

# Paddington Bear's Big Adventure: From Peru to London!

## Introduction (5 mins):

"Have you heard of a very special bear named Paddington? He wears a blue coat and a red hat and loves marmalade sandwiches! Paddington had a very long journey to get to his new home. Today, we're going to be explorers and follow Paddington's adventure!" (Show a picture of the Paddington Bear stuffed animal if available).

## Activity 1: Where in the World? (10 mins):

"Paddington came all the way from a place called Peru. Let's find Peru on our map/globe!" (Guide the student to locate Peru). "It's very far away! Then, he traveled on a big ship across the giant ocean to a city called London, in a country called England. Let's find London!" (Guide the student to locate London). "Wow, that's a long trip for a little bear! He arrived at a big train station called Paddington Station – that's how he got his name!"

## Activity 2: Paddington's Story (10 mins):

Read a simple version of Paddington's arrival story (or the first chapter of 'A Bear Called Paddington'). Discuss key points: "Why did Paddington leave Peru? (His Aunt Lucy went to the Home for Retired Bears). How did he travel? (Stowaway on a ship). Who found him at the station? (The Brown family). What did his tag say? ('Please look after this bear. Thank you.'). Was it kind of the Brown family to take him home? Why?"

## Activity 3: Suitcase Craft (10 mins):

"Paddington traveled with his little suitcase. Let's make our own travel tag, just like Paddington's!" Use the cardstock/paper tag, string, and markers. Help the student write their name and maybe draw a small picture. Attach the string. "Now you have a tag for your own adventures!"

## Wrap-up Discussion (5 mins):

"Paddington traveled a long way from Peru to London. We learned about maps and where these places are. We also learned it's important to be kind to visitors, just like the Browns were to Paddington. What was your favorite part of Paddington's adventure?"

**Optional Extension:** Have a 'Paddington Tea Party' with toast and marmalade (or jam/jelly if preferred).