rent a car.

Meaningful practice of real-life math, writing, social studies, research, and geometry skills.

Promotes critical thinking and problem solving.




My Travel Journal
time to set off on your journey! Take photos of each portion of your destination along the way.
em in this scrapbook.
Sightseeing!
aw or glue a picture of the places you visited and the
hings you did. Write a caption for each photo.
My Travel Journal
Now it is time to set off on your journey! Take photos of each portion of your destination along the way.
Paste them in this scrapbook.
Lodging
Describe the place where you stayed.
We stayed at a beautiful hotel. It was located near the amazing mountains.
Draw or glue a picture of the place where you stayed.
Write a caption for your photo.
Passport
Student choice makes this engaging!


Plan Your Itinerary
Now that you know what your sight has to offer, it is time to plan your schedule. Make a calendar of your vacation dates. Show your arrival and departure. Mark off the days and times you will be doing planned activities. Don't forget to leave time for leisure and exploring!
Month: August
Sun.
Mon.
Tues.
Wed.
Thurs.
Fri.
Sat.
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Visit the museum
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2
Passport
Destination Geography
On what continent is your destination?
In what country is your destination?
Mark your location on the world map. Then mark your destination. You can use this website to locate your destination:
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FOR THE TEACHER

Dream Vacation is a project-based learning task that utilizes real-life math, social studies, geography, writing, and research skills. It is created for students in fourth through sixth grades. This project is open-ended and is easily adapted and differentiated to meet most students' levels.

- To increase rigor: Incorporate one or all of the challenges.
- To provide further support: Limit "research" travel websites to one or two websites. Students can use a website such as www.priceline.com or www.expedia.com to find all travel and lodging information. Students can also work in groups or pairs to plan their vacation.

Directions:

1. Assign students to work alone, in pairs, or in small groups.
2. Preview the activity with your students.
3. Allow students class time to complete the activity. This should take one to two weeks (depending on the length of each class period).
4. Allow students the opportunity to complete extra challenge activities.
5. Have students complete the self-evaluation reflection and evaluation rubric.
6. Allow students the opportunity to share and present their completed projects.

STANDARDS ALIGNMENT

4th Grade Math

- 4.OA.A.3 Solve multistep word problems with whole numbers and having whole-number answers using the four operations.
- 4.NBT.A.3 Use place value understanding to round multi-digit whole numbers to any place.
- 4.NBT.B.4 Fluently add and subtract multi-digit whole numbers using the standard algorithm.
- 4.MD.A.2 Us the four operations to solve world problems involving money.

4th Grade Writing

- W.4.7 Conduct short research projects that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.
- W.4.8 Gather relevant information from print and digital sources; take notes and categorize information, and provide a list of sources.

5th Grade Writing

- W.5.7 Conduct short research projects that use several sources to build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.
- W.5.8 Gather relevant information from print and digital sources; summarize or paraphrase information in notes and finished work, and provide a list of sources.

6th Grade Writing

- W.6.7 Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and refusing the inquiry when appropriate.
- W.6.8 Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources; assess the credibility of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others.

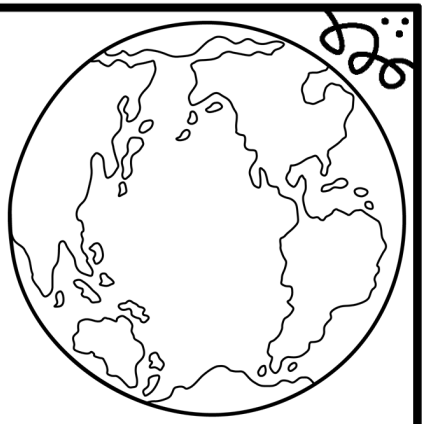
DREAM VACATION

You have been given a voucher to go on a vacation anywhere in the world! You have $4,000 to take your dream vacation. You will have to budget properly for transportation, lodging, food, and entertainment.

Here are your tasks:

- Read through the entire packet before beginning.
- Select your destination.
- Find your destination on a map.
- Apply for travel documents.
- Book your transportation and lodging.
- Budget for activities and sightseeing.
- Plan your dining.
- Purchase souvenirs.
- Create a travel scrapbook.
- Create a travel brochure.
- Present your trip to your class.
- Complete the self-reflection and evaluation rubric.

