

My first adventure



Hello!
My name is Mimo
and I'm 7 years old.

Today, come join me
on my first
adventure!



Mom, Dad, my pet bird Pico and I live in Fish Bay in a small, cute igloo.

Our igloo is made out of blocks of snow with large windows overlooking our magnificent view of the mountains. Our igloo is right near my school, Penguin School. It's a quick trip there with Dad each morning. I feel like a superhero we get there so quickly. After school, Mom and Dad sometimes let me go to the school daycare. I love playing with Billy and Sarah.

When I don't have school, I go visit Grandma and Grandpa who live a few glaciers away from our igloo. Visiting them is so much fun!



**Grandma makes me her delicious fish cookies, and
Grandpa plays with me.**

**Fishing is our favourite activity. We always go on
adventures!**

**When Dad finishes work, he comes to pick me up
from school, as it's close to his work.**

**Once back at our igloo, I love going to my room and
playing with Pico. It's our favourite place in the igloo.**

My room is a beautiful sky blue!

**This colour always has me imagining that I can fly,
just like Pico.**



This evening, Pico and I decided to play in the living room. Mom came to play with us. I love playing with Mom. We have a lot of fun together.

When we were playing, Mom announced that we would be going on a first adventure, just like the ones Grandpa often tells me about, where he travelled from one end of Antarctica to the other. Mom says that we are going to move because of her job selling fish. Apparently, the fish are more plentiful in North Town



**When Mom made her
announcement, how did it make
you feel?**

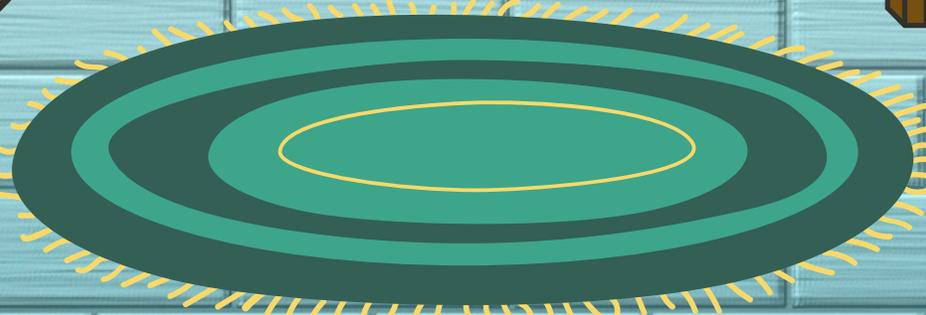
1
If you felt angry or sad, go
to Page 6.

2
If you felt happy or excited, go
to Page 10.



When Mom told me that we would be leaving, I felt angry. I went to my room. I didn't want to play anymore. Once in my room, I felt like there was a knot in my stomach. I was upset. I was sad and worried. My friends, my room, my toys... What was going to happen? I didn't want to leave.

Next page →



A few minutes later, Mom came to see me in my room. I listened to what she had to say even though I was still sad. She took the time to talk through everything with me and gave me a paper fortune teller. Mom explained that my paper fortune teller would help me ask her and Dad all my questions and talk about all my concerns.

Next page →



Fortune teller



I'm happy I took the time to listen to Mom.
Now, I have the tools, and the knot in my stomach
has disappeared.

Go to page 15 →



When Mom announced that we would be going on an adventure, I jumped up in excitement. I was so happy! Grandpa had always told me his stories from around the globe, and I had always dreamed about being like him and seeing other places in the world! I was already ready to go!

Next page →



That morning, when I got up to eat my breakfast, I felt a knot in my stomach. I realized that my friends would be staying here, but that I wouldn't be living here anymore. Grandma and Grandpa would be staying here too. When would I see them again?

Dad came to talk to me when he noticed I was sad. He told me that it was normal to feel sad and that I am not the only one to have a knot in my stomach. Dad reassured me saying that I would not lose my friends and that Grandma and Grandpa would come visit us and that we would visit them.

Next page →



Dad also gave me a paper fortune teller.

He said I could use it anytime I felt sad or had a question, and that we would talk about them together.

