

# The London Stansted Little Book of Travel Tales



Sienna, age 5



# Hello, and welcome to The London Stansted Little Book of Travel Tales!

This book has been created as part of a competition launched on World Book Day 2019, giving students from local schools the chance to share their work with you, our passengers! These pieces of work were created around the themes of travel, flight, airports and aircraft, holidays abroad, and working at an airport.

Out of hundreds of entries, these stories, poems and drawings were chosen to keep you entertained as you fly off on your holidays! Throughout the book you will also find a number of exciting activity pages to complete.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our partner, WHSmith, for providing books for the classrooms of each winning student.

Thank you to all of the children who took part in the competition and sent us their contributions. We hope you enjoy these exciting tales and puzzles and wish you a happy flight!

From all the team at London Stansted



See if you can find all the words listed in the grid below.

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AIRPORT

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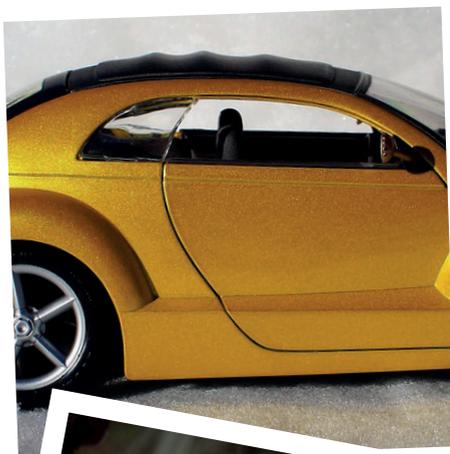


# Animal Airport

Emilie, age 6

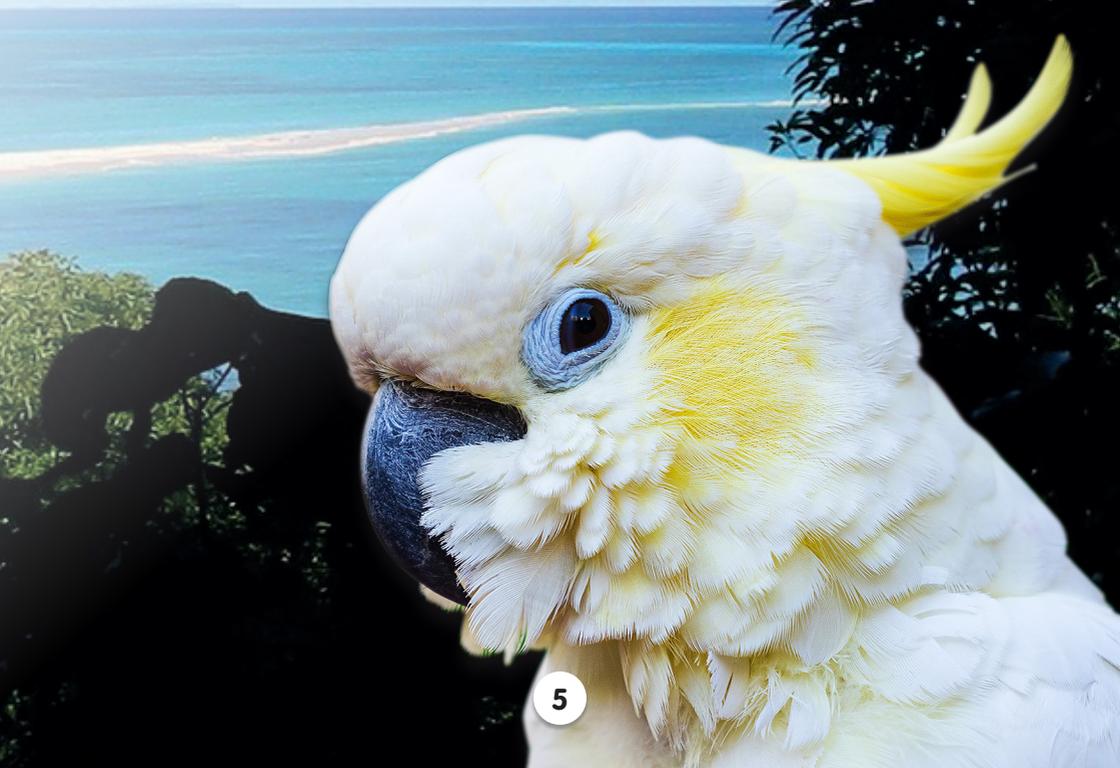
Once upon a time, a little girl called Emily wanted to find lost treasure. She got in her gold car and drove to the animal airport. She saw loads of animals there. A scaly pangolin on the check in desk, a giant elephant at security, a gruff tiger pilot walking to his plane, and a beautiful orangutang at the gate. She got onto the giant bird that was going to fly her to find the treasure. The bird swooped up and down and around in the air. Emily could feel the air whooshing past her face and messing up her hair. It was amazing!

