I Come From...

Each of us has come from some place that has shaped us as human beings.

Let's write a poem or essay that tells where you come from.

Let the first three words of your poem be, "I come from..."

After you say where you are from, try to describe all the important things about where you come from. In your writing, describe the sights, the sounds, the smells, the feelings of the place you call home. I want to hear what is special about where you come from. What do you remember most about the place you come from. Is it the people, the customs, the lifestyle, the history, the food, the cinema?

- Do you, for example, come from a cold or warm climate?
- Do you come from the city or a rural area?
- Do you come from a small nation or a large nation?
- Do you come from a noisy place or a quiet place?
- Do you come from a poor land or a rich land?
- Do you come from a country with lakes and rivers or with oceans, or mountains and woods?
- In your country, what language is spoken or which language did you speak at home?
- In your country, how do the people dress? What do they look like?
- What foods do you eat?
- What is special about the place you come from? What do you love about your former home? What do you hate or dislike?
- Do you come from a country at peace or a country at war?
- Do you come from a country that is free or one which has a dictator?
- Are people happy in your country? Why?
- Are people sad in your country? Why?
- What are the most important memories you have of the place you come from?
- Who are the people you love or miss? Who are the people who influenced you?
- So begin with the words, "I come from…"

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