If I Could Travel Anywhere In The World...

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Mrs. Stephens's
2nd Grade Class
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AUTOGRAPHS
Dear Class,

I have loved being your second grade teacher! This has been an exciting project to be a part of with you all! I am proud of the hard work you have put into the writing process and your illustrations. You all never cease to amaze me with your creativity.
A LETTER FROM MRS. STEPHENS

It has been awesome to watch you research our great planet and choose the one place you would go if you could. I hope each and every one of you get to visit your special place one day!

You all will always hold a special place in my heart. I hope that when you think back to second grade, you still feel the love that I have for you. I know that you all have bright futures and I look forward to hearing about your adventures!

Love,
Mrs. Stephens
My name is Alexandria Ficklin and my favorite book is *Brave Heart* because the dogs are brave and save their owners. My favorite food is fried shrimp and my favorite color is red for the Gamecocks. I love books and my favorite subject in school is reading.
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

By: Alexandria

If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would go to Alexandria, Virginia. I would swim in the ocean, go to the District of Columbia, and go to the park to have a picnic. In D.C., I would go to the zoo. I want to go when the weather is hot. At the hotel, I will eat dinner and sleep when it is time for bed. This would be an exciting adventure and fun place to travel.
My name is Arline Mejia Gonzalez and my favorite book is *The Cat in the Hat* because it is funny. My favorite food is pepperoni pizza and my favorite color is pink. My favorite subject in school is math because it is fun.
If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would go to Oregon! I would go to Oregon because I have never been there. Traveling with my mom and dad would be fun too. My mom has shown me pictures of Oregon. We would do so many fun things in Oregon. I hope I get to visit one day.
My name is Aronn Santos-Santiago and my favorite book is *Where is My Mom* because it has good details. My favorite food is spaghetti with meatballs and my favorite color is black. I love the subject math because I learn a lot in math.
If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would go to Mexico. I want to go to Mexico because there are crabs that change colors. I want to go to Mexico to ride a boat with the crabs that change colors. Traveling to Mexico with my mom on a plane would be fun too. I want to go when it is hot and I want to stay in a hotel on the beach. This trip would be so fun!
My name is Autumn Harris-Jackson and my favorite book is *Do not Eat Your Classmates* because I like the part when the fish bites back. My favorite food is my mom’s macaroni and cheese and my favorite color is purple. I like to learn and my favorite subject is math.
LOS ANGELES
By: Autumn

If I could go anywhere in the world, I would go to Los Angeles, California. Los Angeles looks very pretty and would be so fun to visit. I would want to go with my family so we could go swimming and shop together. I want to go to California on an airplane when there is sunny weather. This would be the best place to travel to.
My name is Daviaya Andrews and my favorite book is *I am Not Getting Up Today* because the whole neighborhood tries to wake him up. My favorite food is Chinese food and my favorite colors are purple and orange for the Clemson Tigers. I love the subject math because there is multiplication, subtraction, and addition.
If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would go to Alaska. I want to go to Alaska because not many people go there. I want my mommy to travel with me to Alaska because I love her so much. We will fly on an airplane to get there. Together, we will go see the river, see the ice, and see the snow. I want to go there when I am older and I can not wait!
My name is Eriss Jackson and my favorite book is *Dog Man* because it is about hope and friendship. My favorite food is hot dogs, and my favorite colors are red and pink because my whole family likes these colors. I enjoy the subjects of math, reading, and science.
If I could go anywhere in the world, I would go to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania with all of my brothers and sisters. I would go to Sky Zone and play dodge-ball. We would drive to Pennsylvania and we would go in the summertime. My brothers, sisters, and I would stay in a hotel together. It would be the best trip with my brothers and sisters.
My name is Jackson Landingham and my favorite book is *Started of The Offense* because it has wide receivers, quarterbacks and the center. My favorite food is chicken wrapped in bacon and my favorite colors are orange and purple for the Clemson Tigers. My favorite subject is math because I am good at it.
ILLINOIS

