The man who draws cities from memory

Have you ever drawn a picture from memory?

Vocabulary

1. detail 2. talent 3. autism 4. trip 5. memory 6. diagnosed

True Story

Stephen Wiltshire was a quiet boy who didn't talk much. He was _____ with _____ when he was three. At school, he didn't join in much, but he loved drawing.

One day, after a school _____ around London, Stephen surprised everyone. He drew the whole city from _____. His pictures showed every building and street in great _____. People couldn't believe it.

Stephen didn't know he had such a special _____. Later, he flew over cities like New York and Rome and drew them from memory, too. Now, Stephen is a famous artist, known all over the world for his amazing city drawings.

Quiz

1. What condition was Stephen diagnosed with when he was three?
2. What did Stephen do after a school trip around London?
3. Which cities did Stephen fly over and draw from memory?
4. What is Stephen known for today?

True or False

1. Stephen talked a lot as a child. True | False
2. He showed his pictures in every building and street. True | False
3. Stephen is a famous artist today. True | False

Conversation

A: Stephen, your drawings are incredible!
B: Thank you! I just love drawing cities.
A: How do you remember all those details?
B: I don't know, it just happens!
A: Well, you're famous now!
B: I still can't believe it!

Discussion

1. Have you ever been on a school trip?
2. Do you like drawing or painting?
3. What city would you like to draw from memory?
4. Do you know anyone with a special talent?
5. Would you like to be a famous artist?

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