

# Tamika's Trip to the Zoo

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Tamika and her father planned a trip to the zoo. The new baby polar bears were there. They were called Milly and Tilly. Tamika would meet her friend Jesse near the polar bears.

Tamika's father drew a map of the path they would follow. He drew a picture of the zoo's front gate. That is where they had to show their tickets. He drew a path from the gate to the polar bears. The path turned left. Then it went straight. The polar bears would be right there. He drew a picture of a baby polar bear on the map.

When they got to the bear house, Jesse was there!

# map

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## Definition

### noun

1. a picture of an area of the earth or sky drawn or printed on a flat surface.

*This map shows the streets, parks, and important buildings in Chicago.*

## Spanish cognate

*mapa*: The Spanish word *mapa* means map.

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## These are some examples of how the word or forms of the word are used:

1. Dad made a little **map**. It showed Kareem's street. It showed the street with the bank on it. It showed Bill's street.
2. Earth has seven continents, or landmasses. When you look at a globe or a **map**, you will see the continents.

# path

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## Definition

### noun

1. a narrow road or way.

*We walked on a path through the woods.*

*The town is making a bicycle path around the park.*

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1. Jenny looked at the **paths** ahead. One way went toward the pond. One way went back to the farm.
2. They get on their bikes and ride home along the bike **path**. The wind is in their hair, and it feels like they are flying.
3. Tyler rode his bike around the **path**. He passed the swings and slide. He passed the small pond. As he rode, he saw things he never noticed before. There was lots of garbage on the ground. He saw old soda bottles. He saw old food wrappers.
4. On every side of the trail were trees. They were so tall they blocked out the light. When she looked up she could see only a few bits of blue. Ahead, branches almost blocked the trail. The trail was nothing more than a narrow **path**. The ground was hard and rough.

**trip****trip****Definition****noun**

1. the act of traveling from one place to another.

*I had to make two trips to the store today.*

*My parents took a trip to Hawaii.*

**verb**

1. to fall over something.

*I tripped over my son's bicycle in the garage.*

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**These are some examples of how the word or forms of the word are used:**

1. Long ago, the United States was new. People traveled by foot and horse. They also traveled in boats powered by paddles or wind. Those **trips** took a long time.
2. Christopher Columbus and his crew started their **trip** in Spain. They had three ships: The Niña, the Pinta, and the Santa Maria. Columbus and his crew were looking for a shortcut to Asia to buy gold and spices.
3. "This is going to be a great **trip**," said Mr. Torres. "Just you, me, and the stars." "Sure," Lucas said. But he wasn't exactly paying attention. He climbed into the car. Then he turned on his portable video game.
4. The Yangtze is lined by tall mountains. The people who live in these mountains farm and fish. You'd be amazed to see these farms because the hillsides they sit on are practically cliffs. If you **tripped**, you'd probably roll right down into the river.
5. They began to travel to Jerusalem to fight the Muslims and recapture the city. All the **trips** of Christians from Europe to Jerusalem and the battles fought in Jerusalem at this time were known as the Crusades.

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1. What did Tamika and her father use to plan the path that they would follow at the zoo?

- A. a map
- B. a list
- C. an iPhone

2. Who does Tamika plan to meet at the zoo?

- A. her friend Jesse
- B. her dad
- C. Milly and Tilly

3. Tamika's father draws a picture of a baby polar bear on their map. Why does he draw a baby polar bear?

- A. Tamika wants to see the baby polar bears.
- B. The polar bear on the map marks where the polar bears are at the zoo.
- C. Polar bears are Tamika's favorite animal.

4. What is "Tamika's Trip to the Zoo" mostly about?

- A. Tamika and Jesse's day at the zoo
- B. what animals Tamika wants to see
- C. Tamika planning her trip to the zoo and how she will find Jesse

5. What animal house is on the map that Tamika's father drew?

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6. What did you learn from "Tamika's Trip to the Zoo"?

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**7. Class Discussion Question:** Why did Tamika and her father draw a map before they went to the zoo?

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**8.** Draw a picture of the map that Tamika's father drew.