

# INTRODUCTION TO FILMMAKING

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Calling all budding filmmakers, actors and performers it's time to test your camera, acting and storyboarding skills in these simple film activities. Each short activity is designed to get you thinking about visual storytelling and for you to show off your home and local area in new and creative ways. No experience is necessary. Just get started!

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## MINI BLOCKBUSTER



Pick up a camera and film a 60 second journey to a place you visit every day. Your film must be shot in a single take without any edits.

**TIP:** Keep it simple and just improvise your film. Try to make your film interesting by including elements such as; any interesting features, the ways the area is used, the history of the place etc.

**AMAZING IF** your journey can have an exciting beginning and end.

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## MIME A FAMILIAR SCENE



Film yourself using just body language to recreate an everyday activity at a place familiar to you (e.g. shop, school, park, etc).

**TIP:** Use facial expressions, physical gestures and your eyes to emphasise your actions and responses to what you are partaking in.

**AMAZING IF** you can show your film to family and friends to see if they guess what you are doing and where it is taking place.

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## GET STORYBOARDING!



Use one of the pages in your provided Storyboard Notebook to storyboard an everyday scenario at a place you visit daily (e.g. your morning routine, a school lesson, a trip to the shop, etc).

**TIP:** You don't have to be an artist - just use simple stick figures to describe the action and make it clear where each location is set.

**AMAZING IF** you can draw recognisable locations & landmarks.

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**SHARE YOUR WORK WITH US!** Upload your films and storyboards to your school's portal