



Your Very Special Name

Task: Write your full name/s here - include your first, middle and last names:



Consider: Have you ever wondered what your names mean? Why were you given them? What special meaning might they have? **You might need to ask parents/caregivers for help.*

Explore: Discuss with a partner or group or, if you prefer to write, record your answers:

1. What do your first and middle name/s mean? Do they have special significance e.g. being named after a family member? Do they have religious or cultural meaning? Do they mean something in another language?
2. Where does your last name (family name) come from?
3. Do you have a 'nick name' or short name? Who calls you by this name? Where did it come from?

Extension: Ask your classmates, a group of peers e.g. sports team and your family members the same questions about their names.

- Did you notice any patterns or similarities about the way people were named?
- What new information did you find out about people you already know?
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Create: Names can have special meaning and can give people new identities! Try the following tasks:

- What might you change your name to if you had to change your name?
- What would your super-hero name be? Why?
- Try writing an Acrostic Poem (each new line starts with a letter from your name) about yourself!

