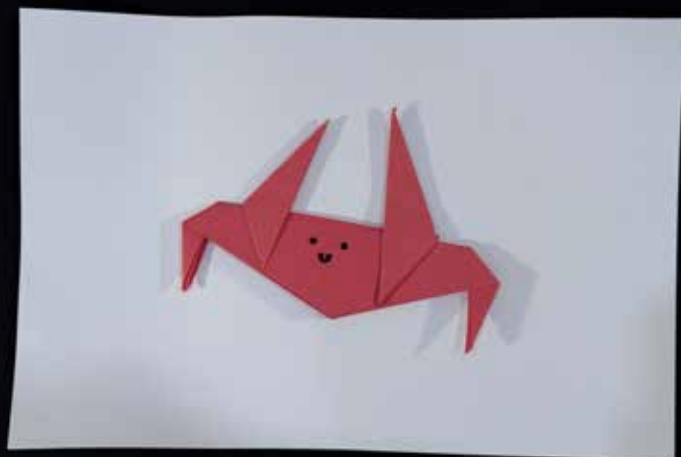
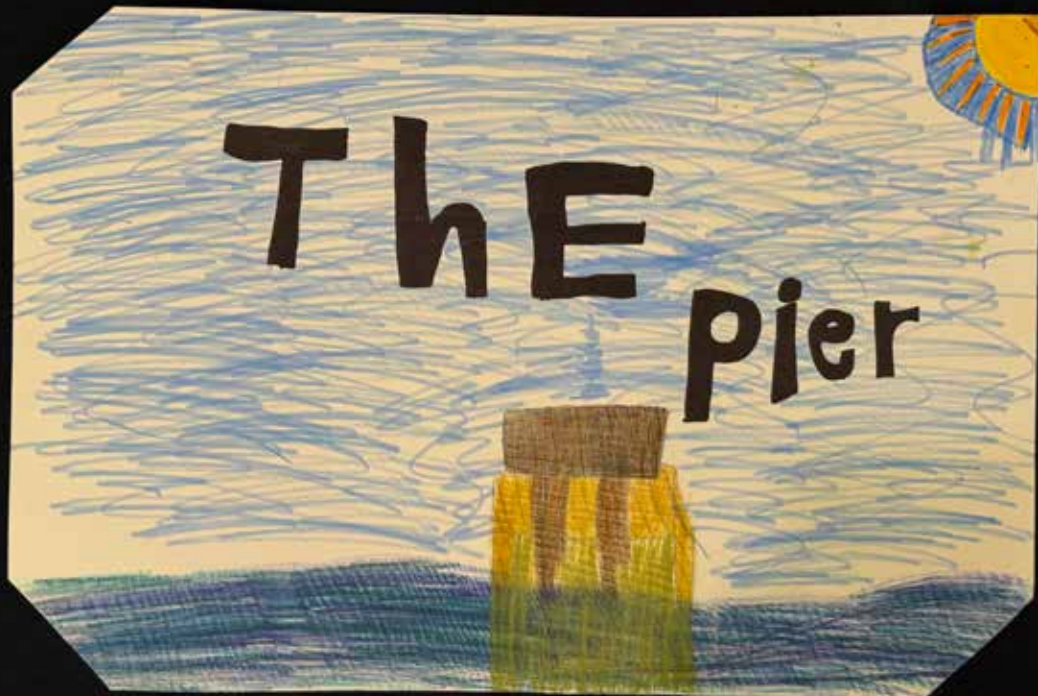


# POCACITO Summer Camp 2025: Biloxi and Biomimicry

a.k.a.



# TOP Destinations

made by Rebecca Bowers

which areas do you think were the top destinations?

- POOL
  - Pier
  - deer island
  - hiller hall
- (i don't know)



## NEW

many people were unadjusted to;

- the heat
- red 40
- bugs
- water
- the heat



## MENU

- spaghetti
- hot dogs
- chili
- pizza
- dirty rice
- watermelon



# SPLIT GROUPS



List of activities:

- ☒ clean
- ☒ cook
- ☒ podcast
- ☒ zine  
↓  
this!!

I want to go home, this  
place is still fun.



Why are they named  
differently?

## VEGAN

all food eaten  
at hillier hall  
was vegan. Good  
cooking, wish they  
told us  
before  
though.



Camp Wilkes  
deer island  
ocean springs

# Welcome to Biloxi



↑  
vegan dogs?

# MONDAY



Two experts that  
work with Mississippi state  
University taught us about plants  
and birds



trumpet flowers







Trumpet Flowers are known for their large, trumpet-shaped blooms and their attractiveness to hummingbirds (pollinated by bees or hummingbirds)



Evergreen trees keep their leaves all year round, unlike the ones that shed them in autumn.

