

## **Photo Project**

Give students disposable cameras. Have them take pictures of their city or community to share and discuss in class. There are several ways to structure this:

- a. Students take pictures of what is healthy/safe and unhealthy/not safe in their community. Discussion can be about these views and about how to address or cope with the unhealthy/unsafe aspects.
- b. Students can take pictures of whatever they notice and what stands out for them/inspires them. Discussion can be about what they see in relation to their mode of transportation.

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**Pre-reading Discussion Questions:**

1. What do you think the title means? How can there be more than one city in the city?
2. When you first moved here, how did you get around? How do you get around now?
3. How do you see things differently when you travel by foot, bus, car, or other mode of transportation?

**Vocabulary:**

Limited	detail	admire	environment
Squirrels	expand	explore	zone
Mortuary tapestry	insignificant		

**Post-reading Comprehension and Discussion Questions:**

1. How did the writer travel during his first few days in Charlottesville?  
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2. What did he see?  
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3. When he started to take the bus, did he see a smaller or a bigger area of the city?  
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4. When he started to use a bike, how did his view of the squirrels change? Why?  
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5. When he used different modes of transportation, did his view of the city stay the same or change? How?  
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**Main Idea:**

The main idea of the story is:

- a. It is better to travel by bike.
- b. The same thing can be perceived in different ways depending on your point of view.
- c. Squirrels are playful animals.

**Write your Experience:**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

1. When I walk, I like to look at \_\_\_\_\_ because

\_\_\_\_\_

2. When I take a bus I \_\_\_\_\_

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3. When I drive I \_\_\_\_\_

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4. My favorite way to get around this city is \_\_\_\_\_ because

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5. One thing that looks very different to me depending on how I travel is \_\_\_\_\_

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