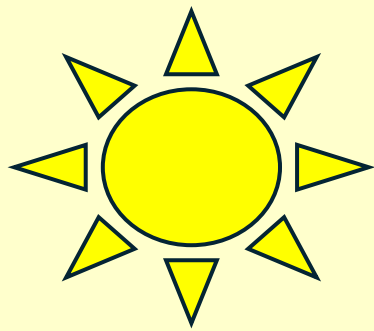
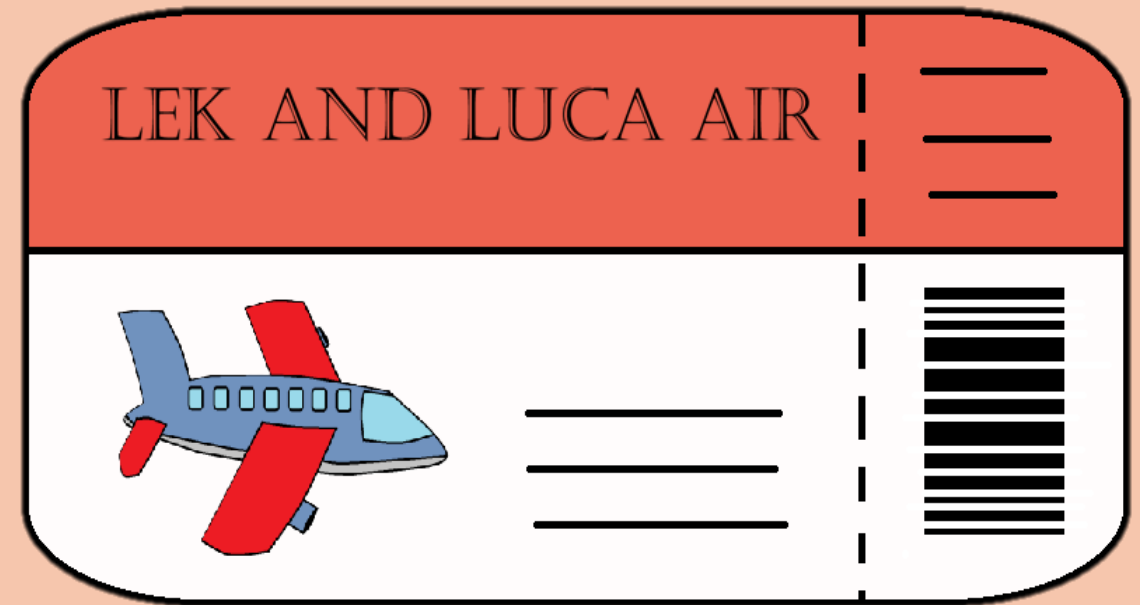