Where in the World Will You Go?



You have been given a voucher to go on a vacation anywhere in the world! You have $4,000 to take your dream vacation. Think about locations you might like to visit. Consider the pros and cons of each location, keeping in mind you have a budget and you can't go over it.

Location I'd Like to Go	Pros (Benefits) ✚	Cons (Detriments) ▭

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Select Your Destination

Here are some suggested websites for researching trip prices:

FLIGHTS & TRANSPORTATION

www.priceline.com
www.delta.com
www.expedia.com
www.tripadvisor.com

LODGING

www.Hilton.com
www.marriot.com
www.Airbnb.com
www.vrbo.com

RESTAURANTS

www.tripadvisor.com

OTHER

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Destination Geography

On what continent is your destination? _____

In what country is your destination? _____

Mark your location on the world map. Then mark your destination. You can use this website to locate your destination:



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Destination Climate and Weather

Weather is a short-term condition, while climate is the weather in a specific region over a long period of time. Research the climate and seasonal weather for your destination.

What is the climate like in this part of the world? (temperate, tropical, humid, etc.)

Does the weather stay the same for most of the year? Describe the weather during each season.

Winter	Spring	Summer	Fall



Taking the weather into consideration, during what time of year will you book your trip? Why?

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Please Print Legibly Using Black Ink Only

OMB CONTROL NO.: 1405-0004
EXPIRATION DATE: 4-30-2021
ESTIMATED BURDEN: 85 MIN

Attention: Read WARNING on page 1 of instructions

Please select the document(s) for which you are applying:

☐ U.S. Passport Book ☐ U.S. Passport Card ☐ Both

The U.S. passport card is **not** valid for international air travel. For more information see page 1 of instructions.

☐ Regular Book (Standard) ☐ Large Book (Non-Standard)

Note: The large book option is for those who frequently travel abroad during the passport validity period, and is recommended for applicants who have previously required the addition of visa pages.

☐ D ☐ O ☐ Dep **DOTS** _____

End. # _____ **Exp.** _____

1. Name Last

First Middle

2. Date of Birth *(mm/dd/yyyy)* **3. Sex** M F **4. Place of Birth** *(City & State if in the U.S., or City & Country as it is presently known.)*

5. Social Security Number **6. Email** *(Info alerts offered at travel.state.gov)* **7. Primary Contact Phone Number**

@

8. Mailing Address: Line 1: Street/RFD#, P.O. Box, or URB.

Address Line 2: **Clearly label** Apartment, Company, Suite, Unit, Building, Floor, In Care Of or Attention if applicable. *(e.g., In Care Of - Jane Doe, Apt # 100)*

City **State** **Zip Code** **Country**, if outside the United States

9. List all other names you have used. *(Examples: Birth Name, Maiden, Previous Marriage, Legal Name Change. Attach additional pages if needed)*

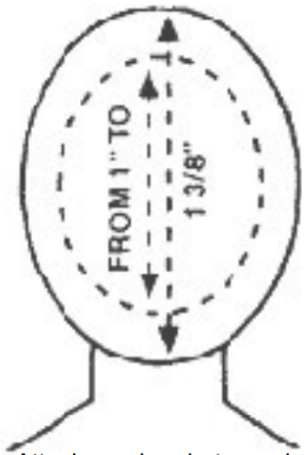
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Attach a color photograph taken within the last six months

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Identifying Documents - Applicant or Mother/Father/Parent on Second Signature Line (if identifying minor)

☐ Driver's License ☐ State Issued ID Card ☐ Passport ☐ Military ☐ Other _____

Name _____

Issue Date *(mm/dd/yyyy)* | Exp. Date *(mm/dd/yyyy)* | State of Issuance

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☐ Acceptance Agent ☐ (Vice) Consul USA

☐ Passport Staff Agent

(Seal)

I declare under penalty of perjury all of the following: 1) I am a citizen or non-citizen national of the United States and have not, since acquiring U.S. citizenship or nationality, performed any of the acts listed under "Acts or Conditions" on page four of the instructions of this application (unless explanatory statement is attached); 2) the statements made on the application are true and correct; 3) I have not knowingly and willfully made false statements or included false documents in support of this application; 4) the photograph attached to this application is a genuine, current photograph of me; and 5) I have read and understood the warning on page one of the instructions to the application form.

