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Q So this was Crayola Land?

A Yes.

Q In Florida?

A Yeah.

D Yeah.

Q So what did you make there?

C So we've, Saskia's bought these washable Matters and so we've got these little cats that you're supposed to colour on and design how you want and then you can just put them, you can put them in water and they'll just wash off and everything'll, it'll go back white again. So you can just keep colouring on it. Because they're made for colouring over and it's just something to keep you entertained.

Q Sounds amazing. Are they like little models then?

C Yeah.

Q How big was the cat?

C It's about that big.

Q2 Saskia's only just took them upstairs and put them on the windowsill in their play room.

D I can go get them.

Q Oh yes please.

C So after you've coloured on them, like we were doing it a lot in Florida, like after we'd been to the parks, we'd come home and we'd get in the pool and we'd wash them off and then it would just be five minutes to entertain ourselves after just doodling on them and doing drawings on them.

Q Oh it sounds absolutely lovely. What a nice way to unwind.

A Had to fish them out of the bottom of the pool...

C Sometimes it takes a long time for them to wash off.

Q Oh, does it? Does it just come off or do you have to rub it off at all?

C Sometimes, with certain colours you'll have to use your thumbs and rub it off but with most colours like purple and pink it'll just come straight off.

A Those are the hardest to get out.

C Like black and like darker colours like green and blue.

Q2 Wow. Oh, they're so, I see what you mean about them kind of being like covered in fur. Very cool.

Q Have you named them or anything like that? Do you have names for them or...

C Sometimes every time we colour them we'll come up with different names because of how they look.

Q Oh, OK. And do you ever make them and take a picture of them when you've coloured them before you wash them off again?

D No.

C No, we don't we haven't been doing that but that would be a good idea.

Q I just wondered actually because I suppose, that's the thing, it only lasts until the next time you want to change it doesn't it? I didn't know whether you wanted to make a record of what you'd done or whether you, you know it doesn't matter, that's all gone and past and you've got fed up with those colours and get some new ones. So have you got like a set of the Crayola pens that you use? Are they special ones that you have to colour in with?

C Yes.

D Yes.

Q And are they good range of colours? Are they attractive and can you put one colour on top of another? How do you use them?

C Yes so you can blend the colours, it's just sometimes they spread, like once you've coloured some of it in a little bit of it will spread around.

Q Yes, yeah, sort of like seep out a bit further than the edge you've coloured.

C Yeah.

A After we came out of the Crayola Land they got a massive Crayola shop haven't they, and their friends, our friends were in there and they went to buy the massive Crayola teddy crayons didn't they when they came out?

C For 56 dollars.

A One was this big.

Q Oh my goodness, it's about a metre.

A It needed its own seat on the plane but you got one about this big, you know one of them big blue crayons.

Q Wow, that's about 18 inches long that your mum's indicating there.

C The one that we wanted to buy was 150 dollars and it was almost the same size as you.

Q Yes, like you say you might struggle to get that one home.

D These are all the colours, the Crayola colours we got.

Q Oh thank you Saskia.

C So it's just a variety of different colours.

D There's dark green, dark blue, purple, red, brown, black, light green, yellow, orange and pink.

Q Beautiful. And which ones, do you have any particular favourites?

D Light blue and dark blue. We don't have a light blue though, it didn't come with one.

Q Oh, would you have liked to have had a light blue?

A You like doing a lot of things with rainbow, you know the Meadow Banks logo with the rainbow? She comes home with lots of rainbow pictures or things coloured in in rainbow don't you?

C Do you want us to show you how they work?

Q Yes please Stephanie, thank you.

A ???

C I never know really what to colour. I just start colouring.

Q2 Yeah. That's brilliant. Yeah that's a really good way to create I think. Just see what happens.

Q So the girls are quite fond of, you know drawing and art and that sort of thing?

A Yeah.

Q Is that the sort of thing they are into or...

A Yeah I bought these a while ago just to sort out their many, many like.... you know we've got colouring books in there and sticker books and we just grabbed a few to take with us on the plane and stuff and we had lots of Disney related activities to do on the plane. But because we went on a posh plane this time, we've been used to just going to Spain and stuff on Ryan Air and you don't get a lot to do, but they had all the televisions and stuff so we didn't really need the other stuff because they were watching movies and they had games to play. We got a little obsessed didn't we Steph by this game? It was a maths game called 2048 was it?

C Yes.

D Yes.

A Like this grid and you had to join the numbers together and every time you did it they doubled.

Q2 I've played that, it's really good.

A We're addicted to it now. We can't do it.

Q2 It's brilliant.

A We haven't got to 2048 yet but we're trying.

C I got to 512.

A Yeah.

Q2 That's awesome.

A I'd never seen it before but he's downloaded it to his phone now and I keep catching him playing it. I think she'll like it probably on her tablet. It's quite good, like a brain game isn't it you have to think about your next move. At first I was just going... and then you think 'Oh no there's a bit of a strategy here' and...

Q2 You get quite a lot into it.

D Last time I was playing and I was just tapping and it just made it number 48, 32 or 62.

A Yes it doubles each time doesn't it? 64.

Q 64, yeah that's great.

D I didn't like swipe them to the side or make numbers just tap them.

Q It sounds like you've all got into that game as a family.

A Yeah, we do enjoy it to be fair, all playing against each other. I was getting the lowest score though so I was happy.

D Mummy, I was the one getting the lowest score.

C Yeah it was me or dad who were getting the highest. At one point I got seven thousand.

Q Is that good? I don't know the game so...

A Yeah because my first score was only one thousand and something so I think that was quite poor.

Q So it perhaps brings out a bit of family rivalry in the family, is that it?

A Yeah and it was the first time we've all been on a plane where they've got those little TVs and games so we were quite excited.