Lek and Luca go on holiday

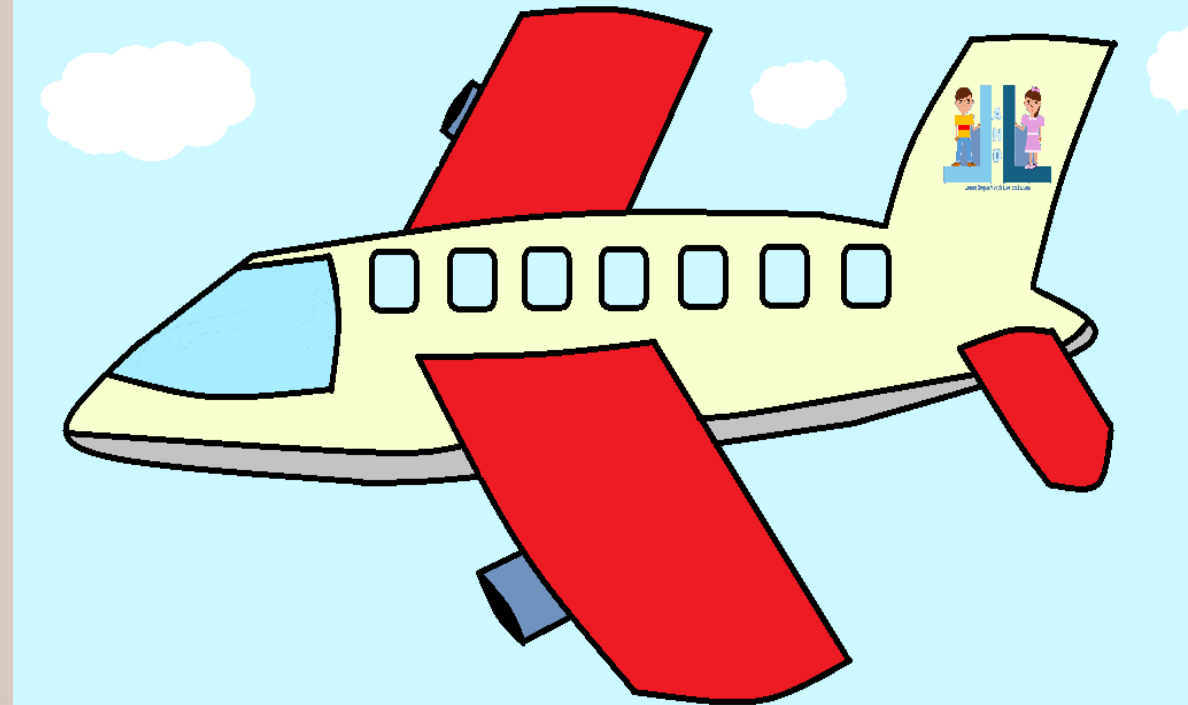


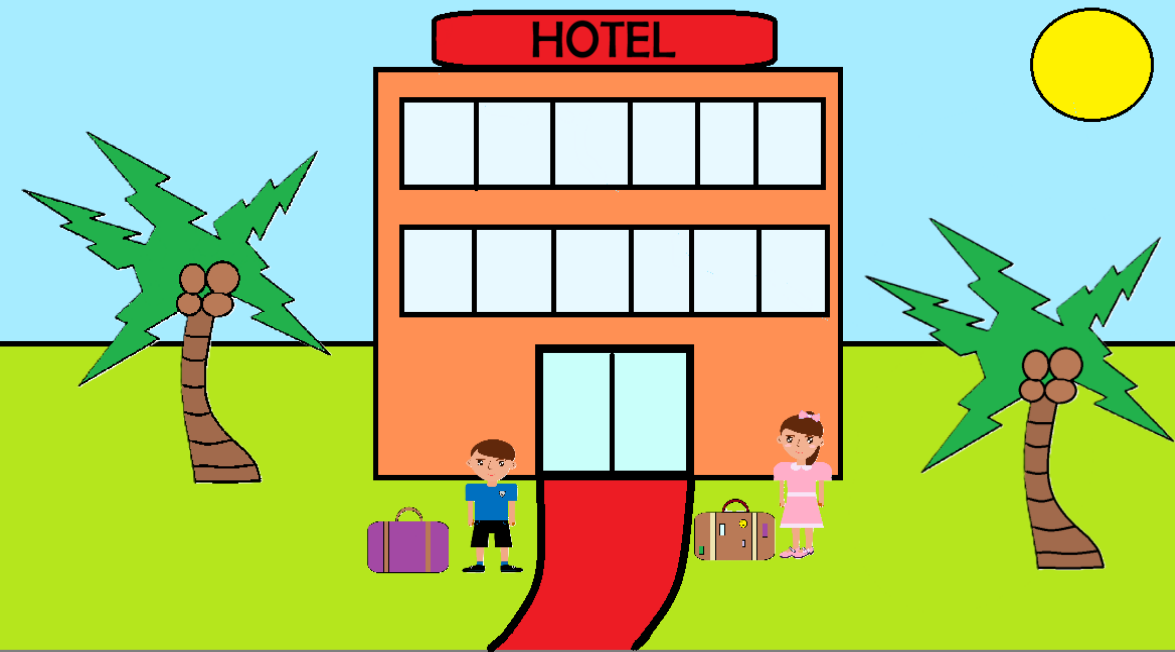
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Lek and Luca were going on holiday and were very excited. The whole family had been busy planning the trip including finding flights and booking a hotel. Mum and Dad had put together an itinerary so that the whole family would have something to do each day.

