

Words
to Know

left

right

show

turn

Follow Directions

Listen and sing.

Song



At the Zoo



Oh, dear! Where
Can the monkeys be?



Turn left. Turn right.
And you will see.



Show me. Where
Can the monkeys be?



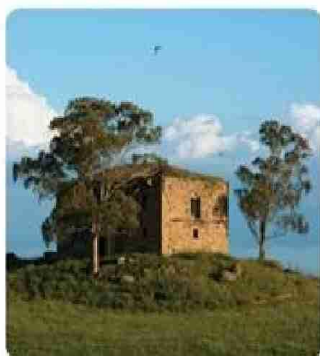
This map can
Show you the way.

Tune: "Oh, Dear, What Can the Matter Be?"



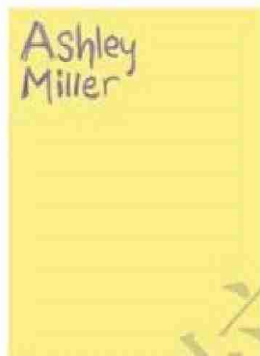
More Key Words

• between



The house is **between** the two trees.

corner



I write my name in the **corner** of the paper.

distance



This man runs a long **distance**.

• show



I **show** my drawing.

sign



This **sign** means "do not."

Talk Together

Use a **Key Word** to ask a question about maps.

What is the distance from your house to school?

• Words to Know

Read Informational Text

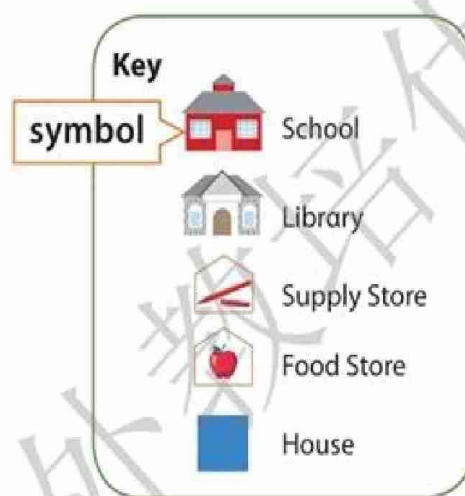
Informational text can explain something.

This informational text explains how maps work.

Maps

Maps use symbols.

Symbols are pictures or shapes that stand for real things.



Reading Strategy

As you read, think of the 7 strategies you learned. Which strategies will help you understand the text?



If Maps Could Talk

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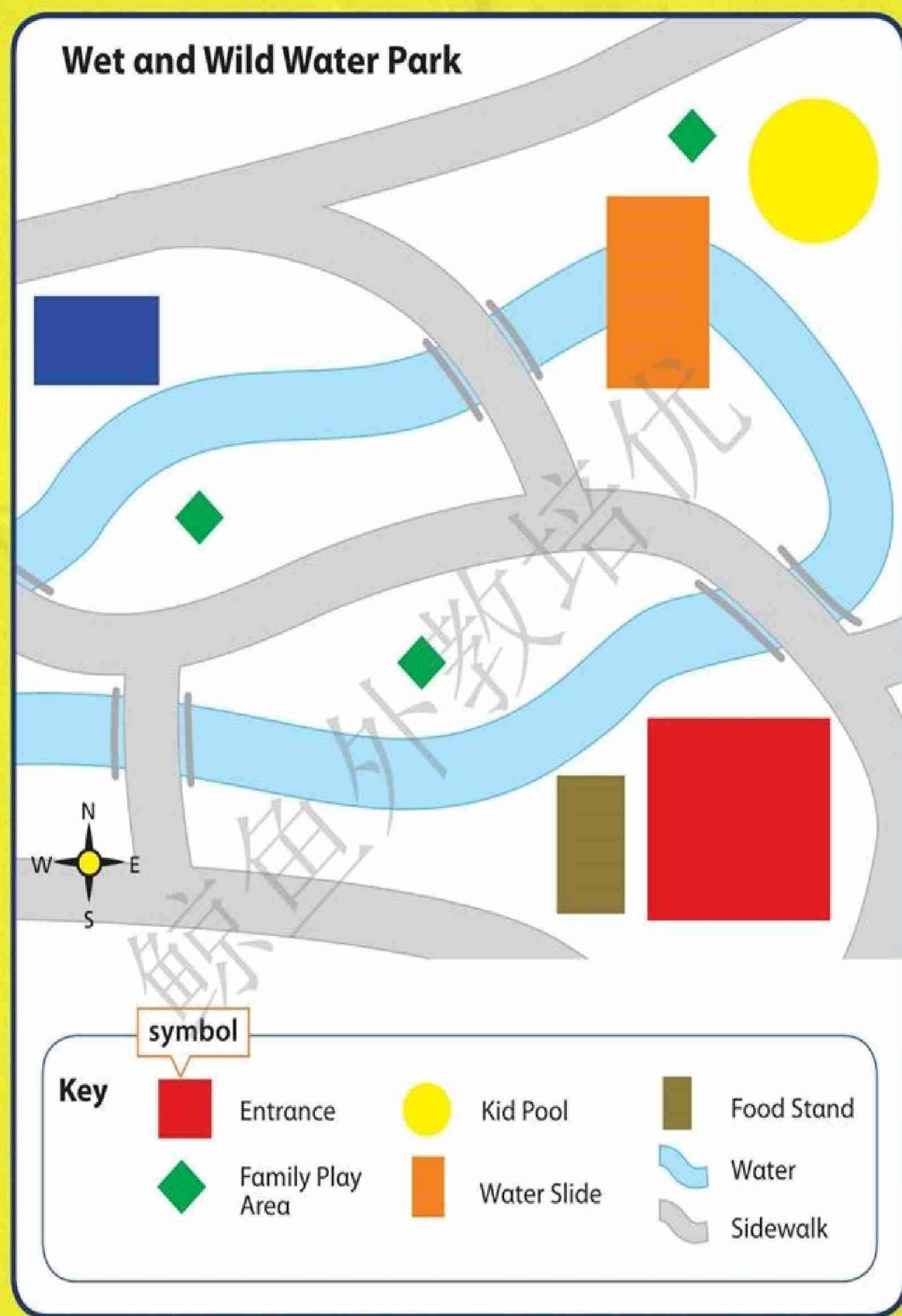
Maps: Finding Your Way

