

'D' is for Deployment

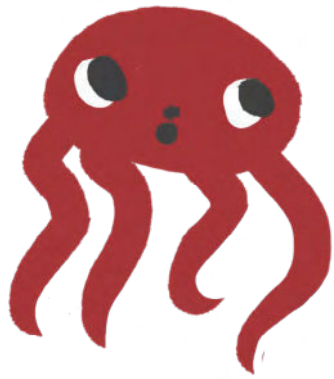
Ann Raps it up



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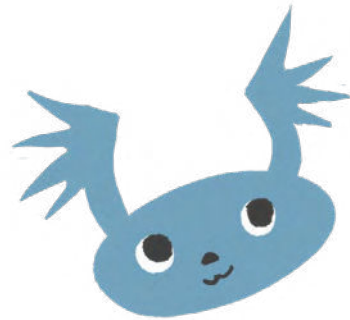


“Hi, we are here to share this story with you.”



Lulu

Loves: Animals,
games like hide
and seek



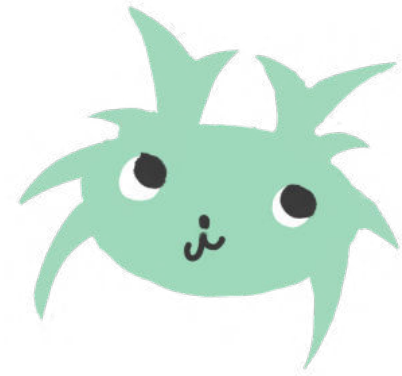
Pat

Loves:
Gardening,
hiking



Zelda

Loves: baking,
painting,
and counting
numbers



Mack

Loves: mini golf,
swimming, and
playing at the
park

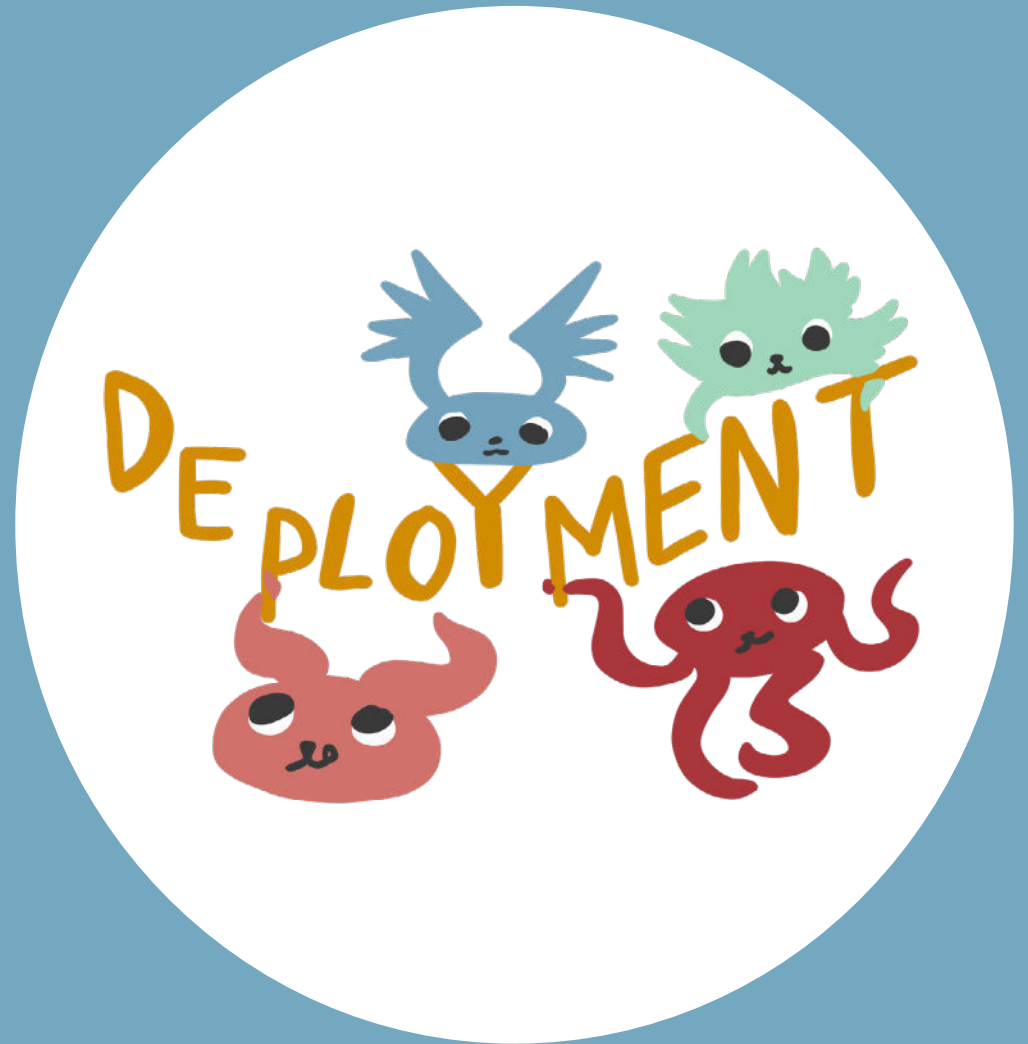
DEPLOYMENT

'D' is for
DEPLOYMENT, a word
I live with everyday.
Although I don't
always say it, it's
with me all the time.



DEPLOYMENT

'D' is also for
DIFFICULT because it
is hard to understand.
But this book will
help as we explore
each letter.



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'D' is also for
DEPLOYMENT when
adults work away.

It's also for DREAMS.
I dream about my
parent when they go
away.

