Personal Geography

Have you ever wondered about how you navigate the world? What influences your physical understanding of the world? How do you navigate it? In what ways do you orient yourself. In what ways do you experience it?

Task:

1. Draw a map of the physical environment that you encounter on your average weekday day (to and from school).
2. In red, plot out your average path on that map.
3. Orient yourself with major landmarks on the map. What stands out on your journey?

1. Create a legend that represents things that matter on your map.
2. Create a direction device (similar to a compass) that helps you to know where you are. You don’t have to have North / South / East / West, you could direct yourself in relation to the mountains, the closest McDonalds or a bus route.
3. Name your map. UNDERLINE THE NAME (Do not include your name).
4. Colour code your map to the best of your ability. Where is your house? Where is the school? Where are your favourite restaurants/shops, or activities?

**Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Mapping A Self-Made Place**

**Evidence Analysis:**

1. What is similar about your maps? What is different? Look at all of the components of the maps.   
   ***Similarities*:**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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1. What inferences can you draw from the way that your partner’s map was drawn. Look at your similarities and differences, what do they say about that person’s mind? Their thoughts, interests, and understanding of space and place?  
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1. Explain how this person’s vision of their world might be similar, or different, to yours.

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