Become A Stamp Detective!

A. Describe the stamp______________________________________________________________
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What pictures are on the stamp?____________________________________________________
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Colors?________________________________________________________________________
Countries?_______________________________________________________________________
Language?_______________________________________________________________________
Is there more than one language?_____ Why?_______________________________________
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Date?________________________________________________________________________________
Cost?________________________________________________________________________

B. Who decides which pictures or people are on the stamp?
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Does every country have its own postal system? Why?
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What is the money from the sale of stamps used for?
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What does the stamp tell you about the country?
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For example, fish and sea life may indicate the country is located near the ocean, lake or river, has a fishing industry, or is a popular location for tourists. Many famous people are pictured on stamps.
Describe the geography, natural resources, recreation, homes, transportation, food, climate, holidays, businesses, occupations and environment of the country.
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C. Stamps can be very informative about the time period, characteristics and people of a country and culture.

There are millions of different stamps. Stamps are printed in numerous colors, sizes and shapes. Stamp collecting has been a popular hobby around the world for hundreds of years.

Some stamps are very valuable, but other stamps are not valuable. What makes a stamp valuable?

Every country has its own postal system and unique stamp designs.

Design a postage stamp that represents you, your interests, your future, your culture, your family heritage, your community, your state or your country. Include as much detail as you can so your postage stamp will be very informative.