- stay green
- stay photosynthetically active
- hence the name evergreen



Many trees don't look different so I drew the Magnolia flower instead of the tree we saw. Magnolia trees are most known for the flowers and their symbolism of strength, beauty and dignity.



People know Poison Ivy for causing itchy, blistering skin rashes when coming into direct and also indirect contact with it.

Leaves of three  
Let it be!

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# Foods of the Day (Monday)

by June Longbitz

## BREAKFAST



Bread with  
Blueberry Jam

## LUNCH



Watermelon



lettuce salad



Carrot Salad

## DINNER



Homemade Pasta

# Monday

Hood dog bun  
Fox Blankenship

Pool

Bugs bite me :c



# NATURE HIKE

Mockingbird



Tree



Trumpet Flowers





# Plants

evermore  
tree



POISON  
IVY



# We Saw

Cataw  
nature  
hike!!!



cork tree



trumpet  
flower



magnolia



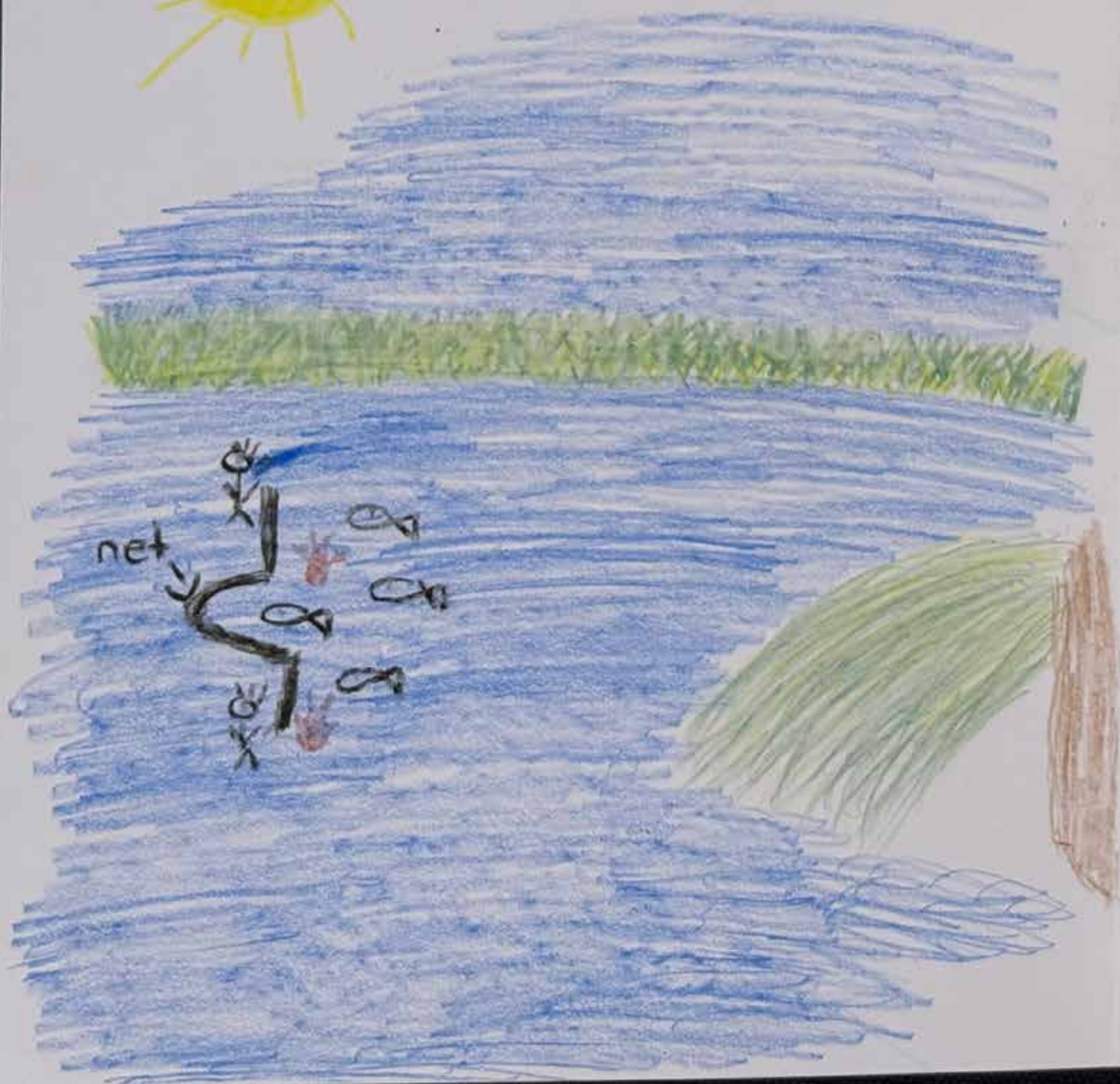


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→ Tuesday



- Seine  
fishing -





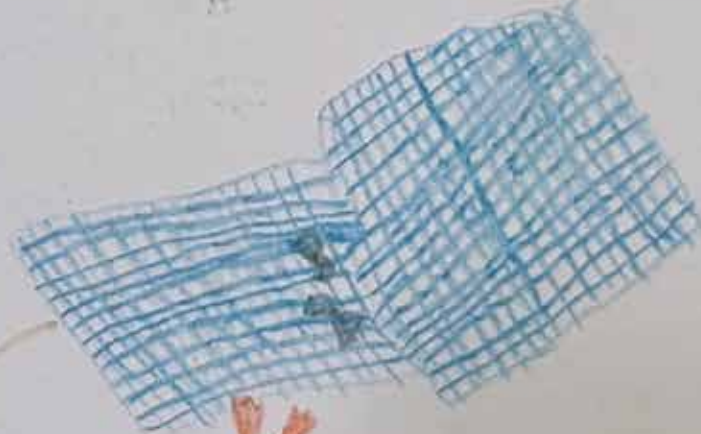
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TUESDAY



kanooing

Different kinds  
of shorelines



fishing



# FAVORITE ACTIVITY...



Kayacking

★★★★★

Pros:

- Learning new things about biodiversity
- Beautiful views
- Fun time

Cons:

- No cons, excellent activity

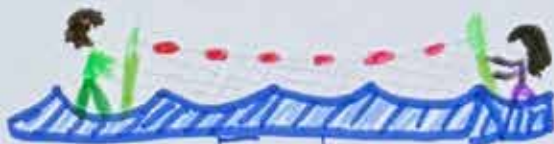
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Pros:

- Discovering fish species
- Fun time
- Nice weather and views

Cons:

- Many fish died
- Biting crabs :)



