

Description of Reading Promotion Activity/ Action INTERACTIVE MAPS OF AN AUTHOR'S OR A CHARACTER'S JOURNEY		
Reaches disadvantaged pupils / families	yes no x yes but not only	
Multilingual activity	yes x no	
Action especially for	girls x boys x both	
Involves parents	yes x no	
Utilizes ICT	x yes no	
Objective (s)	 Children to delve into a specific literary work and/or author and present them to others. Children to play with books, utilizing ICT tools. 	
Age level (s)	• 9-12	
Preferable number of participants	• 1-30	
Duration	• 2 X 80'	
Setting, materials, and preparation	Place: Computer lab, classroom, or library	
Step -by-step description	 Each group browses a book catalogue and selects an author, poet, illustrator, or fictional character who travels to several places (e.g. Antoine de Saint-Exupéry or Phileas Fogg from Around the World in 80 Days). Children download the appropriate map on their PC. 	
	3. They then use arrows (INSERT>SHAPES) to indicate the locations visited by the hero/author/illustrator/poet.	
	 4. They then link each arrow (right-click>HYPERLINK) to another PowerPoint presentation which features questions and answers about: "Why did the hero visit this place?" or "When did the poet settle in this city?" etc. This could take on the form of a game. 5. Finally, groups exchange PCs and play with the interactive maps produced by the rest of the groups. 	
	6. The interactive maps are posted on the school's	



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	website.
Notes to reading promotion facilitator	 Children can produce quite interesting maps and presentations, by adding images, photos, sounds, music, video, animation, etc.
Suggested follow-up actions/ activities	The activity could be done in an interdisciplinary way, involving Math, Geography, History, Art, Music, etc.
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