

A letter to Alice

Dear Alice,

We have now finally arrived at our planned destination! I am deeply sorry for my lack of these letters, but I hope to excuse myself by informing you that these last days have been very hectic, and mailboxes are a fact only when ashore, which our beloved Helena has not been for several weeks.

Mark and I were very concerned about the recent weather change on the continent, which occurred at the most unfortunate moment. Fortunately, we rode the ways safe and sound with no complications. That's something to brag about when we reach port, and when I come back home! Gosh, I really miss you all from the bottom of my heart, and I wish you the best. I hope that you are as healthy as the crew on board here.

I remember Ken, he turned 2 a few days ago when I'm writing this, as long as I remember the dates correctly. What a young little fella, wish him happy birthday from me the next time you speak to Helena and Mohammed!

We are now on our last pit stop at the port of beautiful Porto Allegre. I will hand this letter over as an express letter to the local postal office and hope the bewinged postal workers fly high and fast with your package back to Portland.

As much as I miss you, I want to bring some fortunate news from here too. There's a pub called simply "Port Food", but it serves authentic British cuisine, something which an Englishman having his home in America certainly appreciates! And the locals here are very friendly. One of them reminds me about Nathan, your friend. He had the same smile as him, and we have exchanged quite a few words since he takes daily bike rides to the harbour.

I miss you a lot, and if everything goes well, we should be back in roughly 36 days! I know it's a lot, but bare with me - I'll be back sooner than you can imagine. I will make sure to send a letter every time we reach a place with a postal office.

Do me a favor and let all our loved ones know that I'm safe and sound and soon at my destination.

Sincerely yours,

Matt

Questions to the text

(for the questions with options listed, mark the correct option in some way).

What kind of text is this? Choose an option below.

1. A news article
2. A letter
3. A logbook

Who is "Helena" in the text?

1. The name of a ship
2. The name of a place
3. The name of a person

Where is the crew currently located?

Because of several clues in the text, you can tell that the crew...

1. Is travelling by foot
2. Is travelling by sea
3. Is travelling by jumbojet

Matt really misses Alice, but he highlights some bright things in his live. Give two examples below.

1. -----
2. -----

Which feeling do you think that Matt expresses the strongest in this text? Name the feeling and motivate your answer.