Where is the water slide? If you were a bird, you could fly up high to find it. But since you are not, you will have to use a **map**.

Maps use **symbols** to **show** where things are. The orange rectangle on the **Picture** Map is a symbol for the water slide. How do you know that? Read on.



Picture Map



▲ A picture map can use shapes or symbols to show where things are.

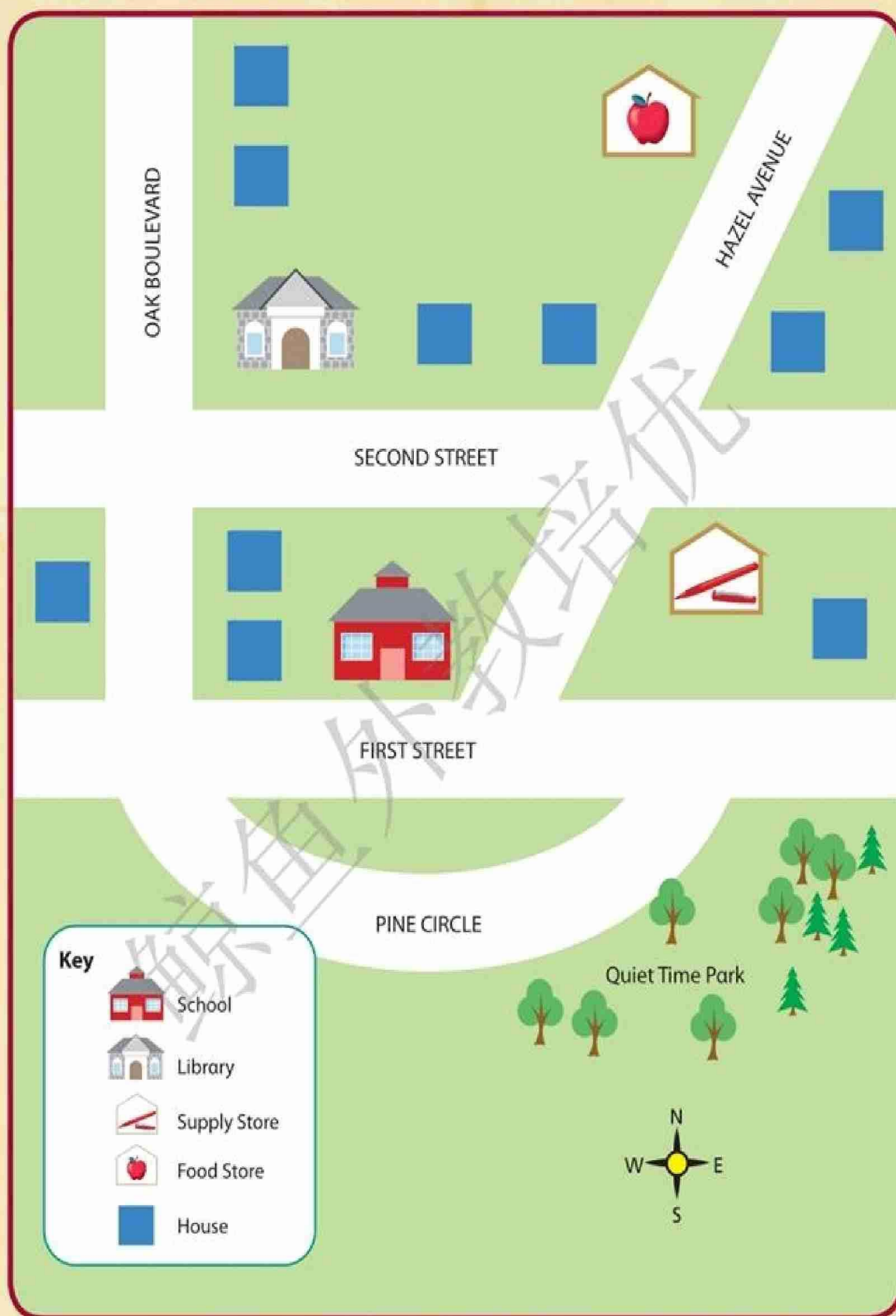
The Key to Using Maps

The box at the bottom of a **map** is the **key**. Use the map key to learn the **meanings** of map **symbols**.

Mapmakers use shapes to stand for real things. On the Street Map, what do the squares stand for?