She landed in Madagascar and started to hunt for the treasure. She found an 'X marks the spot' on the ground, but now it was night time, so she made a bed for herself on the ground and slept until morning. In the morning she went to the 'X' and dug and dug and dug and went so low she found the treasure. It was a special box filled with gold and coins and jewellery. Emily decided to go back home now.



She climbed onto another giant bird, it looked like a cockatoo, with soft white feathers and a yellow crest. The bird leapt into the air and flew all around the world, and Emily made it stop wherever animals were in danger, and she would help them. Sometimes she would help them with her treasures, sometimes she would just give them a cuddle or help them find food.

Only when no more animals were in danger did Emily finally get back to her home, where she lived happily ever after with her pet guinea pigs.



# Up, Up and Away

Lexi, age 5



# Airport Experience

Ned, age 10



When I check-in,  
It always takes a min,  
Seeing the shops,  
As if I'm gonna pop,  
Getting some snacks,  
For when I relax,  
I've got my passport,  
Ready for the transport.



Starting at the runway,  
Doing a flyaway,  
I see a ranger,  
But he's a stranger,  
Up in the air,  
Up like a flare,  
Cabin crew,  
Always helping you,  
It's only halfway,  
To my best holiday,  
It's a delight,  
On this overnight flight.



I open the door,  
This place I adore,  
We head to the shore,  
Too quick for lotion,  
Dive in the ocean,  
Going to my villa,  
To get a chiller,  
Yo! Bye!

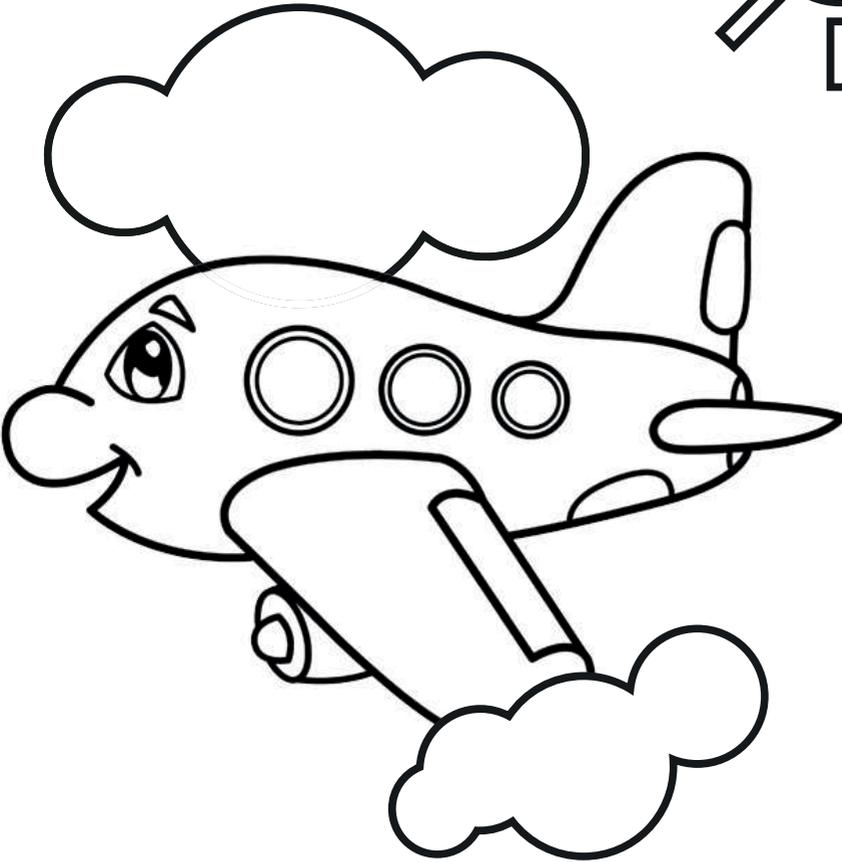
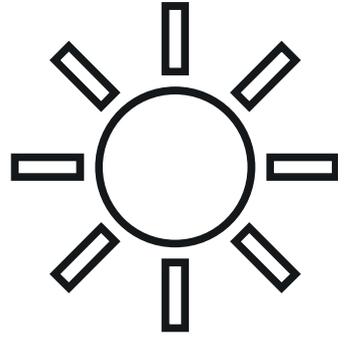