Q Yes. Who did you fly with?

A British Airways. It was really good. We felt really posh didn't we Steph? We just had to travel down to Gatwick though for the flight so...

C Yeah I was thinking the whole time how posh will First Class be there if ???

Q Oh yeah.

A Because we got our own earphones, our own blanket, our own pillow didn't we?

C Yeah.

Q Very exciting.

A Care package you get when you get on.

Q Yeah.

D On the way back, I was the only one who had a packet of ear plugs and Stephanie brought hers from the way there, so while we still went flying up in the sky some of the pilots came and gave the people that didn't have any earplugs, earphones.

C Yes they said on the way back they had a shortage of earplugs didn't they?

A Yeah.

C Yeah so they said if you still had your earplugs from your last flight then please don't ask for any more but if you've not brought them then they'll give you some new headphones.

Q Yes and what else did you do? So you played this game on the flight and what other things did you do? Did you listen to music and watch films?

D We watched lots of movies and played different games like chess.

A Stephanie can do chess. Again, I can't do chess. We had a little game together but I didn't win.

D I didn't, I didn't mostly know how to play chess because when me and Stephanie played against each other she kept winning.

A Mummy knows how to play it and daddy.

C She knows how to move the pawns but that's pretty much it.

A Yeah. Yes, I can do drafts, the simpler version.

Q Yes, exactly.

A What other games were there on Steph? I think that might have been all you played ???

D I played another game, that was The Angry Bird. You had to shoot the bird and it knocked down another one of the pigs, and pigs, they're the green pigs.

Q How did you find that? Was it something that you felt you could do?

D It was a bit tricky.

Q Yeah.

D But my dad helped me with it.

Q Oh did he?

D Yeah.

Q So what did he do to help you? How was he helping you? Can you remember that?

D Sometimes on my very last one I kept shooting them and it didn't knock anything so he shoot them for me.

C And I played two other games called Monsters Inc Escape Room, and Mickey's Broken Drainpipes.

D I tried that one but when I kept moving the extra pipe bit into the right place it wouldn't stay there.

C Yeah probably because it wasn't the right size.

Q Yeah, what's the object of the game?

C So you have to... all bits of drainpipes have broken off and you have to, you use the things that you can find around the house, like once in a while a piece of drainpipe will come up in this little box and you have to find a way to connect it to another piece to make it flow through.

Q OK. Gosh. These sound really great. I'm going to go and look all of these up when I get back.

A That's one that I'd not seen before.

Q Yeah. Do you remember which movies you watched on the plane as well?

C Yeah, I remember I watched Monsters Inc.

Q Oh right, so that was a connection between the game and the film then.

D I remembered watching Small Foot.

A Did you watch Finding Nemo as well?

C Yeah I watched Finding Nemo and Finding Dory.

D I didn't watch Finding Nemo, I did watch a bit of Finding Nemo, but I didn't finish it all.

A Yes Saskia will watch movies for a bit and then get fed up and then probably go on to another one.

Q And the reason, I mean you went to Disneyworld so am I correct in thinking that you might be quite big fans of Disney films?

A Yeah, we've got most of them there all lined up. We take it in turns to watch them, or their dad's got a thing on his phone where he can pretty much get any movie, so we watched the new, we went to the pictures to see the new Aladdin but it was in the holidays so dad didn't come with us so we all watched it in the house.

C So good.

A We went to see Lion King just before we went away. It was Stephanie's birthday and we went to that new cinema in town which they've poshed up now. It's got reclining seats. No it was the Odeon. I think The Odeon Luxe now and the seats recline and she fell asleep. She just turned over. I've got a picture of her going... 'Saskia's enjoying the summer a bit too much and she's missed the film'.

Q So do you tend to when a new one comes out are you sort of some of the first ones there to try and see it?

A Yeah, The Lion King just because it came out on the 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup>, the day after Stephanie's birthday we went out on that day because it coincided with her birthday. We've been to see Toy Story 4 as well didn't we?

Q So how often do you go to the pictures?

A Well we've been quite a lot recently just with a few films coming out but I would say we generally try and get every holidays. Yeah, we don't go that much, it's too expensive.

Q Yeah, do you watch movies more at home then?

A Yeah.

Q With your husband's ??? and stuff.

A Yeah. Usually at night, like at the weekend it's a bit of a thing where they'll want a movie night, a bit of popcorn and stuff.

D We watched some movies in Florida because we had our own living room upstairs.

A Oh it was amazing. The upstairs bit what was it like?

C It had like around the TV and Mickey Mouse with a glowing red light around it.

Q Wow. Have you got a photo?

A Oh it was so amazing, we couldn't believe how nice the, that they'd done up the villa like a mini ??? . I'll have to find the picture in my millions of photos.

Oh that was the mini bedroom. It was amazing. So Stephanie ??? it were amazing. Yeah that area was really cool so they had their own telly and so they could chill upstairs and choose what they wanted on Netflix. I think it's quite early in the beginning.

Q So is this accommodation actually at Disneyland then?

A No it was a bit outside it was a villa that we just hired. It was about a fifteen minute drive to Disney.

C Once you got into Disney it was still....like if you were driving to Magic Kingdom it's another ten minute drive till you get there. But they own a lot of land and they've got to fit in all the Disney hotels and the extra resorts.

D This one. You can even put stars on the top of the roof.

A I said to Matt 'I want you to do our loft like that'. So they spent so much time up there with their friends just chilling and they'd come down saying 'Can we have a drink?' or some popcorn and they'd go back up to watch another movie.

Q It sounds like it was an absolute Disney fest actually. What fun.

A You watched Boss Baby and that didn't you? They found a new series of Boss Baby.



C Yeah. We thought it was hilarious.

