

Based on *Song for a Scarlet Runner* by Julie Hunt

# Window into a Fantasy World

In *Song for a Scarlet Runner*, Julie Hunt describes the settlement of Skerrick. Read the text from the book and draw a picture of Skerrick with as much detail as possible.

*Skerrick was the nearest settlement, the only settlement. You wouldn't call it a town, or even a village. It was just a scattering of huts with walls made of stone and roofs of sod. None of the huts had windows, because there was nothing to see.*

*Most valleys lead somewhere - they open up into new country. But the valley where Skerrick lay - Bane Valley, it was called - ended in a steephead, a solid rock wall. The huts were built at the base of it and the sides of the valley were so steep that no sun ever reached there. pp. 2-3*

