

Neighborhood Maps

Houses exist within the context of neighborhoods. In cities they are surrounded by other houses and businesses, while in more rural areas a family in their own house might not be able to see the home of their nearest neighbor. In some suburbs all the houses on a street were built at the same time and look very much the same. Other suburbs grew slowly over time, and the houses reflect a diversity of styles.

Following the example of the Pierce House neighborhood on the website, have your students draw maps of their own neighborhoods. If they know who lives in some of the houses, they can write the family's name. They should note businesses, schools, libraries, and other types of buildings, not just homes. Ask them to think about the different houses on their street, noting any similarities and differences.

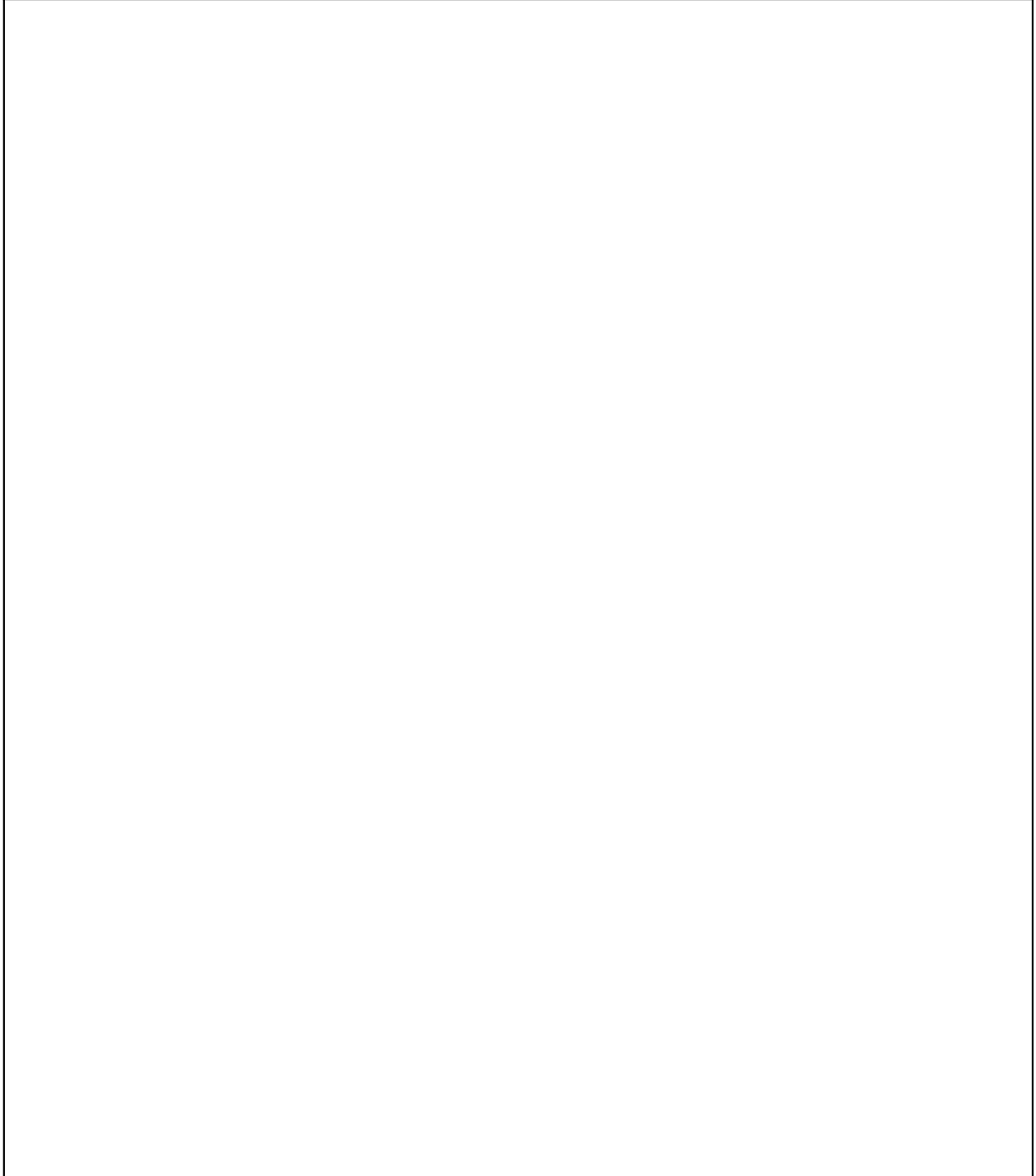


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