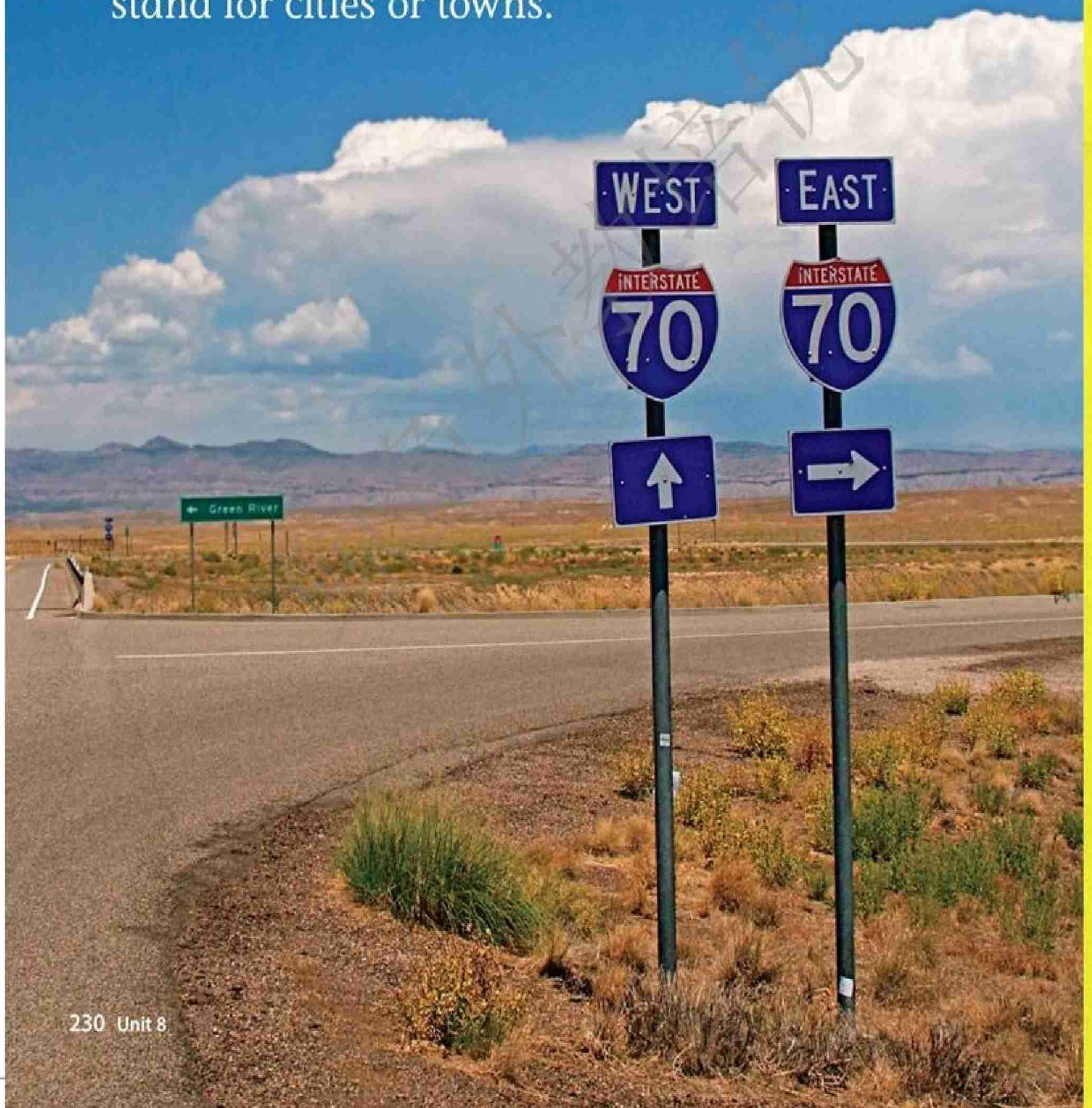
Street Map



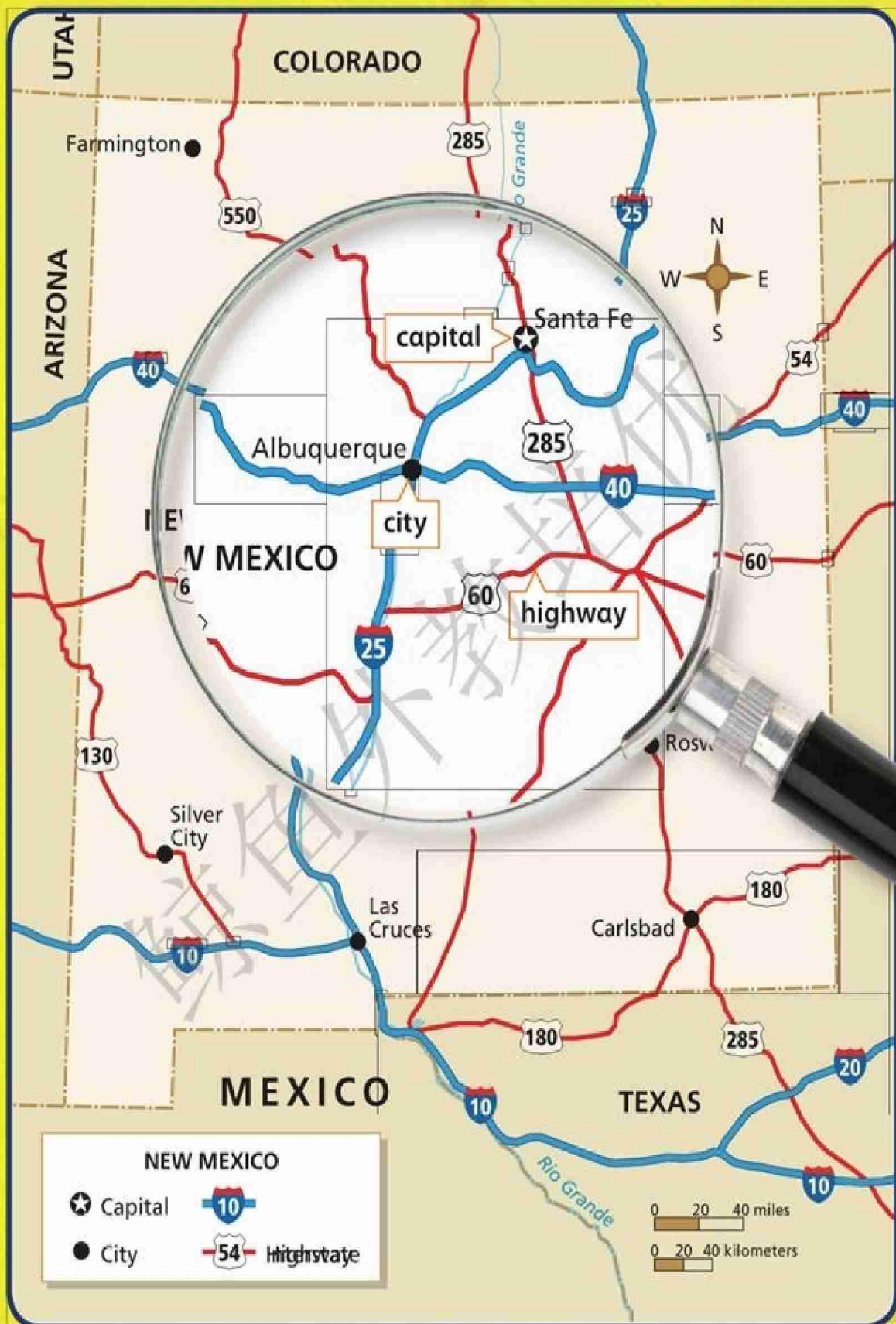
▲ A **street map** shows street names and **symbols** to help people find their way around town.

