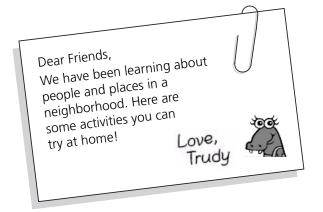


Local Field Trip

Take your child to some place in your community where they have not been. Perhaps this will be a museum, a library, the courthouse, or city hall. Ask for your child's help in deciding where to go, and then discuss with them why this is an important and interesting place in your town. When you return home, ask your child to draw a picture postcard to show where you have been and create a record of his or her experience. Have him or her draw a single picture of something that left a strong image, feeling, or idea.



Our Community Helpers

Have your child think about all the things that must have to happen for life to be successful, safe, and happy. Discuss the people in the community that are available to help us if we need them. The most obvious people are firefighters, police, and emergency medical technicians, but there are many other people who work to make our lives more comfortable: people like teachers, librarians, doctors, religious workers, sanitation workers, city workers of all types both on the streets and at city hall, and many more. You child will probably think of others.

You may wish to visit one or more of these people and have your child interview them. Remember to remind your child how to respond to strangers with you and when he or she is alone or with friends.