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The Big Idea

This book discusses what a map is and shows how to use one. It asks readers to use a simple map to follow and give directions.

Skills at a Glance

Monitor-Reading
- Retell what you've read

Comprehension
- Identify unstated main idea and supporting details

Phonics
- Digraphs th, wh (that, the, then, ther these, this, what, where)

Word Study
- Antonyms (begin/end, left/right, near/far)

Fluency
- Read question marks

Content Vocabulary
- direction, left, map, right, route, straight

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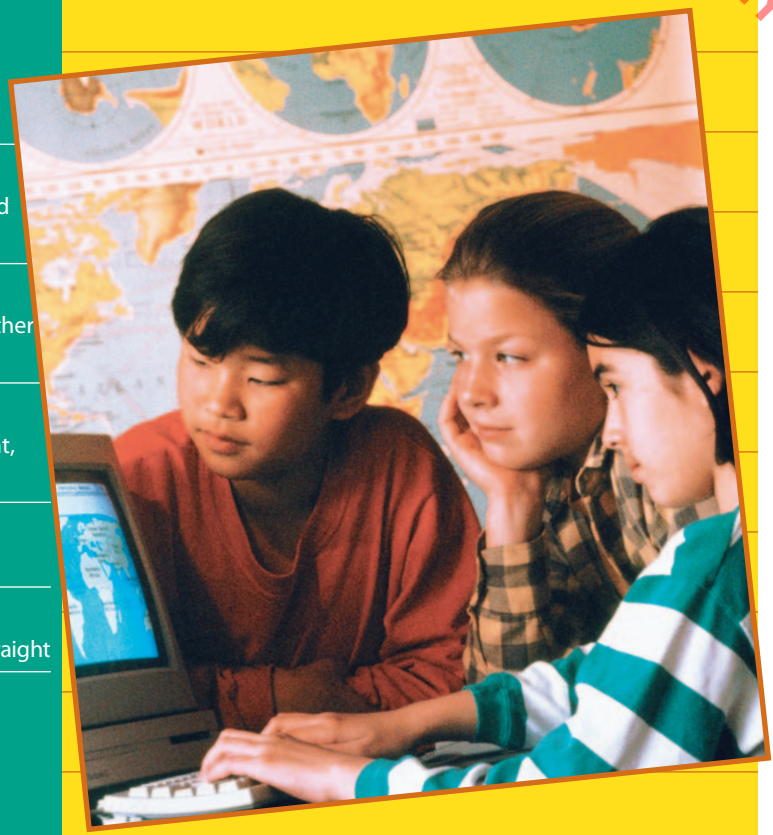
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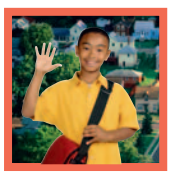
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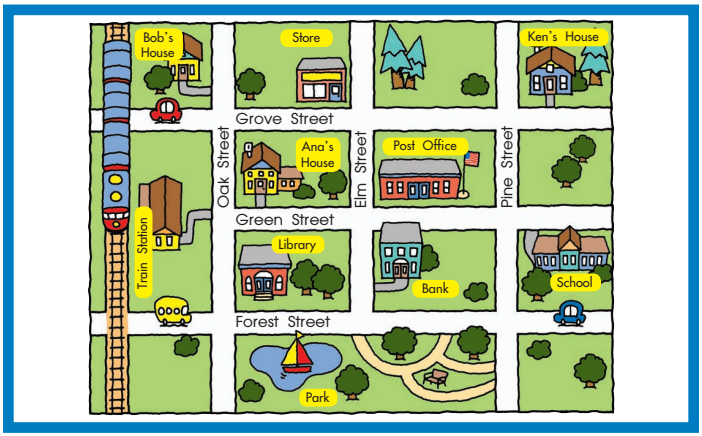
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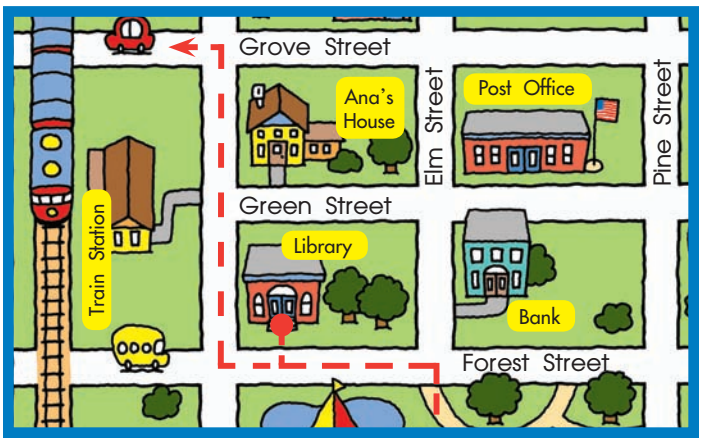
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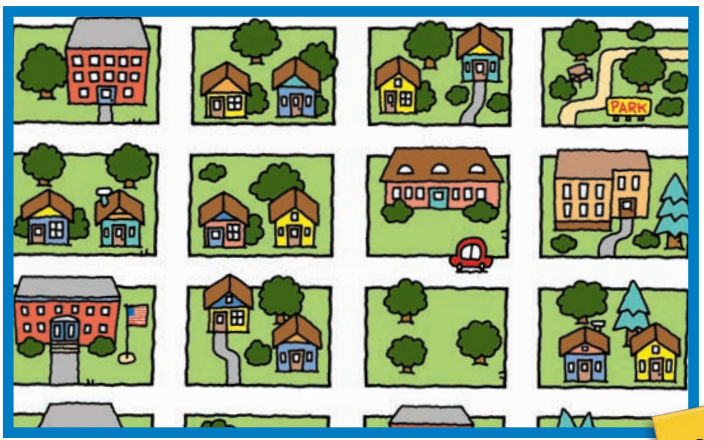
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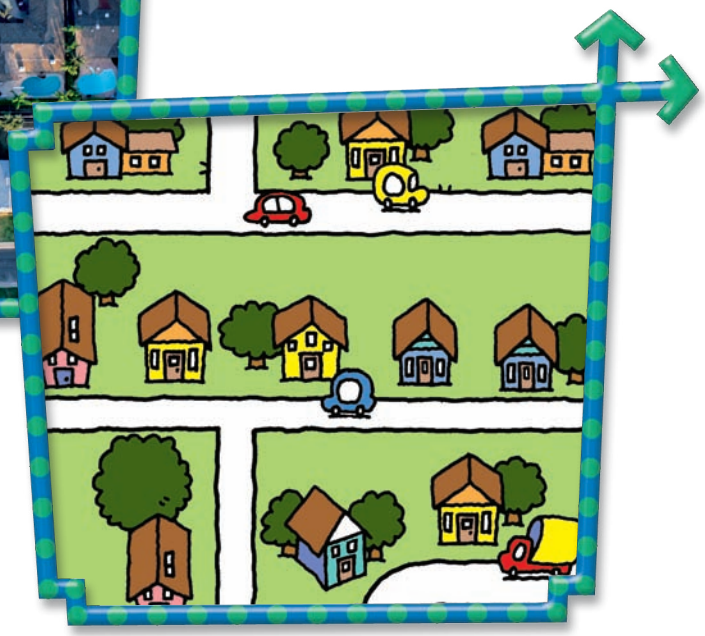
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What Is a Map?

