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## Worksheet 5A: My Local Club

The GAA club is very important in the community as it is a place where you can go with friends and have fun.

### Club Colours

#### Write about your club:

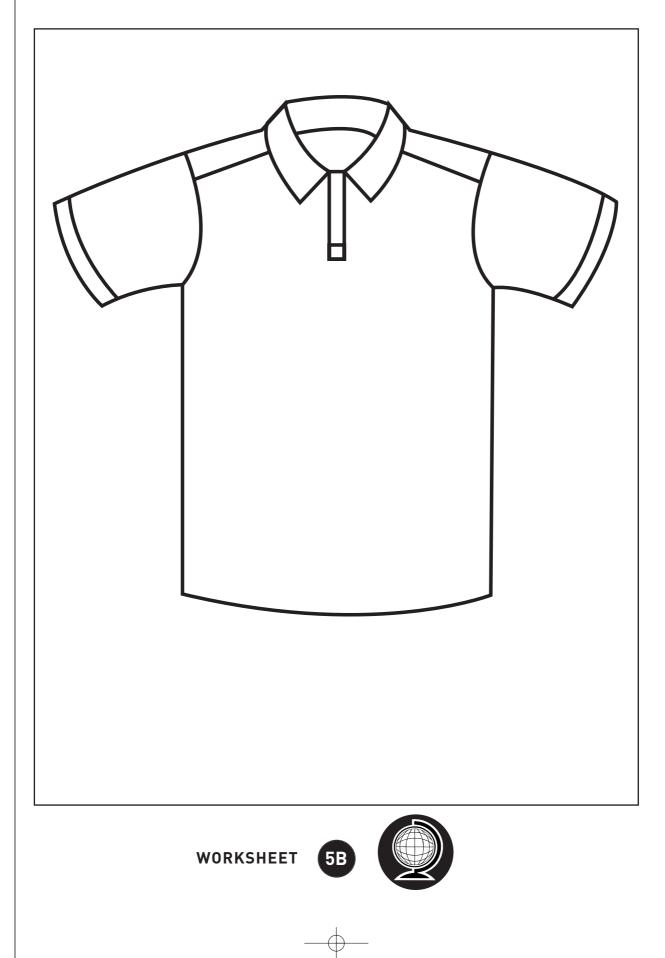
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Finish this sentence:	l like my club bec	
Famous players from	your club:	
Clubs you have played	C C	
Name of club pitch: .		
Coaches:		
Nickname:		
Club name:		

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## Worksheet 5B: My GAA Jersey

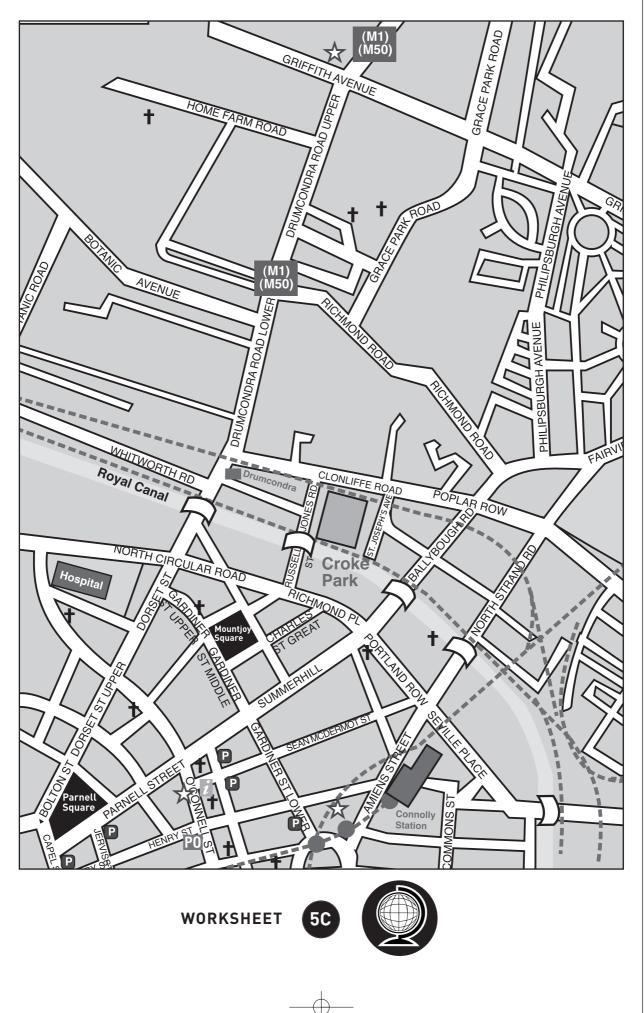
Colour in your GAA colours on this jersey and write you team`s name underneath.