Symbols on the Road

Symbols on a road **map** help drivers find their way. A symbol shaped like a shield stands for a highway. Black circles stand for cities or towns.



Road Map



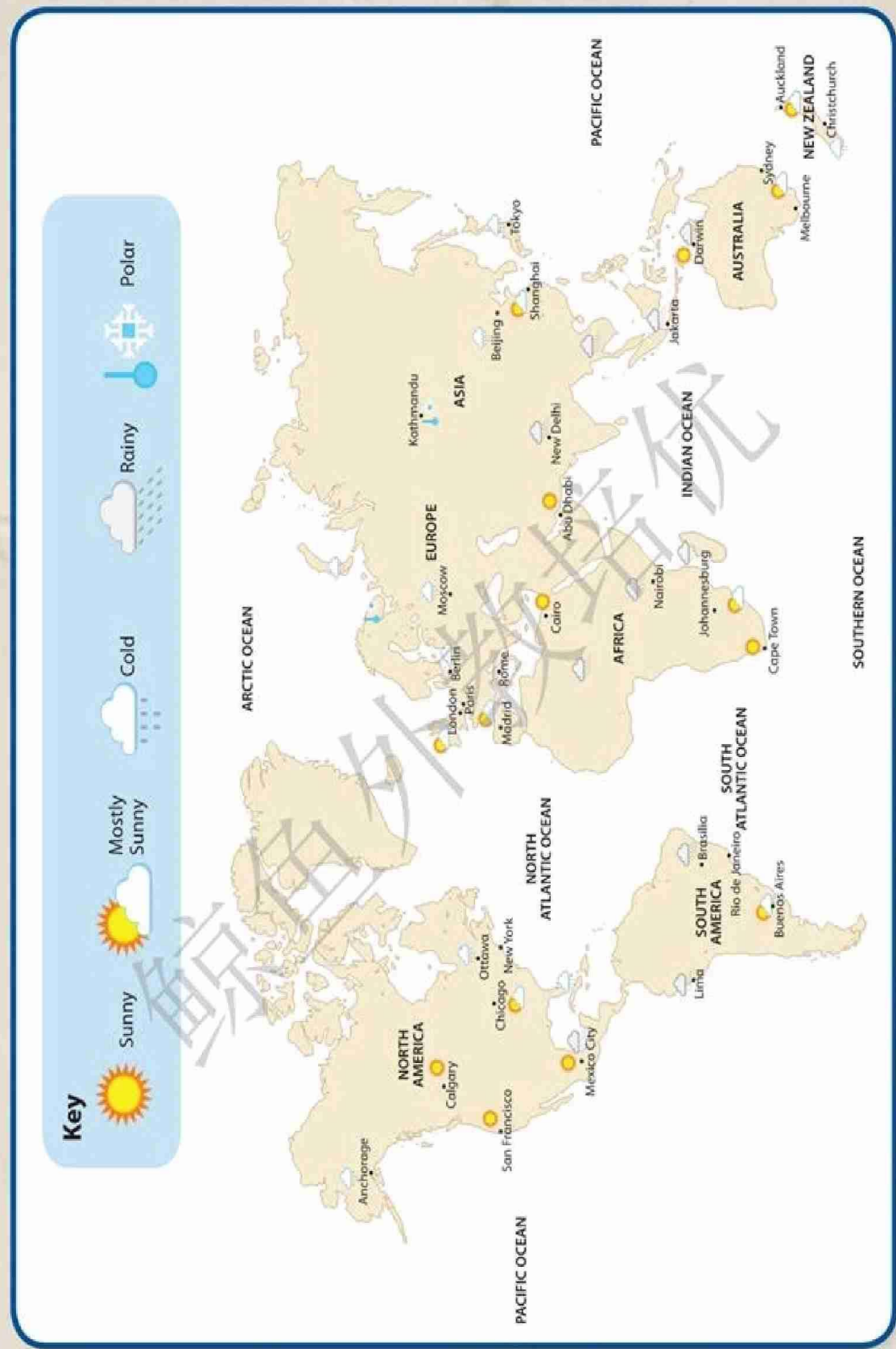
▲ A road map shows where roads and cities are.