A Which we didn't know existed. Because we've seen the Boss Baby film.

D There's a new Boss Baby and that's called Boss Baby's Back in Business.

C It's like an episode, like a series of episodes of like twenty minute long.

Q OK, so it's like a TV series or something like that that you found when you were over there. Perhaps they've got them over in this country. Mind you if it's, was it on Netflix or something?

A Actually we have watched it in school.

Q Oh have you? OK, that's interesting. Was that recently?

C It was quite a while ago.

Q Mm, do you remember whose class you were in or was it an assembly or something like that?

C It was last year, but I think it was the middle term, spring term.

Q Was it just for fun or was it something to do with something you were learning?

C It's just for like rewards, because sometimes if you earn so much ??? money you'll get a reward of watching something.

Q And how does your teacher do that? Do they decide or is it like a vote and do they get a suggestions from the class?

C Yeah you get suggestions from the class and then you have a class vote.

A It's normally like a movie afternoon that everyone picks isn't it?

Q Yes. Was that Boss Baby the first Boss Baby film that you watched then did you say?

C Yeah I think so. But I remember one time we actually watched the movie for a project, we were writing a film review.

Q Oh that's interesting. That's great. What film was chosen for that one?

C Incredibles 2.

A Yes they did a big superheroes thing didn't you?

C Yeah. Yeah, superhero topic it was that term.

Q Yes. Which teacher was that with?

C Miss D\_\_\_\_. She's new to this year.

Q Oh OK.

A It was her first year of teaching you last year weren't it? She's really good.

Q I think she'd be popular with me if she'd done a superheroes topic.

A Oh definitely. It was 'can anyone be a superhero' wasn't it?

C Yeah.

Q Yeah. So did you look at superheroes in other... on films, obviously, you did the films, but obviously the super heroes come up in like comics when I was young and other things too. Did you find other sorts of superheroes?

C Yeah at one point we were experimenting different ways of making a comic word. So we got given like different colouring essentials and you would have to.... so like first it was oil pastels and you have to choose a word and you'd make a comic word. Like, for example when something like destruction happened it'd be like 'Boom' or 'Pow' and you have to make it look like a comic word. So we were given oil pastels, water colours and just normal pencil crayons.

A Yeah, you came home with some of the work on that one didn't you?

Q How did you feel about that? Was it enjoyable and fun would you say?

C Mm hm. And then we'd have a vote, so you'd pick one that sounded like the best that you'd made and then we were having a debate which one was the best technique.

Q Ah that's interesting. Can you remember what the outcome of the debate was? Was there lots of people that felt that one particular way of doing it was the best?

C Yeah so Miss put us into groups and then in some groups there was a lot more people than in other groups. Like one group would have fifteen and one would have three, and so we would have a debate so you would take it in turns saying something about...

So you're having a debate and each person would take it in turns saying why they think that technique's the best and then the winning technique would get a prize.

And you would use that for the final draft. So the winning technique was oil pastels and so that meant everyone in the class had to do another oil pastel drawing and try and make it better than the last one, so like using different colouring styles and different... like we got given a piece of paper to show different colouring styles you can do with oil pastels.

Q And did you produce like a, did you make a comic? Did you produce one as a class or anything like that? Were you able to ...

C No, we just put them on display. In the exhibition.

Q Do you like colouring and that sort of thing or making things? Are you good with your hands would you say?

C Yes.

Q What sort of toys and erm, things have you got, what sort of resources have you got for colouring and making things?

C I like a lot of fiddly things, like I've got a Rubik's cube upstairs, a lot of things that you ??? with your fingers. It keeps your fingers moving. I like things like that.

Q Yeah and so do you like lots of miniature things? Mini things?

C Yeah. I like some miniature things.

A You've been doing a lot of sewing and stuff at breakfast club haven't you? So that's quite like detailed. They've been making pompoms so been coming home with lots of, what are they called, cross stitch?

C Yeah. I can go and see if I can find the pompom in my bag if it's still there.

Q That'd be great, yes thank you,.

C Yeah I'll have some sewing one too.

Q That'd be lovely to see. Thank you.

A They go to breakfast club each morning and they do loads of good activities, so they've been, probably for this last term, they've been doing.

Yeah in the conservatory which is just like a little playroom as well they've got lots of games but they also like lots of craft stuff and one of my friends who works at a school she's just brought this amazing book from Hobbycraft, like a scrap book.

C I didn't find the pompom. So this is a friendship bracelet I've been working on. I've already made one. I've made another one for my friend. So you pick different colours of strings and then what you do you make three along and then you pull it and pull it into the empty space and you pull that little bit down and it makes this lovely pattern.

Q What's this Stephanie?

C So what you do, it's a friendship bracelet so you've got, it's like a pattern. I've already made two. I've got one on my wrist right now and I gave one to one of my friends. So you count three and then you pull it into the empty space and it makes a nice pattern appear on the bottom of the friendship bracelet.

Q Do you know I used to have one of those knitting doll things that were made out of like a cotton reel type thing.

A I had one of those.

Q It's so satisfying when it all comes out the bottom and you're sort of merrily doing this and you realize you've made this beautifully well woven, plaited up kind of bracelet as you say or string, it's gorgeous. And was that from the breakfast club that you got that as you say?

C Yeah.

Q Yeah. It's great and did you make the little disc itself, did you make the disc that you're doing it on? Did you make that?

C No, this is just cardboard.

Q It's cardboard. Did you make that part of it as well though or did you have those ready made and then you started...

C Yeah you got given.... some people if you all done, if there's no circles left you go into the craft drawer and you cut out a circle for yourself.

A No well I don't know how long they've been doing it, it only seems to be this last term that they've started all this kind of stuff doesn't it?

D Steph, do you want to wash them off now?

C If you want to.

