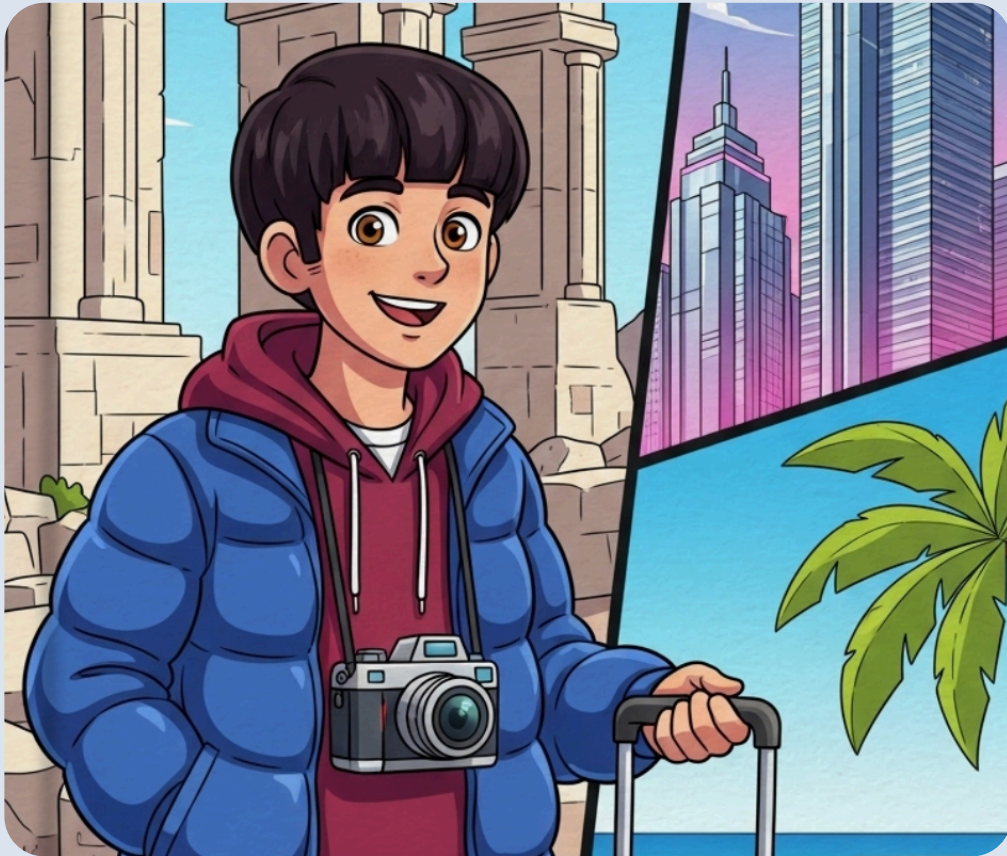


# Alex's World Tour



Alex is a student who loves to explore new horizons. He has a big map in his room with many colorful pins. "I have visited five different countries so far," Alex says proudly. He is always planning his next big adventure. Traveling is his favorite hobby because he loves learning about the world. He wants to see everything from tall skyscrapers to old ruins.



His first stop is an ancient city in Italy. Alex is amazed by the historic site. "The architecture here is fascinating!" he exclaims while looking at the stone arches. He has never seen such old buildings before. Everything feels like a page from a history book. He spends the whole afternoon taking photos of the beautiful statues and columns.



While exploring the ruins, Alex meets his friend Silas. Silas lives in the city and knows many secrets about the ruins. "Have you ever been to the top of the tower?" Silas asks. Alex shakes his head. Silas explains that the view from the top is incredible because you can see the whole valley. Together, they start climbing the old stone steps.