A map is a drawing of an area. A map has pictures of streets, buildings, and other places.



▲ This picture shows a town. Someone took this picture from an airplane.



▲ This map shows a town.

You can find a map of almost any place.

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▲ Maps can show states.



▲ Maps can show towns.

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You can use a map to go almost anywhere. First, you need a place to begin. Next, find where you will end.

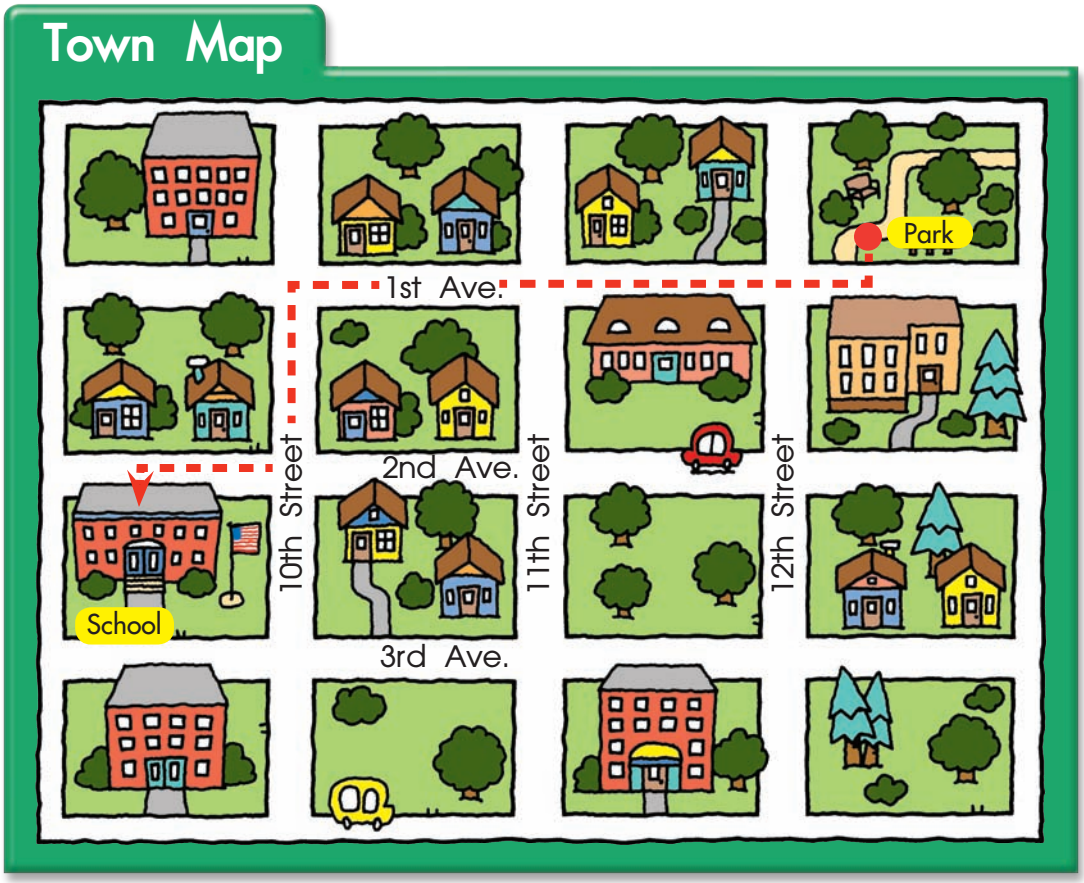


▲ Maps show where places are. Maps show if places are near or far apart.

