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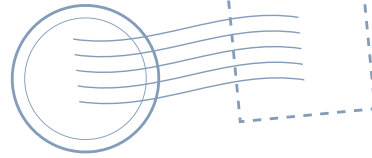


INTRODUCTION

Hello!
Have you ever sent a postcard to a friend or someone in your family? It's lovely to tell people about what you've done on a holiday or when you've been to a place where there is so much to write home about!

Here at Marks Hall Estate, we have a lot of fun and inspiring things to see and do - from mini-beast hunts to bat spotting and dinosaur trees to den building!

Today's challenge is to write and send a postcard to whoever you want, telling them all about Marks Hall Estate.



If you haven't already been to Marks Hall Estate, you can easily discover all the things you can experience by visiting our website. Better yet, you could come and visit us and try it out for yourself!

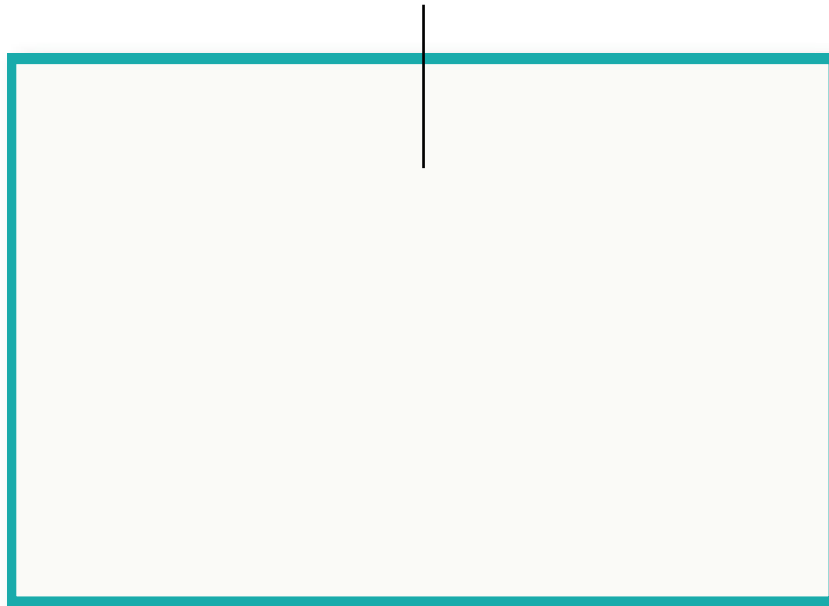


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STEP 1: Write your message

Use a blank piece of card (about the size of a birthday card), leaving one side blank for your picture. On the other side, use the left side for your message and the right side for the address of who you are sending your postcard to.

BLANK FOR YOUR PICTURE



YOUR MESSAGE

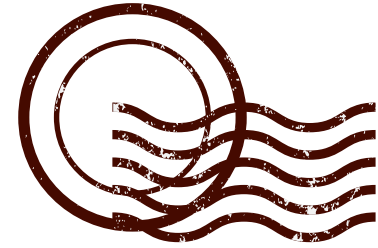
STAMP



ADDRESS YOU ARE
SENDING YOUR
POSTCARD TO

Decide who you'd like to send your postcard to and write your message to them.

Postcard writing TOP TIPS!



- ★ First start with a greeting like 'Dear Fred' or 'Hi, Grandma'.
- ★ Talk about the things you saw and did - how did it make you feel?
- ★ What could you see, hear and smell? Use plenty of adjectives.
- ★ Let them know about the weather - was it nice and sunny?
- ★ Why not ask them if they can write back and tell you about something fun or interesting that they have done?
- ★ Finish your message with a nice ending like 'Love from Ella', or 'Wish you were here, from George'.

STEP 2: Address your postcard

Now write the name and address of who you're sending your postcard to. Don't forget to include their postcode!

A template for a postcard with a light green border. The word "POSTCARD" is centered at the top. On the left, there is a "from:" label followed by a horizontal line and four more lines for an address. On the right, there is a "to:" label followed by five horizontal lines for an address. A red oval highlights the "to:" field, and a red line points from the text below to this field. In the top right corner, there is a rectangular box for a postage stamp.

STEP 3: Draw your picture

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MAIL



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Turn your postcard over and draw a picture of your favourite thing to see or do at Marks Hall Estate. Was it building a den? Feeding the swans on the lakes? Finding out about our dinosaur trees or even enjoying an ice cream in our café?

STEP 4: Send your postcard

Add a stamp above the address in the top right hand corner and pop it in the postbox!
Then who knows... maybe in a few days you'll get a reply!



POSTCARD

from : _____

to : _____



Did you know?

Postcodes help the postman deliver mail to the right address.

The first set of letters show the nearest town or city and the number stands for the area of the town (or village near the town).

The second set show which street, or group of houses in a long street.

There are nearly two million different postcodes in the UK!

Every home in the UK has a postcode.

The Royal Mail was established over 500 years ago by King Henry VIII. This means that Marks Hall Estate is even older than the post office!