D Do you want to?

C Are you ready?

D Yeah.

C OK, so...

Q Go on then, let's....shall we get a demonstration.

A Why don't you take them upstairs to the sink?

Q May we come and watch? Would that be possible? Is that alright? Only if it's convenient. I'll just pause it.

[Conversation is paused ]

Q So I'll just leave the voice recorder in here.

D It's almost all come off.

Q2 It's almost all come off hasn't it? That's so cool.

Q They certainly are.

A I think they made a Crayola ???

Q I've never heard of it before, and it's just in a bowl that you just came across.

A It was just our friends that we'd met, Cheryl had heard about it and said 'Oh you ought to go to Crayola Land for the day' so I looked it up and went, and got some bargains from The Moor at the same time. You don't need any more there's loads of washing up liquid in there.

Q They're obviously special pens that you have to use.

A Just the Crayola. I think all Crayola felt tips are washable anyway so...

Q Oh yeah.

A She wanted some of them felt tips from the shops, but the ones had gone. We've had Crayola before.

Q Are you quite crafty, as it were, as well would you say?

A Not at all.

Q Do you find that you need to help them at all much with this sort of thing? Set them up, set them going?

A Yeah. I can just about manage that. Like when they come home they have like a homework sheet with a lot of them, it's inevitably make something out of a shoebox. Oh no! And then once you get into it you find yourself enjoying it don't you? Because I work at a school as well but I work in the office, so... I did use to work in the classroom as a Teaching Assistant but I'm more sort of organiser admin side of it rather than being creative and stuff, so I don't know where they get that from. Because you're quite good at art aren't you? And we're like, she shows us these pictures and we're like 'Don't know where she's got this skill from'. Matt's brother is really good at art so perhaps it's...because me and Matt can't draw anything. But you know when they ask you when they're younger to draw something and you're like a snowman, small circle, big circle, same for a cat. That's my drawing skills.

C Like sometimes that's how most people start off with that and then they, so sometimes I get the ??? so that you're drawing smaller circle and then a bigger oval and then ...

D It won't come off.

A Well just leave it soaking then, you've just shown them how it works pretty much haven't you?

Q Thank you ever so much, it's been fascinating really good to see the demonstration there.

C So we've got these different types of... so you'd make, like so for example you got your picture took in front of, like you got your picture took, you'd line yourself up with it and you, then you can colour it in with your face on the picture.

Q This is from Crayola Land I'm taking it, yeah?

A They give you a little bag when you first went round and that was to put all your goodies in.

C They give you like designs of how you can do your shark, but I chose this one. They've tried to blend green and yellow on their teeth to make it like a darkish...

A I thought ??? that's actually a crayon.

D These are the plates that we made and they right went into mud and melted the crayon but mostly all of it came off.

A Yes it fell off in the bag didn't it?

Q Oh of course. It's still very effective.

Q2 Yeah they look really good.

D When I was making my shark I tried to make it look like a proper shark. So this bit would go there and this bit would go at the back.

Q Oh I see so the fin can stick out from it.

D Yeah but when it got put in the bag it got ripped off. I've been, this was the water painting bit where.....

A They had a table and you could colour it in or you could paint it you could do whatever you wanted.

C And there was also this thing called 'You Design', so you design your own thing and then you go and scan it under this computer and then it, a couple of minutes later your design will come up on the big screen as like a fashion model.

D I didn't keep mine. I didn't keep mine. It's our favourite ???

A It doesn't matter which one's which.

D ???

C They were selling like badges from...

A I like them.

C If it's your first visit you can buy a badge from... you can get a badge from the front desk because it's your birthday.

D I started colouring mine in and I made it look like super villains.

Q Did you? Oh brilliant. I love that. I like the coloured beards and things, yeah they do look very scary villains.

D They're just our masks.

Q Oh they're masks, brilliant.

C Our friends found these like.... they were giving out free crayons at like, I don't know where they got them from but they were just giving out free crayons and you got four free crayons from.....

Q Yes

C Yeah and also we've made different crayons.

A One you made yourself didn't you?

C Not just one.

D This was only yours...that green, the green one, this green one's mine.

C No this one's mine.

D No this one's mine.

C OK, so...

D This one's mine.

C I remember at one point the reason we've got these is because this orange one I had to use it to fix, I had to use the skin to fix that one because one of my friends, she designed one and she got five other, I mean yeah four other freshly made blank crayons with blank labels, plus the one she'd made herself. So she'd like hit the jackpot, because that probably... it must have been going wrong because it had give us five crayons and one design label plus five blank labels.

Q Oh I see.

C It was really good.

D And one label that had her name on it but four other labels came out with no label on it, no name on it.

Q Oh I see. They're great aren't they? Well, lots of souvenirs and they're useful ???

A ??? a business idea.

D We got...

A Bring it to the UK, you know if they had one in Meadowhall or something? Because we were talking about like the idea of, because it was in a mall, if it was a service where they could stay there while you went and do your shopping, it was amazing.

We were like 'See you later kids'. There was a café in there, we stayed and had a big, included in the price, we had a big pizza and drinks and we stayed there all day didn't we?

C So there's crayons that you design yourself, so you get to name the crayons and then they've got their own weird name and it says the date you'd made it.

D Can you tell me the names we made?

C And then they give you like a little emoji to put in so you can...

D I did a smiley face with a crayon and I put my own name in it.

Q Do you want to show that to the camera?

D And its real name is called Shamrock, the real name.

C And then at one point this one broke, this one called Lime and it's electric lime and it's got a flash, it's got like a lightning bolt on it.

Q2 That's cool. These are great names.

D This one is highlighted crayon and its real name is 'Sunny Side Up'.

Q2 Oh like the egg.

C And then I named, this is the first one I made called 'Stephanie the Star' and it's Royal Purple.