# My Holiday Selfie

Roselyn, age 7



Have some fun colouring in this holiday picture.



# I Will Put in My Suitcase

(Inspired by The Magic Box by Kit Wright)

Alfie, age 10

*I will put in my suitcase...*

The ecstatic feeling of not being able to sleep the night before,  
The wave of early morning bed-hair,  
The relief as the front door is locked,  
The silent sleep of the car journey.

*I will put in my suitcase...*

The sigh of a mother getting a break, relaxing at the airport doors,  
When a teen takes a seat, he does a sudden but silent cheer realising there's Wi-Fi,  
The urge of a father to go to Wetherspoons for a pre-flight pint,  
The rush of concern, fearing they could be late, but making it to the boarding gate.

*I will put in my suitcase...*

The slight giggle as you board your plane, knowing that many will not  
have the same merry feeling, the urge to post your glee on Facebook,  
The frustration as you remember you haven't bought a book for the flight,  
The scorching sun rising in the airplane windows among the cotton wool clouds below,



The feeling of stepping into the sunshine and popping on the sunglasses bought at the duty free shop.

*I will put in my suitcase...*  
Clothes with pockets full of sand and memories made in the Mediterranean sunshine.



# Off on Holiday

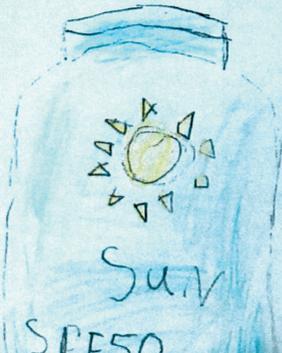
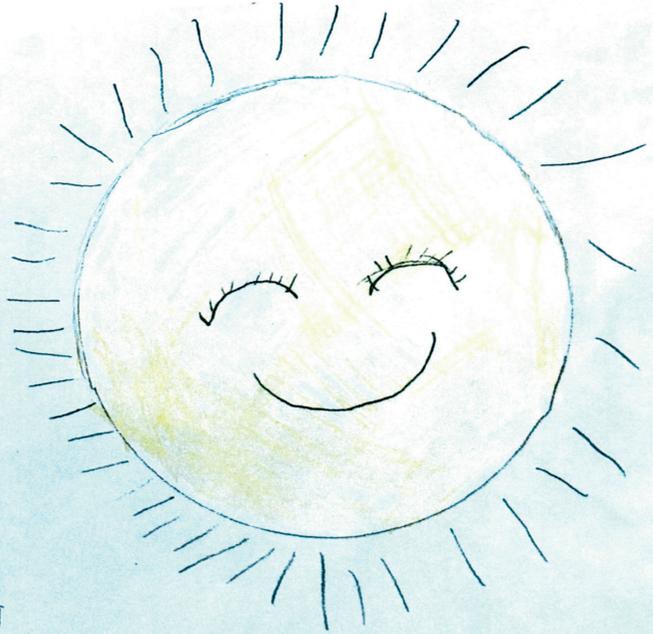
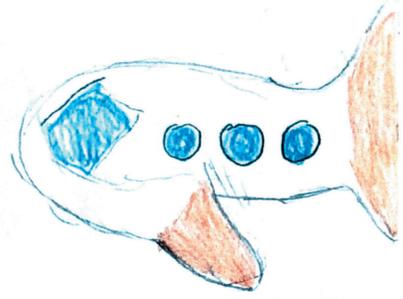
Laila C, age 6

Off to Stansted Airport, we can't be late,  
Hurry, hurry or we will miss our gate.