Name of courier company (*if applicable*)

Facility ID Number

X _____

Applicant's Legal Signature - age 16 and older

Facility Name/Location

Agent ID Number

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Mother/Father/Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature (if identifying minor)

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Signature of person authorized to accept applications

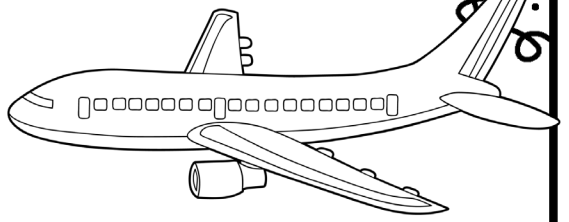
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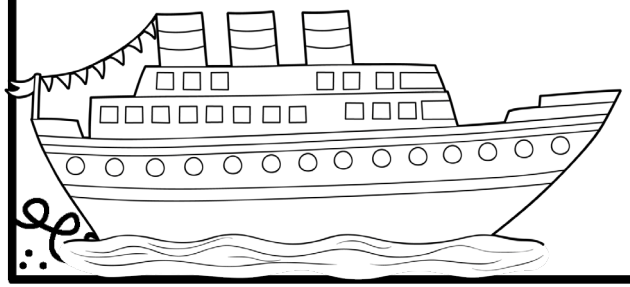
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Track Your Budget

As you book your trip, it is important to keep track of your budget!

Total I have spent on travel and lodging:



Are you on track to stay on budget? If you are over, reflect on other areas of your trip you will need to cut back on.

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Plan Your Itinerary



Now that you know what your sight has to offer, it is time to plan your schedule. Make a calendar of your vacation dates. Show your arrival and departure. Mark off the days and times you will be doing planned activities. Don't forget to leave time for leisure and exploring!

Month:

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.

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Plan Dining Options

What will you do about meals on your vacation? Will you eat out for every meal? Will you shop for groceries when you arrive, to eat some meals in? Plan the meals you would like to eat in and out. Budget the approximate cost for each meal.

Meals I will eat in:

Meals I will eat out at a restaurant:

Budget for groceries: ☐

Budget for each meal out: ☐ X number of meals out: ☐ = ☐

Total budget for food:



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Track Your Budget

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Total I have spent on travel, lodging, entertainment, and food:



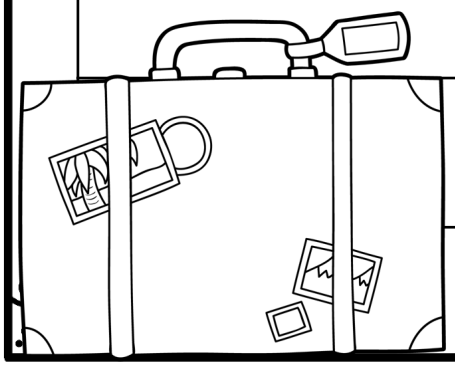
Are you on track to stay on budget? If you are over, reflect on what you can cut out to meet your budget.

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Purchasing Souvenirs

Don't forget that you will want to bring home some souvenirs from your trip! Make a list of the people for whom you would like to purchase souvenirs. List the amount budgeted per person, and what you may want to purchase. Don't forget yourself!

Person to Purchase For	Budget	Idea for Souvenir



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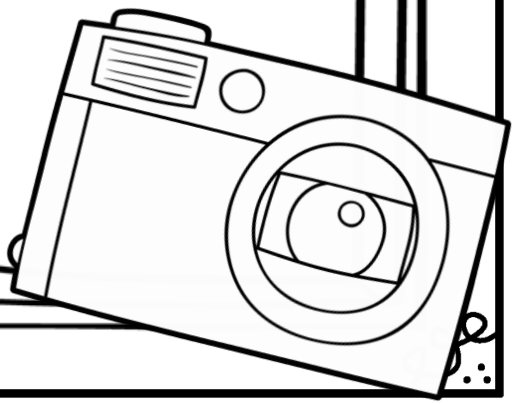
Travel Time!

Now it is time to set off on your journey! Take photos of each portion of your destination along the way. Paste them in this scrapbook.

The Journey

Draw or glue a picture of your journey to the location.
Write a caption for your photo.

