

Lisa Goes to London

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CHAPTER 1

It is nine o'clock in the morning. Lisa and her parents are at home. Lisa's mother and father are having breakfast in the kitchen. Lisa is holding a letter. She looks very excited.

"Mum! Dad! Listen to this," says Lisa. "This is really wonderful news!"

"Really? What's the news?" asks Lisa's father.

"I'm a finalist in the international short story competition," says Lisa. "The organisers are offering a week's holiday in London to all the finalists. It's a free trip!"

"That is great news," says Lisa's mother. "Well done!"

"When must you go there?" asks Lisa's father.

"Just a minute," says Lisa and reads the letter. "Monday to Saturday: sightseeing. Sunday: final. I must be in London on Monday."





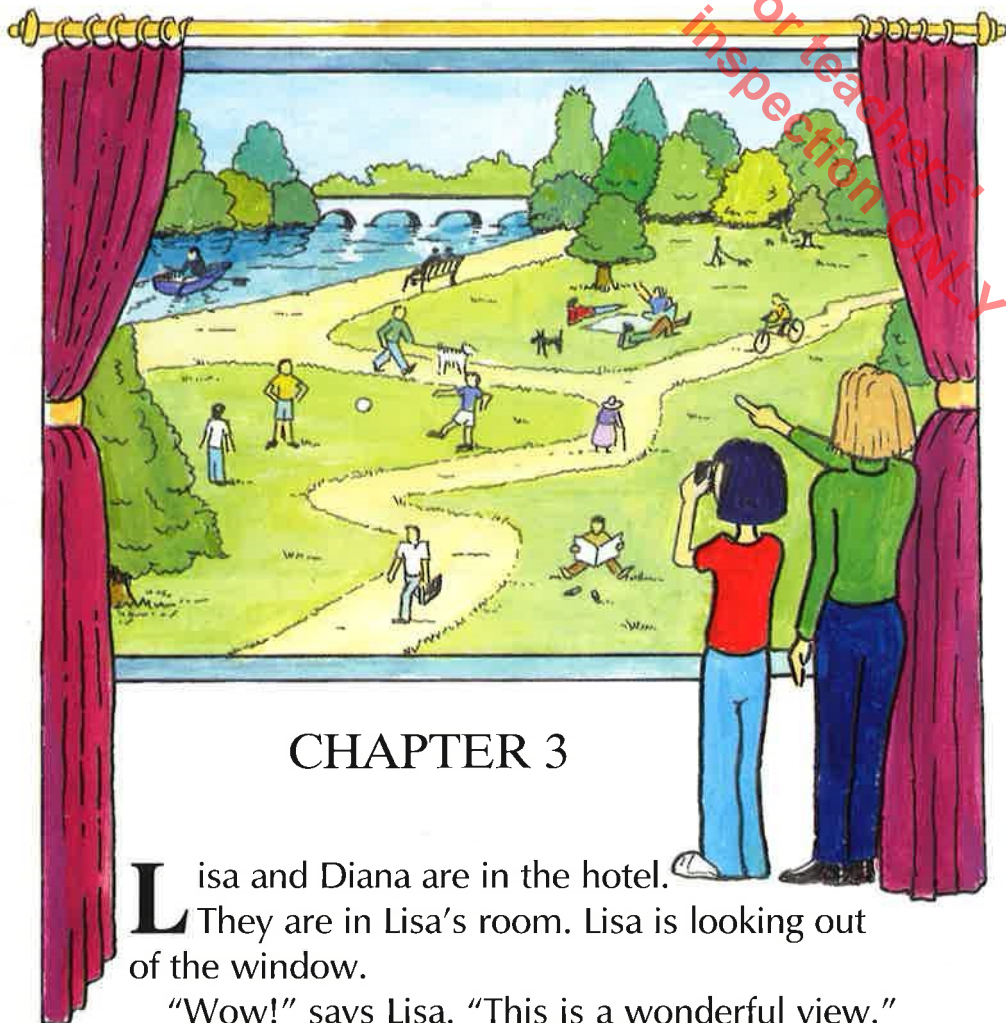
CHAPTER 2

It is Monday morning and Lisa is at Heathrow Airport in London. A young woman is waiting for her. She walks towards Lisa.

"Hello Lisa. Welcome to London," she says. "My name is Diana. I am your guide."

"Hello," says Lisa. "This is my first time in London and I am very happy."

"London is a very exciting city," says Diana. "I love it. Now, we must go to your hotel. My car is in the car park. Take your luggage and follow me, please."



CHAPTER 3

Lisa and Diana are in the hotel. They are in Lisa's room. Lisa is looking out of the window.

"Wow!" says Lisa. "This is a wonderful view."