Next page →



Fortune teller



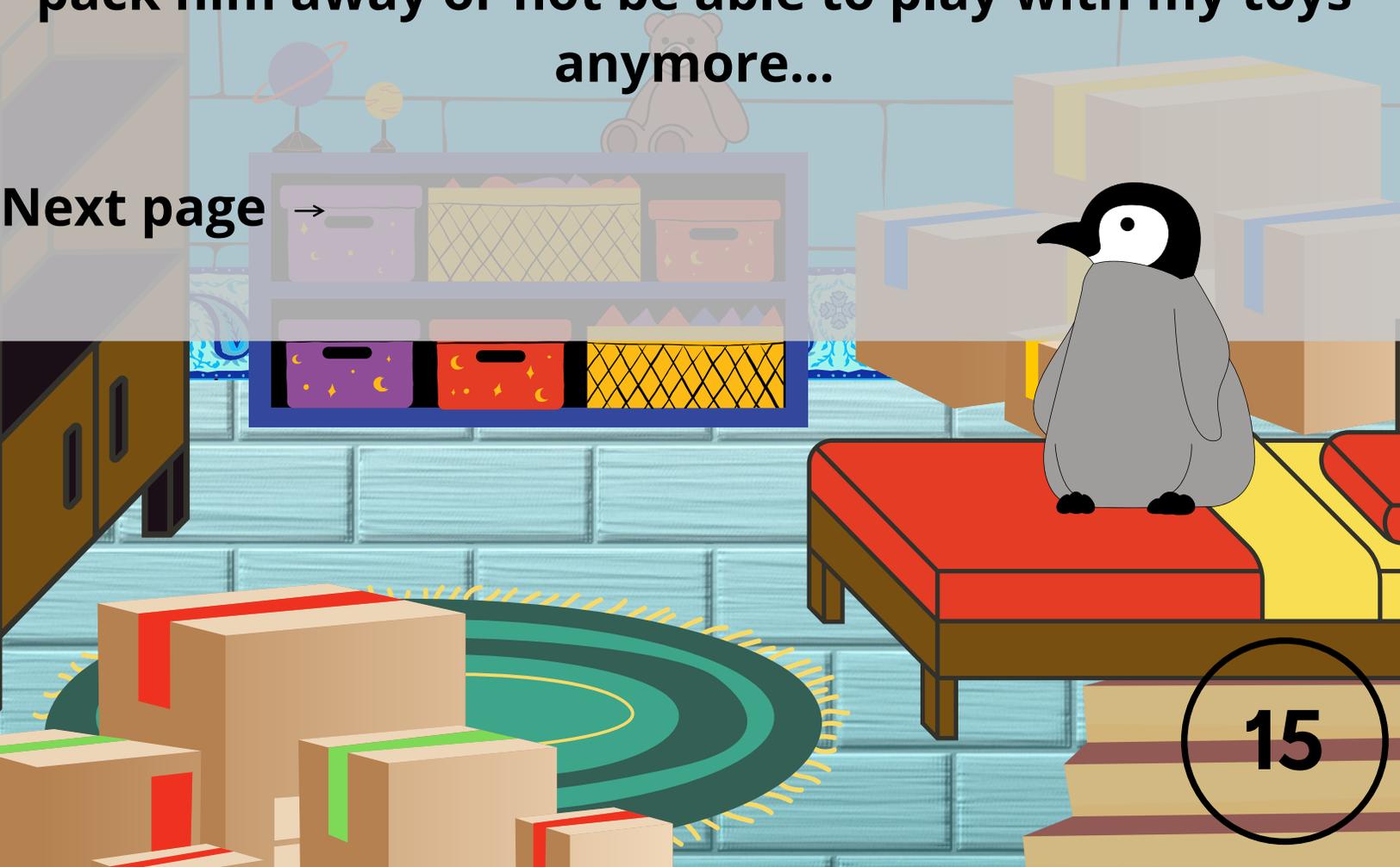
I am happy I was able to talk with Dad. It helps a lot.
Now, the knot in my stomach is nearly gone.

Go to page 15 →



The days pass by, the day of departure nears, and the time to pack up gets closer and closer. Mom and Dad are already packing a few boxes each day, putting away the things we don't use very often. Grandma and Grandpa come help on weekends, assisting Mom and Dad. The house fills up with boxes, and the cabinets are now empty. I'm sad: the house no longer seems the same. I'm looking forward to this new adventure, but I don't know why the idea of packing my room into boxes makes me sad. It stresses me out that movers are coming to take Colonel Teddy... Plus, I don't want to pack him away or not be able to play with my toys anymore...

