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## What makes a house a home?

There are around **400,000** 'hidden homeless' people in Great Britain. 400,000 is roughly the population size of Manchester. If these 400,000 people have a roof over their heads, what is it that makes them 'homeless'? In groups, brainstorm the things you think make where someone lives a home.

### Hints:

How important is it to have a permanent address?

Think of all the forms you have to fill in with your address - what services/opportunities might you miss out on if you couldn't do this?

How valuable is it to feel secure?

If you were sleeping on a friend's floor, what would happen if you had a row with that friend?

What sort of condition might temporary accommodation be in?

How might this affect your physical and mental wellbeing?

What would be the impact of having to move frequently from place to place on a child's education or adult's employment?