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## Worksheet 5C: Croke Park



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## Worksheet 5D: An American Story



My name is Padraig Buckley. I am 15 years old. I live in San Francisco, California, USA. I first played Gaelic football at the age of six with my parents, who are both from Mallow, Co. Cork. Gaelic football has been a huge and important part of my life. It is a very enjoyable sport in which I have made many

friends. I started and continue to play in the San Francisco Irish Football Youth League. This is a great league that brings boys and girls of many ages and levels to play together in a fun way. Each summer, lots of teams from many age groups travel to different places such as Chicago, Boston, and New York to compete in a blitz. In the summer of 2006, I travelled with the San Francisco Gaelic football team to Ireland to play in a competition which was held in Co. Wicklow. This was the trip of a lifetime. During the two-week trip, we visited many parts of Ireland and played Gaelic football games against local football teams. As we travelled to a new town for a game, the opposing team hosted us in their homes. We won our division and I was lucky enough to accept the cup on behalf of my teammates from GAA president Nickey Brennan. I live in the USA but I love Ireland and Gaelic football.

#### Tasks:

1. Find the USA in an atlas and search for San Francisco.

2. True or False?

	True	False
Padraig`s parents are from Dublin.		
Padraig lives in Ireland.		
Padraig came to Ireland on holiday.		
He is 10 years old.		
He likes Gaelic football.		
Padraig was the captain of his team.		

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#### <u>Nigeria</u>



My name is Ayobami Akinse. I am from Nigeria. The capital city of Nigeria is Lagos. We Nigerians speak about 500 languages. The most common ones are Yoruba from the west, Igbo from the east and Hausa from the north and most people speak English. I played a lot of sports in Nigeria like football,

basketball, running and volleyball. Nigeria has very hot weather and I find the weather in Ireland very cold.

I came to live in Dublin in 2005. I started playing camogie and girls football when I was in 3rd class in my school. I like Gaelic games because it is part of the Irish culture and it makes me fit and happy. I played in Croke Park last year. My big brother went with me and so did my friend Tobi Akanni and her big brother. We took a bus to the city and then walked all the way to Croke Park. I wasn`t nervous of people watching me play.

#### Tasks:

- 1. Find Hungary, Bangladesh and Nigeria on a map of the world.
- 2. Find Kerry, Wexford and Dublin on a map of Ireland.
- 3. True or False?

	True	False
The capital city in Bangladesh is Dhaka.		
Ziauel lives in Kerry.		
Gergo lived close to the beach in Hungary.		
Gergo lives close to the beach in Ireland.		
Ayobami is from Nigeria.		
Ayobami never played in Croke Park.		
Ayobami came to Ireland in 2005.		

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### **Worksheet 5E: GAA Newcomer Stories**

*Ireland is lucky to have a lot of children from other countries coming to live here. Here are some of these children`s stories.* 

#### **Bangladesh**



My name is Ziauel Hoque, I am eleven years old. I was born in Bangladesh and I lived in Dhaka, the capital of Bangladesh. There are 131 million people in Bangladesh and many of them are very poor. I came to Ireland in October 2003 and I now live in Killarney, Co. Kerry. In Bangladesh I played soccer with plastic

bottles and some cricket. I didn't like school there because the punishment was very hard. School started at 8am and finished at 3pm. When I first came to Ireland I started playing football with Killarney Legion GAA club and with my school. I thought the teachers and coaches were very nice because they really welcomed me. I love to go training and play matches every week. My favourite players are Paul Galvin and Declan O'Sullivan.

#### <u>Hungary</u>



Hi, my name is Gergo (Gregory) Biacksó and I am 10 years old. I am from a small village in Hungary. My dad came to work in Wexford in 2006 and because we missed him so much we followed him to Ireland in 2007. At first, school was hard because I spoke no English but, thanks to my friends and teachers, I now

speak good English. I go swimming with my class and I play indoor hurling every week. I love that I now live only five minutes from the beach as in Hungary I lived seven hours away from the beach.





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