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Postcards by Boat

ENGLISH STORYBOOK / A2



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A boat with a question



After the rain, a thin stream ran along the edge of the park path. Max folded a blue paper boat. He drew a little house on one side and wrote a question inside it. “Where do you live?” He wanted to see how far his question could travel. He put the boat in the stream and followed it on foot.

The quiet bridge



The boat sailed under a low footbridge. Max ran to the other side, but the water there was empty. A girl with long braids stood on the bridge. “Did you see a blue boat?” he called. She shook her head. Then she pointed. A blue corner was moving beside a brown leaf, just under the bridge.

A long arm



Max could see the boat, but his arm was too short. The girl found a long twig. She lay down on the dry path and gently pushed the leaf away. The boat came out. “I’m Ada,” she said. She read the question and laughed. “Wait here. I have an answer.” She opened her bag and took out some yellow paper.

The return trip



Max waited by the next bend. A yellow boat came slowly toward him. Inside, Ada had drawn a window, three flowerpots and the park gate. “I live across from your blue house!” she called. Max looked up. From his window he could see those three pots every morning. He had sent his question a few steps down a path and found a neighbor.

AFTER THE STORY

Back to the story

1 **Why did the blue boat stop?**

2 **How does Max know which window is Ada's?**

YOUR TURN

Draw a postcard that gives two clues about an imaginary home.

THREE WORDS FROM THE STORY

stream • water that moves in one direction

twig • a very small branch

bend • a place where something turns