Rain or Shine: Weather Symbols

What will the weather be like tomorrow? Look at a weather **map** in your city's newspaper.

Symbols on the Weather Map **show** the weather. Use the **key** to understand what the symbols mean.

Weather Map

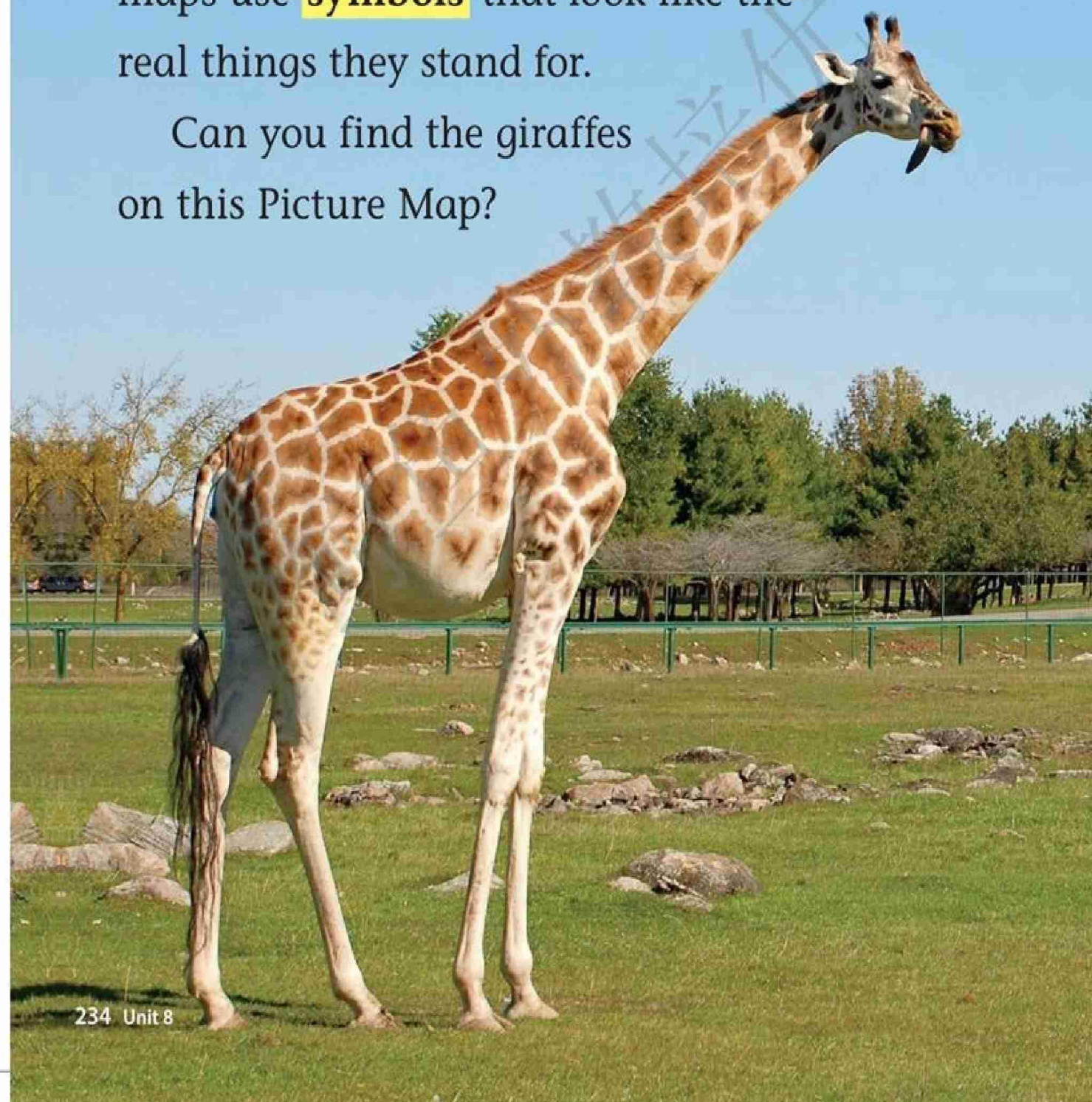


▲ This weather map shows what the weather is like all around the world.