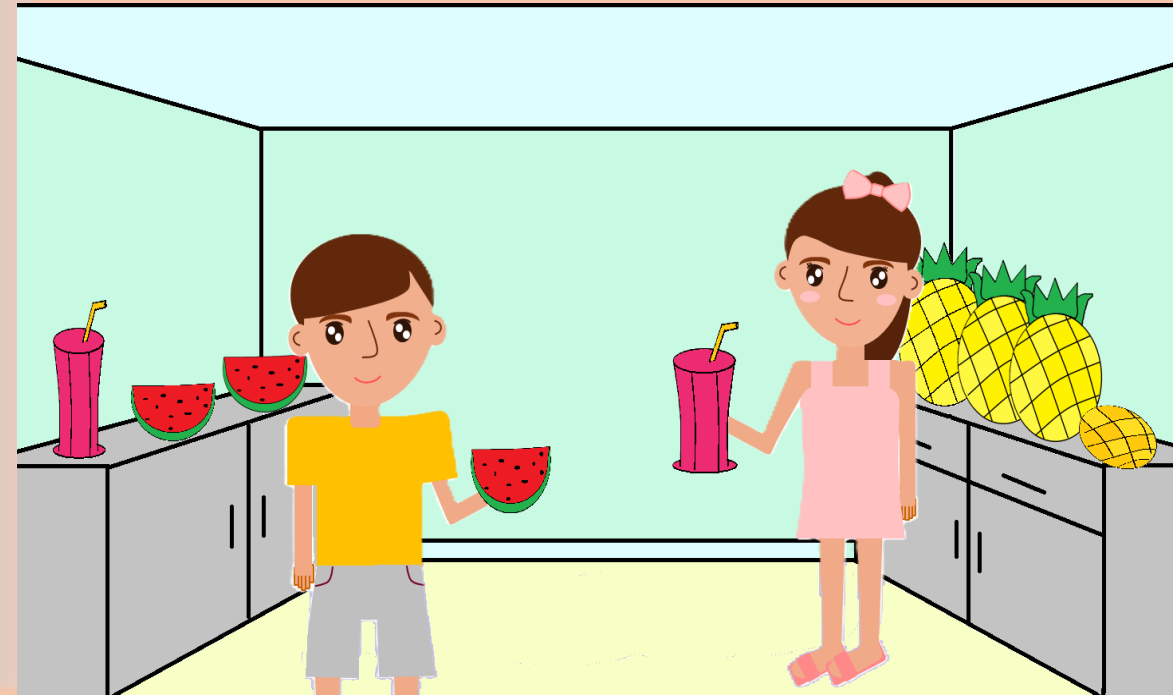
Dad drove to the airport so they could catch a flight to a beautiful beach resort in Thailand. The airport was busy, and it took a long time to check everyone in. Once they were in the departure lounge Lek and Luca could see the airplane they'd fly to Thailand on.

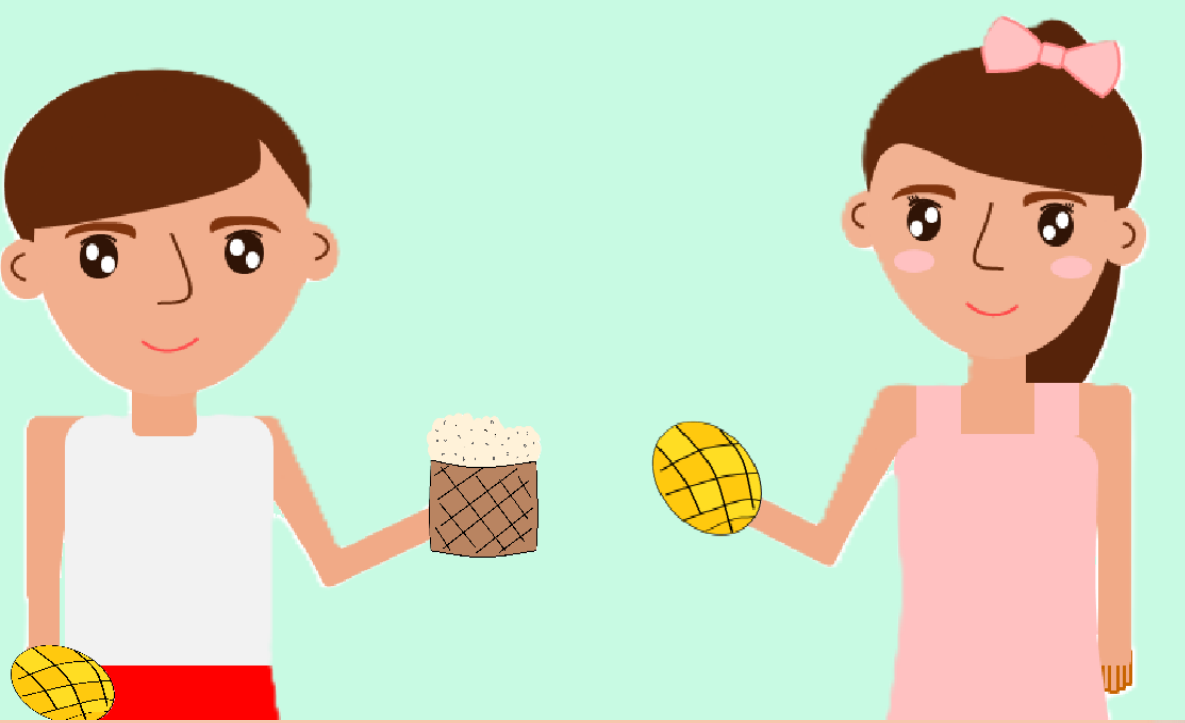




The flight took a long time and when they finally arrived in Thailand they had to transfer to their hotel. A taxi took them to their hotel, and Mum and Dad were kept very busy trying to check the whole family in.

