

TRAVELLING

B. READING AND SPEAKING

1. Read the story and write what continents Tiger-pig went to.

The Story of Tiger-pig (based on the idea of 'The Story of Tiger-pig' by John Ryan')

Once there lived a small animal. He was round, with big ears, little black eyes, and a long nose which was round at the end. He had short legs and a short tail. He looked like a pig, but he had brown hair with black stripes (полоски) on his back. His teeth were very big. When he opened his mouth, he roared¹ angrily like a tiger.

His mum and dad were dark brown and had no stripes. They called their son Tiger-pig.

He lived on an island² near Australia. His dream (мечта) was to see the world. His mum and dad did not want to let him go alone (отпускать его одного). So one day he jumped into the sea and swam and swam and swam till he saw a beautiful big castle³ on a big island. Tiger-pig went into the yard of the castle and saw a lot of yellow people. They were around a young Prince, who was painting a picture. The people said to the Prince: 'Look! What a nice tiger!' 'It's not a tiger', said the Prince. 'It's a tiger-pig. Oh, your hair is good for my paintbrush (кисточка). Can I have some?'

But Tiger-pig didn't want to give his hair, so he ran to the sea. He swam and swam and swam, and then he saw land (земля). He walked through cool, dark, wet forests and over hot, dry, sandy deserts, and he saw black people. They wanted to eat the Tiger-pig, but he didn't like the idea and he ran to the ocean. He swam across the ocean and came to a country of white people. When they saw him, they ran to him. 'Let's show him on television!' 'He'll be great in my circus!' 'Let's put him in the zoo!'

But Tiger-pig wanted to see his parents and brothers and sisters very much. He didn't want to be on TV or in a circus or in a zoo. He jumped into the ocean and swam back, and because the world is round like a ball (круглая, как мяч), Tiger-pig came to his island. His mother and father, his sisters and brothers were happy to see him. He was happy to see them, too.

1 roared [rɔ:d] – рычал

2 an island ['aɪlənd] – остров

3 a castle ['kɑ:sl] – замок, дворец



2. Put the sentences in the correct order.

- His dream was to see the world.
- White people wanted to see Tiger-pig on TV, in the circus, in the zoo, but he didn't want to.
- Once there lived a small animal, which looked like a pig, but had black stripes on his back.
- One day Tiger-pig jumped into the sea and swam to a beautiful castle.
- He ran away, swam across the ocean and saw white people.
- He swam in the sea, walked through dark forests and over dry deserts and came to black people who wanted to eat him.
- There lived a Prince who liked painting and wanted Tiger-pig's hair for a paintbrush.
- Tiger-pig swam again and was very happy to be at home.
- But Tiger-pig didn't want to give his hair for a paintbrush and he ran away.

3. Are the following sentences true or false?

- Tiger-pig was a big animal.
- He lived on an island with his relatives.
- His father and mother were brown with dark stripes.
- His dream was to see his brothers and sisters.
- A yellow Prince lived in a castle.
- Black people wanted to teach him to paint.
- Tiger-pig didn't want to stay with white people.
- He was happy to see his relatives again.

4. Answer the questions.

- Why did Tiger-pig run away from the country of yellow people?
- Why did Tiger-pig come back to his island?
- What do you think about Tiger-pig?

5. Draw the route of his travelling round the world and describe the nature of the places he went to.