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**Narnia, Gotham, Lilliput,
Rivendell, Neverland...**

The most exciting stories begin in imaginary lands. So let's use the magic of places names to conjure up our own enchanting worlds:

Here are some weird and wonderful (and real!) place names.

Choose one you like and say the name aloud to yourself a few times. What picture does it conjure up in your head? Is it a city, an island, a wild place? What's the landscape like? The weather? Does anyone live there?

Jot down your ideas here...

TORRELAVA

Burnt Tree

GOLDSITHNEY

AU SABLE

Matagawatch

Champagnolle

Tralee

MUNGER

Driffild

Achinsk

Ponderay

Gorthleck

Boat of Garten



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Now use your ideas to help you create a map of your imaginary place. You can draw natural features like mountains, rivers and woods and created features like settlements, palaces and schools. Be as inventive as you can and use colours to make your map a work of art.

Tip: Ask an adult to help you search in your books or online for examples of other fantastical maps to inspire you - Moomin Valley, Hogwarts, Treasure Island, The Hundred Acre Wood, Earthsea...



3 Write (or record) a guide to your imaginary place for a stranger who is visiting for the first time. Tell them what they will **see, hear and smell** as they arrive. Will they meet **friends or foes**? What should they carry with them to help them on their journey? What should they be prepared for - **adventures, magic, dragons**?



Brilliant work! Well done.
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