Once they were in their hotel room it was time to unpack, and Lek and Luca started to wonder when their holiday would actually begin. Once they'd unpacked, they got dressed for dinner. The food was different to home, but delicious with lots of soups to try, and exotic fruits to eat.

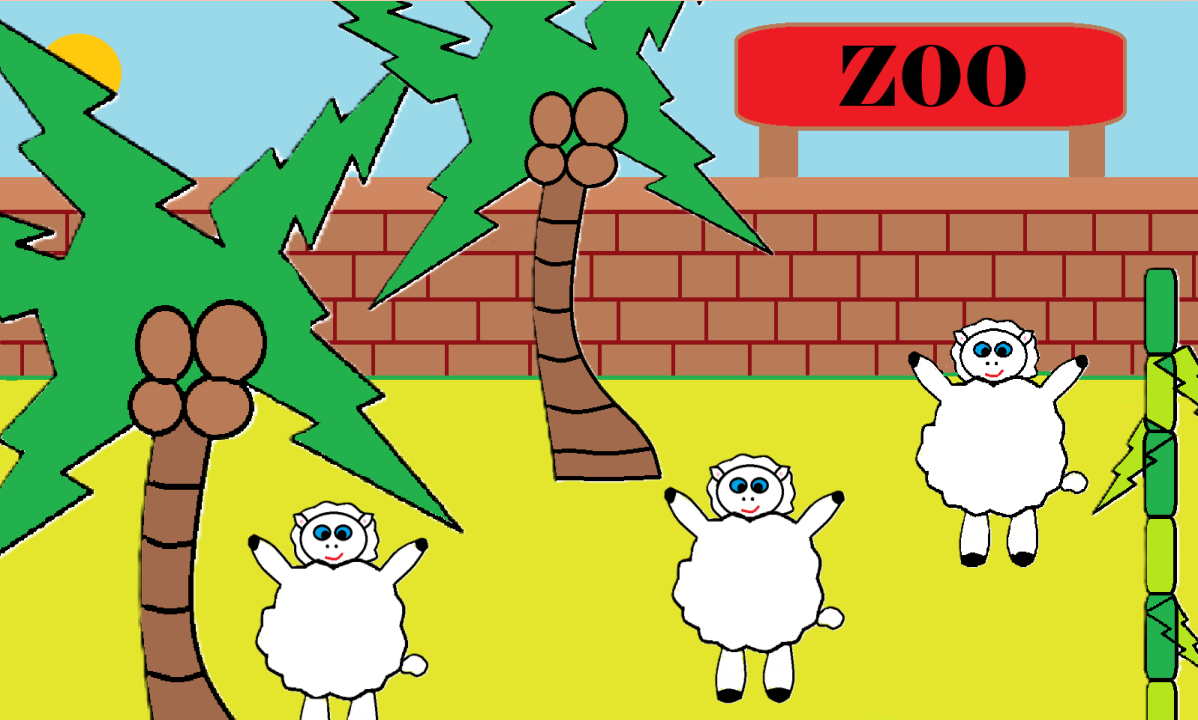




The next morning everyone got up early and went down to breakfast. They had lot's more fruit to eat with sticky rice. Once they had finished breakfast it was time to start their holiday for real. The first thing they wanted to do was go to the beach.

On the beach they found many things to do. They rode on a banana boat and snorkelled in the coral close to the beach. After a day in the hot sun everyone was tired, and the time went by very quickly.

