

Story

It was a bright, Monday morning when Sam arrived at school, after an exciting journey to visit some of his family abroad. Sam's friends were happy to see him and welcomed him back on the playground, as they hadn't seen him for six weeks! They began to crowd around him...

"Hiya Sam," shouted Dan. "Where have you been?" asked Kally. "Yeahhhh! Sam's back!" his other friends began to call out, excitedly. "Now, now children," said Mr. Forrest. "Let's go inside and I'm sure Sam will tell us all about his trip."

Have you ever been on a trip / journey anywhere around the world? Where was it to and what did you do?

Where do you think Sam might have been and why do you think he went there?

Sam told them how he had travelled on an aeroplane with his dad, mum and brother to visit his dad's grandma (his great grandma) in a village in Pakistan. She was very old and a little bit wrinkly! It had taken nearly eight hours for him to fly there. "Wow, Sam. That's a long time!" claimed Poppy. "Didn't you get bored?" "No, not at all. I had lots of things to do to keep me busy," replied Sam.

What do you think Sam did on the aeroplane for nearly eight hours?

Sam told his friends, "During my long journey, I got to sit on a big comfy seat. Some of the time I had to wear a seatbelt, but not all the time! I coloured in my colouring book and I watched some cartoons. My daddy bought me some sweets from the air stewardess, who sold all sorts of things from her trolley."

Mr. Forrest asked, "Tell us some of the things you did or you saw when you were in Pakistan, Sam."

What do you think he did or saw in Pakistan? Do you think it is different or the same as living here?

"I caught a bus outside Lahore airport, which took me out of the city. It was very noisy and had lots of people on it! We got off at a big bus station and were met by my daddy's cousin, who took us to my great grandma's house on a donkey cart. The donkey's name was Oscar, but he was very dirty and very smelly! He was quite cute, though."

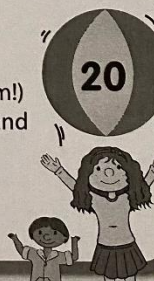
Kally asked Sam, "What did you do when you arrived at your great grandma's house?"

What do you think he did when he arrived at great grandma's house?

"I took lots of photographs of different animals, I ate my favourite food – curry (yum yum!) and I played with some new friends I met from my great grandma's village, flying kites and playing with marbles," explained Sam.

"Sam, what is your great grandma's house like? Is it big?" Poppy asked.

Can you suggest what Sam's great grandma's house might look like?



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"My great grandma lives in a little house made out of clay which has a wooden roof. It only has one room and no upstairs. Her kitchen, where she does most of her cooking, is outside, under a little shelter." Sam went on to add, "I thought it was great because it was like having a barbeque every day!"

