



### Flying is Fun

Marco had never flown on an airplane before. He was very nervous as he rolled his suitcase toward the departing gate. A very nice lady checked his ticket and told him it was time to board. When he and his father found their seats, they put on their seatbelts and waited for the plane to take off. Marco clutched the armrests of his seat so tightly his knuckles turned white.

"How long will we be in the air?" asked Marco.

"About three hours," answered his father. "But don't worry, I brought books and games. The time will pass quickly."

Marco started to relax a little when his father read him a funny story. Then they played card games and read some more. Before Marco knew it, the flight was over, and the plane was landing. As they walked off the plane and out into the airport terminal, Marco saw another boy about his age getting ready to board a different plane. Marco thought the boy looked a little worried, and he remembered how that felt.

"Don't be scared," he said with a big, friendly smile. "Flying is fun."

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**Directions:** Please choose the correct answer and write its alphabet letter on the space in front of the appropriate question.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. In the story, who was flying for the first time?                      a. very nervous
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2.. Who was flying with Marco?    b. Marco
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. How did Marco feel about his first plane trip?                      c. books and games
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. What had Marco's father brought to pass the time?                      d. his father
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. What did Marco say to a worried little boy he saw?                      e. "Flying is fun."