



Book 5

Welcome Home



Read about being homesick before watching the fifth video of the Zach and Helen series.

Paragraph: Homesick?

Traveling can be a great **experience**. You meet new friends, **discover** new places, try new foods, and learn a lot about cultures very different from your own. However, it can be difficult to **be away** from your friends and family for a long time. The feeling of missing your friends and family is called being **homesick**. So what can we do about it?

Before the internet, people had to **rely** on **postal services** to communicate with people back home. Fortunately, nowadays we have quick and convenient communication because of great **technological breakthroughs**. Nonetheless, there is still nothing like getting something in the mail. A great way to **include** your loved ones in your adventure is to send them a **postcard**!

- 1 Which country would you like to visit? Why? (Hint: places, food, culture)

- 2 What would make you homesick during time away from home? Why? (Hint: family, friends)

3 What is your favorite way to communicate, the internet or pen and paper? Why?

4 What is your favorite electronic device? Why?

5 From where and from whom would you like to receive a postcard? Why?

English words can have different meanings in different contexts.

- A** Use your dictionary to learn more about these words.
- B** Match the words with the definition that matches the context of the paragraph.

Experience (n.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> missing your home when you are traveling
Discover (v.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a life event that leaves an impression (e.g., a holiday)
Be away	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to depend on something or someone for a need or want
Homesick (n.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> explore and get to know a new area or activity
Rely (v.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> stories, people, and events from the past
Postal services (n.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to spend time apart from usual places or people
technological breakthroughs (n.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to let someone share in an experience important developments in the applied sciences
Include (v.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the organizations that receive and deliver mail
Postcard (n.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> card for sending a message by post without an envelope

Watch the video and circle the correct answer.

1. Which place is more crowded according to Zach?
 - the airport
 - the soccer stadium
 - the museum
2. What is Helen happy about that normally doesn't happen in a Museum?
 - they saw a famous painting
 - they bought souvenirs
 - she got her ball signed
3. Who did Helen think about when she saw the painting?
 - mother
 - grandmother
 - teacher
4. Who is ready to be back to Taiwan?
 - Helen
 - Zach
 - both
5. How long did Helen and Zach travel for?
 - one month
 - two weeks
 - ten days

Watch the video and circle the True or False for each statement.

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| 1 | Zach enjoys his airplane food. | True | False |
| 2 | Helen prefers Taiwanese over French bread. | True | False |
| 3 | Zach wants to visit Qatar again. | True | False |
| 4 | Helen wants the window closed. | True | False |
| 5 | Zach meets a famous French athlete on the plane. | True | False |
| 6 | Zach buys Helen a French hat. | True | False |
| 7 | Helen thinks Zach is still annoying. | True | False |
| 8 | Zach is afraid of the turbulence. | True | False |
| 9 | Helen finally enjoys looking out the window. | True | False |
| 10 | Helen imagines her father cooking for them. | True | False |

Use your imagination to write someone you love a postcard from Paris.

Remember to greet the recipient, and sign with your name and a goodbye at the end.

POSTCARD



from:

to:

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