By: Jackson

If I could go anywhere in the world, it would visit Chamberlain University in Illinois. At Chamberlain University, I am going to watch my Grandma get her Doctorate. I am going to Illinois next June. While I am there, we are probably going to eat at Longhorn if there is a Longhorn. I am going to have so much fun with my family and watching my grandmother.
My name is Jonahieze Benson and my favorite book is *Peter Parker* because it is cool. My favorite food is crab legs because they are juicy and my favorite color is red. My favorite subjects in school are math and reading.
If I could travel anywhere, I would go to Atlanta, Georgia. I want to go there because I want to go to Six Flags and go swimming. Atlanta is such a big city and there is so much to do. I want to stay in a cool hotel. After I go to Atlanta, I want to go to Kobe, Japan, with my friends. It would be so much fun too!
My name is John Pekarek and my favorite book is Owen’s Jurassic Log Book. It has a cool lock on it. My favorite food is spaghetti and meatballs and my favorite color is blue because it reminds me of my dog’s collar. My favorite subject in school is reading because I like to read different books.
If I could go anywhere in the world, I would go to Madagascar. I would go to the Fossil National Park and climb trees. I love the outdoors and going on adventurous trips. I want to go now and go with my dad. He is so fun and likes the outdoors too. I hope we would see a lot of different animals too. This trip would be awesome.
My name is Jose Perez-Villeda and my favorite book is *Pokemon* because it is fun to read. My favorite food is grapes because they are sweet and juicy, and my favorite color is blue. My favorite subject is science because I can learn about the weather.
FLORIDA
By: Jose

If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would go to Florida with my family and my friend Alex. We could go to Clear Water Beach and build sandcastles. Also, we could swim in the ocean all day long. We could also visit Disney World because I really want to go to Epcot. This would be the best trip ever with my family and Alex.
My name is Josh Cabrera and my favorite book is *Fly Guy* because it is a good book.

My favorite food is spaghetti and my favorite color is blue. I love blue cars! My favorite subject in school is math because it is fun.
If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would go to Myrtle Beach. I have been to the beach before, but I have never been to Myrtle Beach. I want to go with my dad and my sisters. We can ride a plane there because that would be so much fun. I want to visit in the summertime when I can play in the water and the sand. I hope I get to visit Myrtle Beach one day.
My name is Kane Geer and my favorite book is *The Polar Express* because it is about Christmas. My favorite food is cherries because they are sweet and my favorite color is gray because it is a dark color. My favorite subject is science because I like to learn about space.
If I could travel anywhere, I would go to Dubai because it is cool. I will see the Bugatti police cars, Tesla cars, sharks, and Koenigsberg. I would go in the summer with Kobe, Jonahieze, and Eriss in a private jet. We would stay there for a day and then go to Kobe, Japan. This would be a trip of a lifetime.
My name is Kaylee Rollins and my favorite book is *Magic Treehouse* because they are chapter books. My favorite food is hot dogs because my Nana makes the best, and my favorite color is teal because it is pretty. My favorite subject is math because it is fun! I like to do subtraction.
If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would go to New York. My mom would like to go too, and we want to go during Christmas time. I want to visit Central Park. Also, the food in New York would be so good and I want to try it. I think New York would be so pretty and I can’t wait to travel there one day.
My name is Kinsley Davis and my favorite book is *Nelly Nutgraf: The Double-Best Reporter* in History because It is so funny! My favorite food is pizza because It is greasy and my favorite colors are pink, purple, and blue because they are pretty. My favorite subject is math because it is easy.
If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would travel to New York. I want to go to New York because I want to see the Statue of Liberty. After I drive to New York, I will go to see my grandparents and then I will go shopping. I want to go to the American Girl Doll Store too. It would be so much fun!
My name is Kobe Sullivan and my favorite book is *Captain Underpants* because he is a superhero and has a cape. My favorite food is Chinese food and my favorite color is orange for the Clemson Tigers. My favorite subject is math because I like learning about place value.
KOBE, JAPAN
By: Kobe

