

Building a Safe Home - what makes a home safe, secure, and stable?

1. Brainstorm (5 minutes)

Individually or in your group, list as many factors as possible that contribute to a safe, secure, and stable home. Consider:

- Physical safety (e.g. locks, working electricity, clean water)
- Financial security (e.g. affordable rent, stable job)
- Emotional well-being (e.g. support from family and friends, feeling safe and loved)
- Community support (e.g. good neighbours, access to healthcare and services)

List your ideas below:

2. Design a Home (10 minutes)

Create a visual representation of a "Safe, Secure, and Stable Home" individually or as a small group.

- Draw a house and label the features that contribute to safety and stability OR
- Create a labelled digital collage or use an online tool OR
- Write a description of what an ideal home includes.

Use the space below for your sketch or notes:

3. Discussion (10 minutes)

- Present your home in small groups and explain your choices.
- Discuss: What happens when one of these elements is missing?
- How can homelessness affect a person's safety, security, and stability?

4. Extension (10 mins)

Reflect in writing: What challenges might prevent someone from having a safe, secure, and stable home, and how can society help?