International travel requires passports. In a passport, your government certifies your name, date of birth, sex, place of birth and country of origin. Passports require photos. Each country marks or stamps your passport when you enter and exit.

Through books, readers travel to places outside their country. Newspapers also report on history and happenings in distant countries. Even some local stories make global connections.

Create a blank passport by folding one or more pieces of paper. Write PASSPORT on the outside, and include your name, a photo or drawing of yourself and all other required information.

When reading the newspaper, write the names of places outside your country that you visit through stories you read in your newspaper. Write or draw something that represents what you learned about each country. Take note of any information that affects the safety of travelers, particularly travelers from the United States.

SHARE with friends any places you’d liked to travel to and explain what makes the places appealing.

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