EPISODE ACTIVITY

The Boy Who Mailed Himself to Australia

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Season 4, Episode 12 The Boy Who Mailed Himself to Australia/ The Story of the Plumber's Hideous Yodels

WHAT'S THIS ACTIVITY ABOUT?

WRITE A STORY INSPIRED BY A KANGAROO.

WHAT STUFF DO I NEED?

SOMETHING TO DRAW OR WRITE WITH.

In the story "The Boy Who Mailed Himself to Australia" by a 12 year-old from Texas named Maxwell, a boy learns about Australia in school and then decides to mail himself there! When he finally arrives, he meets some unusual Australian animals, like a kangaroo.



Kangaroos live in a place called the Outback, which is full of reddish rocks that look very much like the color of the kangaroo's fur.

Kangaroos can jump 30 feet in one leap! Since there isn't much water in the Outback, being able to jump means they can travel quickly to find food and water. They are marsupials, which is a type of animal that carries their young in a pouch. Look at the picture of the kangaroo again and see if you can spot the "joey," or baby kangaroo, in the pouch!

Kangaroos are such awesome animals that, we want to hear some brand NEW stories about them. What kind of adventure would a kangaroo go on in the Outback (or in some new setting where you would NEVER expect to see a kangaroo)? What incredible jumping challenges would they need to take on? What would their "joey" (baby kangaroo) think about it all while they're along for the ride?



We can't wait to see what you come up with! Write us a story, draw us a comic, or tell us your kangaroo story in some other way!

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