Q2 These are really great names for colours. They're awesome.

Q I really love them. Were they names you made up or did they give you suggestions? How did that work?

C No you just made a name.

D This one was called 'Traffic Light Shining' but I don't know where the name's gone.

C There. Traffic light shining.

D No that one.

Q So were they doing a lot of this while you were actually out of the room, when you were shopping?



A Yeah this was when the dads were with them. I didn't see them make any of this. I just looked at when they'd done the shark and stuff like that and the kitchen one.

C The colour name we made up for it was 'Bluetiful'.

Q That's a good one.

C And Saskia's got a dime in her bag.

D I know ??? got one there. I didn't know you put it in there.

A It's one of them tokens.

C No it's not, it's just money.

A When you went in they give them so many tokens which they exchanged to make them.

C It's not a token.

D It's money, it's money.

A You'll have to save that for next time.

Q So did anyone help you with names? Did the dads help with the names or anything like that?

C No because when I made the crayons my dad wasn't with me, he was helping Saskia.

Q OK. Such good names as well as being fantastic colours.

A They've got real Disney ???

D There's so many working pieces in there. I chose green and blue and it came out with a bit of orange on it.

Q Did it? Perhaps that was from the previous one, there was a bit left in the machine or something.

A It was nice to get away from the hustle and bustle of the parks, and it was so hot the heat did spoil it a bit really because it was just so, so hot all the time and you get agitated don't you? But they've got these amazing cooler fans what spray you with water as well, so we were just kind of sitting there

C And then Cheryl and Dana bought these ones for 22 dollars and then we got ours for three quid.

D And when we were watching Finding Nemo the Musical, mine broke, so I got a new one that was the same as...

A See, my rubbish one's broke, now I need a \$22 Finding Nemo one.

D No it fell on the floor mummy.

A I know I'm only kidding.

Q Oh gosh, I know what you mean. We were in Washington one time and we just used to have to go inside all the time and seek air conditioning to cool down.

A Luckily a lot of the rides where you were waiting it was air con so we just...

C Yeah and it was inside

A Oooh air con.

Q So how long were you there altogether?

A Two weeks.

Q OK and how often did you go to Disneyland while you were there?

A I think 12 of the days.

Q OK so did you get like a pass or something?

A Yeah. You buy your tickets before you go, which are two weeks, and then there's four Disney parks and two water parks and we did them all, most of them twice didn't we? A couple we didn't do twice.

C Yeah.

A And then we had like the first day just round the villa and that had got its own pool and lazy river and stuff so that was really nice. The last day round the villa and then a day at Crayola Land but the rest we were at the parks. We did some miles didn't we? We did some miles.

C I think ??? beach were the best for the weather, ??? beach was the best for the weather.

A Well that was the water park wasn't it?

Q2 Or is that like, they have like these big water slides.

D Like, in Typhoon Lagoon there was big waves. Like if you stand right in the middle of it you just get knocked over by the big waves, but if you stand near the close.... if you standing near the front of it then you wouldn't get hit by the wave.

And when it started thundering you had to get out of the pool.

A Most days you have thunder and lightning, so your day is cut short.

C Yeah, normally about four o'clock it starts thundering didn't it? In the wave pool it started off really small but if you stood in the middle it would start curving over and I think that's the most impact that you would get.

Yeah we didn't, my dad wouldn't actually let me go out that far and we stood where the waves were just about touching the water. It was about three feet tall. But at the start where it was just where it was curving over like that, it was about twelve feet tall.

Q2 They were really big waves.

D And when I wasn't holding on to my dad's hand and the wave came and it was a big one and then it came into a small one, it took me along to the back of the pool.

Q Oh my gosh, how did you feel about that? Was it scary or was it ...

D It was funny.

A It was taking you back to the shallow end so it was alright weren't it? I'm just stood on the edge like mums do, aah.

Q2 You were worried.

A Yeah.

C In ??? beach the wave pool wasn't as bad, and everything was either white or a pale blue and I went on this one called the 'Slusher Gusher', where it is a big slide and it goes up and down like that so it does two drops and then it goes straight down. And then there was this other one called 'Summit Plummet' and that doesn't even do any like humps, it just goes straight down, it's probably about a 15 degree angle.

D It has like a, going down the slide... when you're going down the slide it just came straight down. There was a hole you went down and you went through a dark hole that was rocks, and as well the slide was made like one of them slides that flipped off and you landed in the pool, but now there is just a chimney to make it more scary but that wasn't what actually happened. You just went down a hole.

C So on that one it's about 15 degrees and my dad and our friends' dad, went on it. So it's not, it doesn't go into the pool, it drops straight down for about 20 metres and then it has one of those long like bits of pipe at the end so that you don't go flying off the end of the slide.

It's because it's going to speed up and if you go in the pool, the pool's only about 15 metres wide and they don't want you to go flying over the pool in case you go too far.

Q And you seem to have a very strong understanding of how they've set it up to make it quite thrilling but at the same time quite safe would you say?

C Safe, yeah.

Q Do you need to know that sort of information before you try things out?

C Yeah. They'll try and give you a bit of information before you go on the slide. So like at the bottom you don't go into the pool because you just, there'll be this pipe at the bottom and they tell you all the positions you need to be in.

Q Oh I see, and that was the people who worked there who were on the rides?

D And there were two black slides, there was the first one and then another one. And at first I went on the open one and it was fun and then I went in the closed one and it did like small big drops down and it had little lights.

A Not good for my anxiety. You have to let them don't you. I want to go on that one now. No!.

D My dad said after both of them he would be, he thought I would come out first with the ring coming out at the back of me. Yeah dad thought, but I actually just came out on the rubber ring.

C My dad thought she was going to come out the ring first and then her.

