

Name:

Day One

Where Are You From?

Part 1: Silent read

→ Where do you say *you* are from? Read silently.

Victor has lived in San Francisco since he was five years old. He is a big Giants fan. He loves Brazilian soccer, too. Although he was born in Brazil, his favorite place is Baker Beach. On Victor's birthday, his dad cooks American-style hot dogs and serves them with Brazilian rice. Sometimes people ask Victor where he is from. He always says, "I'm from California. This is my home."

Dallas, Texas, is where Kara grew up. She is 13 and has lived in Dallas her whole life. "When people hear me talk, they usually ask where I am from." Kara explains, "My mom is from New York, and I talk just like her. People don't really think I'm from here."

Hana lives in Washington, DC. Her family's home is on Massachusetts Avenue. "But we call it Mass Ave," Hana says. "That's a DC kind of thing to say." When Hana meets new people, they often ask where she is from. "My dad is from Japan," she says. "I look Japanese, I guess. But I am totally from here."

Where are you from? Are there things you say that people in other places don't get? Do you have sports teams that everyone gets excited about?

"I just moved to Boston," says Areceli. "But I know this is my home." She laughs. "I love Boston sports teams even when they lose. I must be from here already."



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// one minute

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Part 2: First timed read

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Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

What do Victor, Kara, and Hana all have in common?

What does Hana say instead of Massachusetts Avenue?

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Part 4: Phrase-cued reading

- Read the passage **out loud** in phrases to your partner.
- Pause at each / mark for a phrase.
- Also pause at each // mark that shows the end of a sentence.

Victor has lived in San Francisco / since he was five years old. // He is a big Giants fan. // He loves Brazilian soccer, / too. // Although he was born in Brazil, / his favorite place / is Baker Beach. // On Victor’s birthday, / his dad cooks American-style hot dogs / and serves them with Brazilian rice. // Sometimes people ask Victor where he is from. // He always says, / “I’m from California. // This is my home.” //

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Hana lives in Washington, / D.C. // Her family’s home / is on Massachusetts Avenue. // “But we call it Mass Ave,” / Hana says. // “That’s a DC kind of thing to say.” // When Hana meets new people, / they often ask where she is from. // “My dad is from Japan,” / she says. // “I look Japanese, / I guess. // But I am totally from here.” //

Where are you from? // Are there things you say / that people in other places don’t get? // Do you have sports teams / that everyone gets excited about? //

“I just moved to Boston,” / says Arceli. // “But I know this is my home.” // She laughs. // “I love Boston sports teams / even when they lose. // I must be from here already.” //

I read the passage in phrases out loud to my partner.