

Preparing for the journey

Rosa is from Spain. She lives in a small flat in Madrid with her mother. Rosa's mother is called Maruja.

Tomorrow is a big day for Rosa. She is going to the airport. She is flying to London. She will stay with an English family in Wembley, West London.

Maruja is a little sad. She likes her daughter, but tomorrow she will have to say goodbye.

Rosa is putting three books in her suitcase. Maruja is watching her. The suitcase looks very heavy.

"Do you need all those books?" Maruja asks.

"Yes, mummy! The yellow book is a Spanish English dictionary and the red one is a Tourist Guide to London."

"But do you need that big, black book?"

"Yes, of course, mummy! The black book's very important. It's about children. My English family has two young children and I'm going to look after them."

Rosa is very interested in children. Last year, she studied Psychology at university. Maruja likes children too, but she does not know about Psychology.

"But, Rosa ... the black book's in Spanish! It's about Spanish children!"

"No, mummy! It's about European children. We're all Europeans now! My psychology book's international!"

"I don't know about psychology, but I know about you. You're my child. You've got Spanish culture and habits."

"What do you mean, mummy?"

"I mean that you have a good Catholic education, you like good food, you have lunch at 3 p.m. and dinner at 10 p.m. You like sun and you don't like rain. British children are different!"

Avant de répondre aux questions, surligner dans le texte avec quatre couleurs différentes :

Les mots et expressions qui concernent les lieux

Les mots et expressions qui concernent le temps

Les mots et expressions qui concernent les personnages

Les mots et expressions qui portent sur les objets

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Say if it is TRUE; correct it if it is FALSE.

1. Rosa is Maruja's daughter.
2. She is going to stay in a hotel.
3. There is a French English dictionary in Rosa's suitcase.
4. Rosa needs the black book.
5. She is going to look after three children.
6. She does not like children.
7. Maruja studied Psychology at university.
8. The black book is in English.
9. It is only about Spanish children.
10. Spanish people have lunch at 1 p.m.