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A Trip to The Lowry



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INTRODUCTION

St John's Centre in Old Trafford is a community centre offering adult education courses. We have many ESOL classes (English for Speakers of Other Languages).

Our Friday ESOL class is called *Discover Manchester*. It is a free class open to anyone who wants to practice their speaking and listening skills in English. The class is run by volunteers.

When we can, we go on trips to visit interesting places in Manchester. If you are new to The UK it is a good way to find out what there is to see in Manchester. In the summer term of 2019, students chose to go to The Lowry at Salford Quays.

One of our volunteer teachers, Sarah Wilkinson, has created a lesson on writing stories as a group. This book is written by the students who visited The Lowry on Friday 14th June 2019.

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GLOSSARY

BBC - one of the main TV and radio channels in the UK

gallery - a room with pictures or objects on display

ITV - another of the main TV channels in the UK

Lowry - L S Lowry was a 20th Century painter famous for his paintings of industrial scenes (e.g. factories) in Salford and Manchester

pram - also called a pushchair or buggy

quiz - a set of questions, usually for fun

Salford Quays - the area around the canals and docks in Salford

St John's Centre - a community centre in Old Trafford

The Lowry - an Arts Centre in Salford with theatres and galleries

view - what you can see from a particular place (can also mean opinion, belief or idea)



We come back to Trafford Bar on the tram. The weather is sunny and we are happy.



We meet at St John's Centre. Here we are outside the centre. We walk to the tram stop at Trafford Bar.

[Note: words in red are explained in the glossary inside the back cover]





We buy tickets from the machine. We wait for the tram. It is raining.



Here is Henry in his pram. He is in front of the big bridge and he is very happy.





We drink tea in the cafe inside The Lowry. We talk to each other about the paintings. We enjoy the tea!



We are on the tram. We go to The Lowry at Salford Quays.



We see the BBC building. We see the ITV building. We enjoy the views.



Now we are in the gallery. We look at Lowry's paintings. We answer the questions in a quiz.