# Where Have You Been?



Dr. Seuss's modern classic *Oh, the Places You'll Go!* honestly discusses inevitable failure and periods of boredom even as it affirms individual potential and the possibility of self-transformation. *Oh, the Places You'll Go!* is a great lesson in growth mindset; it normalizes error, cheers on the reader, and celebrates the individual's journey through life. The following reflection and letter-writing activities ask students to think about successes and slumps, set new goals, and share lessons with rising second, third, or fourth graders.

**Directions:** List your memories inside each box of the organizer to describe the experiences you've had this school year.

1. Highest heights—the best moments of the year
2. Prickle-ly perch—a time you got stuck or made a mistake
3. Boom bands—someone or something that made you feel better

### And Where Are You Going?

**Directions:** What's your mountain/goal for next year? Draw a picture of yourself accomplishing your goal in the space provided.

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## You Know the Way!

Follow the prompts below to help prepare one of your teacher's future students!

You'll have goals, you'll have aims, you'll even gather some brains!



#### Dear Future Mountain Mover,



This grade is fun, please have no doubts! You'll be in a class with wild games and great shouts. But there are a few things I need you to know about what to expect and just how you'll grow!

This year I learned:	•	_	

True, there were times when I felt down in the dumps, but not due to chicken pox, measles, or mumps! **School can be hard because** 

can be scary, but you have no reason to be overly wary. I'll tell you some secrets about myself so YOU can be ready and steady and brave in the face of multiplication, division, and change!

You'll read my letter and think for yourself (without having to read all the books on the shelf). Now here's my advice, you can take if you please,

### but I would be grateful if you continued to READ:

KID, YOU'LL MOVE MOUNTAINS!





