

## A Books To Treasure Lesson Starter: How to Write and Address a Postcard

**Book:** [\*It Came in the Mail\*](#) by Ben Clanton

**In a Nutshell:** Who doesn't love to get mail?! Ben Clanton's picture book *It Came in the Mail* celebrates the delight of receiving something special in your mailbox. While the book considers fantastical mail possibilities, this Books To Treasure Lesson Starter offers tips and tricks for students to learn how to Address a Postcard.

**Do This:** As a companion to the first two Lesson Starters in this series, it's time to write a post card. Talk to your students about postcards: they're short letters AND the address goes right next to the letter. They can even decorate the back themselves!

Talk about the parts of a postcard:

- Return Name and Address (top left, pretty small!) (What if it gets lost?)
- Story/short letter (left side)
- Receiver Name and Address (right side) (How does the mail carrier know where to send it?)
- Stamp (top right) (How do we pay for our postcard?)

**Use This Printable:** Prepare a copy of the printable for each student to write their own postcard.

**Do This:**

**Use This Printable:**