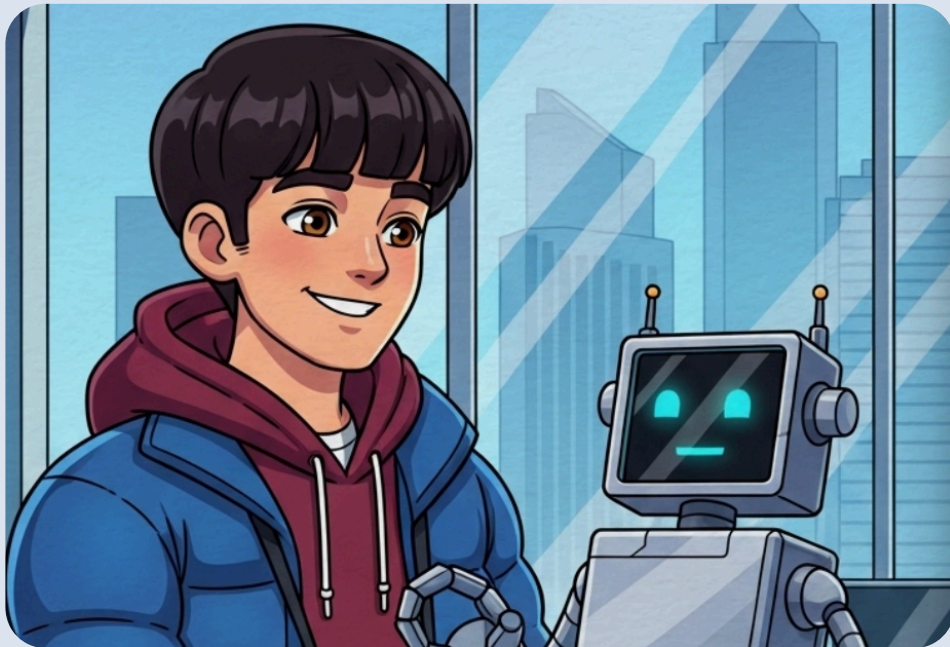


After Italy, Alex travels to a busy urban center in Japan.

The streets are very crowded and full of bright neon lights. "This city is more exciting than my hometown!" Alex thinks. He watches the thousands of people crossing the street at the same time. It is a very loud and fast-paced place, but Alex finds it wonderful.



Alex looks at the tall skyscrapers and compares them to the rural areas he visited before. "Urban life is very different from the countryside," he says. He likes the city, but it is much noisier than the quiet villages. However, he prefers the city for shopping because there are so many unique stores. He visits a technology shop and buys a small robot.



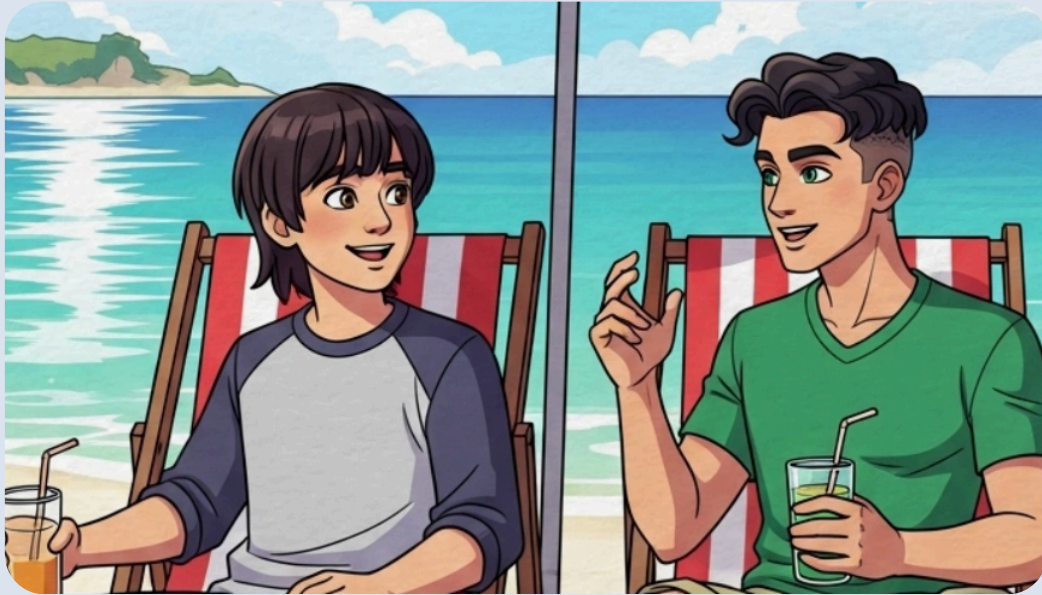
Next, Alex visits a quiet seaside resort. The air is fresh and the water is crystal clear. "The seaside is cleaner than the urban center," Alex notes as he walks on the sand. This place is not crowded at all. It is a perfect destination for relaxing and reading a book under a palm tree. He feels very peaceful here.



Alex has to choose where to stay. He looks at an expensive all-inclusive resort and a small bed and breakfast. "I'd rather stay at a bed and breakfast," Alex decides. He chooses the smaller hotel because it feels more like home. He likes the local breakfast and the friendly owners. The resort is too big for him.



Silas joins Alex at the beach for a day of fun. They talk about their favorite types of holidays. "I prefer historic sites to modern cities," Silas says. Alex agrees but adds, "I like both, but the seaside is more relaxing than the ruins." They spend the afternoon swimming and talking about the different places they have visited this year.



“Have you ever been to a desert?” Alex asks Silas. Silas says he hasn’t, but he would like to go. Alex looks at a travel brochure and thinks about his next trip. “I’d rather visit a cold place next time,” Alex says, “because I want to see the snow.” He compares a trip to the mountains with a trip to the jungle.



Alex's world tour is almost over, but his love for travel will never end. He packs his suitcase and prepares to go home. He has many new memories and photos to share with his classmates. "Every destination is special," Alex says. He is already dreaming of his next journey to a new, incredible part of the world.





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