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VOCABULARY



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**triumphantly–
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**distinguished –
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**porter –
someone who
moves or
carries luggage
or baggage**

What other words were unfamiliar?

Let's use a dictionary or thesaurus to define them.

Can you see any clues within the word to help us work out what they mean?

SUMMARISE

Can you summarise three points we learn from this text

1.

2.

3.



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DO NOW



Choose the correct word for each sentence:

stowaway **triumphantly** **distinguished**

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“I did it!” exclaimed the small girl _____.

Halfway through the voyage around the world, the captain discovered a _____ on board the ship.

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RETRIEVAL QUESTIONS

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1. Where did Mr and Mrs Brown meet Paddington?
2. How did he get his name?
3. Who were they there to see?
4. What was written on Paddington's suitcase?
5. Where has Paddington come from?
6. What food had Paddington lived off?

Challenge:

Who do you think taught Paddington his manners?

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1. Why did Mrs Brown think her husband was being silly?
2. Why does Paddington puff his chest out?
3. Why has Paddington emigrated?
4. Why is Paddington worried about money?
5. What does Mr Brown think is 'highly irregular'?

Challenge:

What does Paddington think of his new name?

Explain your answer.

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Place these events in the text in the correct order:

- 1. The Browns name the bear, Paddington**
- 2. The bear raises his hat and says, good afternoon**
- 3. Mr Brown sees a bear.**
- 4. The Browns decide to invite the bear to their house**
- 5. The bear said he was a stowaway**

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station was crowded with people on their way to the seaside. Trains were humming, loudspeakers blaring, porters rushing about shouting at one another, and altogether there was so much noise that Mr Brown, who saw him first, had to tell his wife several times before she understood.

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Mr Brown adjusted his glasses. "But there is," he insisted. "I distinctly saw it. Over there – near the bicycle rack. It was wearing a funny kind of hat."

Without waiting for a reply he caught hold of his wife's arm and pushed her through the crowd, round a trolley laden with chocolate and cups of tea, past a bookstall, and through a gap in a pile of suitcases towards the Lost Property Office.

"There you are," he announced triumphantly, pointing towards a dark corner, "I told you so!"

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The bear jumped and his hat nearly fell off with excitement. "Oooh, yes, please. I should like that very much. I've nowhere to go and everyone seems in such a hurry."

"Well, that's settled then," said Mrs Brown, before her husband could change his mind. "And you can have marmalade for breakfast every morning, and – " she tried hard to think of something else that bears might like.

"*Every* morning?" The bear looked as if it could hardly believe its ears. "I only had it on special

occasions at home. Marmalade's very expensive in Darkest Peru."

"Then you shall have it every morning starting tomorrow," continued Mrs Brown. "And honey on Sunday."

A worried expression came over the bear's face. "Will it cost very much?" he asked. "You see, I haven't very much money."

"Of course not. We wouldn't dream of charging you anything. We shall expect you to be one of the family, shan't we, Henry?" Mrs Brown looked at her husband for support.

"Of course," said Mr Brown. "By the way," he added, "if you *are* coming home with us you'd better know our names. This is Mrs Brown and I'm Mr Brown."

The bear raised its hat politely – twice. "I haven't really got a name," he said. "Only a Peruvian one which no one can understand."

"Then we'd better give you an English one," said Mrs Brown. "It'll make things much easier." She looked round the station for inspiration. "It ought to be something special," she said thoughtfully. As she spoke an engine standing in one of the platforms gave a loud wail and a train began to move. "I know what!" she exclaimed. "We found you on Paddington station so we'll call you Paddington!"

"Paddington!" The bear repeated it several times to make sure. "It seems a very long name."

"Quite distinguished," said Mr Brown. "Yes, I like Paddington as a name. Paddington it shall be."

Mrs Brown stood up. "Good. Now, Paddington, I have to meet our little daughter, Judy, off the train. She's coming home from school. I'm sure you must be thirsty after your long journey, so you go along to the buffet with Mr Brown and he'll buy you a nice cup of tea."

Paddington licked his lips. "I'm *very* thirsty," he said. "Sea water makes you thirsty." He picked up his suitcase, pulled his hat down firmly over his head, and waved a paw politely in the direction of the buffet. "After you, Mr Brown."

EXPLANATION QUESTION

THE BIG QUESTION

Should bears stay with people in their homes?

Explain your answer.



PREDICTION QUESTION

Lots of you may have read the book or seen the films about Paddington.

How would you write an adventure for Paddington?

Explain your answer.

