



## ON YOUR WAY

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### Role Play

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- Arjun : Excuse me.  
Bhanuka : Yes, what can I do for you?  
Arjun : Can you please tell me where I can have a cup of tea?  
Bhanuka : Sure, you can try Leaf Cafe.  
Arjun : Leaf Cafe? Where is it?  
Bhanuka : It is on First Cross Street.  
Arjun : OK, how do I get there?  
Bhanuka : This is Main Street.  
Arjun : Mmm.....Main Street, OK.  
Bhanuka : Walk along this street, turn left to First Cross Street. Leaf Cafe is the second building on your left. The first building is the pharmacy.  
Arjun : Are there any other landmarks?  
Bhanuka : Well, when you walk along this street, you will pass the National Bank and the theatre on your right. Then, there is a communication centre next to the cafe.  
Arjun : Did you say that I will pass the National Bank and the theatre on my right and the cafe is between the pharmacy and the communication centre?  
Bhanuka : That's right. You have got it.  
Arjun : Thank you very much.  
Bhanuka : My pleasure.

👍 Activity 01

Writing

- 1) Draw a sketch of the following map in your exercise book and mark with arrows the way Arjun should go to get to the cafe.
- 2) Label the buildings on the map that Arjun should pass on his way to the cafe.
- 3) Mark Leaf Cafe on your map.



👍 Activity 02

Identify the places and signs on the map given below and write the name of each place against the number given. Follow the example.



- |            |         |        |
|------------|---------|--------|
| 1 tea shop | 2.....  | 3..... |
| 4.....     | 5.....  | 6..... |
| 7.....     | 8.....  | 9..... |
| 10.....    | 11..... |        |

 **Activity 03**

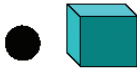
(a) Study the map in Activity 2. State whether each of the followings is true or false.

- This is a picture of a city.
- There is a lot of traffic on the roads.
- The hotel is in front of the bank.
- There are many trees behind the cinema.
- The hotel is on the right hand side of the car park.
- There is a car park next to the railway station.
- The cinema is in the New Market Street.

(b) Where is the ball? Write the correct preposition below each picture.



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- behind
- in
- on the left
- in front of
- next to
- on the right

 **Activity 04**

Draw a map of your school. Describe it using the above sentence patterns. You may begin like this:

My school is small /big /fairly big. There are five buildings.....

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' CONFERENCE MOSCOW

Vageesa and Yoga were selected to represent Sri Lanka at the International Students' Conference in Moscow. After the inauguration, each pair of representatives had to make a presentation about their country.

### **Activity 05**

Read the following presentation made by the two representatives from China and complete the data sheet given at the end.

Ni Hao ( nǐ hǎo)! Hello, friends. I'm Ming and this is my friend Yong. We are from the People's Republic of China, a country with an ancient civilization and a great history. Our traditional greeting is something like this: (cupped hands; left over right at chest height), but now we would mostly bow or shake hands.



The people of our country are called the Chinese and our inventions such as the compass, gunpowder, the art of paper-making and block printing have contributed immensely to the progress of mankind. China is the country with the largest population in the world. It is also the second largest country in the world with a land area of 9,706,961 square kilometres (km<sup>2</sup>). Beijing is the capital city of China. Now, my friend Yong will show you some pictures of our country. Over to you Yong.

Thank you Ming. This is the national flag of our country which has five stars in a red background. Mandarin Chinese is the official language of China and here are some Chinese characters. Renminbi is the currency of China. We have a fast growing economy as we export, import and manufacture many goods. Confucianism, Taoism and Buddhism are the major religions practised in our country. Over to you from here Ming.

Thank you Yong. If you come to China, there are many things for you to see, learn and enjoy. Look at these pictures. They are the main tourist attractions of our country. This is the Great Wall of China. This is the Forbidden City, a world heritage site that you can see in Beijing. You may have seen pictures of these

lovely animals. They are the giant Pandas, which are a threatened species. Our government along with its people are taking many steps to protect this endangered species. Yong, can you say something further about these tourist attractions?

Well, as Ming said, there are many tourist attractions in our country. Tourists can learn many different things here in China. We, the Chinese, are good at many things. One of them is the art of self-defence i.e., martial arts like Kung Fu and Wushu. Kung Fu originated in the Shaolin temples. Chinese circuses and chinaware are also famous all over the world.

If I told you that this is the end of our presentation, you might think that this is all we have to say about China. It is obvious that this single presentation done by the two of us will not cover everything about a great country like China. With that we conclude our presentation on China. Thank you! xiè xiè!\*

\* xiè xiè (syeh syeh) – the Chinese way of saying “Thank you”.

#### DATA SHEET

|                        |                |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Name of the country:   | Area:          |
| Population:            | Nationality:   |
| Religion(s):           | Language(s):   |
| Greeting style:        | National flag: |
| Tourist attraction(s): | Currency:      |
| Economy:               | Inventions:    |

#### **Activity 06**

##### Reading and Writing

Discuss with your partner and prepare a similar data sheet about Sri Lanka (You may add more details).

