



Let's Build a City!

Watch the *JA Our City* Lesson 5 volunteer video session. Then find an older sibling or adult to help you build a model city.

Materials

- Blocks, Legos, or other building materials (You can also use assorted boxes and things from the recycle bin.)
- Sticky notes or tape you can write on
- Paper and map-drawing supplies

Activity

Check off the boxes as you finish your work.

- Create a model of your city using blocks, Legos, or other building materials. Think about the kinds of homes and businesses there. Does your city have lots of tall buildings? Lots of small businesses? Does your city have an airport or train station? A big industry?
- Use the sticky notes or tape to write down the names of some important parts of your city. You can use the same places as in Session 4. Don't forget the park, the fire and police stations, stores where you buy things, and other places like schools and banks.
- Look at your city model. Notice that similar places are grouped together. Do you remember the zones? See if your city has all the zones: Multipurpose, Housing, Agricultural, Business, and Industrial.
- Ask the person helping you to close his eyes. Pick up one of the buildings and set it where it does not belong. Ask him to open his eyes and see if he can guess which building you moved. Take turns moving the buildings and guessing for a few minutes.
- Talk about it:
 - Why are there zones in the city?
 - How do entrepreneurs find just the right place for their business?
 - Where would you put your business?
- Draw a map of the city using the model you created. Color the zones in different colors and name them: industrial zone, residential zone, etc. Or use more creative names like Shopping Central or Ash Grove Business Park. Add any other map features you want, such as a key and compass rose.
- Don't forget to clean up your mess and put your supplies away!

Activity

Check out these Cha-Ching videos! Then talk about them with a parent or other caring adult.

Video Title: Cha-Ching Episode 18: Cha-Cha-Choices Link: https://youtu.be/E_GvynMVxos

Video 18 Discussion Questions:

- How can understanding the four choices you have with money help make your dreams come true?
- How do the four choices with money help your city?

Video Title: Cha-Ching Episode 14: Big, Big Waste of Money Link: <https://youtu.be/Tqp86jqzWgw>

Video 14 Discussion Questions:

- Have you ever wasted money on something you thought you needed or wanted and then wished you hadn't?
- What happened?
- Why was it a waste?
- What could/should you have done instead?