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Details for the Alien

Activity: Imagine you are meeting an alien. The alien has never been to Earth and asks you where you live. Write a paragraph describing where you live. Include the name and one detail or more about your:

planet
continent
house
country
room

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Hippo Keeper's Log

Word Choice



Owen was a baby hippo. He was abandoned by his mother and badly in need of water. Luckily, Owen was found. On December 27, 2004, Owen was taken to Haller Park in Kenya. There, something new and unexpected happened. Owen became friends with a giant tortoise! The tortoise was over 100 years old. Its name was Mzee. Owen would lick Mzee's face and sleep with his head on Mzee.

Activity: Write an entry in a log Owen's keeper might have kept when Owen first arrived. A log is like a diary. It tells when and what happens. Include your thoughts and feelings in the log, too.

Time writing

Put a colon (:) between the hour and the minute.

Use AM or a.m. for before noon. Use PM or p.m. for afternoon.

Date:		Location:	
	Time:		

The Bridge Painter



The San Francisco Golden Gate Bridge is painted orange. The bridge is being painted all the time. There are 38 painters. The painters do not start at

one end and go to the other. They touch up places where it is needed. The painters have to battle wind, sea air, and fog. They have to work in the cold and the heat. They have to work high up in the air.

Activity: What do you think it looks like when a bridge painter looks down? Write a dialogue in which you interview a bridge painter. Ask him what cars, boats, and people are like when he looks down. Answer how you think they look. You can ask other questions, too.



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