Q I see. And so did you find that you got a bit more daring when you'd done a few of these?

C She wouldn't go on a couple of the rides but she'd go on, if she could, she'd go on all the slides.

Q Are you quite daring anyway, would you say? You like doing daring things?

C Sometimes.

A You were a bit worried about some of the rides weren't you?

D That like do big drops. But when I went on one that was called the 'Slinky Dog Dive' and...

Q2 Is that from Toy Story?

D Yeah, and it did like a big drop but it went really slow.

C On the drops.

A I've got the most amazing picture, you know when they take pictures when they go on the rides, Saskia's face was just 'Aah!'

D I didn't like it.

A Her dad's just laughing. It looked really cruel.

D I didn't like it.

A And then the next day she wanted us to queue for it again but the queue was really long for that one so we said 'No we're not going on it again'.

C The queue was outside Toy Story Land.

D And it was one hour and a half.

Q That's a long time.

A Yeah, in the heat.

Q2 Which was your favourite land of the Disney parks?

D Erm, I think...

C I think ??? beach was the best because there was lots of different rides, like... there was this one called 'Fahrenheit Drop' where you go along on a zip line and you drop straight down.

You have to be the smallest, the biggest you can be is five foot because then your feet will just hit the bottom of the pool.

And I've actually seen that, have you seen the show 'You've Been Framed?' I've seen it, in ??? beach they've gone down on the zip wire and they've done a back flip and hit their feet on the handles.

A Yeah.

Q Saskia what was your favourite?

D Animal Kingdom, because when you went in Dino Land it was like a theme park and you could go on the rides and do games, and I won two games. And I didn't think I would win two. I won one that you rolled the ball up to the top, I did that twice.

A Yeah you roll the ball and the horse goes along or a camel? It's one of them really old-fashioned like fairground things.

D Because mine got to the end first and I won a teddy bear, it was like a walrus, but I didn't know which one it was.

Q And what was the other game?

D And the second game, you had to shoot water at a target and the one that gets up to the highest, up to the top, and the light flashes and rings, that means you win.

A You won that one and then we had tears from David who had not won anything at that point, she'd got two teddies.

D But then...

Q So you got another teddy for that..... oh no!

- A I know we're only kidding. You all eventually got one didn't you.
- D And then Cheryl won one too and, no Cheryl won one game
- A But got two teddies.
- D And then David won a game, well he didn't win it but he just got a teddy bear and....
- A That was a fun day, that was our last park wasn't it?
- D And Cheryl got a green teddy bear and she gave it to David.
- C But then he won one and she wanted it back.
- D And she started crying because David didn't give it her back, and then David gave it her back and he started crying.
- Q Oh no. And did they manage to sort it out in the end?
- D Yeah.
- Q Good. It sounds an incredibly memorable holiday, it really does.
- C I'm on this ride, it was called the 'Rock 'n' Rollercoaster'. It was this ride, it was like this ride at Alton Towers called 'Nemesis' and when I went on that my face was just...like that. That's the exact face I did on that one because it goes at 60 or 70 miles per hour and it was going upside down, it was like...
- A The big girls and the dads just went on that one didn't you?
- C Yeah. It was ????. It was 48 inches, that's how tall you had to be.
- D As well there was one in Hollywood Studios that was called The Hollywood Drop Tower. It had 11 lifts and one was only working and the other 10 wasn't working.
- C The queues were just horrible, we never even got on it.
- D It was a three hour wait and it broke down a lot.
- C It said one hour five on the front so we were like 'Oh right let's go queue up for this one before we go on the rock 'n' rollercoaster' and then we were stood there for almost three hours and when we got half an hour from the front they were letting people in with fast.... they were letting people who had fast passes. They were going down the line saying 'You can have a fast pass, you can but you can't' and then they said 'There's only one lift working' so then we just came out of the line because...
- A We gave up didn't we?
- C Yeah.

D And then they went on Rock 'n' Rollercoaster and that one broke down once but we managed to get on it didn't we Stephanie?

C Yeah.

D We only managed to get on one ride.

Q Yeah. So do you think the things that you saw at Disneyland that they made you want to, I don't know, have any particular Disney films that you want to watch or watch again, or does it make you want to play anything like to do with Disney or have Disney toys and stuff like that?

C Yeah we have bought quite a few of Disney teddy bears and Disney toys. She's bought this shark. Go and get your shark, Saskia.

A It's in your playroom. She's going to get the dinosaur, you know the Dinosaur in Toy Story?

C Yeah.

A About this ??? trying to get ???

C I'm going to get Bruce.

Q Oh thank you.

Q2 ??? is good to be fair, ???

A When he talks. Toy Story's brilliant.

Q2 Oh yeah.

A I think sometimes the Disney films are good because they have more of the adult element don't they, so...

Q Did you get your Disney slippers, I have to ask you, there?

A These were a present from my husband before we went, because we've been planning it for such a long time we bought a lot of things to take.

Q Oh my gosh.

C Saskia bought this teddy bear

A It's got everything massive.

C Yeah, and then she bought that. We went for a meet and greet with Joy and Sadness and all Sadness wanted to do was cuddle the shark.

A It was really cute because all the characters who were there she took him off and he was making a fuss and singing 'Baby Shark' and stuff like that.

D This one can talk and that one can talk.

Q2 Do you like it when toys can talk and make sounds?

D Yes.

Q Do you ever talk to them? Do you sort of like have imaginary conversations?

C We only got them about a week ago so Saskia has been... you have been playing with them for quite a few days.

A Tell them about your ceremony whenever you get new teddies and what you have to do.

C Yeah, we like welcome them, like sometimes just to entertain ourselves for about 20 minutes we'll go upstairs and we'll introduce the new teddy bears.

