



Write a Story...

with Storyteller Jane from



Once upon a time people could only dream of flying. Inventing, building, and flying an airship across the world was a huge achievement and an exciting adventure for everyone involved.

What an amazing story the first airship passengers had to tell about the day they flew to Canada in the R100 airship.

Imagine you could fly away on an adventure. Where would you go? Who would you meet? Here you can have a go at making up your own story about "The Day I Flew Away". Follow the 7 story steps below.

STEP 1. THE BEGINNING

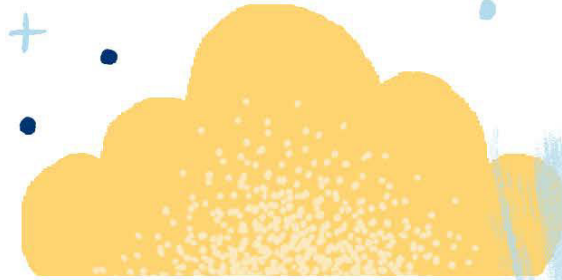
Midnight Dawn Sunset Midday

Teatime Breakfast time

...or another time?

You can choose from one of the examples, or write your own idea in each box!

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STEP 2. HOW DID YOU FLY AWAY?

Spaceship Helicopter Airship

Hot air balloon Eagle Flying carpet

...or another way?

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Could you fly away to another country, a make-believe land or somewhere you know?



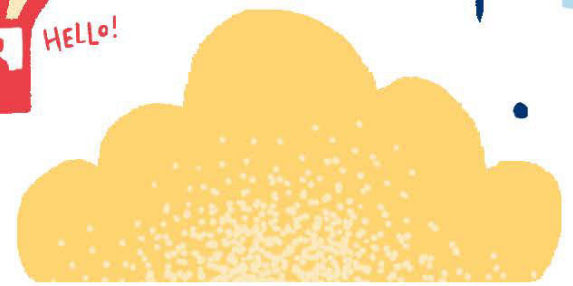
STEP 3. WHERE DID YOU FLY TO?

Castle Forest Mars

Canada Seaside Desert

...or somewhere else?

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Step 4. Introduce another character.

Who did you meet in your story?

Pilot Lion Scientist Royalty
Alien Gran ...or someone else?

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Every adventure needs excitement, a problem to overcome, or a bit of danger to make the story interesting. What could that be?



Perhaps a character is in trouble or something has happened to your flying machine?

Step 5. What is the problem?

Someone or something could be....

Trapped Lost Hungry
Broken Stolen Attacked

...or something else?



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Step 6. Resolution. How do you overcome the problem?

You or the character in your story could....

Mend Save Magic Unlock
Find Win ...or something else?

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inspiration, go to
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Step 7. The End

Happily, ever after Back in time for tea
No one would believe me It had all been a dream
It would never happen again
Everyone said I was a hero ...or something else?

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Now, write your story down, adding in more details and descriptions. Perhaps you could find out more about the true story of the R100 airship flight. Can you find someone to tell your story to?

Now illustrate your story with pictures here!



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