Inspired by *Under Milk Wood*

Prompt:
Brainstorm a list of neighborhoods or cities that are meaningful to you.

Consider:
What makes a location meaningful? Is it where you grew up? Is it where your family is from? How much time have you spent there? How well do you know it?

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Neighborhood Map

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Example Map

Based on a map by Samiul, Ministry of Stories writer

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Descriptive Writing

1. What phrases stood out to you from *Under Milk Wood*? Why?

2. What phrases stood out to you from the "Night" section of *Round About Candle Street*? Why?

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Descriptive Writing

1. Choose one building, object, or location from your map. Use the space below to write lines describing that location at night—it should be descriptive and a little strange!

2. Combine your single lines from above into a short, description poem!

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Free Write

Prompt:
Choose one person from your map and spend about ten minutes writing about them—you can write a first-person monologue, a third-person description, or even a conversation between multiple characters.

Consider:
Who are they? What are they doing? How do they feel?

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Free Write

Night but never dark, this is what peace feels like.
Take a deep, deep breath and just one small step
Into this mesmerizing, heaven-like walk.
You'll soon see a shop full of these chocolate
Or scrumptious mouthfuls. A finished dessert,
Empty glasses, nearly clean plate...
By Amreem

Can you hear my footsteps?
I am a student in Old Ben Johnson Primary.
I'm Ibrahim but everyone calls me Ibby,
My purple rucksack rallies in the wind.
Wanting to play Fortnite every day,
Curious and silly,
I tend to always get in trouble,
But I do not really care.
I tend to stare at the black gates
Hoping to spy a friend...
By Riyad

Prompt:
Using the two poems above as an example, edit your free write from the previous page into a poem or piece of creative fiction! Your favorite line from your free write should be the first line of this piece.

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Final Edits: Presentation

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