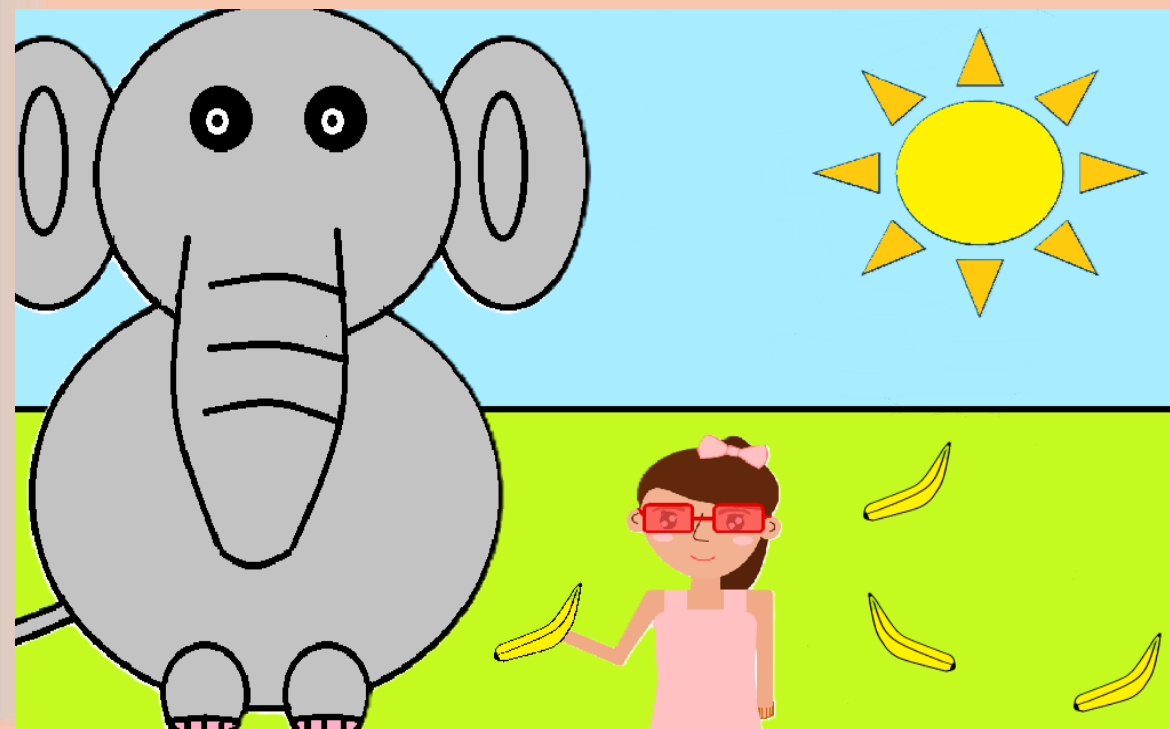


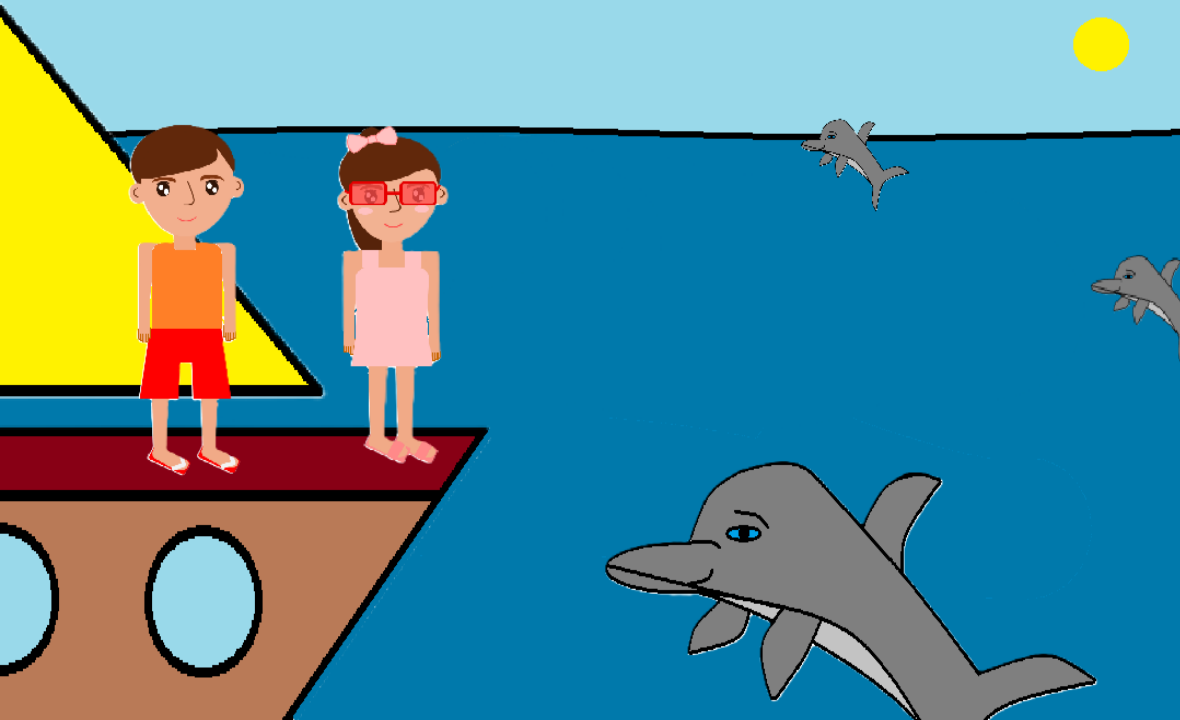


The next day dad organized a trip to a local zoo. The zoo was amazing, but Lek and Luca were confused because they recognized a lot of the animals. There were rabbits, horses and even some sheep. "That's not a surprise," said Mum. When we go to the zoo at home we see animals from other countries, so these animals must look quite exotic here."

For their next trip Mum arranged for the family to ride on some elephants. This sounded very scary to Lek, but the elephants were friendly and loved to eat the bananas everyone fed them.

"This is the best holiday ever," Lek beamed.