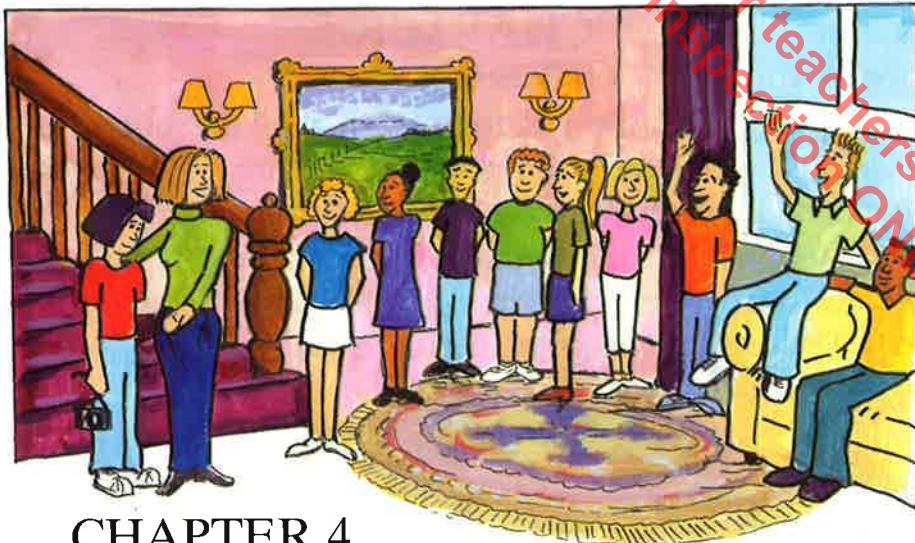
"That's Hyde Park," says Diana. "It is very big."

"I can also see a lake and some boats," says Lisa.

"That's the Serpentine Lake," says Diana.

"I must take a picture," says Lisa. She is holding her camera. "Photography is my hobby."

"You can take a lot of pictures here in London," says Diana. "But now we must go to the hotel lounge. The other finalists are waiting there."



CHAPTER 4

Lisa and Diana are in the hotel lounge now. Nine children are waiting there. They are all finalists in the competition. Diana is introducing Lisa to them.

"This is Lisa," says Diana. "She is another finalist."

"Hi Lisa," says one boy. "My name is Sergio."

"I'm Lars," says another boy. "Welcome to London, Lisa."

Lisa is shy. She is looking down and she is holding her camera.

One girl goes near Lisa and says, "Hello Lisa. My name is Nadia. That is a beautiful camera."

"Thanks," says Lisa. "Photography is my hobby."

"That's very interesting," says Nadia. "Photography is my hobby, too. We can take pictures together!"

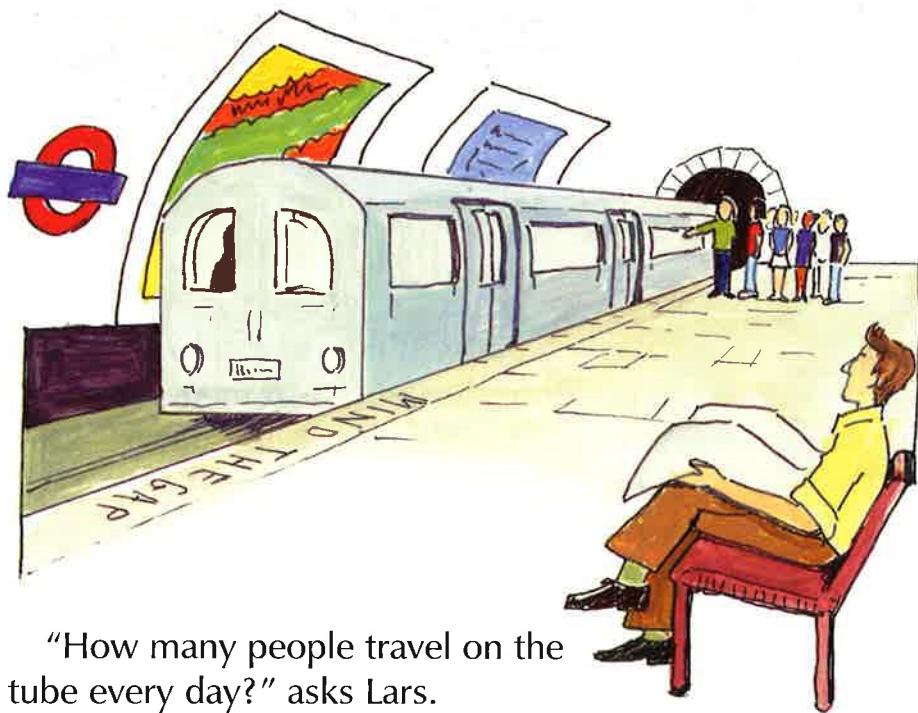
"Are you ready, children?" asks Diana. "We must go now."



CHAPTER 5

Diana and the children are not in the hotel now. They are at a tube station. Diana is telling the children about the tube.

"The tube is six hundred kilometres long," says Diana.
"There are over two hundred tube stations in London."



"How many people travel on the tube every day?" asks Lars.

"Millions," answers Diana. "People go to work, to the shops, to their friends' houses. Many tourists also travel by tube."

"Where are we going now?" asks Lisa.

"We are going to Trafalgar Square," answers Diana.
"We can feed the pigeons there."

"Good," says Nadia. "We can take some pictures, too!"

Now Diana and the children are in Trafalgar Square. A lot of tourists are there, too.

"What is that?" Sergio asks.

"That is Nelson's Column," answers Diana. "You can see the statue of Admiral Nelson at the top."

The children are taking pictures. There are four big lions in Trafalgar Square. Lisa is sitting on one of them.

"Please take my picture, Nadia," says Lisa.

"Look, a pigeon is eating from Lisa's hand," says Lars.

"Oh, yes," says Nadia. "It is a very nice picture. Lisa, say cheese."

Lisa is smiling and Nadia is taking her picture. Everybody is having a good time

