

# Try This!

Dr. Hoagland makes maps to study the habitats of Mexican spotted owls.







Can you make a map, too?

With a grown-up, go outside and pick a safe spot to sit down. On pages 26 and 27, you will draw a map of what you see.



1. First, draw yourself in the middle of the map.
2. Next, draw the things you see in front of you
3. Then draw the things you see to either side of you.
4. Last, draw the things behind you.

You might draw:

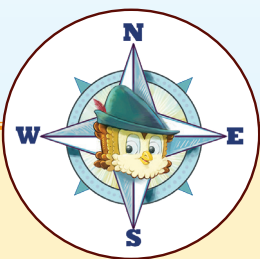
trees		fences	
playground equipment		plants	
streets		signs	

You can draw anything else you see, too!

When you finish your map, answer these questions:

1. What was hard about drawing your map?
2. What was easy about drawing your map?

If you drew maps as a class, compare your maps. Did everyone put the same things on their maps? What are some differences among everyone's maps?



**Bonus:** Pick a spot on your map away from where you are sitting. Draw a path on your map from where you are sitting to that spot. How would you give someone directions to that spot? You can write the directions down or tell them to someone. See if someone can find the spot you chose using just your map or your directions!

# My Map