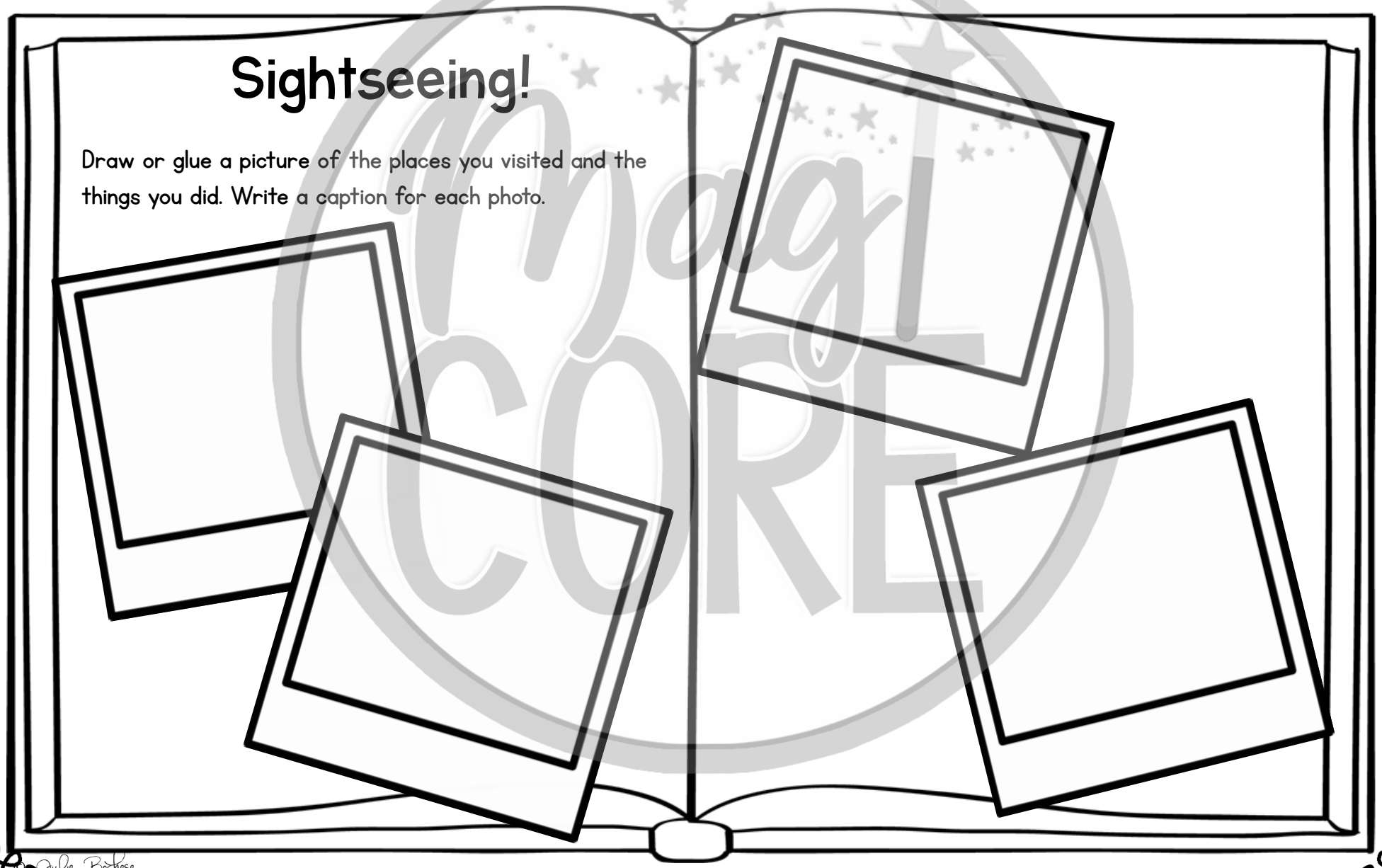
Write about your trip here. How did you get to your destination? How long did it take? Tell the story of your journey.



