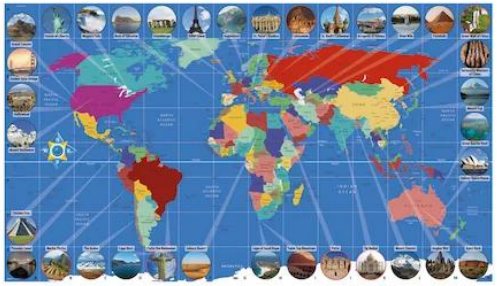
Cities of the World Mat
Activity Ideas

With many thanks to Bolton Schools ICT for sharing these activity ideas for using Loti-Bot with the Cities of the world Mat.

You could adapt the activities to use with other robots, such as Bee-Bot or Blue-Bot.

Flying the Flag

The aim of this game is to help children to learn the names of cities around the world and match them to their flags.



Activity:

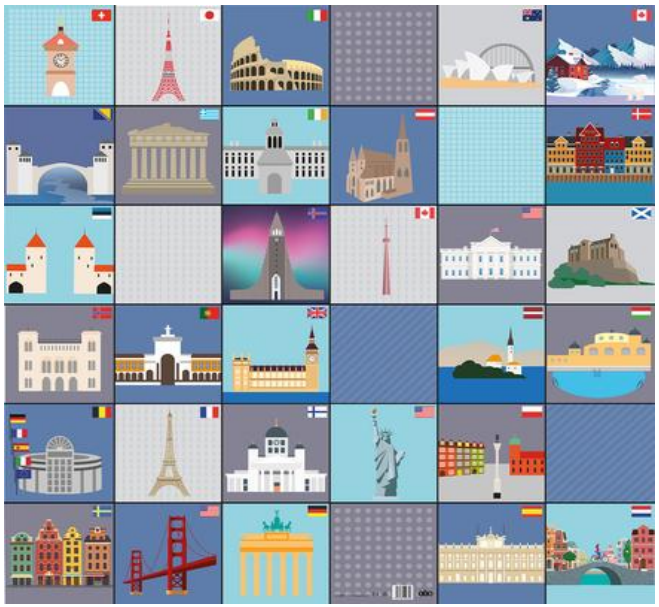
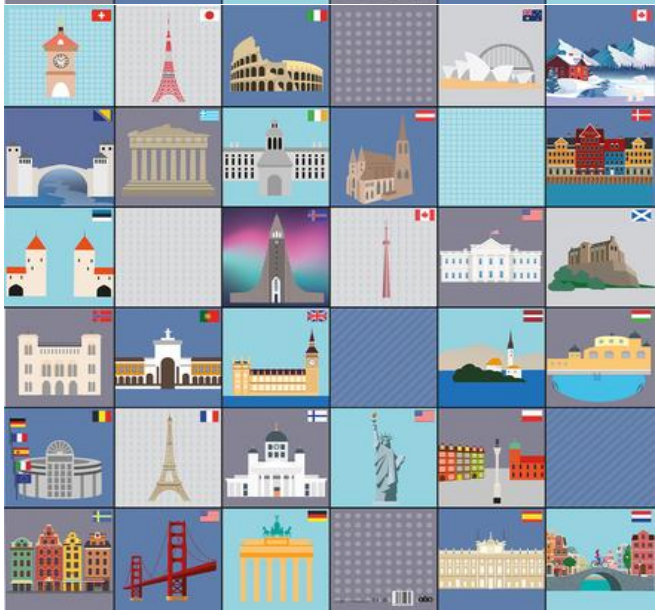
- Unplugged Activity – Discuss the places and flags which the children recognise. You may wish to research ones which children are not familiar with.
- Prepare the small version of the mat and laminate for the teams playing.

- Working in groups, children take it in turns to challenge the other team to program Loti to a city by describing its flag. E.g. this flag has the colour red, white and blue in it. The other team might program Loti to the UK flag.

- If they are correct, they can mark the square off on their small versions of the mat and they gain a point.

- If they are incorrect then on their next turn the other team must describe the same flag but with a different description e.g. the colours are in columns and blue is the first one.

- The winner is the team with the most flags collected on their small mat.

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Loti's City Breaks!

The aim of this game is to program Loti-Bot to visit as many cities on the mat as possible in a specified time limit.

Activity:

You may wish to create a Loti Bot passport and fact file about the places Loti-Bot has visited.

- Unplugged – plan an around the world trip considering which cities Loti will visit and the sequence that she will visit them in according to location and travel time.
- Program Loti-Bot to go on her adventure. You may wish to change Loti's lights to represent the colours in the flag when she is visiting that city.
- To adjust the difficulty, include several cities in one visit.

Bern Switzerland Zytglogge Clock Tower	**Tokyo** Japan Tokyo Tower	**Rome** Italy The Colosseum		**Sydney** Australia Sydney Opera House	**Calgary** Canada Canadian Rocky Mountains
ffMostar Bosnia & Herzegovina Stari Most (Old Bridge)	**Athens** Greece The Parthenon	**Dublin** Ireland Trinity College	**Vienna** Austria St. Stephen's Cathedral		**Copenhagen** Denmark Nyhavn Harbor
Tallinn Estonia Medieval Town Walls		**Reykjavík** Iceland Hallgrímskirkja Church	**Toronto** Canada CN Tower	**Washington D.C.** U.S.A. The White House	**Edinburgh** Scotland Edinburgh Castle
Oslo Norway Nobel Peace Center	**Lisbon** Portugal Triumphal Arch	**London** U.K. Westminster & Big Ben		**Lake Bled** Slovenia Bled Castle	**Budapest** Hungary Széchenyi Thermal Baths
Brussels Belgium European Union Parliament Building	**Paris** France Eiffel Tower	**Helsinki** Finland Helsinki Cathedral	**New York** U.S.A. Statue of Liberty	**Warsaw** Poland Stare Miasto (Warsaw Old Town)	
Stockholm Sweden Gamla Stan (Old Town)	**San Francisco** U.S.A. Golden Gate Bridge	**Berlin** Germany Brandenburg Gate		**Madrid** Spain The Royal Palace	**Amsterdam** Netherlands Town Bridges