Q Here at home? This is what you do when you get a new one, you introduce them?

C Yeah.

D And then the, we invite all the teddy bears that already know each other up to the front and they say their names to the new teddy bears.

Q That's lovely. What a good idea. Where has that come from?

A I've no idea.

D Stephanie.

A They give them all birthdays and put it on the calendar, 'Oh it's such and such's birthday today'.

Q Oh that's so nice. So is their birthday like the day that you got them?

C Yeah sometimes. And sometimes we, because we only came up with it when we had five or six teddy bears so we had to if we couldn't remember their birthday we had to make it up or something. Or sometimes they'll have it on their tag. They'll say 'My birthday is whenever and I'd like to do something' like with Ty and toys.

Q2 Do you have a lot of the Ty toys?

C Yeah we have quite a few.

Q It makes you smile every time doesn't it?

A Yeah, just them big smiley teeth.



Q So how did you come up with the idea of the ceremony? Do you remember now, the welcome ceremony?

C Yeah I can remember the first one and I think it was erm...

D It was mostly all Stephanie's idea.

C Yeah we had, I think it was this glow in the dark teddy bear, so you press a button and it'll like give you all different colours, so it'll go red and then it'll change to yellow and then it'll go green and it'll just do this colour combination when you press this little button.

Q So was that the new one that sort of triggered the ceremony? How did that come about that you decided to have this ceremony of introducing them all to each other? Did the idea come from seeing that anywhere else or was it just something in your head that you thought would be a nice thing to do?

C Yeah I thought that might be a nice thing to do to just keep us entertained.

D Stephanie is talking about this one but it doesn't work any more.

A Oh oh, does it need some new batteries?

D You press its paw but it doesn't work.

C I got this one from this after school club. On Saturday I went to this like Brownie, it was like a party, it was an anniversary and they were doing a raffle, and so you pay £1 for a ticket in the raffle and you'd find your number on one of the tickets. And the number I got, I think it was 7, and this was 7.

Q Oh wow, good prize.

C Because it only went up to about 12.

Q Yeah, and that was the bear that changed colours, is that what you're saying?

C Yeah so the bear it's got like a colour button there, it's got one there and it's got one there.

Q So you could press a different ...

A Yes it has a nightlight as well doesn't it?

C So you press that and they'll all light up and start changing colours.

Q When was that that you got it?

C I'm not sure.

A About a year?

C Yeah, about a year ago.

Q Oh that's great. Well one of the things we'd really like to do when we have another visit is maybe you could give us a little tour of all your toys and tell us a bit about the things that you play in your rooms and different parts of the house.

A You like doing lots of shows and stuff don't you? Rehearsing shows and then we have to go up and watch them.

Q Have you each got your own bedrooms?

C No. Yeah we share a room.

A And then the other room is a play room and so it's nice because when they get it messy you can just shut the door on the mess. Yeah they share. They used to have separate rooms and then they've shared since Saskia was about two, haven't you, you were sharing. They've just got single beds side by side.

Q Yeah.

A ???

Q That's really nice. Do you share toys as well or do you tend to each have your own in different parts of the room?

C Sometimes we have like sharing, we share toys, and then we'll have our own toys, we'll have separate toys as well.

Q So it's a bit of each, yeah.

Q2 Do you like to play together?

C Yes. We've got lots of LOL dolls upstairs, and we've got lots of Barbies upstairs, and sometimes we'll play that. And I think it was yesterday one of our friends came over and we were making a hospital in there, we were making a hospital.

Q2 So how did you make the hospital?

C So I was making the beds and our friend was making like

D A toilet.

C A bathroom.

Q A toilet.

C With bathroom essentials, and then what were you making, Saskia?

D I was making a hospital sign.

C Yeah, she was making like an arrow.

Q And what were you using to make things?

C So we've got like spare pieces of coloured paper and cardboard and pieces of foam.

D Like this foam. That's a little bed.

A You put it on top of the balls.

D Yeah.

C And we were using like sellotape and scissors to make like a model for a hospital.

A And they're going to finish it off aren't you when she comes again.

C Yeah.

Q2 Are you going to play with the LOL dolls and Barbies in the hospital or were you just making a hospital?

C I think we're just making a hospital, I'm not sure if they might fit in the hospital. But some of the LOL dolls might but I don't think the Barbies will because we're making beds about that big and...

Q Yeah so it's only a few inches, a bit big.

C So we don't want to use too much foam.

A Saskia's cold. You can really feel the cold when that door is open.

D This is the toilet that I made.

Q This is great, oh beautiful.

D This is one of the beds that we made.

Q2 They're fantastic.

D And this is the sign and the way to the hospital I made.

A That's as far as you got didn't you because then it was tea time.

Q2 That's amazing.

D This one is the teddy bear I was talking about. I don't know if it's a walrus or not.

A We're not sure what animal it is are we?

D Because walruses have a little puffy bit on the end of their tail. I think it's a bit like a shark's tail too.

C It might be like a mix of different things.

Q2 Do you like cuddly toys? Do you like soft toys?

C Yeah.

Q2 Do you have a lot of teddy bears?

A Yeah it's hard for them to fit in their beds because they've got a lot of teddies in their beds. And Charlie likes stuffed toys as well. Yes.

C At one point all the teddy bears were in the playroom and then we made this thing called 'The Favourites Section' which was at the bottom of the bed and you put all your favourite teddies there and then it just got bigger. And as we got a new teddy bears we just ended up putting those in the favourites section without thinking.

Q2 So is that meant to be like a special place for them, like where your favourites thing is to be on the bed?

C Yeah.

D This is something else I made but I don't know what I made.

C It's like a little arrow.

D It's an arrow to show you the way to the hospital.

Q2 Brilliant. That's very cool. There are all sorts of arrows in hospitals aren't there?

