

TRAVELLING

Activity 1a



Life on the road

The recordings that you are about to hear feature different people talking about the travelling life, and what is both good and bad about it. Consider the following questions. Sometimes there can be more than one right answer to a question, but you should always explain your answers.



- 1.** **What reasons** do Travellers give for moving around?
- 2.** **What is the appeal**, and what are the good aspects, of the travelling life?
- 3.** **What makes** the travelling life hard?
- 4.** **How has** the travelling changed?
- 5.** **What does the future** of the travelling way of life seem to be?

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Activity 1b



Life on the road

You are about to hear a recording where several different Traveller people talk about the travelling life: what it is like to live on the road, and why they choose to do it. These questions are going to help you think more carefully about how they live.



1. Can you list three different reasons for living a life where Travellers move from place-to-place?

- a _____
- b _____
- c _____

2. Can you give five reasons why people like to travel from place-to-place?

- a _____
- b _____
- c _____
- d _____
- e _____

3. Can you list five reasons why living on the road is hard for Travellers?

- a _____
- b _____
- c _____
- d _____
- e _____

4. How do you think that the travelling life has changed for these people?

5. What do you think is the future for the travelling way of life?

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Activity 1c



Life on the road

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1. Can you list three different reasons for living a life where they move from place-to-place?

- a _____
- b _____
- c _____

2. Can you give five reasons why people like to travel from place-to-place?

- a _____
- b _____
- c _____
- d _____
- e _____

3. Can you list five reasons why living on the road is hard for Travellers?

- a _____
- b _____
- c _____
- d _____
- e _____

4. How do you think that the travelling life has changed for these people?

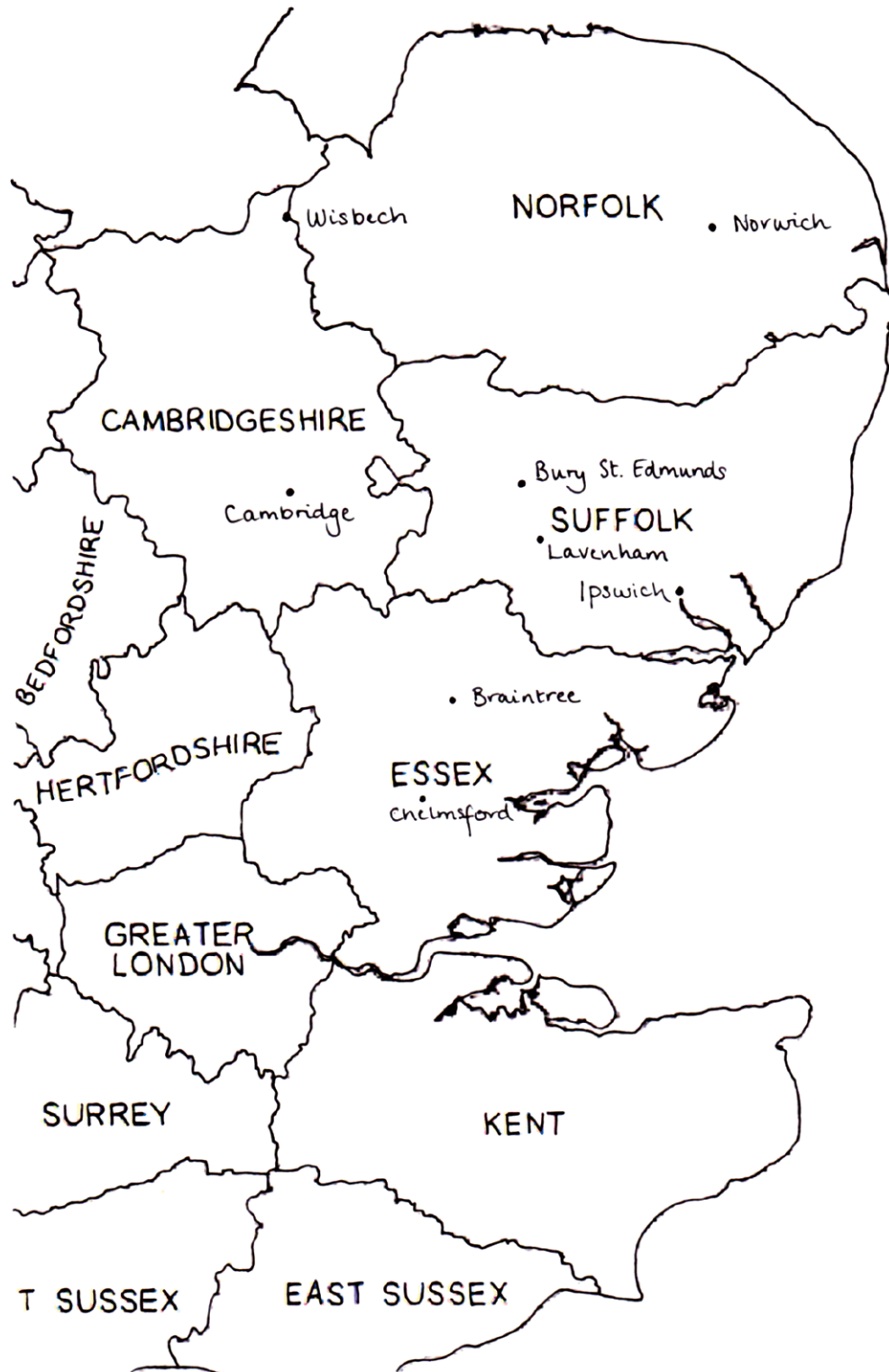
- I think that the travelling life for Travellers has changed by _____
- _____
- _____