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My Travel Journal

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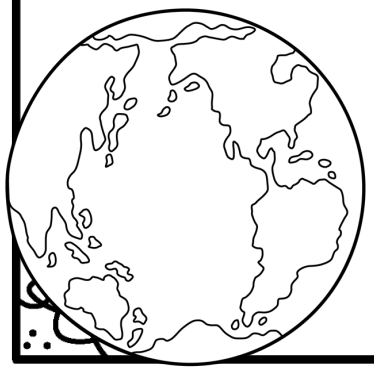
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Travel Agent

You had an amazing time on your vacation. The Sightseeing Travel Agency wants to hire you to promote your location! Create a travel brochure convincing customers to travel to your destination. You may use pictures from your scrapbook.

DIRECTIONS

1. Print the template on the next page or fold a piece of paper into three sections.
2. Fold your brochure along the lines to create three sections.
3. Create an eye-catching cover.
4. Highlight at lest three things to do or sights to see at the destination. Include short bullet points that explain the appeal of these activities or attractions. Be sure to include pictures, drawings, or photographs!



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Challenge #1: Bring a Friend

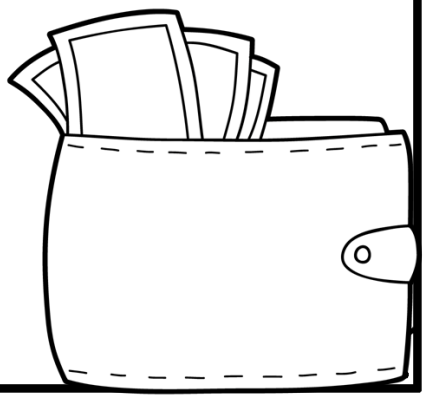
Calculate the total cost of your trip if you had a friend join you. Remember, certain expenses such as transportation and leisure activities may double, but others such as lodging may not.

Total I have spent on travel, lodging, and entertainment:

Estimated cost for travel for two:

Estimated cost for lodging for two:

Estimated cost for entertainment for two:



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Challenge #3: Write a Review

The Sightseeing Travel Agency has asked you to write a review about one of the sightseeing activities or restaurants you visited. Give the location a star rating, then write a review about your experience. Would you recommend this experience to other travelers? Why or why not?





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DREAM VACATION

Self Reflection: Write a reflection on your experience with this project. How did you feel about the math problems and activities? Explain what you found easy to do and any difficulties you had while working on this project. Did you enjoy this activity? Why or why not?

Rate this project

I am ready for something harder

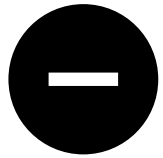
It was just right

I found this very challenging

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Rubric

SELF-EVALUATION RUBRIC: **Highlight or shade the parts of the rubric that express how you rate yourself on this Project Based Learning Activity.**

		
I felt very confident about the math in this project.	I felt pretty good about my ability to complete the math in this project.	I felt a lot of the math in this project was too hard for me to do alone.
I understood all of the math and did not need help to complete the problems.	I understand most of the math but needed a little help to solve some of the problems.	I understood some of the math but needed help to complete most of the problems.
I easily used many strategies to solve the math problems efficiently.	I needed some help to determine the best strategies for solving the math problems.	I had trouble understanding the best way to solve many of the math problems.
I feel I am ready for a harder math project.	I feel I would like to spend more time practicing similar math problems.	I feel I need assistance to work on similar math problems

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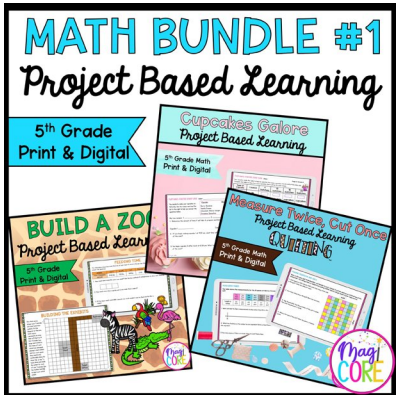
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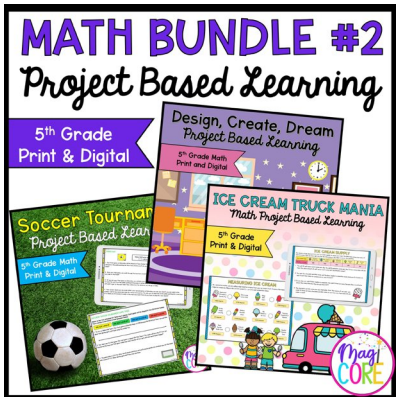
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