

## The Family's First Trip

Thomas lived in a small town with only 2,000 people. It was June 12th and Thomas was excited. His family was planning a trip to Atlanta to visit his aunt. Unlike his home town, Atlanta is a big city. Thomas had never traveled to a big city before. He had to decide what to bring. It was a two day car trip. So he needed to take along things to keep him busy in the car. He was reading a book and decided to bring it. But he realized that he couldn't read all the time in the car. If he read too much he would get dizzy. He had to think of something that wouldn't use his eyes. He decided to bring his CD player and favorite CDs.

Thomas knew that they would be going out to dinner. Another night they were going to a country music show. He brought long pants and a shirt for going out to dinner. But the music show would be outside. He brought a pair of shorts and a tee shirt for that. He had enough clothes, books, and CDs. What else did he need? He almost forgot his toothbrush and pajamas! He would have been embarrassed if he had forgotten them!

The first day of driving went quickly for Thomas as he read and listened to his CDs. His parents were looking for a hotel to stay in. Thomas and his sister begged their parents to find a place with a swimming pool. Luckily they had remembered to pack their swimming suits. Their parents found a small hotel with a heated pool. Thomas and his sister got in their suits and spent an hour in the pool before dinner. The first part of their trip was fun. They looked forward to seeing their aunt the next day.



Narrative

**Concept Questions:**

What does it mean to travel?  
 travel everywhere  
 (3-2-1-0)

What can children do to keep themselves busy on long rides in a car?  
 DS - going to M in my car  
 bring snack  
 (3-2-0-0)

What kinds of things should you pack if you are going on an overnight trip?  
 clothes, hair stuff, toothbrush  
 (3-2-1-0)

How does the weather affect what you bring along on a trip?  
 hot, sunfan lotion  
 (3-2-1-0)

Score: 6.5 / 12 = 54 %  
 \_\_\_\_\_ FAM \_\_\_\_\_ UNFAM

**Prediction:**  
 Trip take a long time & will be bored

Unlike <sup>it</sup> his home town, Atlanta is a big city. Thomas had never <sup>ever</sup> traveled to a big city before. He had to decide what to bring. It was a two day <sup>S</sup> car <sup>P</sup> trip. So he needed to take along things to keep him busy in the car. He was reading a book and <sup>decided</sup> to bring it. But he realized that he couldn't <sup>MC</sup> read all the time in the car. If he read too much he would get dizzy. He had to think of something that wouldn't use his eyes. He decided to bring his CD player and favorite CDs.

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(304 words)

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# Level: Two

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| Number of Total Miscues<br>(Total Accuracy): <u>25</u>   |                            |
| Number of Meaning-Change Miscues<br>(Total Acceptability): <u>4</u>                                  |                            |
| <b>Total Accuracy</b>  | <b>Total Acceptability</b> |
| 0-6 miscues <input type="checkbox"/> Independent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0-6 miscues     |                            |
| 7-30 miscues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Instructional <input type="checkbox"/> 7-15 miscues |                            |
| 31+ miscues <input type="checkbox"/> Frustration <input type="checkbox"/> 16+ miscues                |                            |
| Rate: $304 \times 60 = 18,240$ / _____ seconds = _____ WPM   |                            |
| Correct WPM: $(304 - \text{_____ errors}) \times 60 =$<br>_____ / _____ seconds = _____ CWPM         |                            |

## Retelling Scoring Sheet for "The Family's First Trip"

### Setting/Background

- Thomas lived in a small town with only 2,000 people.
- It was June 12th.
- and Thomas was excited.

### Goal

- 3 His family was planning a trip to Atlanta
- 5 to visit his aunt.
- Atlanta is a big city.
- Thomas had never traveled to a big city before.
- 1 He had to decide what to bring.
- It was a two day car trip.
- 10 He needed to take along things to keep him busy in the car.

### Events

- He was reading a book and decided to bring it.
- He couldn't read all the time.

- He would get dizzy in the car.
- He had to think of something that wouldn't use his eyes.
- 6 He decided to bring his CD player and favorite CDs.
- 9
- They would be going out to dinner.
- They were going to a country music show.
- 8 He brought long pants and a shirt for going out to dinner.
- But the music show would be outside.
- He brought a pair of shorts and a tee shirt for that.
- 7
- He almost forgot his toothbrush and pajamas!
- He would have been embarrassed if he had forgotten them!
- The first day of driving went quickly as he read and listened to his CDs.
- His parents were looking for a hotel to stay in.
- Thomas and his sister begged their parents to find a place with a swimming pool.
- They had remembered to pack their swimming suits.
- Their parents found a small hotel with a heated pool.
- Thomas and his sister got in their suits and spent an hour in the pool before dinner.
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- The first part of their trip was fun.
- They looked forward to seeing their aunt the next day.

52 Ideas

Number of ideas recalled: \_\_\_\_\_

Other ideas recalled, including inferences:

*better if not in order*

# Level Two

## Questions for "The Family's First Trip"

1. Who is the main character in this story?  
Explicit: Thomas

2. How does Thomas feel about the trip to Atlanta?  
Implicit: excited, concerned; worried

3. What was Thomas's problem?  
Implicit: to decide what to bring on the trip

nothing

4. What does Thomas decide to bring?  
Explicit: Book, CD player, and CDs

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1 shirt, pants

5. Why does Thomas decide to take his CDs along and not just books?  
Implicit: he gets dizzy if he uses his eyes too much

to listen to music

6. Why has Thomas decided to bring shorts and a tee shirt?  
Implicit: they are going to an outdoor country music show

7. Name two things that Thomas almost forgot to pack.  
Explicit: toothbrush and pajamas

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8. Where do Thomas and his sister want to stay after the first day of driving?  
Explicit: a place with a swimming pool

Number Correct Explicit: 3

Number Correct Implicit: 2

Total: 5

— Independent: 7–8 correct

— Instructional: 6 correct

Frustration: less than 6 correct