

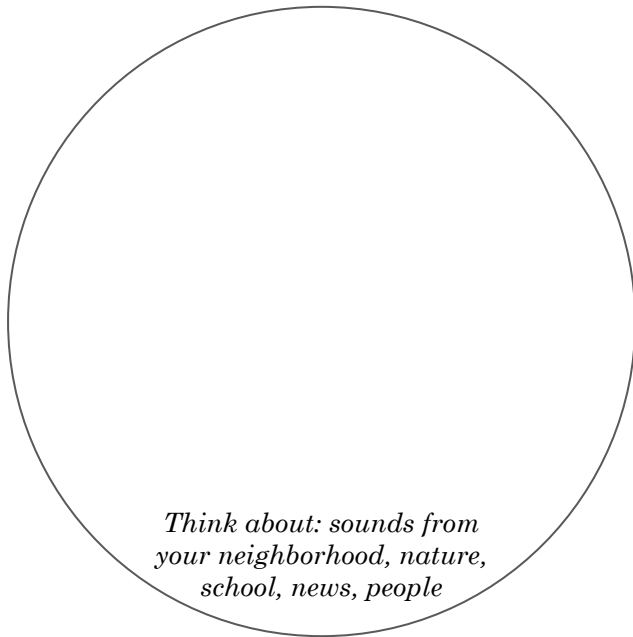
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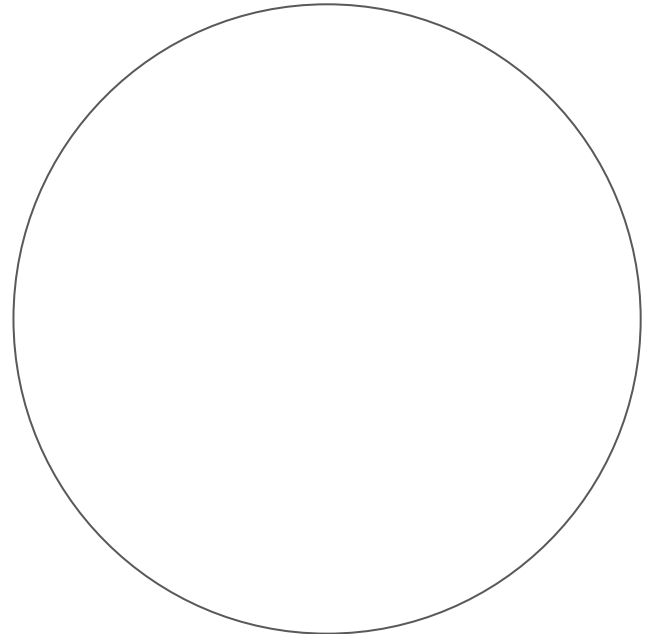
**What does your world
sound like now?**



**What do you want the world to
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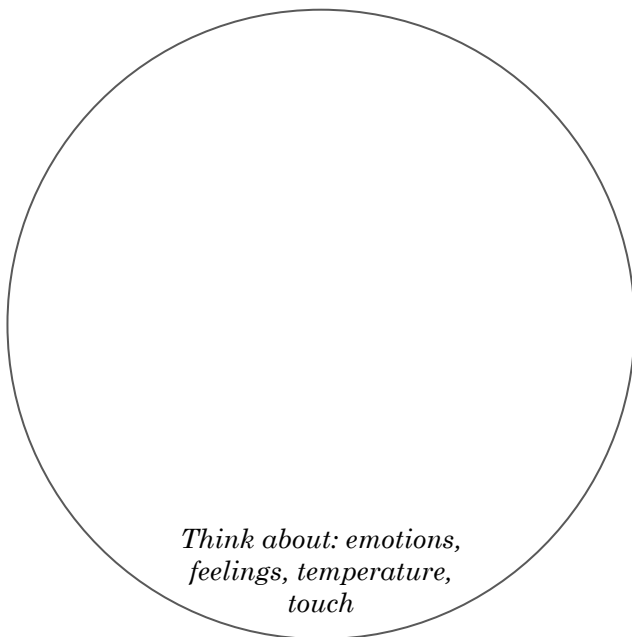
*Think about: sounds from
your neighborhood, nature,
school, news, people*