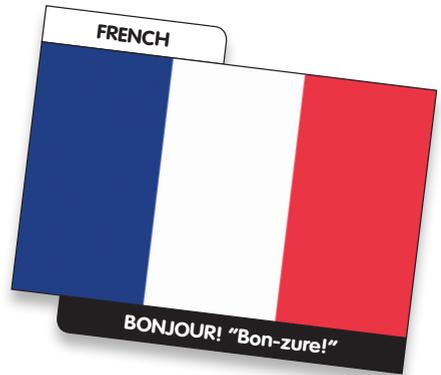
Sitting on the aeroplane, ready for some sun,  
I've just taken off, yippee, the holiday's just begun.

I'm going on an adventure, what will I see?  
Who's looking forward to the swimming pool, that would be me!

Sun cream, ice-cream and lots of yummy food,  
All this excitement is putting me in a happy mood!



# How to say "hello" in...

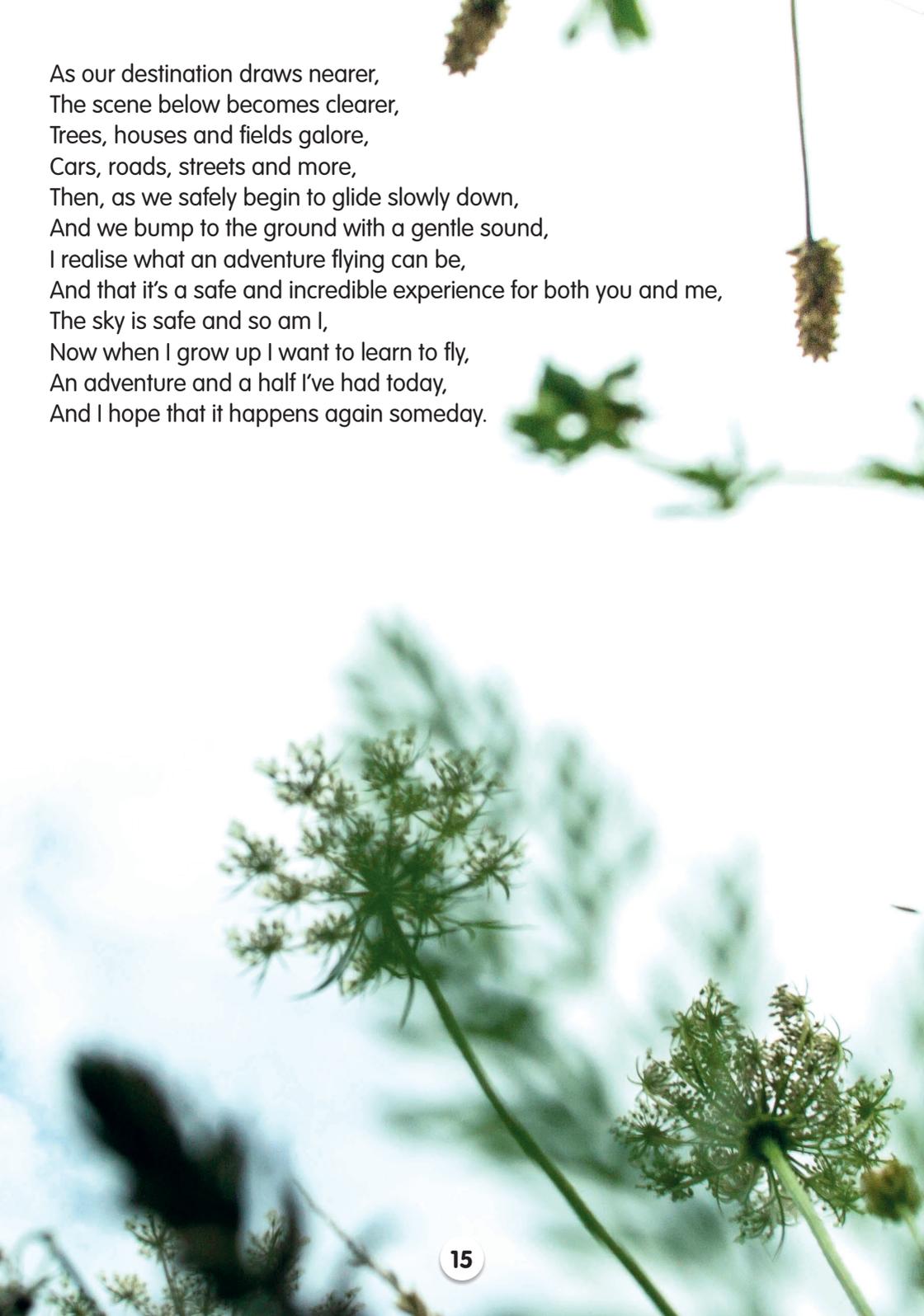


# The Wonders of Flying

Olive, age 11

As we are whisked up to the sky,  
I see incredible views flutter by,  
I sigh in a breath, my heart skips a beat,  
As I look at the setting simple and neat,  
I am taken aback at the breath-taking view,  
