

The Good Eggs Travel the World

Chapter 12: The Journey Ends (August)

The Eggs' journey came to an end as their plane circled the Statue of Liberty and landed in New York City, where they prepared for a meeting with the United Nations officials to discuss their year. After an evening of recapping some of their most memorable moments, they got some much needed rest. In the morning, Ms. Sullivan from the U.N., along with a committee, met the group in the meeting room and introduced the idea of becoming an Ambassador for other children. She explained that an Ambassador is someone who tries to make the world a better place. The Eggs will become Ambassadors in their own hometown of Albumen to teach others about the places they visited by connecting it to service in their community. They were very excited about this opportunity. After a positive meeting of sharing their learning experiences, the Eggs boarded a plane one last time and headed home for Albumen.

Overview:

Lesson:

Chapter Twelve wrapped up the Eggs' year of travel and introduced them to the idea of being Ambassadors in their hometown of Albumen.

The Eggs learned:

- The world is a wonderful place
- The friendship between them had strengthened
- They realized how fortunate they were to be able to make such a trip
- An Ambassador is someone who tries to make the world a better place
- They would take what they learned abroad and connect it to service in their hometown

Individual Learning Experiences and Observations:

- Seggourney learned about peace. When she was gazing at the Victoria Falls in Zambia, she felt an overwhelming sense of peace and decided that she can take that feeling and apply it to the world. She is going to try and bring peace to all situations, large or small.
- Greggory learned about perseverance. He thought about all of the trouble he had with his
 ankle, especially in Norway. Being that close to the top of the world helped him feel like he
 could do anything, and he knew that feeling of determination would help him get through any
 kind of trouble that came his way.
- *Megg* learned about open-mindedness. She realized that different cultures have different ways of doing things. When she found out she didn't ruin Bani's wedding dress with her henna dye,

she was extremely relieved. This opened her mind to other traditions and cultures and learned to get the facts before jumping to conclusions.

- Reggie was fascinated by the Great Barrier Reef as he snorkeled and admired the sea creatures. As he gazed into the eyes of a sea turtle, he had a realization that he was intruding into someone's "home," and that he had to be respectful and polite as their guest. He also realized that he will be welcoming to guests in his own hometown.
- *Peggy* made a statement about the wonderful friendships she found through the Eggs. She was grateful they were always there for her through her rough times at home. Their support meant everything. She realized the importance of helping each other and being supportive.
- Benedict spoke last. He said although he had to leave his friends after their time in Italy, they
 helped him to stay positive and enjoy their time together. This had a lasting impression on him.
 Benedict realized that being positive in tough situations can make a big difference. He is always
 going to try and look on the bright side of things.

Ms. Sullivan gave each of the Eggs a beautiful gold medal attached to a red, white, and blue ribbon. She placed them around their necks. The Eggs were very proud, and so were their parents, Coach Flo, and especially Ms. Poach! The meeting wrapped up with a poem they wrote about their travels:

We traveled the world and learned a lot, too
Eduardo, Paison, and Lishy helped us through.
Takumi and Ojii-san made us smile,
While Rashi and Bani showed us some style.
Sami, his dad, and little Zahra lost,
Showed us the value of love at all cost.
Yosef, Dalia, and their family true,
Helped us to see the bond that runs through.
Angelo and Margherita were a lot of fun,
While Zio Pietro and Zia Ida made us eat a ton!
Svana then showed us most breathtaking views,
While Uncle Ian and Aunt Bonnie treated us like headline news!
The people we met while traveling all around,
Were all Good Eggs, for sure - the best to be found!

Activities:

Have a conversation! Ask each research group what they learned from *The Good Eggs Travel the World*. Did they realize some of the same things the Eggs realized? Did they learn something different? What was their favorite country to visit and why? Which Egg do they relate to most? Answer the same questions yourself and share your findings with your young readers.

Help your young readers write a poem about the world just like the Eggs did. Include some of the answers from the above questions. It will be challenging (and fun!) to rhyme your thoughts together.

Materials:

• Poster board, markers, crayons

This is your last poster! Get it ready and divide it into four sections. Have each group write their answers to the above conversation in their section of the poster board. Hang it next to your Scotland poster. Your travel abroad is now complete – what a masterpiece it must be!

Take photos of it with the students – share them with the entire school!



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