No Key Needed: Picture Symbols

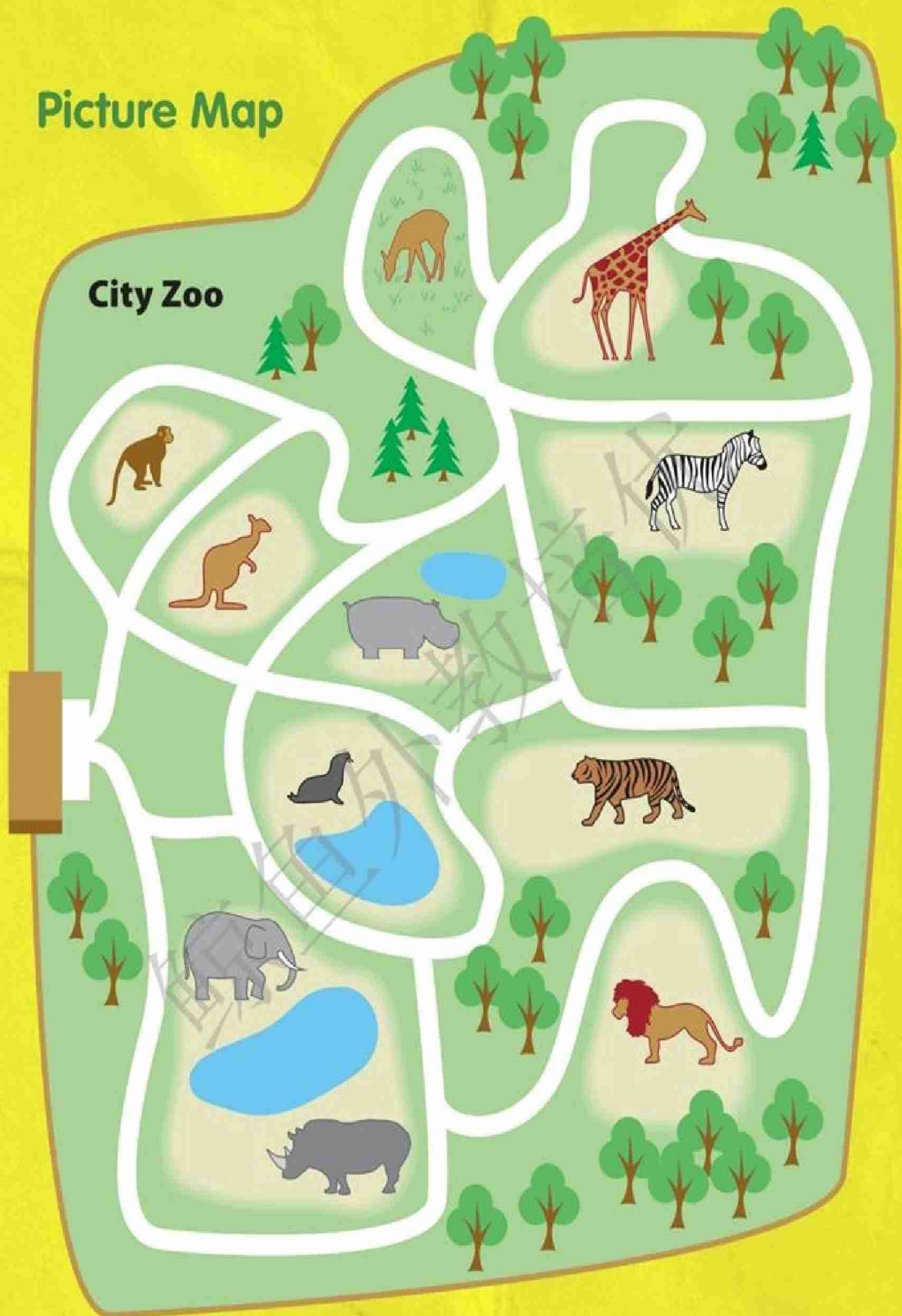
Most **maps** have a **key**. But there are some maps that don't have one. These maps use **symbols** that look like the real things they stand for.

Can you find the giraffes on this Picture Map?



Picture Map

City Zoo



▲ This picture map uses picture symbols to show where to find the animals at the zoo.

Make Your Own Map

Use these steps to make your own **map**.
Try to draw a map of your school.