C Like where to go, and then you've got like the emergency X-ray room and ...they've got loads of rooms with numbers on, like patient 251, and patient 6, and you've got like different numbers of rooms.

D Our dad painted the wall silver with glitter in it.

A Oh if you look really closely the paint's got glitter in it, it's only very subtle.

D But before it was a red wall and it had white scratches on it because before we had a red wall it was a white wall.

Q Oh I see. You can remember all the colours. That's very colourful.

A It's just gone from red to grey.

C Recently we've just changed our tiles, so we used to have black and white tiles but then dad's took them off and he's realized before we even had those we had like blue tiles, just straight blue tiles. So over the blue ones he's put these like black bricks over. At first he

was just sticking them on but then he realized he could just, he could go over them with like white round the outside to make them stand out more.

Q Right, so is that what your dad does is that his actual job or is he just handy?

A Yeah he said he would have a go.

D Somewhere in the holiday our dad's gonna paint our room rose gold.

A Oh yeah because they've both become obsessed with this glitter paint now, and they've seen this rose gold glitter for their room which we're going to get tomorrow when we go to the paint shop, and they are really excited.

Q That sounds really nice, maybe ???

A No I'm going to pick it up tomorrow.

C When is he going to paint it?

A I don't know, I keep asking.

Q So what does daddy do when he's not busy, what's his day job?

A He works at Swan Morton at Hillsborough, they make surgical blades. Yeah so he's worked there for like 20 years. Yeah and he gets really good holidays. So they have similar holidays to us but he just had his two weeks off and then he had to go back Monday while we were still snoozing didn't he, poor daddy. And then he'll get a week off at October with us, two weeks off at Christmas, it works out really well.

D Even Monday I woke up and Stephanie was still asleep and she slept for sixteen hours.

A Yeah because on the way back we missed a full night's sleep because of the flight.

C I only got about one or two hours of sleep and then when we were driving home I only got one or two as well so I didn't get enough sleep.

Q It sounds tiring but it sounds like it's been worth it and quite a memorable trip. Did you take any photos while you were over there?

A Oh yeah. We were sorting them all out yesterday.

Q Perhaps we could ask you to get some of your favourite photos to show us for next time?

A We were going to choose some aren't we for your scrap books.

Q Oh that would be lovely to see the scrapbooks taking shape.

D We're going to do it today.

Q Oh that would be lovely.

A We might not have time for the scrap book today, we might start, we've got the ??? thing this afternoon.

D Do you want us to show us around our house?

A They're going to be coming back.

Q We're going to come another time and I can see that, given that you've got something this afternoon, I'm thinking that probably we should be leave you in peace hey? You've told us so much exciting stuff though.

A We've got to have some dinner before we go to the library.

C I can show you I've got this thing on my iPad, because I've already shown you the leaflet that I've got a login on my iPad. Can I show them the Space Chase thing?

A Yeah.

Q Oh that would be good. Yes let's finish off on that one because we spoke about it earlier.

Q2 That's wonderful.

A It's nice when it's the holidays because it's so rushed in the week they don't get time to play as much as they want, so it's nice when they've just got free days to invent games and stuff.

Q2 Do you like to make up your own games quite a bit?

C Yeah, and sometimes at school you're ??? every once in a while we'll just be given an activity, make up your own game. You'll get given like 15 to 20 minutes to make your own game and then you'll share it with another group.

A You made your own board game didn't you?

Q2 Oh wow.

C Yeah.

Q Oh that's fun.

D I've made a board game.

Q You've done some.

C Or like you can have the books sometimes.

Q It's a good imagination..

D It was one ??? I use my number and some figures, like the LEGO figures, and....

C It's like comedy, ??? history, you can choose like...

D This one goes up to 100 on the game, and if you landed on any spaces, you had to do a challenge or something.

Q Ah that sounds a good game. Can you remember any of the challenges that you set people to do?

D Nobody landed on the spaces where the challenges were.

Q Oh. I was interested to see what sort of challenges you might have made up for them.

A Probably maths questions mainly, that's what you normally do.

Q Is that what they like to do?

A Oh ???

D Yeah questions.

Q What's a challenge then? What's the difference? I'm not sure.

C Normally it was, like, so just maybe you count today...

D You could challenge somebody to...

Q2 So do you put in your age?

C So you put in the age that it's recommended for.

D Like you could challenge somebody to do a handstand for one minute.

Q Oh I see. Do you like doing handstands?

D Yeah. That's why I do gymnastics.

Q Oh you probably will be able to do a minute then. Can you walk on your hands as well? Do you get to do things like that?

D Not really. Because every time I try I only like do it for like five seconds and you have to ??? the ground. You can even do it at school because outside on the yard there's some mats there that you can do gymnastics on.

Q Oh that's right yeah. Are you in the yard at the back?

A Yeah.

Q Well that's absolutely brilliant. Thank you so much we've got so much fascinating information from you this morning.

C There's like a little sponge ball. So with this sponge ball you have to make it through like these little levels and you have to try not to touch a certain colour on the game.

Q2 Oh OK. Is that one of your favourite ones?

C Yeah.

A Won't it log you in?

Q Oh is it taking a while? So is this your iPad?

A They've got that new one it's a bit bigger than the old one.

Q Yes I was going to say, is it an actual iPad then?

A What's it called? It's not an iPad but you can have it as a tablet but then you can attach the keyboard to it as well.

Q2 Is it a Microsoft Surface?

A What's it called Steph? I'm not sure. I think it is a Microsoft one. Oh I don't know.

Q Yeah.

A Linux I think it is.

C So on this one it's not working, so normally you would tap on the box and it would come up with like different choices but it's not working properly.

Q2 Then does it recommend books that are that genre, that age?