#### **Activity 07**

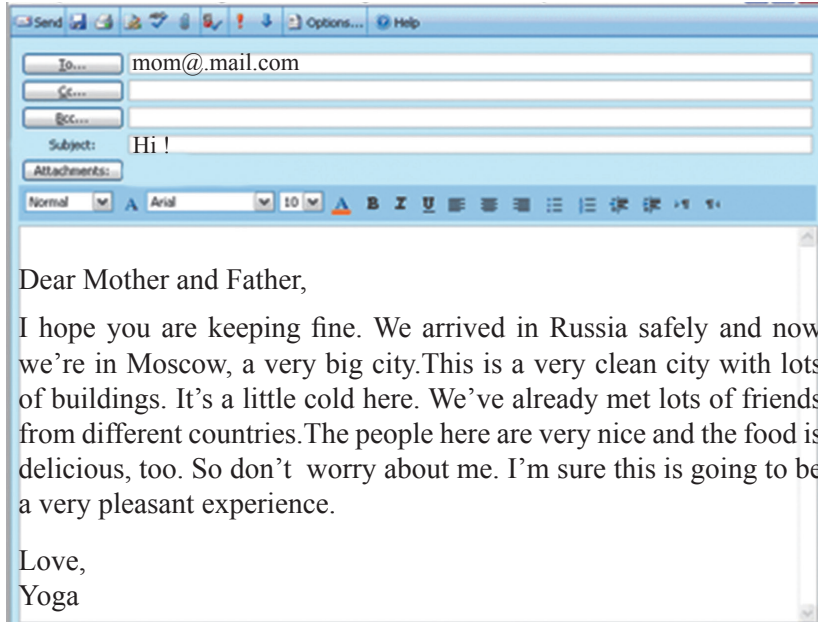
##### Speaking

Imagine that you are Vageesa and Yoga and make a similar presentation about Sri Lanka.

## Activity 08

### Writing

Yoga wrote an email to her parents in Sri Lanka about her stay in Moscow.



Imagine that you are Yoga's father/mother. Write a reply to Yoga.

## Activity 09

Read the following text and answer the questions.

During the school vacation, I went on a trip with three of my friends to my uncle's farm in Bandarawela. This is what I wrote in my diary about what we saw on the farm.

It was a fine morning when we arrived in Round Hill Park. The surroundings of the farm was beautiful. I took many photos with my new camera.

On arrival at the farm, we saw **a herd of cattle** grazing in the field. My uncle came out to greet us and took all of us to the farm. There was **a bunch of ducks** swimming in the stream which flows behind the farmhouse. We sat in the garden and enjoyed a cup of tea.

There were different types of animals on the farm. We saw **a brood of chicken** and **a herd of goats** in the backyard. There was **a drove of pigs** in the pigsty.

**A kit of pigeons** flew into the compound and we fed them. My uncle told us to be careful as there was a beehive nearby. We saw **a swarm of bees** flying into the beehive and we ran into the house for safety.

We had a wonderful lunch that had been prepared by my aunt. In the evening, we returned to the hotel.

- 1) Who went on the trip?
- 2) What was the weather like that day?
- 3) How many different types of animals were there on the farm?
- 4) Why did the uncle tell the children to be careful of the bees?
- 5) Write a short description about a trip you went on recently.

Learning Point

### Collective Nouns

Note the following phrases used in the text :

- a **bunch** of ducks
- a **brood** of chicken
- a **drove** of pigs

The words in bold are called **collective nouns**.

There are many other collective nouns apart from those that describe animals.

- E.g:
- a **chain** of islands
  - a **galaxy** of stars
  - a **panel** of experts
  - a **fleet** of ships
  - a **bunch** of bananas

 **Activity 10**

Write the correct collective noun under each picture.

- a herd of .....
- a bunch of.....
- a brood of .....
- a shelf of .....



 **Activity 11**

**Enjoy reciting!**

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*My Hometown*

*Jersey City is where I was born  
I woke up to see many a dawns  
It's not a bad city, it was a place to live  
But there were many times it didn't forgive  
The streets were tough, the winter's cold  
It's city you can embrace, but one you can never hold  
The streets will own you and rule you  
There's not too much one can do  
After some years you'll be ready to leave  
It will no longer have the things you need  
That's when you know it's time to leave  
Because in the city you can longer believe  
Now people grow up there and decide to stay  
But so many many more just go a different way*

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Ray Hansell*

Answer the following questions.

1. What is the title of the poem?
2. Who is the poet?
3. How many stanzas are there in this poem?
4. What is the name of the city mentioned in the poem?
5. What are the rhyming words found in this poem?
6. Is the poet happy about his city? Give reasons for your answer.