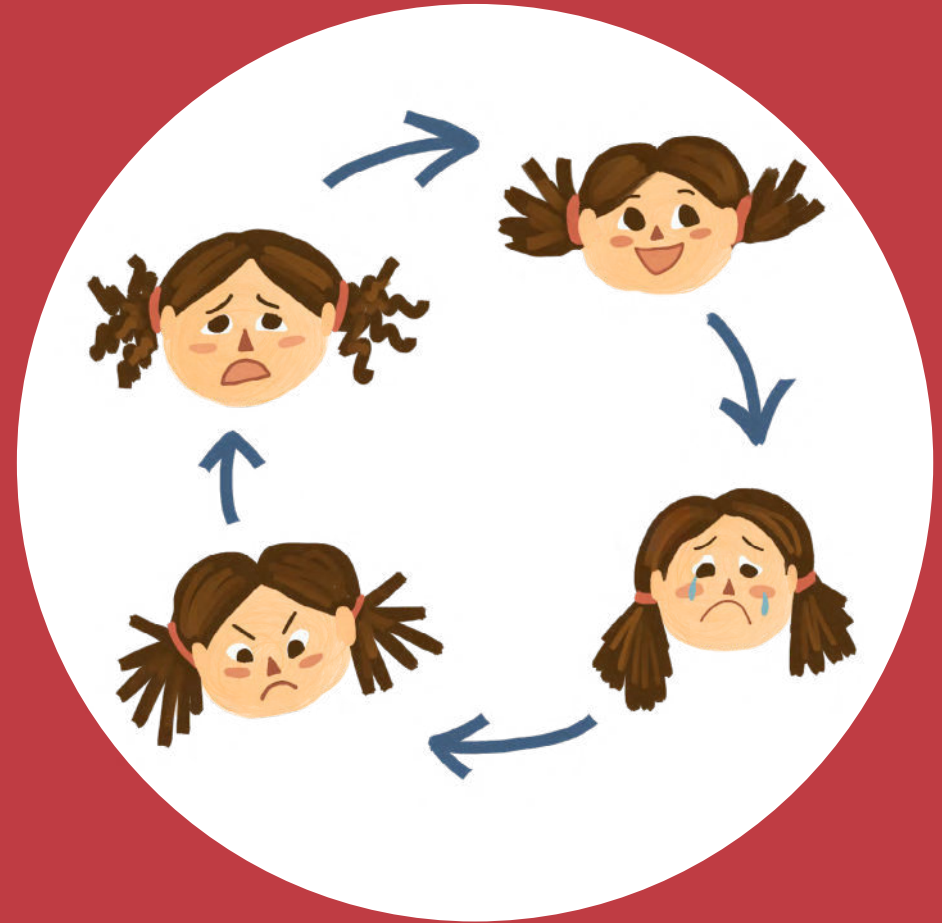


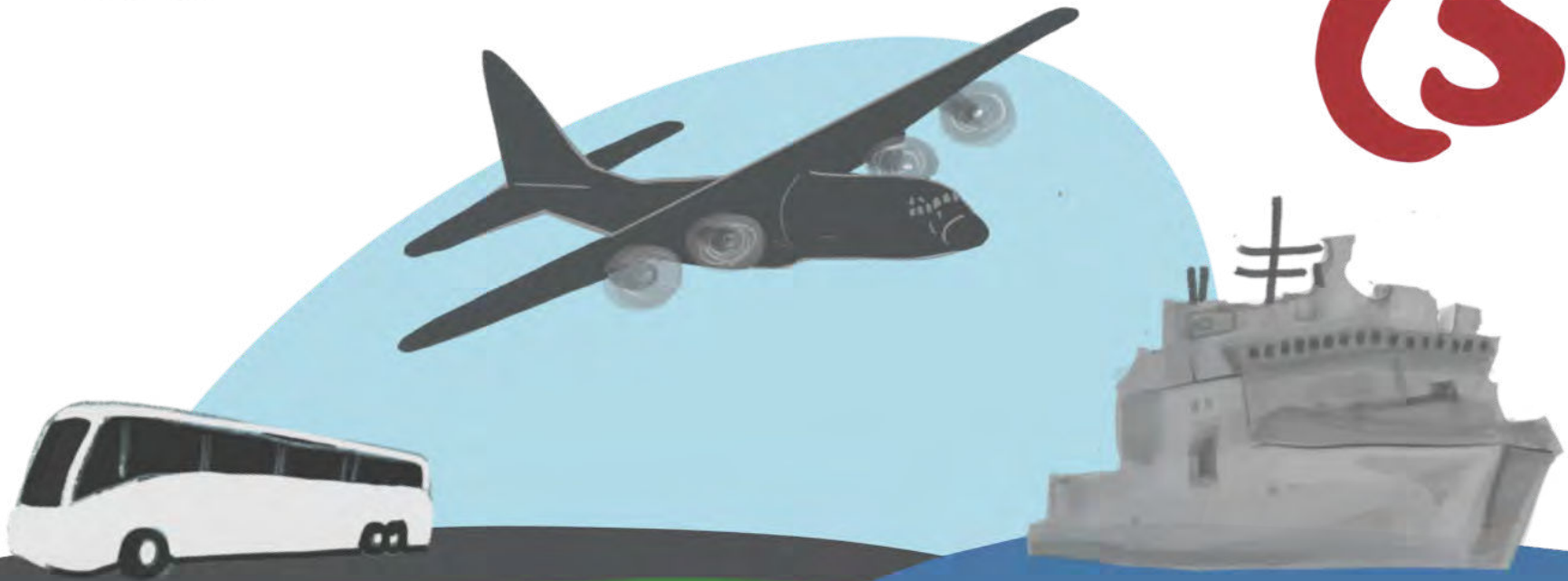
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'E' is for EMOTIONS
because we feel so many
when they are away.

It's also for EVER, because
it seems to take that long.

It's also for EXTRA because
sometimes it's extra hard to
say goodbye.





DEPLOYMENT

'P' is for PACKING. I
can help with the bags.

It's also for PREPARING
to say goodbye.



DEPLOYMENT

'L' is for LEAVING on a bus, ship or plane.

It's also for LOVE because love holds us together.



DEPLOYMENT

'L' is also for
LONELY, at first
that's how I feel.



DEPLOYMENT

'O' is for OVERSEAS,
where they often have
to go.

It's also for OH wow!
Look at where they go!



DEPLOYMENT

'Y' is for YES, they really have to go.