5. What do you think is the future for the travelling way of life?

- I think that the travelling way of life will change in the future by _____
- _____
- _____

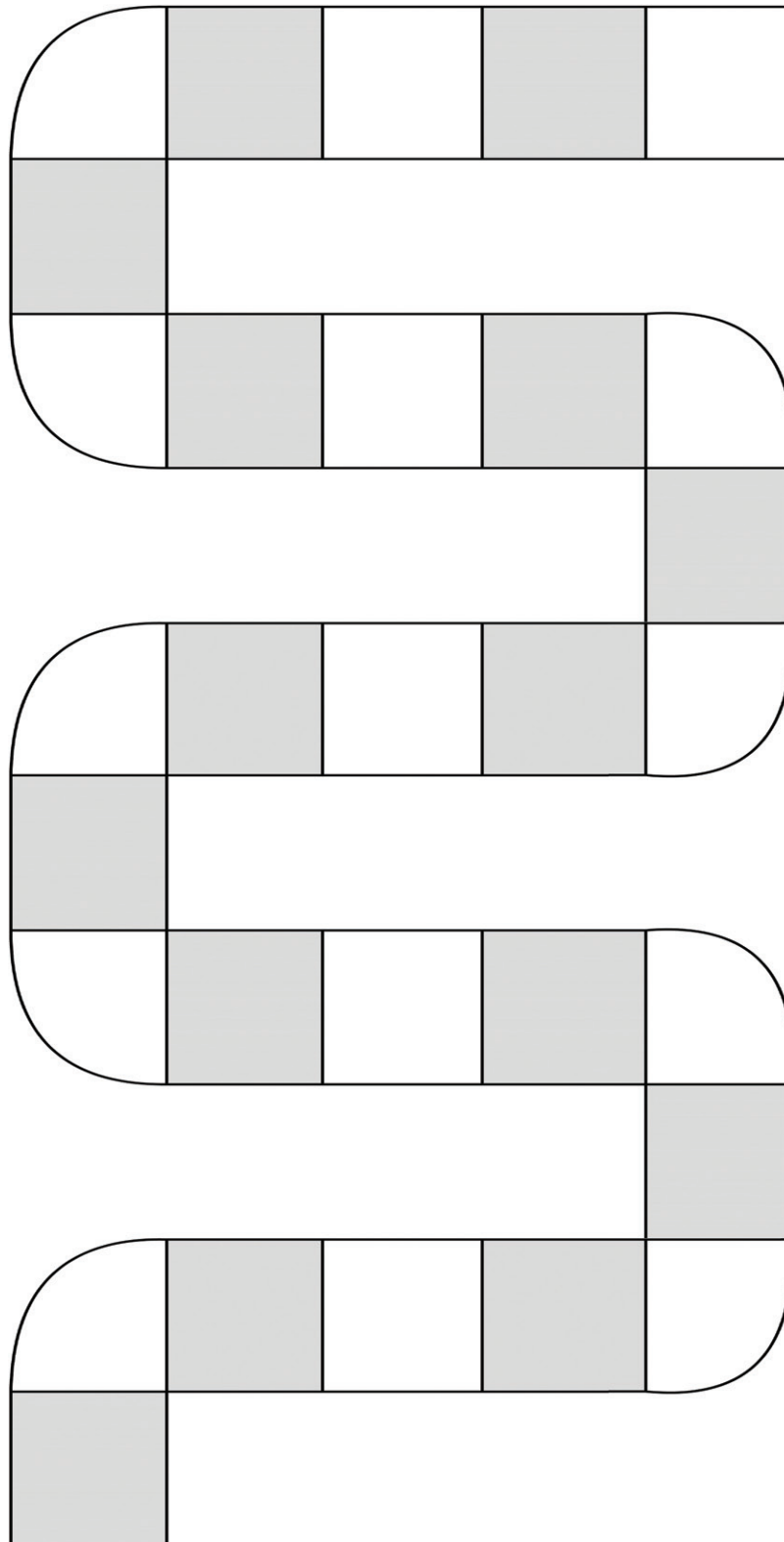
