You don’t need to go on a long, expensive holiday to have a good time. Sometimes short trips can be the most interesting ones.

“Our class went to Shakespeare’s Globe Theatre in London to see *Romeo and Juliet*. The theatre was built in 1997 but it’s a copy of the original Globe Theatre. That one was built in 1599. We were in a part of the theatre with no roof, and the day we went it was raining. I wasn’t wearing a coat so I got wet! We were standing close to the stage, so we could see actors very well. They were all fantastic.” Andrew, 12

“I went on a day trip to France with my family. The boat journey is usually only an hour and a half, but there was a storm on the way home and it took much longer than that. I thought the lightning and the rough sea were exciting. My brother didn’t mind them either, but my sister was a bit frightened.” Molly, 11

“My friend and I went to Wembley Stadium to see the singer Britney Spears. I wasn’t very enthusiastic, but my friend wanted to go so he paid for my ticket. I was really surprised – it was a wonderful performance.” Zach, 13

1. **Choose the best alternative title for the text.**
   - a. Holiday stories
   - b. Theatrical and musical performances
   - c. Day trips to remember

2. **Read the text again and answer the questions in your own words.**
   1. What play did Andrew see in London?
      ____________________________________________________________
   2. When was the first Globe Theatre built?
      ____________________________________________________________
   3. What was the weather like?
      ____________________________________________________________
   4. Why did Andrew get wet in the theatre?
      ____________________________________________________________
   5. How long does it usually take to go from England to France by boat?
      ____________________________________________________________
   6. Who didn’t like the storm on the way home from France?
      ____________________________________________________________
   7. How did Zach feel before the concert?
      ____________________________________________________________
   8. Did he feel the same after the concert? Why / Why not?
      ____________________________________________________________
LISTENING:

Listen to two people talking about a programme on TV and complete or answer the sentences.

1 Frank watched a …………………………………………. last night.

2 Silvia thinks programmes like Heroes of the Skies are ……………………………………….

3 When did the engines stop working?

4 Some people on the plane saw …………………………………………………..

5 The plane ………………………………………. the Hudson River.
   a fell into
   b landed on
   c went under a bridge

6 How many passengers were on the plane?

7 Who came first to help the passengers?

Writing

Write about a day trip you went on – to the cinema, the theatre, a museum, a stadium, the beach, or somewhere else. Write about when you went, where you went and who you went with. What was the weather like? What interesting things happened and what were you doing when they happened?