Seine Fishing





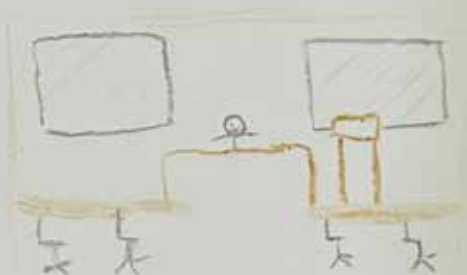
# DAY 3



collect garbage



Deer Island



## Deer Island





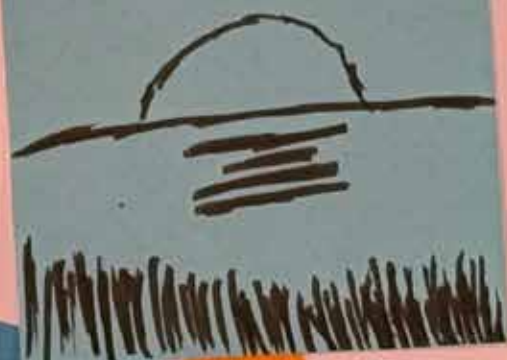
Deer  
Island



## Rock Cycle

- Igneous Rock
- Sedimentary Rock
- Metamorphic Rock

## CO<sub>2</sub> Cycle

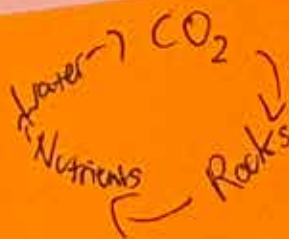


## Water Cycle

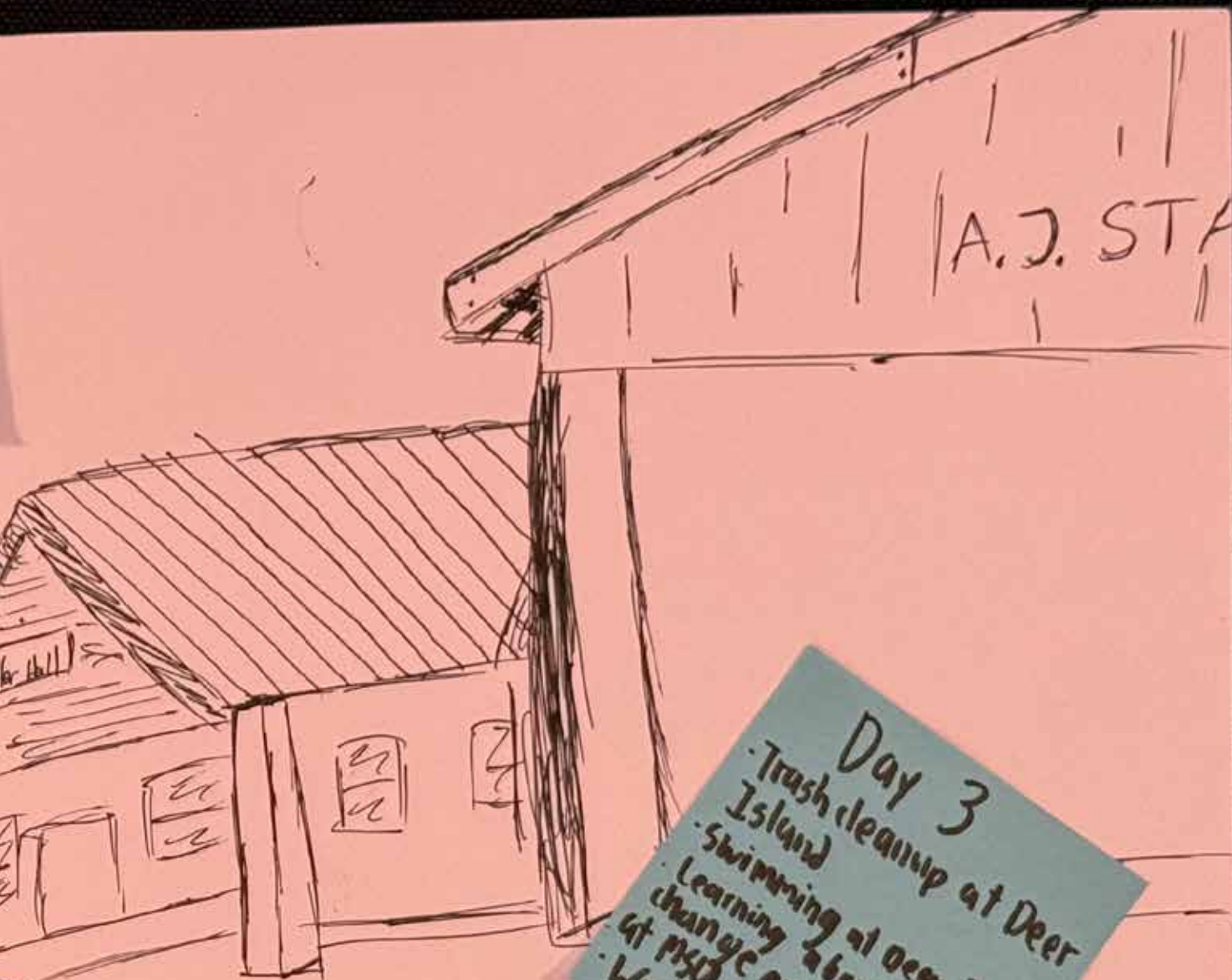
- Evaporation
- Clouds
- Rain

## Nutrient Cycle

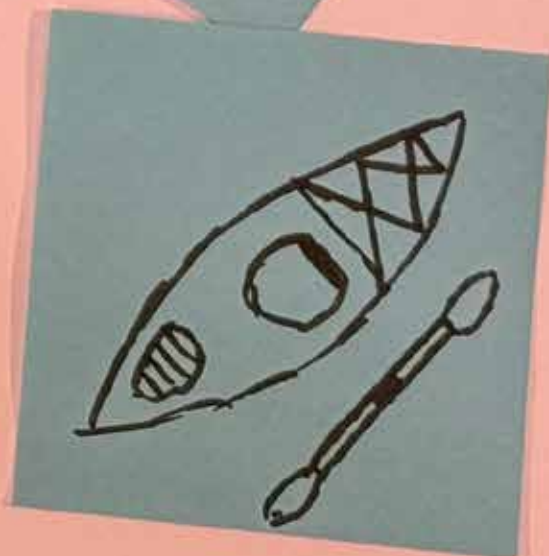
- Soil grows plants
- Plants consumed by animals
- animals are excreted and nutrients are absorbed by soil







Day 3  
- Trash cleanup at Deer Island  
- Swimming at Deer Island  
- Learning about climate change and conservation at MSEA  
- Worked on Zine









