



Discovery Worksheets

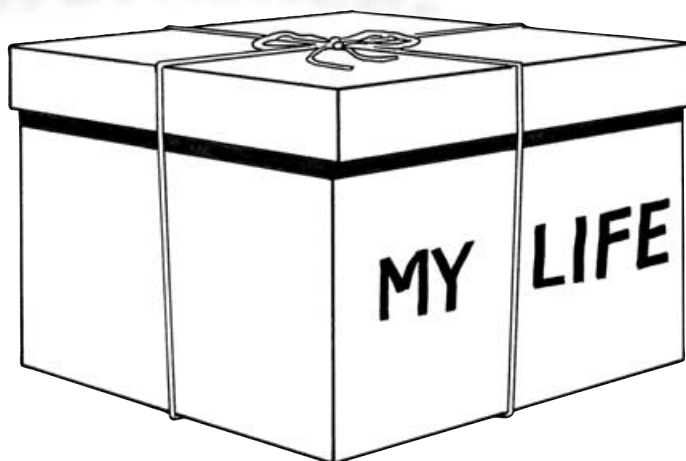
Mystery box

Create a mystery box of primary and secondary sources that reveal something about your life so far.

Your primary sources will be things that existed or were made or written at some time during your life. They might include recent and baby photographs of you, a letter you wrote, a lock of your hair, a hairbrush, a model car, a piece of your favourite fruit, a drawing of one of your primary school teachers or a CD you enjoy listening to.

Secondary sources about your life so far will be those written or made after this time in your life. So you will need to imagine that you are a person living, say, 100 years from now who writes, draws or makes something that refers to some aspect of the first 13 or so years of your life. It might be a portrait of you, drawn in AD 2130 by an artist who uses an 'old' photograph of you. Or it might be an article written by your biographer who describes how your early years influenced your career choice.

On a day agreed to by your teacher, bring your box of sources to school. Each class member takes a box that is not theirs, and writes a short report on that person, based on the sources they find. Fill out the table below to help you build a picture of this person.



Source	Primary/secondary	What the source tells me about this person



Atlas of Discovery, pp. 44–45;
large box;
list (to be given to your teacher) of any
valuable possessions in your box