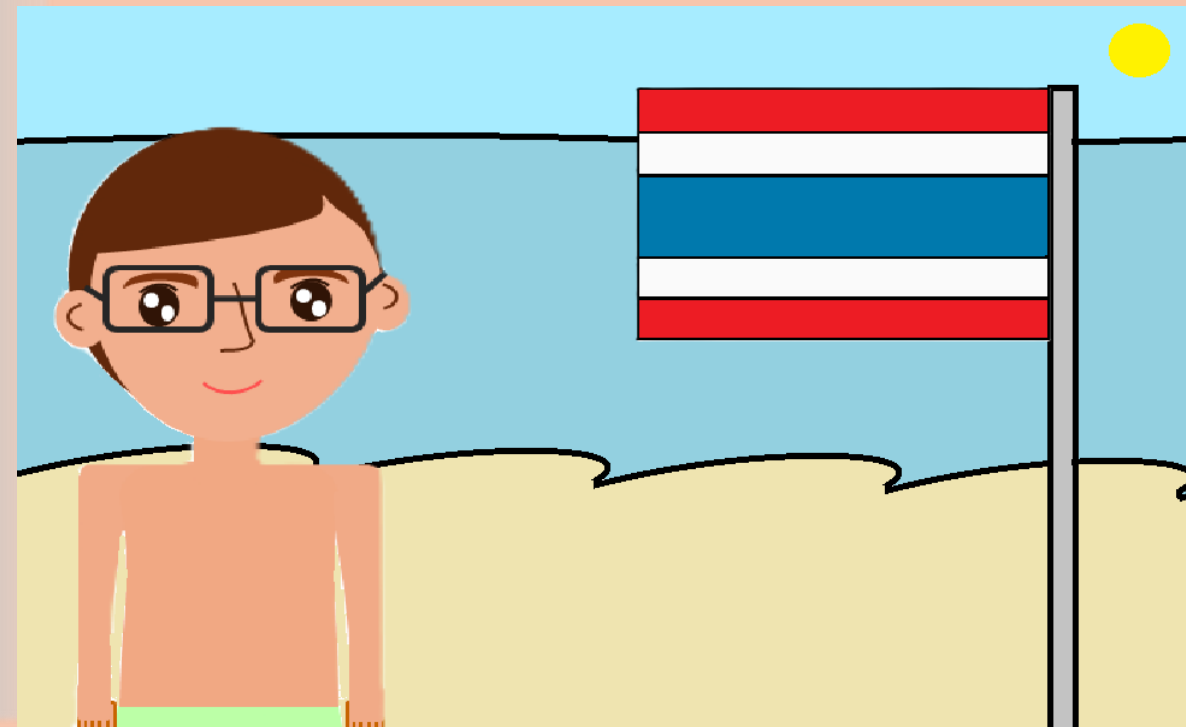
The next day a boat trip was arranged so the family could enjoy watching dolphins swim and play in the sea.

"I would love to get in the water with them," said Lek.

"Once you're a bit older, we can come back and arrange that," Mum promised.

Each day there was something new to try and the holiday passed quickly. Everyone was sad when it was time to fly home, and the whole family agreed to come back to Thailand, because it was so much fun.

"We were so busy," said Dad. "I feel like I need *another* holiday to relax after this one."



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