# CAMP WILKES





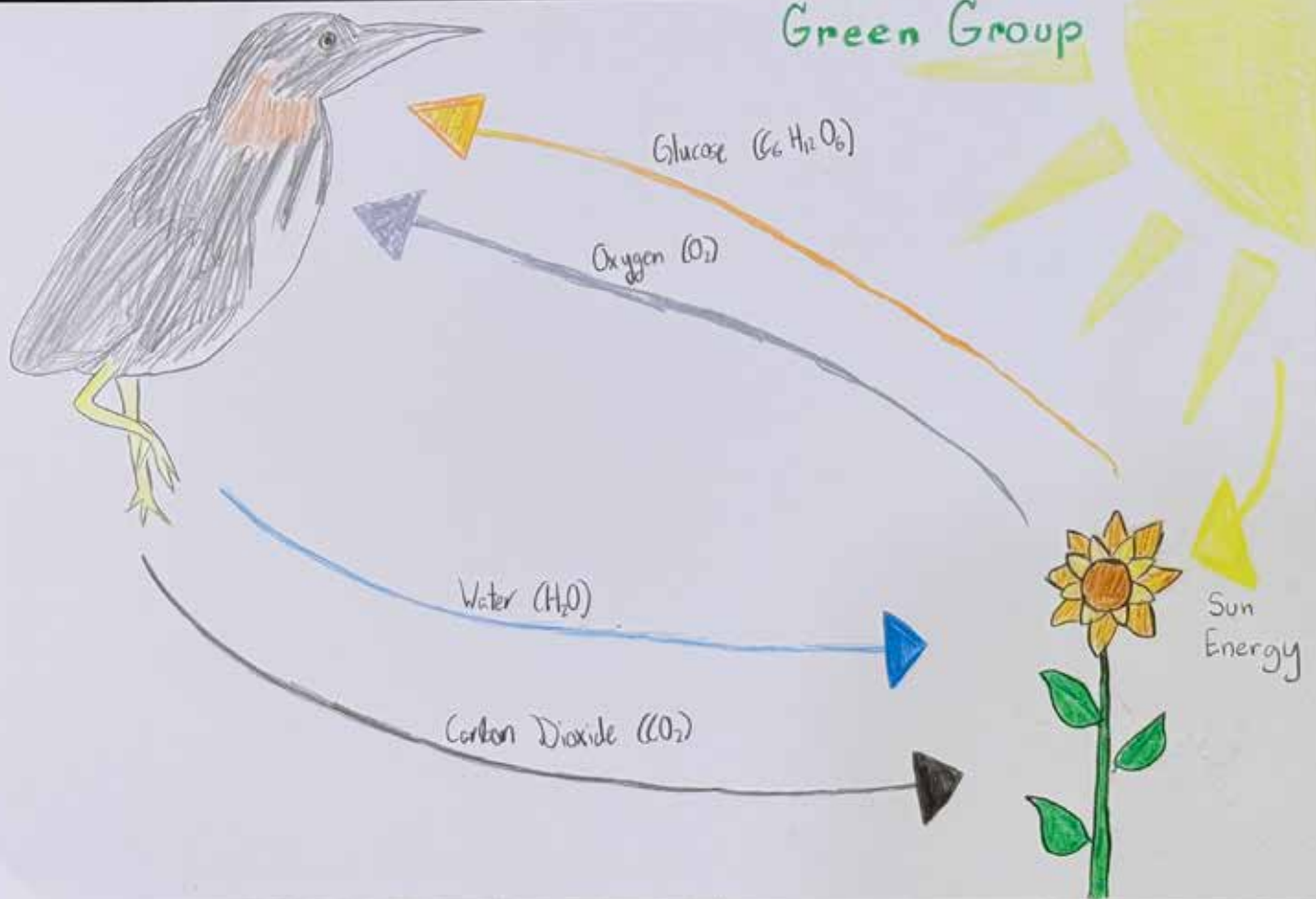
- ① Plants grow using nutrients
- ② Animals eat plants
- ③ Animals poop & pee & die
- ④ Animals decompose & break down
- ⑤ Nutrients return to soil
- ⑥ Repeat Cycle

