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Make your own vision map

What is a vision map? A vision map is a key tool that Enviroschools use to identify big ideas and projects they would like to do to support their school to become more sustainable long term. It's not a detailed design, or a recipe of how to go about projects, but gives everyone a sense of what's really important to live more sustainably and what you could do to help you on your way.

From exploring some of the activities below, your family could create its own vision map, with ideas that together you want to undertake at home.

INSTRUCTIONS

Complete the **'What does it mean to be sustainable?'** task sheet.

Mapping Our Place - an activity to explore 'your place' and what is important to you.

You will need: Paper and pens.

1. Draw a map of things you can see in your home environment, include things like your fence or boundaries, paths, your house, gardens, other buildings etc. Do a free hand drawing, rather than an accurate map. You could even make a 3-D model.
2. Discuss what you can do in areas and what you can't do.
3. What areas are noisy, interesting, scary, peaceful, fun?
4. What areas do you like?
5. Do you have any special places? Mark these on your map. Why are they special?

Mapping our needs - add these to your map

1. Which areas are alive with plants and animals?
2. Where are we growing our own food?
3. Which way is north and where are the sunny spots? Add any warm sheltered areas, cool shady areas or windy spots to your map.
4. Where does our water come from and where does it go?
5. Which areas could do with some love and attention?