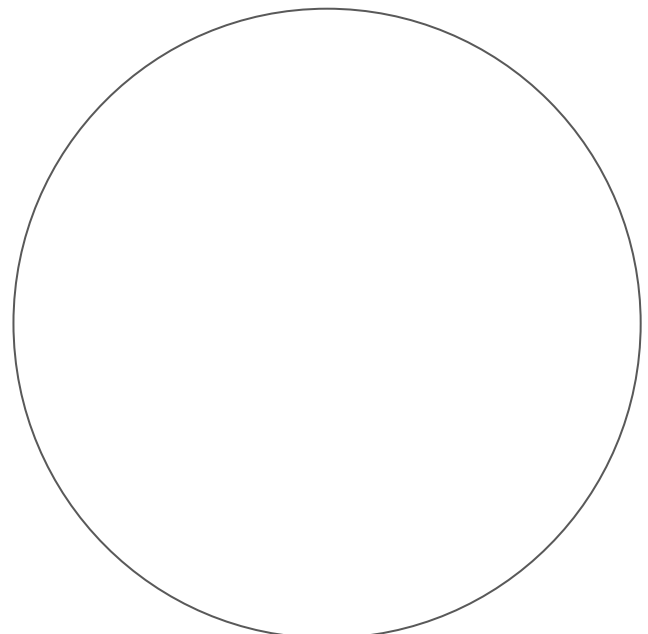
**What does your world
feel like now?**



**What do you want the world to
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*Think about: emotions,
feelings, temperature,
touch*



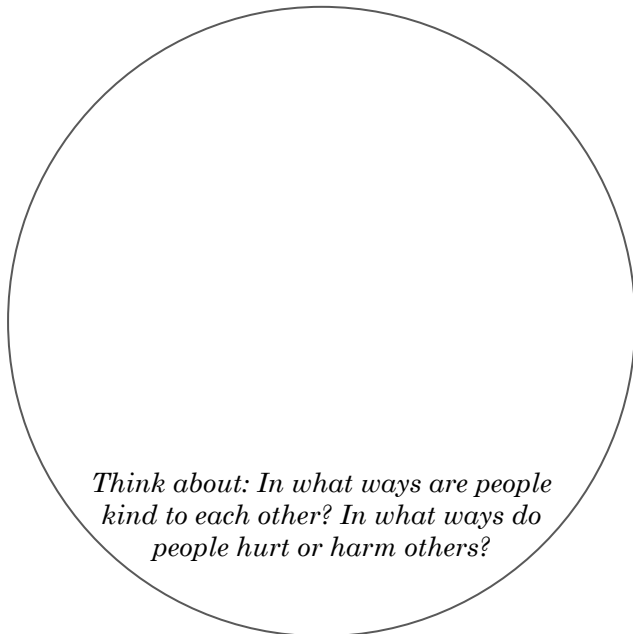
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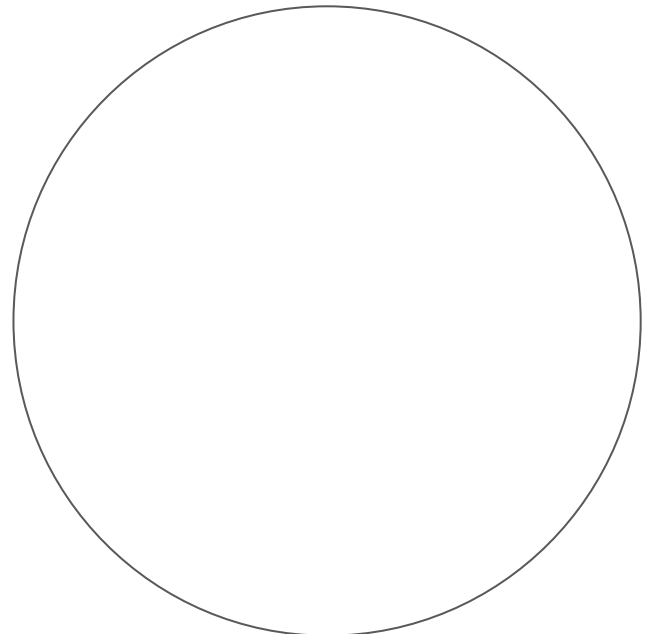
How do people treat one another now?



