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A GREAT TRAIN DAY OUT

by Oliver Peace

I went to the railway museum in York.
There was lots to see and do.



I sorted all the letters to go on the night train. The letters get to the post office the next morning.



I made a train puzzle called the Rocket. It was the first passenger train to travel in England. It was invented by George Stephenson.

I went on a little train with Xanthe, Susan and Dad. We went through the tunnel.



Next we went on a big train. The guard let me wave his flag to start the train. I had to get on quickly before the train went.



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GOING OUT ON A COUNTRY WALK

by Oliver Peace

In April I went for a walk at Strid in the countryside. Mum, Dad, Susan and Graham went in the car.

We drove to a restaurant and met Bridget, John and Xanthe. For lunch I had some chips.

Then we went for a walk by the river.



There was a little beach next to the river. I saw a waterfall and lots of trees.



We walked to the top.
The water was very fast and deep.



After a long walk I had a lolly and Xanthe had an ice-cream.



The river goes under the bridge and down the hill. There are stepping stones to get across the river. You have to be careful or you will get wet feet!

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YORK, NORTH YORK MOORS & WHITBY

by Oliver Peace

In April we went on holiday to York and North Yorkshire. We slept in a Travel Lodge. First we went to York. We went on a boat trip on the River Ouse. I saw lots of other boats like this rowing boat.



In York there are lots of very old buildings. Some of the streets are narrow. A long time ago the Vikings lived in York.



I went on the North York Moors Railway. There are steam trains going along the track. I like the sounds that the trains make.



The next day we went to Whitby. It is by the sea. It was quite windy. I saw this boat that is called Bark Endeavor. I think it looks like a pirate ship.



Dad and I climbed to the top of the lighthouse. There are 81 steps.



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GET STEAMED UP AT NOSTELL

by Oliver Peace

We went to the steam fair at Nostell in the spring.

I listened to the steam organ.



There were lots of instruments on the steam organ. The steam made the instruments play. The men put coal in the fire to make the hot water into steam.



I went on a carousel. My horse was called Tim, I went round and round. I watched the show. First there was a tractor parade.



Next there were some dogs and birds of prey. A big falcon flew past my knees. The big steam engines came next. We had a picnic lunch.



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IN THE CAPITAL CITY

by Oliver Peace

In June we went to London. We went on a GNER train from Wakefield Westgate to London Kings Cross. We slept in the hotel called County Hall. It is next to the London Eye.



In the evening we walked to Piccadilly Circus. There are lots of signs and lights. There is a new light with a movie of cola. There are cola bottles going on an underground train.



The next day we walked to Trafalgar Square. In my picture you can see Big Ben.



I went for a ride on the duck boat. It can drive on the roads and float in the River Thames. The duck boat goes all around London.



We went on the London Eye. I could see a long way from the top.



At the theatre I saw Chitty, Chitty, Bang, Bang. It is my favourite show. I like all the songs and the flying car.

Mum and Dad took me to the London Transport Museum at Covent Garden. I saw old buses, trams and trains. I drove an underground train.



At night we had a long walk around the city. I took lots of photos. This is my photo of Buckingham Palace. It is the Queen's house but she was out – there was no Union Jack flag flying.



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MY HOLIDAY IN JULY 2004

by Oliver Peace

I went to Disneyland Resort Paris with Mum and Dad. I have been there lots of times. It is my favourite place to go.



It was nice and sunny. It did not rain in the daytime. I took a lot of photographs with my new Fuji camera.



We stayed in the Hotel New York. Here is me outside the shop next to the balloons. There is a swimming pool in the Hotel. You can swim indoors or outdoors.

We went on lots of rides and saw the parades and shows. I like to go on Big Thunder Mountain best. It is a train that goes very fast. I like the Tarzan show, I played a bucket and went on the stage.



In the daytime I watched the Princesses Parade. There was Snow White, Little Mermaid and Cinderella.

At night time I watched the Fantillusion Parade and the fireworks.



