

Tip Sheet #7

# LET'S TRAVEL THROUGH BOOKS

**Children are curious about the world they live in. They are interested in where people have come from. Use this curiosity to draw them into reading. Your local library will have books on cities and countries around the world. They also have books on the animals, foods, rocks, plants, and weather that can be found in all these places.**

Ask your child where they would most like to travel. Visit your library together to find maps of that place. Look for travel books with lots of photographs. See if there is a cookbook that focuses on foods of the region. Find a book on its history. A librarian can help you find books related to the place your child wants to “visit.”

You may want to read some of the books from cover to cover. With others, you might look at and comment on the pictures, or share the reading; one of you reading the text and one reading the picture captions. Did you find a recipe you'd like to try together? Children love learning new skills and working alongside an adult. Try making the recipe together. Spend time at dinner talking together about all you have learned about that special place. Use these sentences to start or add to your discussion:

**I WANT TO TRAVEL TO:**

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**THINGS I WOULD SEE THERE INCLUDE:**

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**SOME ANIMALS THAT LIVE THERE ARE:**

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**I THINK THIS PLACE WOULD BE INTERESTING BECAUSE:**

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**ONE WAY THIS PLACE IS DIFFERENT THAN WHERE I LIVE IS:**

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**ONE OF THE FOODS PEOPLE EAT THERE IS:**

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