

ELL Adaptation

Nussbaum's Island

My name is Nussbaum, and I own an island in the Pacific Ocean. My island is shaped like a human face viewed from the side. Right in the middle of my island are the houses. There are four houses. To the east of the houses is the well where we can get fresh water.

There is a path across the middle of the island going from east to west. We call this Nussbaum's Trail. Going down the middle of the island from north to south is a different trail. It is called Snake Trail because we found snakes near it. The trails go right where the houses are located.

In the southeast corner along the edge of the island is the lagoon. This is where I had many dangerous and fun adventures! On the northeast corner are the Panther Mountains. Located in the mountains was a cave where gorillas lived. Coming from the mountains and flowing west is the Opie Creek. We can also get fresh water from the creek.

All along the northern coast of the island is Black Sand Beach. This beach has great sand and swimming areas. This area is bordered by dense jungle. On the southwestern corner of the island is a peninsula that we named Malcolm's Peninsula.

On the northwestern part of the island is a volcano. Now you know about Nussbaum's Island. Doesn't it sound like a great place for an adventure!

ELL Adaptation Writing Prompt

Write a story about a place—real or pretend. Be sure to include compass directions and details that another student will be able to use in order to draw a map. Your story should include at least 5 human or physical features that can be drawn.

Name(s) _____

ELL Adaptation Map Checklist

Did you have?

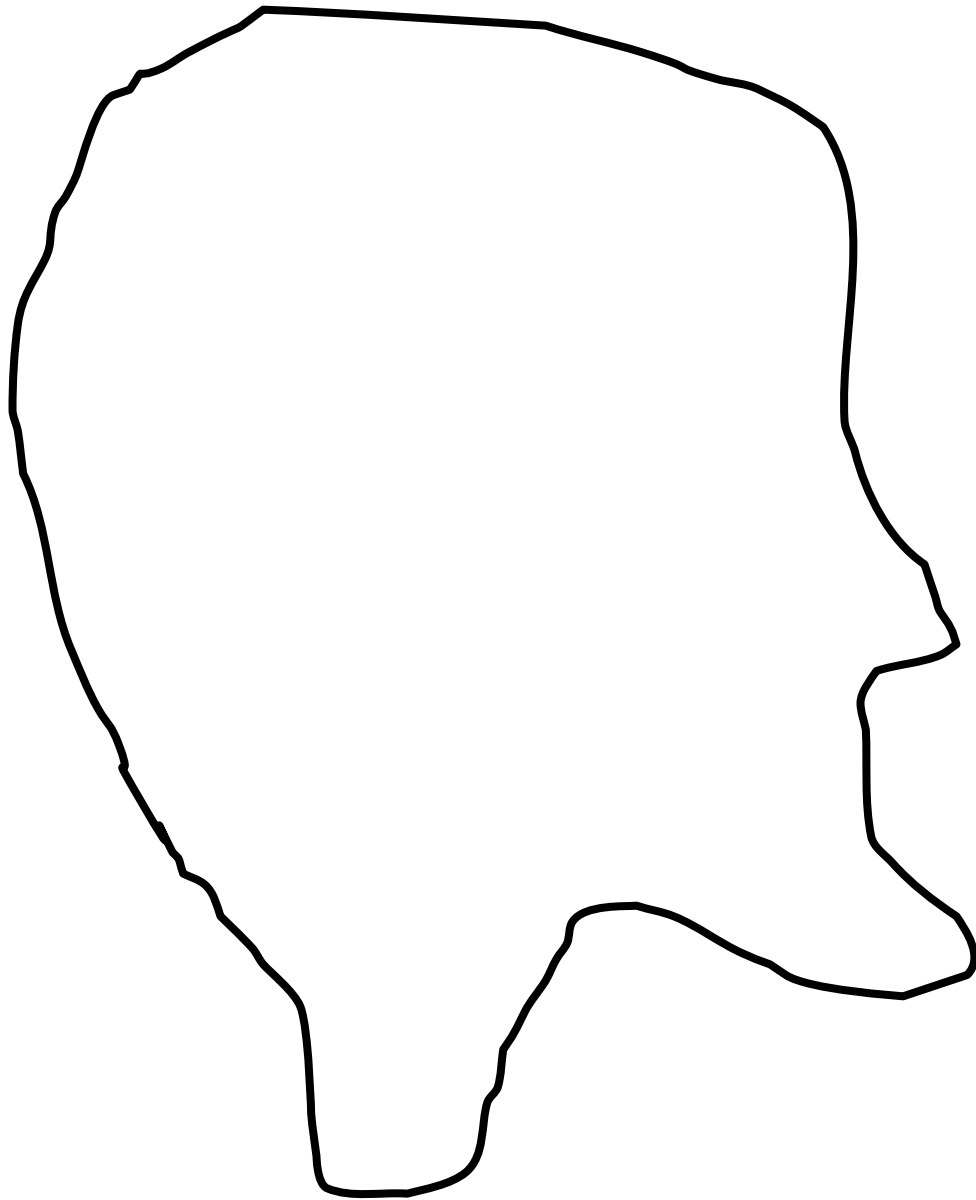
1. Four houses _____
2. The well _____
3. Nussbaum Trail _____
4. Snake Trail _____
5. Lagoon _____
6. Panther Mountains _____
7. Cave with a gorilla _____
8. Opie Creek _____
9. Black Sand Beach _____
10. Jungle _____
11. Malcolm Peninsula _____
12. Volcano _____

Did you?

13. Do the map in color? _____
14. Include 5 human or physical features on the map? _____
15. Did you include?
 - Title for your map _____
 - Compass rose _____
 - Your name on the map _____
 - Date for your map _____
 - Symbols on your map _____
 - Legend for explaining the symbols _____

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ELL Map



Legend

Map Example















NAME:

DATE:

Nussbaum's Island



Legend

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|  house |  well |  Panther Mountains |
|  Nussbaum's Trail |  Snake Trail |  cave |
|  lagoon |  volcano |  gorilla |
|  Black Sand Beach |  swimming area |  Opie Creek |
|  Jungle |  Malcolm's Peninsula | |