How should people treat one another?



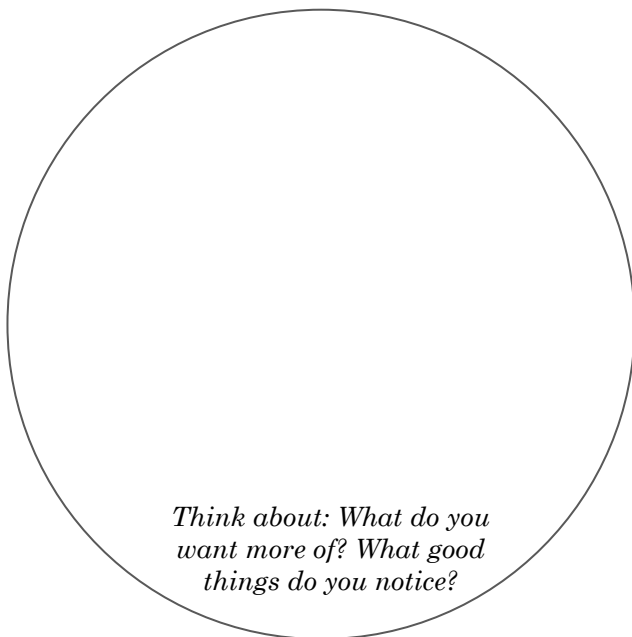
Think about: In what ways are people kind to each other? In what ways do people hurt or harm others?



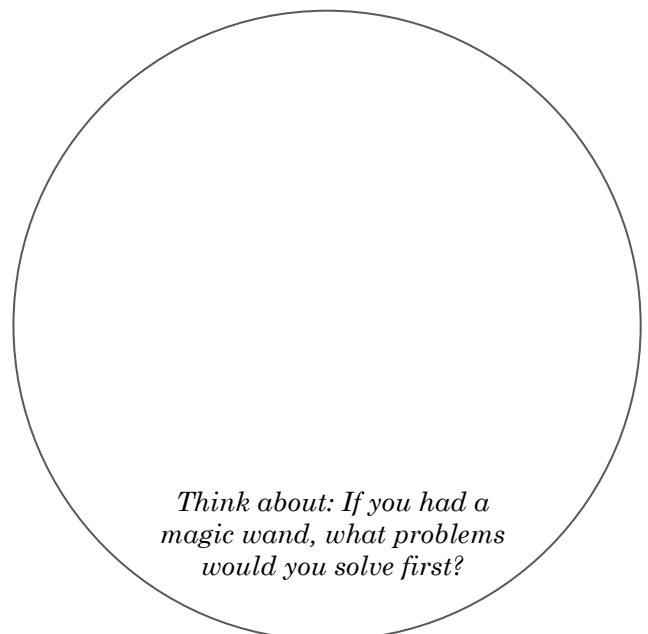
What from this world would you keep?



What from this world would you toss?



Think about: What do you want more of? What good things do you notice?



Think about: If you had a magic wand, what problems would you solve first?



Freewrite

Now, write for 5-10 minutes — without stopping! — to the following prompt:

Share your vision for a better world, starting with the line “If the world was...”

For an added challenge, try to use at least 5 of the words you came up with during brainstorming.

Write Your Poem: Template

Using your freewrite and ideas from brainstorming, write a poem that shares **your** vision of what the world could be. You can use this template to get started.

Title: _____

If the world was mine,

If the world was ours,

Because the world is _____

Once you've written your poem you can keep these starter lines or change them to make the poem even more uniquely yours.

Finally, choose a word, phrase, or image at the heart of your poem and make it your title.