Step 1

Draw the outline of your school. **Show** what your school would look like from above.

Step 2

Draw your classroom as a square.
Put a **symbol** in the classroom,
such as a star.



Step 3

Draw other rooms in your school,
like the cafeteria. Add hallways,
restrooms, and doors.



Step 4

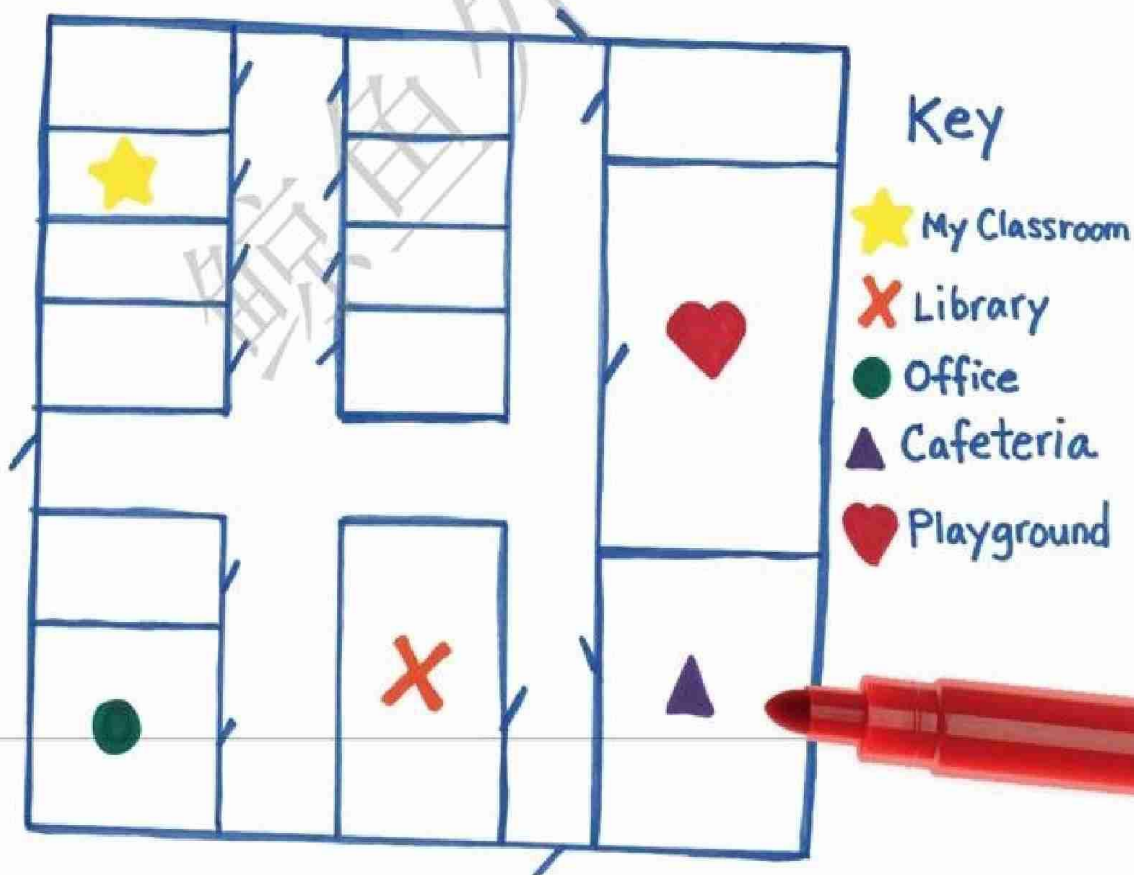
Draw the library. Put a **symbol** in the library, such as an X.



Step 5

Make a **key** for your **map**. Draw and label the symbols for all the places you put on your map. ❖

Picture Map



Talk About It



1. What does a **map key** show?

A map key shows ____.

2. How is a weather map different than the other maps in the selection?

A weather map ____ . The other maps ____ .

3. Why do people use road maps?

People use road maps to ____.

Write About It



What did you learn from "If Maps Could Talk"?
Write a comment.

I learned ____ from page ____.

Key

symbol



School



Library



Supply Store



Food Store



House

Use Information

What **signs** and **symbols** did you see in the text? What do they mean?

T Chart

Symbols and Signs	What They Mean
	• mostly sunny • •

Use your chart. Tell a partner what you learned about signs, symbols, and **maps**.

A symbol can be a **picture** of a real thing.