If I could travel anywhere, I would go to Kobe, Japan. I want to go to Kobe, Japan, because the city has the same name as me. When I go to Kobe, Japan, I will see the Nunobiki Stream, the Kobe OJI Zoo, and Kobe Harborland. I want to go with Kane, Jonahieze and Eriss in the summer.
My name is Lili Zarazue-Hernandez and my favorite book is *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* because the mouse asks for everything. My favorite food is pizza because I like pepperoni and my favorite color is purple. My favorite subject is math because it helps you learn.
If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would go to California. I want to go to explore the state. I would really like to see the Hollywood sign and the movie stars. I want to visit when I am older and go on a family vacation. We would ride the airplane to California. I hope I get to travel to California one day!
My name is Lillian Fowler. My favorite book is *A Series of Unfortunate Events* because it is a fun read. My favorite food is pizza and my favorite colors are black and gold because they look good together. In school, I enjoy learning about social studies!
If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would go to Mexico. I have not been to Mexico in a long time and I would love to go back to visit. My mom and I would go together. We would go swimming, go to the beach, and do many other things. It is hot in Mexico most of the time. I hope I get to travel to Mexico again one day.
My name is Perla Bonilla-Paz and my favorite book is *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* because my mom used to read it to me every night. My favorite food is pizza, I like pepperoni, and my favorite color is pink. My mom also loves pink. My favorite subject is homework.
COLUMBIA, SOUTH AMERICA

By: Lili

If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would go to Columbia, South America. I want to go because it is out of the country. I could do so many things because Columbia is a very different place than South Carolina. There are rainforest's in Columbia and I would love to visit those. I want to travel to Columbia with my family because it would be a very cool place to visit together.
My name is T-ijah Jamison and my favorite book is *My Slime Pet* because it is about slime. My favorite food is spaghetti because my mom makes good spaghetti and my favorite color is blue. I like the blue sky! My favorite subject is science because I like to learn about matter.
If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would go to Hawaii because it is so pretty. Hawaii has beautiful beaches and beautiful oceans. I would want to see the volcanoes and all of the pretty fish in the ocean. Hawaii would be one of the most beautiful places in the world to travel to. I hope I can travel there one day!
My name is Zander Morella and my favorite book is *Survive* because it is a chapter book and has cool stories in it. My favorite food is pork chop with cheese and my favorite colors are blue and green. My favorite subject is math because it is fun and it helps you learn.
If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would go to Texas. I would want to visit Padre Island. While there, I could go tubing under the bridge and swim in the water. I would also want to try new food in Texas. I want to wait to travel to Texas with my family when I am older so I can enjoy all of it. I can not wait to travel to Texas one day.
Dear Mrs. Stephens' 2nd Grade Class,

Thank you so much for letting the Pearce Center Interns work with your class to create and publish your very first book. Your stories turned out amazing and we are so proud of you! Our role in this project was to help you edit and publish your own stories, which we accomplished by visiting twice to provide writing and editing assistance. We really enjoyed working with you to help brainstorm ideas and edit the rough drafts of your stories. This project was important to us because we gained knowledge and understanding about the publishing process by working with you.

We really enjoyed working with each student and watching you grow as writers. We wanted your writing to represent the hard work that your second grade class has completed, and we wanted to work to maintain your original voices. With that being said, the Pearce Center made limited additional edits to your stories.
We hope you are excited to read this book over winter break, and we hope that you will learn a lot about different places you all want to travel to. We encourage you to learn more about your friends and to get excited for what the future holds for all of you.

Thank you for allowing us to join Mrs. Stephens's class and to learn about you and your dream destinations. We had a great experience and loved reading each story!

Best wishes,
The Pearce Center Interns
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