Brown Group

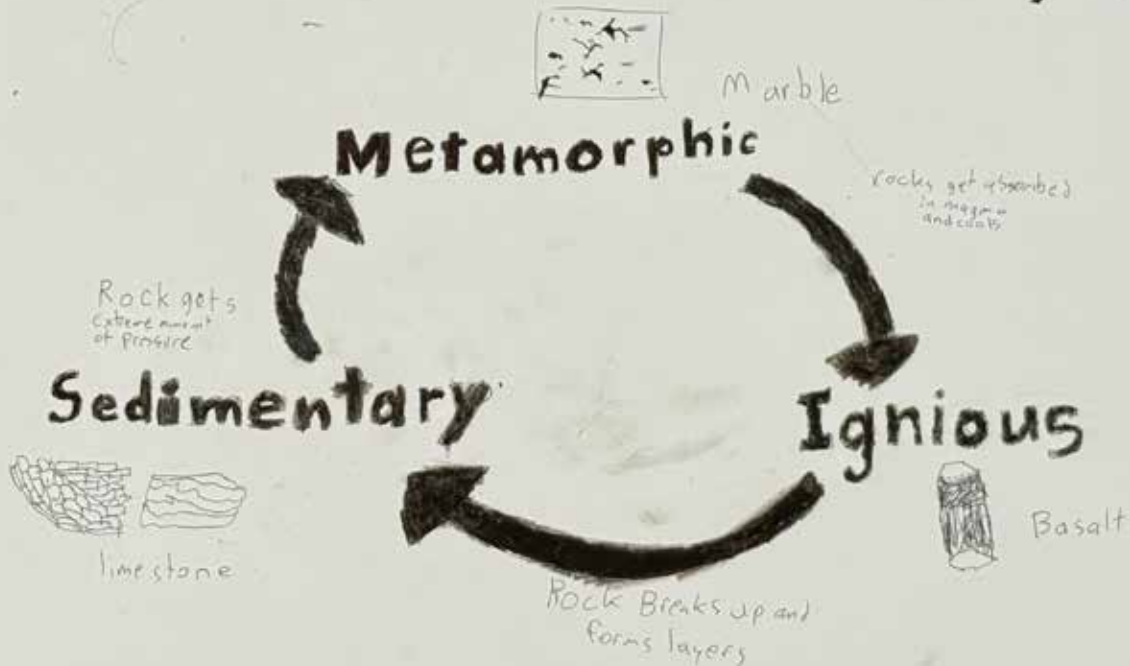




## Green Group

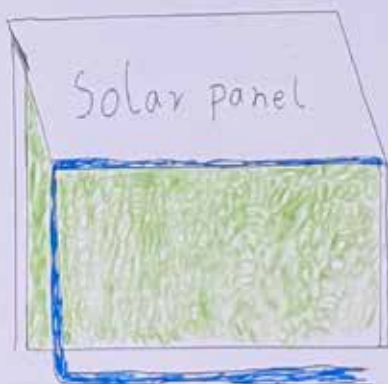


# The Rock Cycle





# HydroSolar Octagon









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Pros:

- Aerial View of Mississippi
- Useful skills
- Learning about drones' applications in biology

Cons:

- No cons



## Drones

## Deer Island

☆☆☆

Pros:

- Cleaning the nature
- Trip from the camp
- Swimming on the island
- Beautiful views

Cons:

- Too hot weather
- Collecting trash
- Probably sharks swimming around



☆☆☆☆☆

Pros:

- Stars and the moon
- Hearing the fish jump
- Cool air
- Quiet night

Cons:

- No cons:)

## Sleeping on the Pier





Down:

1) Prime sleeping spot

3) Pretty purple flower

Across:

1) Invasive tree, eg. Chinese —

2) Micro... (5)



Crossword

# SARA'S GUIDE

BLOWN  
(camp Wilkes)