Next page →



I talked to Dad about it with the help of my paper fortune teller and, to make me feel even more involved, he made me a to-do list! Together, we wrote down what's in my room. And, little by little, I'll be able to pack away what's on my list! One thing at a time and when I feel like it! Plus, Dad printed out drawings of the items on my list. I can colour in the drawings and glue them on my box to show what's inside. My boxes will be the most beautiful boxes ever!

I'm glad I can pack my boxes!

Next page →





MY To Do List



The big day draws near, and there are a few last things left to do before we leave.

Mom and Dad know that it's a big step for them and for me.

That's why they suggested we celebrate our departure, so we can say goodbye to our home and our friends.

Mom and Dad give me three choices.

Which one do I choose?

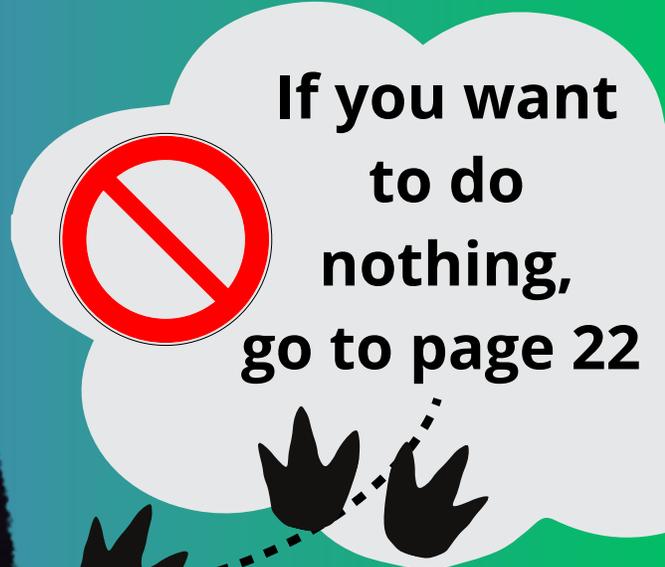




**Have a big party
with friends and
family, go to
page 20**



**Have a movie night
with my friends,
go to page 21**



**If you want
to do
nothing,
go to page 22**



Everyone was here. It was amazing!

**We spent a wonderful day together, and I got to say
goodbye to family and friends. My friends and I
even exchanged carrier fish information so we can
send letters to each other from time to time. Now I
know that no matter the distance, I won't lose my
friends.**

Go to page 26 →



Mom and Dad let me invite all my friends over last night. We had popcorn, chocolate, candy, chips and more! My friends even slept over.

We watched a lot of films and had a lot of fun. We even exchanged carrier fish information so we can send letters to each other from time to time. Now I know that no matter the distance, I won't lose my friends.

Go to page 26 →



**I told Mom and Dad that I don't want an evening
with my friends or a party with our family.
They kindly respected my choice. I spent my last
night with Pico, building houses and cars out of
blocks**

Next page →



The big day for our adventure is finally here. This morning, we are bringing the boxes I packed to the dock where we will be catching our boat to our new house. Looking out at our home from the dock, the knot in my stomach comes back. I'm nervous and I'm upset, as I realize that I will no longer be able to see my friends. But Mom and Dad had suggested I do something with them... I tell myself that it's too late...

Next page →



Mom, seeing that I'm sad, comes up to me. She asks me what's wrong.

I gather up my courage and tell her everything. She reassures me and says that it was okay that I didn't want to see my friends and that I was not ready to say goodbye. Mom's words made me feel better right away. Mom suggests that I invite them to our new house and tells me that we will see them soon.

Next page →



The knot in my stomach is nearly gone. After a few deep breaths, I'm ready to set off for adventure with Colonel Teddy in hand!

Go to page 27 →



The boxes are packed and today we are headed to the dock. It's the big day. We are finally setting off on our adventure. I will finally get to see my new room! I was able to say goodbye to my friends, give Grandma and Grandpa a hug and I got to keep Colonel Teddy with me for the trip. I am full of emotions. I'm excited, but I'm also nervous about leaving. Pico and I are ready for our adventure. We are all leaving with big smiles on our faces.

Next page →



As we leave, I realize that we aren't the only ones leaving. A number of other families are also leaving for a new adventure!

Next page →



After travelling for a few hours, we arrive at our new home.

An igloo that is just as nice as our old one. The landscape is different, but I am reminded of our old town. Without waiting, I take off to see my new room. Yes, yes! I had specially asked Dad for a big penguin room with planets so I can see the universe. I wanted to be able to travel around the whole world like Grandma and Grandpa.

