

Feeling adventurous? Then send your own cow in this Geography activity, designed to capture pupils' imaginations whilst learning about different places. Here's what you have to do:

- Find a small furry toy cow (goat or chicken) and kit her out as a tourist with camera, sunglasses etc. (Your cow will be sent across the world on a trip to Uganda so she has to look the part.)
- Get your class to write some letters about your local area and add this to various other materials about your locality (postcards, maps, photographs).
- Make a journal for recipients to write in and have an explanation of who the furry animal is.
- Wrap it all up in a strong Jiffy bag.
- Send it to some known contacts (perhaps in Europe) on the way at first and encourage people who receive it to forward it towards Uganda. (Amongst the recipients there will hopefully be someone with a contact in Uganda.)
- You can ask recipients to send you a postcard saying how the cow is and ask them to include a description of the weather and locality where they live. Finally ask them to send it on to another country.
- You could send two cows to be safe and/or find a contact of your own in Uganda. Leave instructions with the cow for whoever receives it to send it to the Uganda contact once it has visited a certain number of countries.
- Include some information about Send a Cow if you wish.
- As you receive postcards and local information from people, you can map the cow's progress on a world map in your classroom.
- Place the postcards on the map and teach about different places as you go!

To introduce this activity, log on to our educational website www.cowforce.com and follow Tazo the goat on his tour of Africa in the 'About Africa' section.

Please let us know how you get on:
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