Birds!



Northern Mocking Bird



Red headed Wood pecker



Red Kardinal

## THIS OR THAT

☐ home made granola

☐ Pumpkin seed bread

☐ Pool

☐ Bay

☐ making Zines

☐ Recording the podcast

☐ Fire pit

☒ Pierre

☐ Watermelon

☐ Smores

☐ Deer Island

☐ ~~Bit~~ Camp Wilkes







Sara's

# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK

- ⑥ Eating pasta on the second day
- ⑥ Playing mafia
- ⑥ Going to Deer Island
- ⑥ Hanging out by the Pierre
- ⑥ Looking + touching fishes



Soft, pretty and warm,  
the complete opposite of our dorm.  
Even though it's vegan,  
it's the best thing ever made by man,  
way better than the invention of this camp.  
Every day we're camping in front of the  
dining hall.

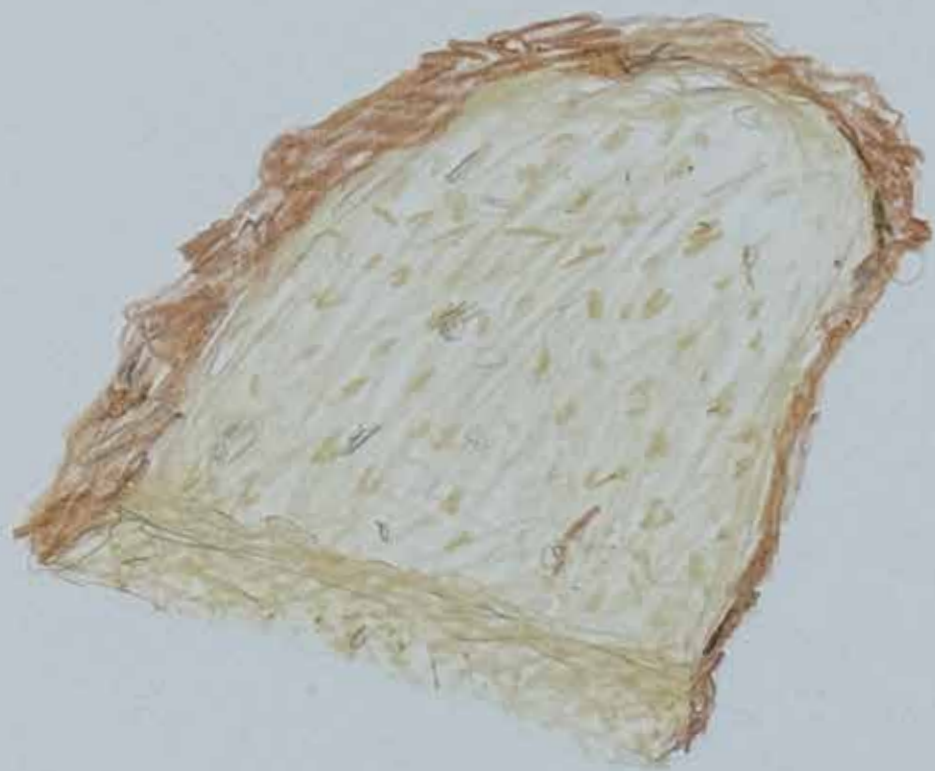
Waiting felt like the biggest abuse,  
like the vegan margarine and jam we were  
forced to use.