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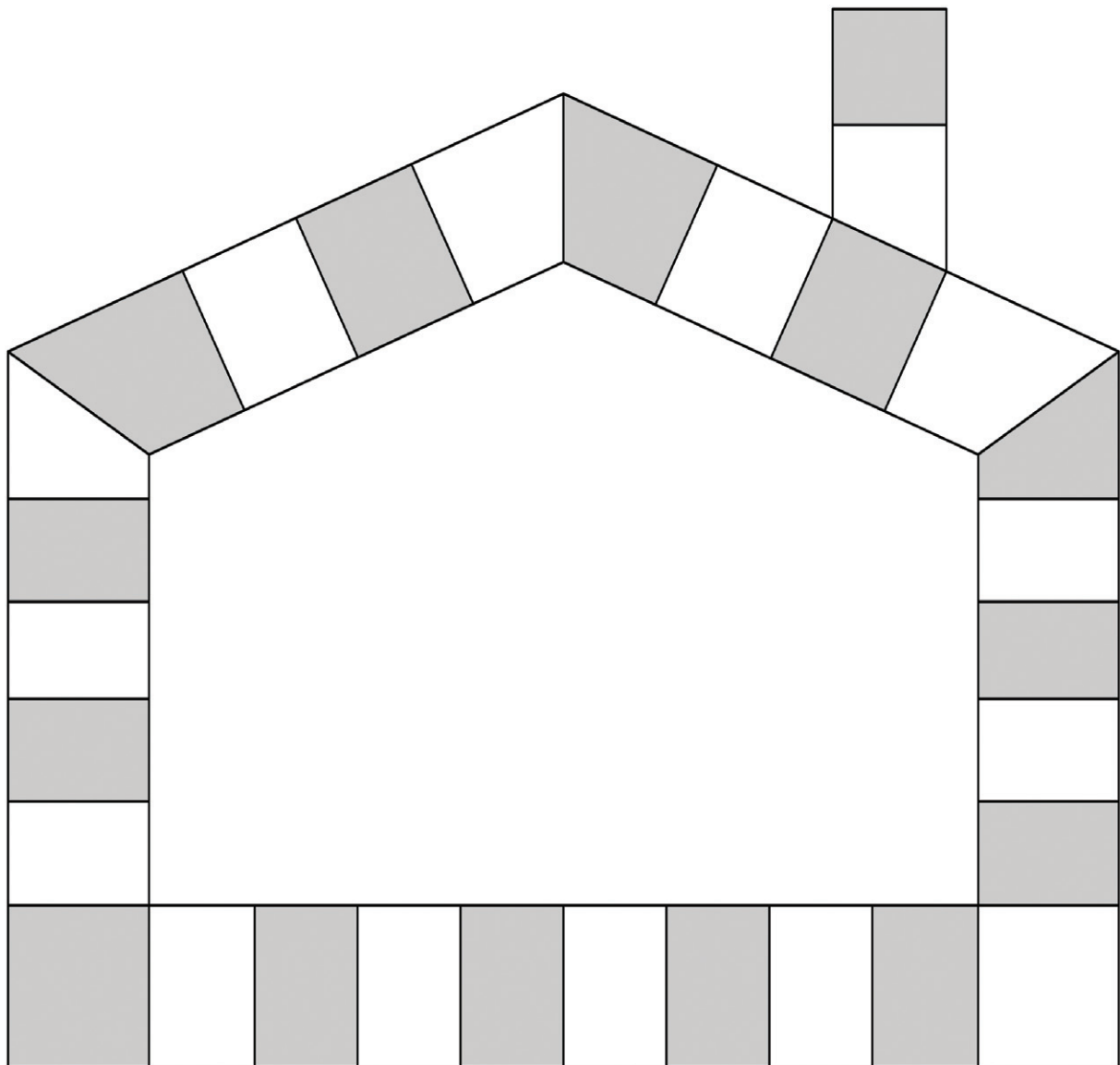
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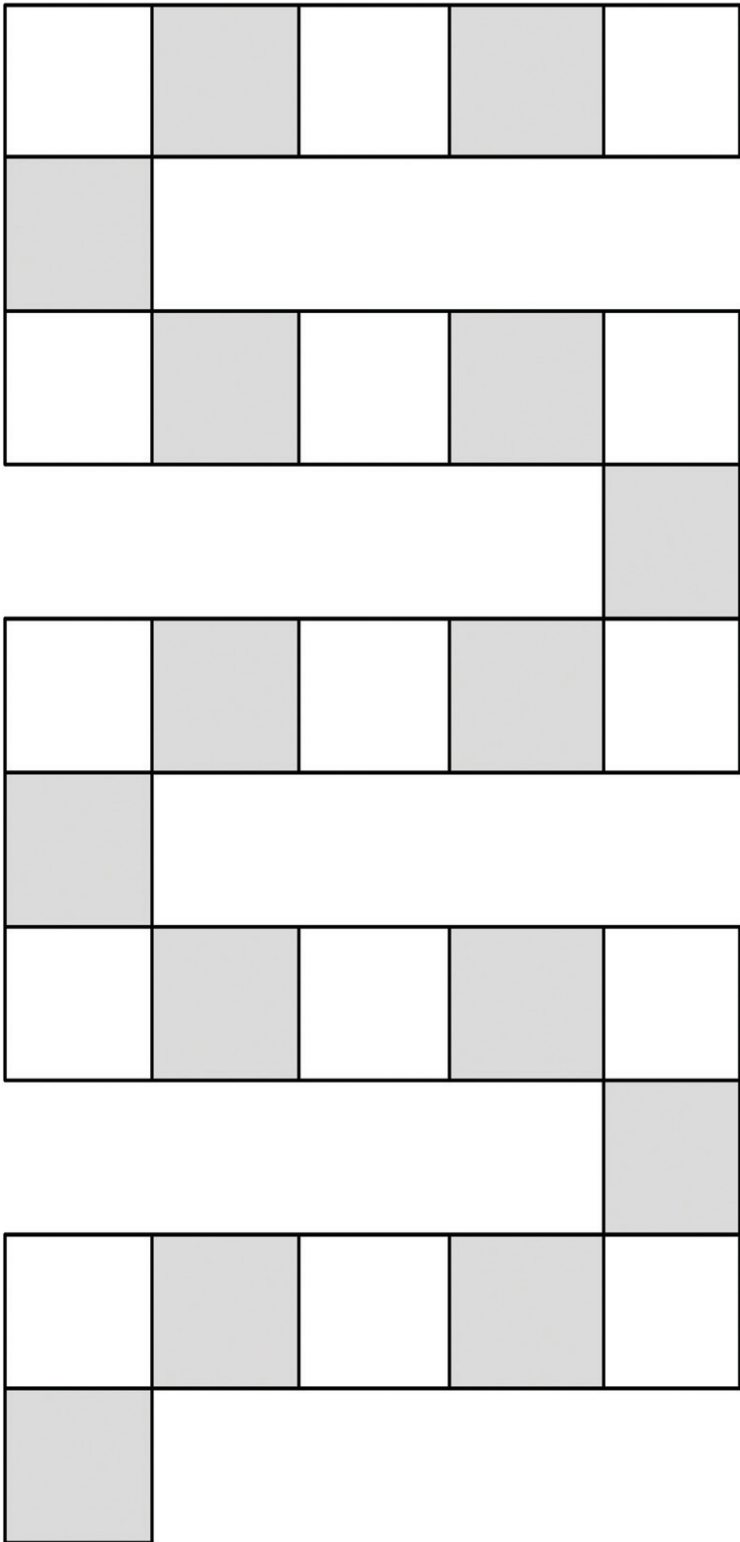
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Additional resources