Next page →



**WOW! My room is exactly the way I wanted it to be.
It's perfect! I know that I will love spending time
here with Pico.**

Next page →



I had trouble sleeping last night. I was too excited about playing with my toys in my new room. I spent the evening playing with my rockets before bedtime!

This morning, I woke up early, very happy to start the day. Right away, I went to find Mom in the living room. Because we have just arrived and I don't know the place at all, Dad suggests that Mom and I go explore while he unpacks.

So, Mom gives me two choices: Either go explore or stay at home today.

Next page →



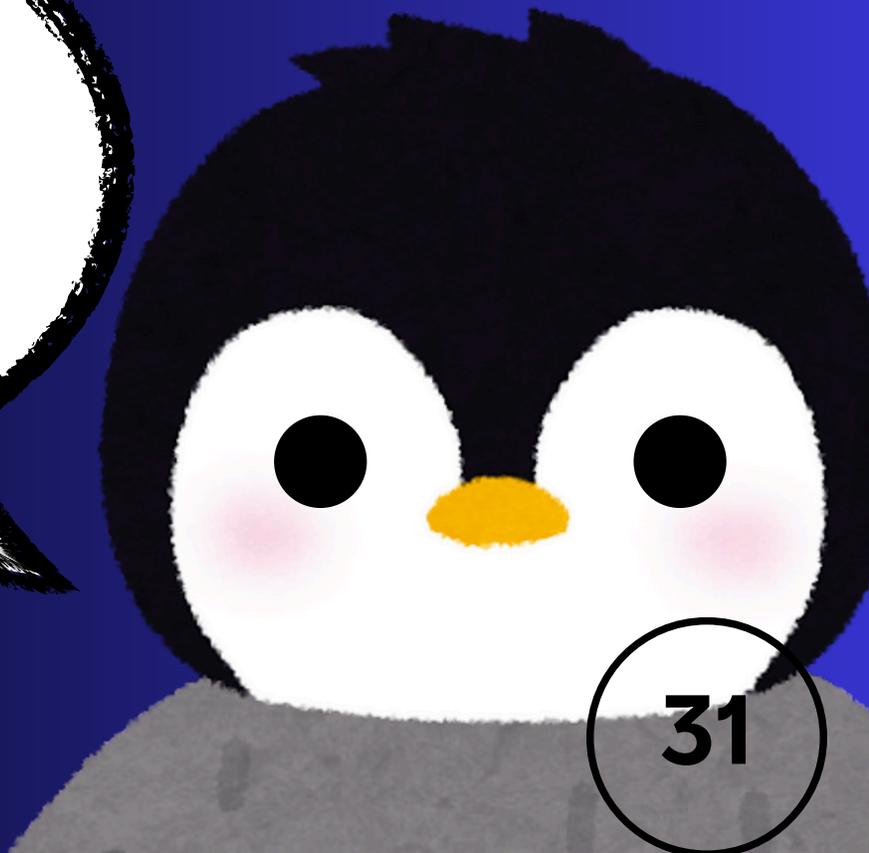


I go explore with Mom ,
go to page 32



I stay home ,
go to page 33

I get to
choose?



We took a tour of the town and we stopped on the way home at the schoolyard. I wanted to go play on the playground.

When we got there, it was busy. At first, I was shy, but I quickly started playing with the other young penguins. I had a lot of fun! I even think I made new friends.

Go to page 36 -->



I chose to stay home today. I was a little tired and I wanted to check out the house. After lunch, I decided to go play with Pico in the backyard. It was fun. We made a super snowman. Afterwards, I started thinking about Dad's idea again... From my house, I can see the school and it's awesome playground. I therefore decided to go see Mom and talk to her about it.

Next page →



Mom kindly agreed to go to the schoolyard with me. Once there, I saw that it was busy.

Next page →



At first, I was shy, but I quickly started playing with the other young penguins. I had a lot of fun. I even think I made new friends.

Next page →



Days have passed and it's been a few weeks since we arrived. I have made new friends. We go play in the schoolyard. Grandma and Grandpa often come visit. Next week, we're going to visit them. I'm very excited. Mom and Dad told me that I'll be able to see Billy and Sarah. I am really looking forward to it! I like it here, but it wasn't always like this. Sometimes, I was upset. I missed my friends, Grandma and Grandpa. But, when things got rough, I used my paper fortune teller and talked about it with Mom and Dad.

Now I have tools to help me and I know that I will be ready for the next adventures!





Art