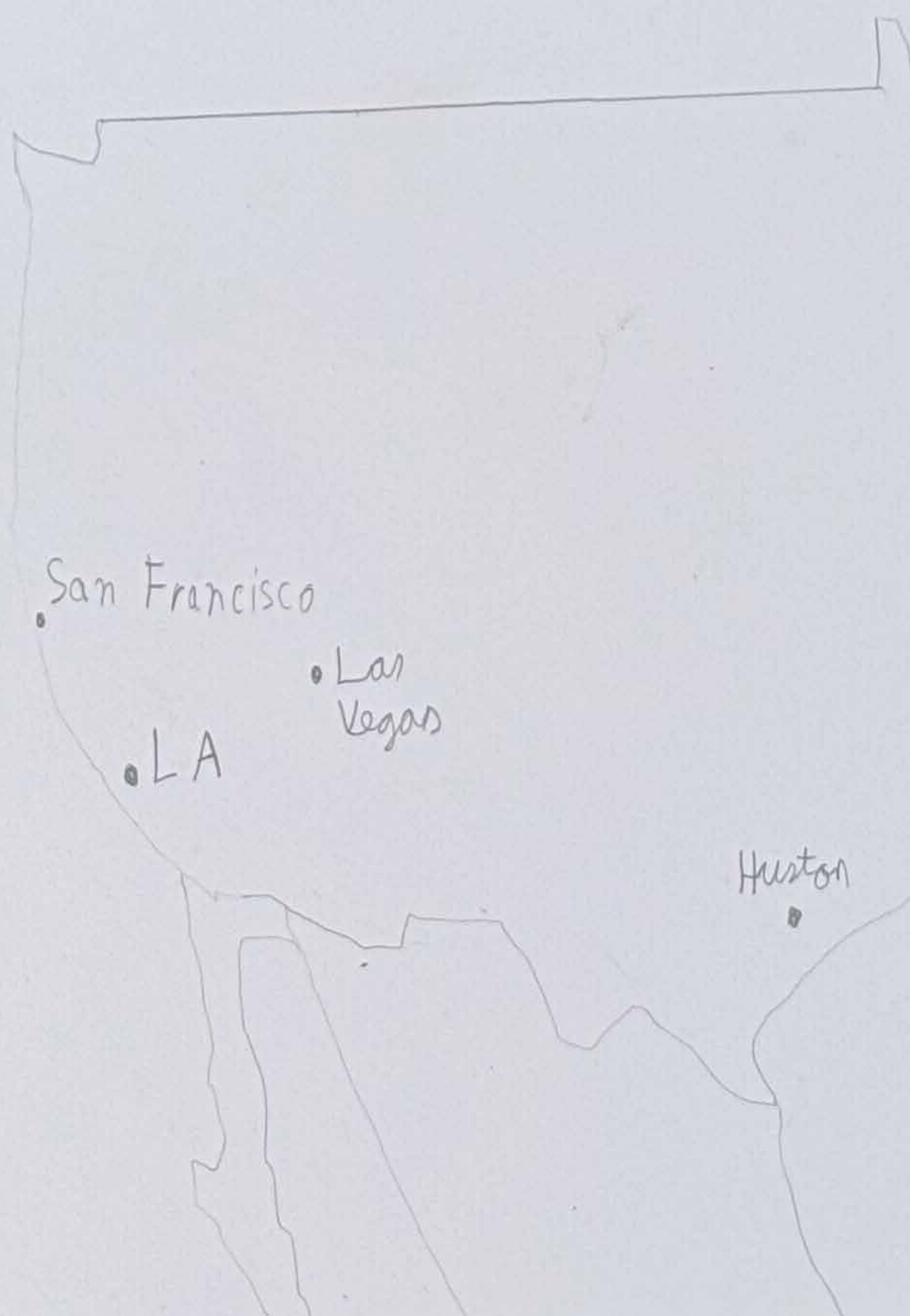
In the end, one slice of bread was what  
we got, that's all.

