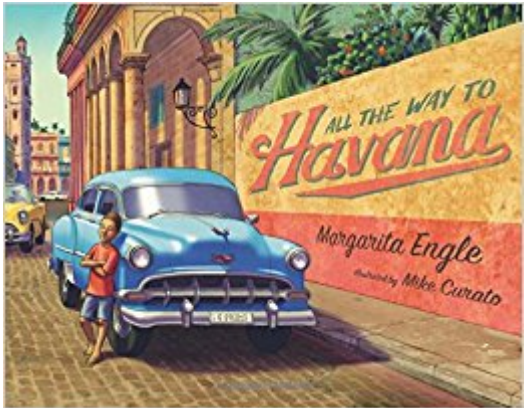
	<b>Activities and Engaging Readers Guide</b>
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	<b>Source: National Education Association</b>

**All the Way to Havana**  
**by Margarita Engle**  
**Illustrated by Mike Curato**

**Engaging Readers:**

Ask students to think about what they see when they travel through their own neighborhoods. What’s important, fun, or interesting about where they live? Who are the people who live there? Have students find out more about them. Students can interview family and friends to find out things they like about the neighborhood and what they might like to change. Or encourage students to take a walk on their street and write, draw, or photograph what they see. Have them compile their notes, interviews, illustrations, and photographs with other students into a special book that will help preserve local history in your community.



**Community Connection:**

Make a walk through your community a walk that is filled with reading! Work with your public library to create a StoryWalk, an innovative idea from Vermont, which features pages from a children’s picture book that have been laminated and mounted on stakes in the ground and placed at intervals along a path. Walk and read aloud! Or connect with the public library, local bookstore, and Little Free Library stewards in your community to create a map that shows readers the way to all the book access points in your community.

**Ready Resources:**

Read Across America with historic places! **Teaching With Historic Places** is a lesson plan series and place-based learning initiative of the National Park Service and offers a wide array of opportunities that bring historic places into the classroom, including places in the United States that exemplify the contributions of Hispanic culture.

[nps.gov/subjects/teachingwithhistoricplaces/lesson-plans.htm](https://nps.gov/subjects/teachingwithhistoricplaces/lesson-plans.htm)