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Then use the map to plan your route. Will you go straight ahead? Will you turn left or right? A map helps you find your way.

Town Map



▲ This map shows how to go from the park to the school.

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How Do Maps Help Us?

Ken just moved to Hillside. How can Ken find his way around?

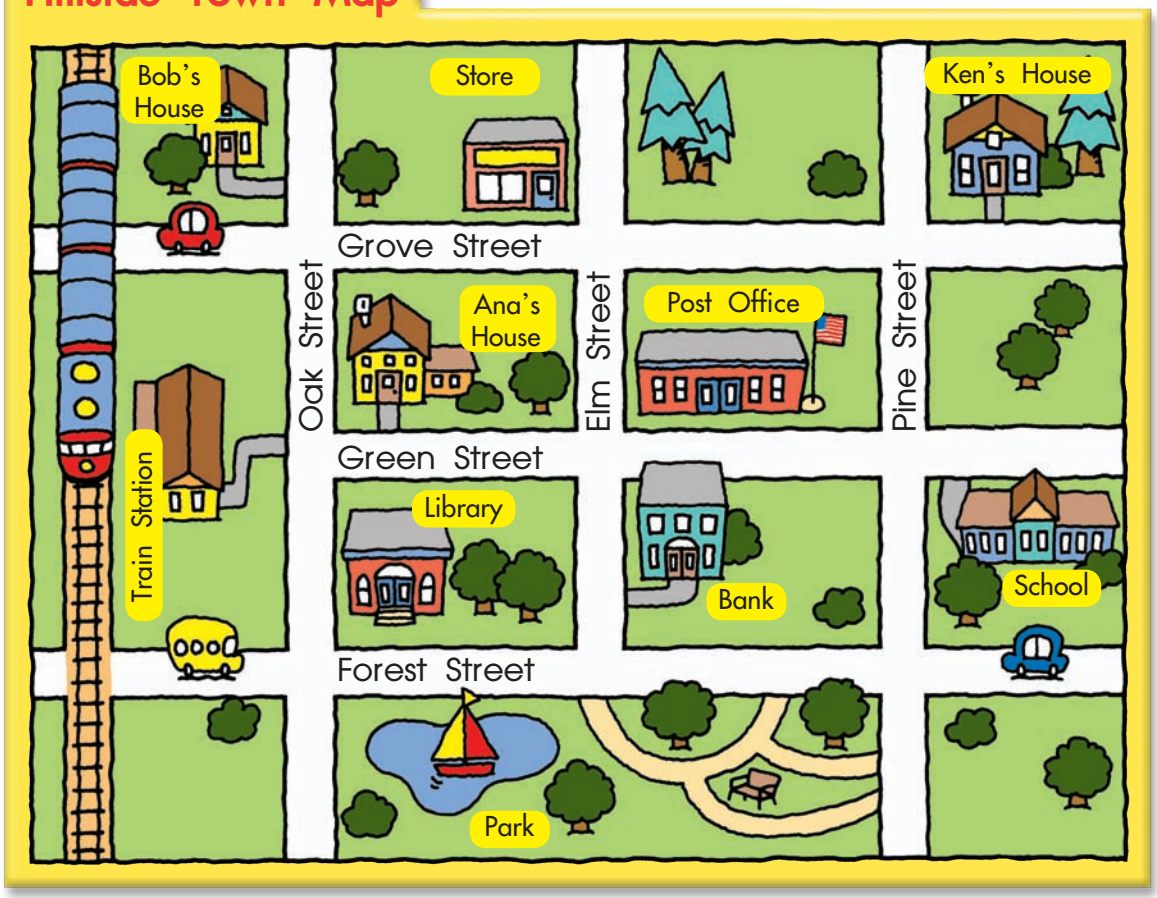


▲ Hillside is a small town.

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Ken can use a map!
This map of Hillside will help Ken.

Hillside Town Map



▲ Look at the map. Where is Ken's house on the map?