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HOW ARE SHADOWS MADE?

by Oliver Peace

I went outside on a bright day in the Summer. Mum drew around my feet. Then she drew around my shadow.



In the morning my shadow was long and thin.

I measured my shadow.



At noon my shadow was shorter and faced North. The sun was in the South.



My shadow moved as the Earth moved around the sun.



In the evening my shadow was long and thin again. It faced East. The sun was setting in the West and was low in the sky.

It is not the Sun that moves across the sky. It only looks like the Sun moves because the Earth is turning around. This is called orbiting the Sun.

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BACK IN TIME AT MURTON PARK

by Oliver Peace



At Murton Park there are buildings from long ago.

We went in the Celtic round house. They had a fire in the middle and a chimney in the roof. The walls were made from wood and mud.



At the Roman fort I marched around the wall. The Roman soldiers had to keep a look out.



I drove on an old tractor in the playground.



The Viking Village has houses with straw roofs. The Vikings had shops and farms to get their food.

There was a little train that went from this old station. I had a ride along the track.



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IN THE NORTH EAST OF ENGLAND

by Oliver Peace

In August we went on holiday to Northumbria and Newcastle in the North of England.

We went to Alnwick Garden. There was a big waterfall that had squirting and dancing waters.



We walked into the town and had our lunch.

After that we went to the beach at Alnmouth. It was a great beach with a lot of sand to play on. I went in the sea but it was freezing cold.



We went to see the Angel of the North. It is massive!



The next day we went to Beamish Museum. There are old buildings like a town and a farm. I went for a ride on the Rocket train. I looked in the old school and wrote my name on the slate.

I rode on an old bus and a tram.



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HAVING FUN ON THE BEACH

by Oliver Peace

In August we went to the seaside with Susan, Graham, John, Bridget and my friend Xanthe. It was a very sunny day.

We played cricket in the park, I was the bowler. We had fish and chips for lunch. Then we went on the beach and had a paddle in the sea.



Xanthe and I played hopscotch on the sand. Then we played in the sea.



We built a sandcastle. I filled up the bucket and Xanthe put the castles down. The castle had 5 sides like a pentagon.



The tide was coming in fast. John helped us to dig a river so the sea could come round the castle. We had to dig quickly. In the end the sea washed the sandcastle away.

It was a fun day at Bridlington.



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ROMAN SOLDIER VISITS SCHOOL

by Oliver Peace

A Roman soldier came to Dad's school in October. He showed the children all the things he had to carry. They were very heavy.



I tried on the Roman helmet. It was heavy and squashed me!



The Romans came to Britain about 2000 years ago. The jobs they did were conquer, control, build and patrol. The people who lived in Britain didn't like the Romans. Some of the people were made to be soldiers and help the Romans. A girl tried on a costume that a Celt would have worn.



The Roman Army tried to conquer all the world. They only managed to conquer some of it. It would take 15 years to walk all the way around the countries the Romans conquered.

The Romans built lots of long, straight roads so they could get to places quickly. You can still see some Roman roads today.

When I went on my holiday in August I went to Hadrian's Wall.

It was built by the Romans. The wall was made to keep the Scottish people out of England. At Chester's Fort there is a big bath house that the Roman soldiers used to get clean in.



You can still see parts of the fort because it is made from stone and it lasts for many years. Under the floor they left spaces which had hot water in them to keep the rooms warm.

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PLAY AND EXPLORE OUTSIDE

by Oliver Peace

We went to Conkers Park near Leicester. It was a nice sunny day but a bit cold. First we had a walk around to see what to do. Xanthe wanted to go in the labyrinth. It is like a maze with only one way out. There were clues about animals.



Then we went to the adventure course. There were lots of things to do.



I went on the climbing net. It was hard to climb because it was wobbly. I climbed over and down the other side.

I went on the high rope climb with Dad. I had to go up a big wood ladder. It was a long way up.



Next we all went on the rope bridge. It was swinging a bit and Graham made it wobble.



Last we went across a very stretchy bridge. I nearly got wet feet.

