



Hi! I'm Sunny the Meerkat...



## Where in the world?

This is Sunny the Meerkat. He has been enjoying his time at home during the Lockdown in the sunshine. At the moment, his favourite way to pass the time is to learn about different countries around the world. He has started to make a list of all the places he would like to visit when he is older. The only problem is there are a few things Meerkats need to keep them safe and well. He would really like your help in suggesting places that he could visit.

Now before you can help Sunny there are a few things you need to do:

1. Find out more about Sunny. You can do this by listening to a story called 'Meerkat Mail', follow this link to YouTube.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DcwuTRQ16MU> – (online version of MEERKAT MAIL)

2. Watch some real live Meerkats in their natural habitat and at some zoos from around the world.

<https://www.cotswoldwildlifepark.co.uk/animals-gardens/web-cams/live-meerkat-cam/>

<https://www.newquayzoo.org.uk/explore/webcam>

<https://www.earthcam.com/usa/florida/miami/meerkat/?cam=meerkat>

3. Find out about Sunny's natural habitat in Africa. Where is it? What is it like there? How would you get there? It is hot or cold there? Which part does Sunny live in?
4. Find out what Meerkats need, maybe write a fact file about Meerkats. What food do they eat? Where do they sleep? What are their likes and dislikes? Maybe build a model Meerkat using junk modelling or playdough and take a photograph to keep with your research.

5. Choose a country in the world that you would like to visit and learn all about it. What is it like there? What can you see there? What can you do there? Why do you want to visit?
6. Why should Sunny visit your chosen country?  
Try to convince Sunny to visit there, give him lots of reasons why he should go. Think about what Sunny will need to take with him or will there be everything he needs in that country? Maybe write him a letter or draw a travel brochure for him to use to help him decide.
7. Maybe you could even write an adventure story about Sunny visiting your chosen country and add illustrations. What would you call the adventure?
8. Could you bake/make him a snack to take with him for the journey? What would he like? How will you make it? What ingredients will you need?
9. How about drawing him a suitcase full of all the things he might need on his adventure.
10. Have Fun!

### **Calling all Year One children**

Where in the world could Sunny visit? Could you help send Sunny on his next exciting adventure. Sunny would love to hear all your suggestions and so would we, so don't forget to email us when you've finished.

See you soon

Mrs Whaley, Mrs Wright and Mrs O'Neill