An image unable from my mind to remove,  
As the wonders of flying swoop me away,  
I think about the amazing adventure I've had today,





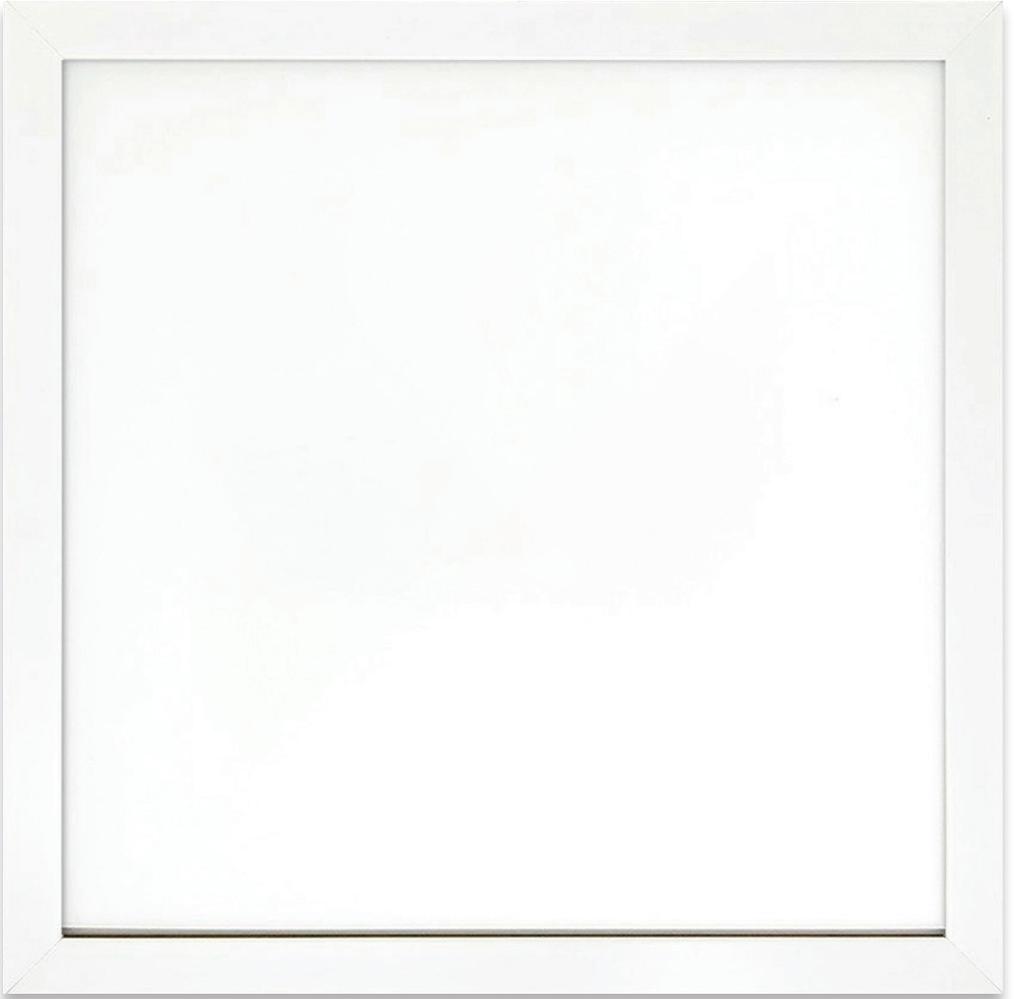
As our destination draws nearer,  
The scene below becomes clearer,  
Trees, houses and fields galore,  
Cars, roads, streets and more,  
Then, as we safely begin to glide slowly down,  
And we bump to the ground with a gentle sound,  
I realise what an adventure flying can be,  
And that it's a safe and incredible experience for both you and me,  
The sky is safe and so am I,  
Now when I grow up I want to learn to fly,  
An adventure and a half I've had today,  
And I hope that it happens again someday.