It's also for YEAR because I feel like it lasts that long.



DEPLOYMENT

'M' is for MISSING
my parent when
they leave but I
know they miss me
too.

It's also for MATURE,
now I'm learning how
to wait.



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'E' is for EXCITED, when I'm told they're coming home.

It's also for ECSTATIC now I'm counting down the days.

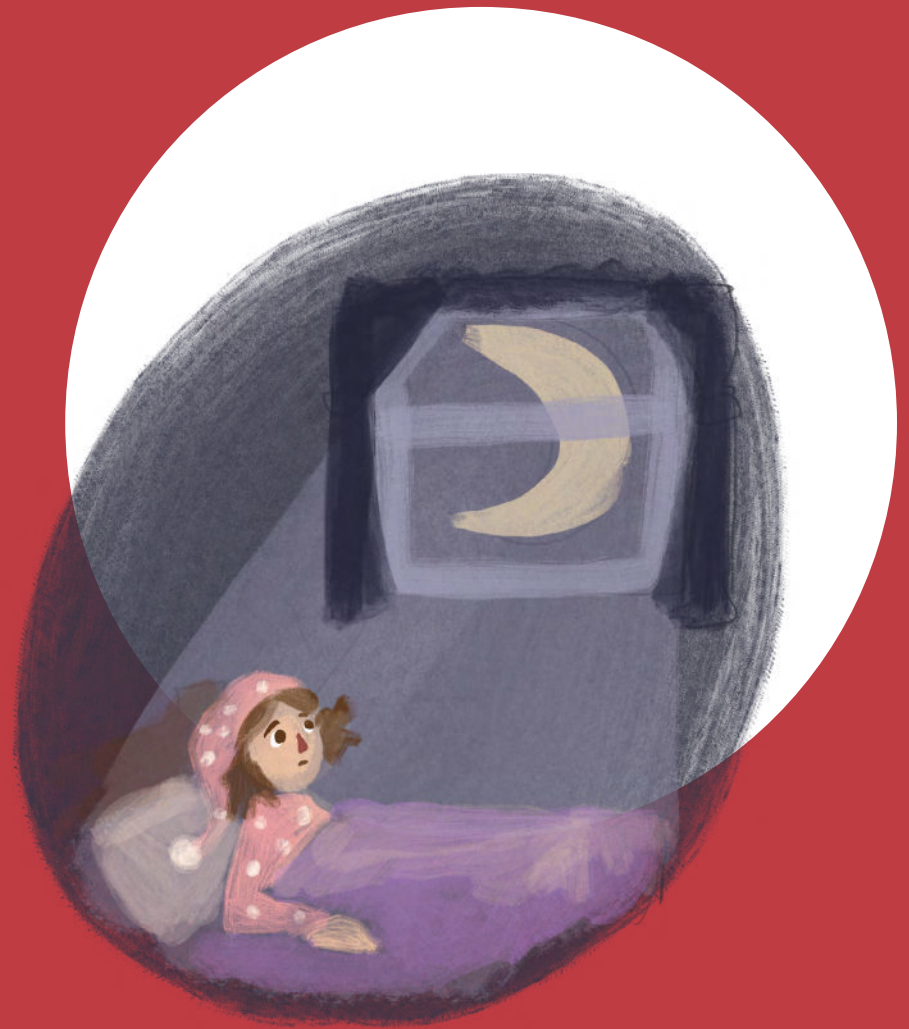


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'N' is for NIGHT time, the last sleep is really here.

It's also for NEVER, morning never seems to come.

It is also for NERVOUS to see my parent after a long time.



DEPLOYMENT

'T' is for TERRIFIC, the day arrives at last!

It's also for TIME, to be together once again.



DEPLOYMENT

TIME is so precious
when we're all together
again.

We want TIME to
stand still, as we come
together and celebrate.



But TIME marches on
and soon we'll say
that word again.

That word that's
always lurking,
somewhere deep in
our heads.



DEPLOYMENT

DEPLOYMENT seems to test us in every single way. But our family becomes stronger if we persevere each day.