Stopped in a vardo



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Camp fire



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Vardo camp



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Bender tent



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Farewell to the hop-gardens

O. Tom Odley

Now we're leavin' behind us the hop-fields of Kent,
All the hops that we've picked, and the money we've spent.
We're leavin' behind us, the pubs, and the cheer.
We've picked pockets of hops for the making of beer.

Avale Me Prael, aven sig amensa.
O drom te si karen, ame avri musai!
[Come to us brothers, come quickly with us.
The road it is calling, we must away!]

Now we've sunk more than one pint. Sung many a song.
While, as for our field-work, there's not been much wrong.
Now hoppin' is over and we're on our way.
Once more on that long road, the net place to stay.

Avale Me Prael, aven sig amensa.
O drom te si karen, ame avri musai!

We're up and away from the hop-fields of Kent.
The money we've earned, Lord only knows where it went.
We've packed up our fakements [belongings, bit-and-pieces], a tidy old load,
Now we're leavin' this farm for the long, open road.

Avale Me Prael, aven sig amensa.
O drom te si karen, ame avri musai!

The life of a Gypsy is like a great wheel,
One place to another, from roadside to field,
From Romney Marsh puvis [earth-things, potatoes] to good Kentish hops,
Moving all round for to gather the crops.

Avale Me Prael, aven sig amensa.
O drom te si karen, ame avri musai!