# Off We Go

Seth, age 6



Draw a picture of your dream holiday in the box below.



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# The Adventure to the Food Bank

Ophelia, age 6

Once upon a time there was an old man, an old woman, a little boy, a little girl, a dog and a cat. They lived on a farm and grew food for a food bank. One day when they were at the food bank they decided to take some of the fruit and vegetables that they had grown to people all over the world.

They packed their bags and went to the airport. It was very busy. A kind air steward helped them with their things. They saw a humongous shiny plane and couldn't wait to get on it. They got on and sat down. A lady in a smart uniform came over and said, "Would you like a snack from my trolley?" "Yes please", said the little girl and boy. They both had a drink of water. The little girl had a pretzel and the little boy had an apple. They gave the dog some water and the cat some milk. The plane went up very high. They zoomed through the clouds and flew over the sea and some mountains. The little girl asked, "When are we going to be there?" A voice over the speaker said, "We are now approaching the ground". "Seatbelts on!" said the cabin crew.



They soon landed and got off the super, super enormous plane. They went into the airport and got their bags, fruit and vegetables. Outside it was sunny and they could see a big mountain. They climbed up to the top of Mount Everest, so they could get a better view. They saw a food bank in the distance so climbed back down and gave the fruit and vegetables to them. The people were very happy and said, "Thank you very much".

They found a friendly yak on the way back to the airport and it showed them the way and helped them carry their bags.

"What an amazing adventure" said the man. "Where shall we fly to next?"



# Morocco

Felix, age 10

"Hey, make me an offer!" bartered the tanned man.  
"50 dirhams" I said. "Sure" replied the owner of the stall.

The Arabic music;  
The heat of the scorching sun  
And people buy, selling and trading goods surrounded me.  
You can taste the spices of the bazaar and the delicious delicacies and tagine.  
Camels and mules' feet  
Push against the sizzling sand of the beach.  
Tapestries everywhere in the hotel  
On the smooth leather sofa are linen cushions

And when I go back the lush  
Memories last forever.



# Flying High

Laila B, age 5



# Holidays

Kristin & Joshua, age 11

Glaring at the turquoise trees,  
Staring at the glistening sea.

Swimming with the tropical fish,  
Eating from the rainbow dish.

Playing with the burning sand,  
Listening to my favourite band.

Jumping in my comfortable bed,  
Resting carefully my sleepy head.



# Up in the Sky

Alice, age 6

I went up and down,  
Round and round the clouds,  
Moving swirling around,  
The clouds crash like,  
Marshmallows swirling down.



See if you can unscramble the airport related words below.

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2. pretuersaD

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13. vrTela

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14. gtiFhl

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15. rrAivlas

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Oliver, age 5



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