The study of belonging through the lens of geography is rooted in how people attach to one another through social groups and how people attach to place. 2892 Louisville storyteller Kenneth Woods explores how people in his community might experience belonging based on their identities, connections, and opportunities. Consider the graphic below representing these components of belonging, then respond to the guiding questions to consider all the ways a person may uniquely experience their environment.

**IDENTITY**
How do I define myself? How am I in relation to others?

**LOCATION**
Where do you live, and why do you live there?

**CHARACTERISTICS**
What are the physical characteristics of where you live, and how do they affect you and others?

**MOVEMENT**
How has your environment changed over time? Why have these changes occurred? Why do they matter?

**EXPERIENCES**
How have my life experiences shaped my perspective on the world, and how does it compare to the perspectives of others?

**OPPORTUNITIES**
What opportunities are available to me, and how do those opportunities compare to the opportunities available to others?

**CONNECTIONS**
Who surrounds me? Whom do I rely on? Who relies on me? How do the connections I have compare to those of others?

**INTERACTION**
How do people affect the environment where you live? How does the environment affect people? What is healthy or harmful about these interactions?