Still, at the end, it can't beat the real goat,  
the classic german Schwarzbrot.

Now, I don't know what to rhyme anymore,  
Please give me the recipe!  
that's all I'm asking for.







A hand-drawn map of the western United States, including California, Nevada, and parts of Arizona and Texas. The map is drawn with simple black lines on a light-colored background. The coastline of California is clearly defined. Four cities are marked with dots and labeled: San Francisco, LA, Las Vegas, and Houston. The labels are written in a casual, handwritten style. The map is oriented with North at the top.

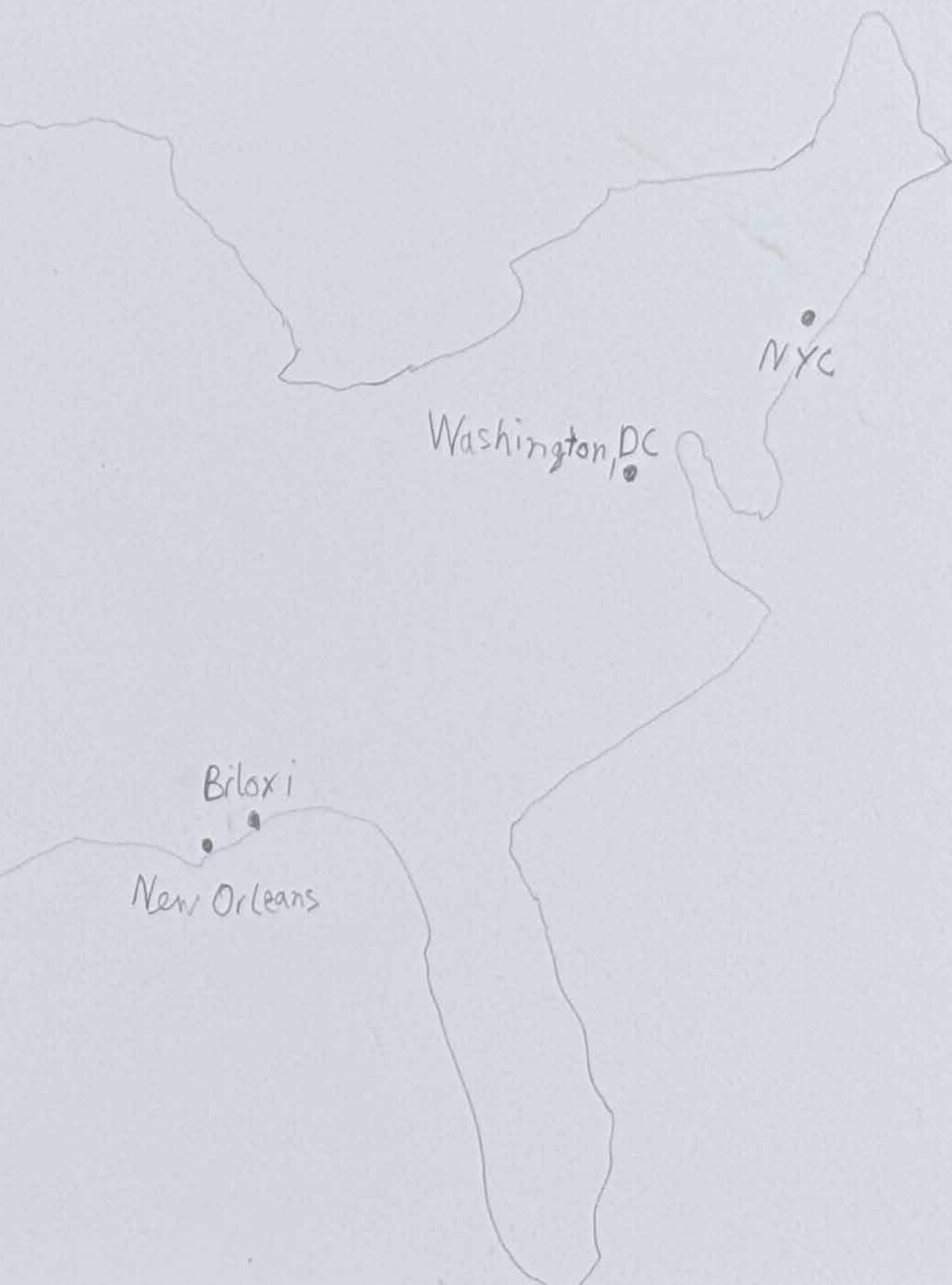
• San Francisco

• Las Vegas

• LA

Houston





NYC

Washington, DC

Biloxi

New Orleans

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