

# Around the World with Max and Lemon

Max was in her tent drawing a picture of Lemon. “There are no other toys that look like you, Lemon,” she said.

Dad popped his head inside. “That’s because Lemon is unique!”



“What does ‘unique’ mean?” Max asked.

“It means ‘one of a kind’,” said Dad. “We are all unique. There’s no one exactly like you!”

“Not even up a mountain?” asked Max.

“Not even in the desert or the jungle,” said Dad.

“Not even in the Arctic or the ocean?” asked Max.

“Not even on a faraway island!” said Dad. “You could travel the whole world and not find a single person who is exactly the same as you. You are unique.”



“Hmm, I’m not sure,” said Max. “Come on, Lemon. Let’s find out for ourselves.”

Max packed a rucksack with everything that she and Lemon would need. She waved goodbye to Mum and Dad, then headed off on her scooter to find out if she really was one of a kind.

On a tall mountain, Max made a friend called Anka, who loved bright colours.

“Just like me!” said Max.  
“Do you like to do colourful paintings?”

But Anka preferred to weave colourful patterns.



“We’re similar... but not the same,” smiled Max, giving Anka a special picture that she had drawn.

She said goodbye to her new friend and headed on her way.

In a dry desert, Max made a friend called Noor, who loved music.

“Just like me!” said Max. “Do you like to sing?”

But Noor preferred to play lovely tunes on her favourite instrument.



“We’re similar... but not the same,” smiled Max, giving Noor a special picture that she had drawn.

She said goodbye to her new friend and headed on her way.

In a thick jungle, Max made a friend called Pakaya, who loved stories.

“Just like me!” said Max. “Do you like to read them in books?”

But Pakaya preferred to listen to tales sung by his dad.



“We’re similar... but not the same,” smiled Max, giving Pakaya a special picture that she had drawn.

She said goodbye to her new friend and headed on her way.

In the cold Arctic, Max made a friend called Gertrude, who loved the snow.

“Just like me!” said Max. “Do you like to whizz down hills on a sledge?”

But Gertrude preferred to go snowshoeing.



“We’re similar... but not the same,” smiled Max, giving Gertrude a special picture that she had drawn.

She said goodbye to her new friend and headed on her way.

In the blue ocean, Max made a friend called Adam, who loved to swim.

“Just like me!” said Max.  
“Do you like to float on the surface?”

But Adam preferred to dive deep down under the water.



“We’re similar... but not the same,” smiled Max, giving Adam a special picture that she had drawn.

She said goodbye to her new friend and headed on her way.

On a faraway island, Max made a friend called Chloe, who loved animals.

“Just like me!” said Max. “Do you like penguins best?”

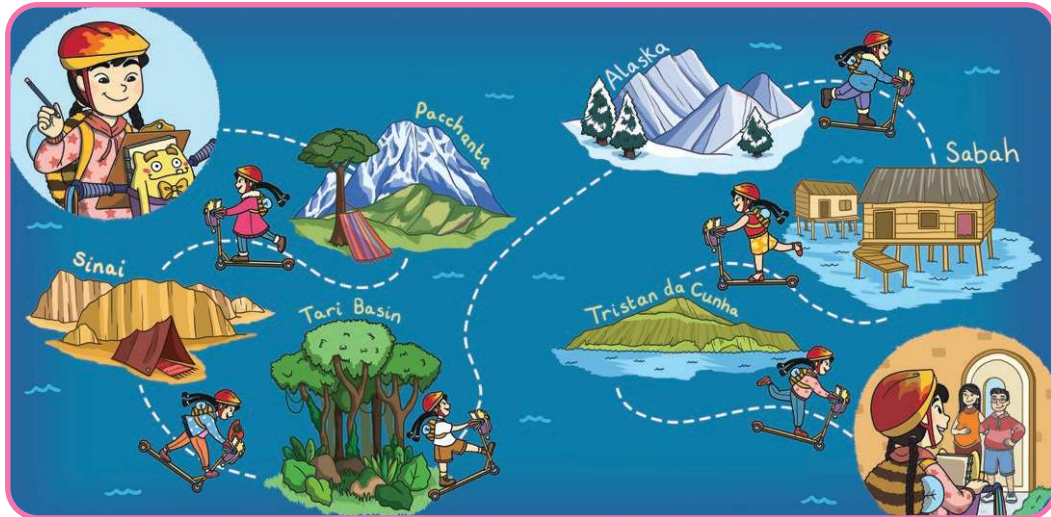
But Chloe’s favourite animal was the enormous humpback whale.



“We’re similar... but not the same,” smiled Max, giving Chloe a special picture that she had drawn.

She said goodbye to her new friend and headed on her way.

Once Max had ticked off every place on her list, she started the journey home. It wasn't long before she was back with her family.



“How was your trip?” asked Dad. “Did you find anyone exactly like you?”

“I made lots of new friends,” said Max. “Each one was a bit like me, but no one was exactly the same.”

“So, you travelled the **whole** world and didn't find a single person exactly like you?” asked Dad.

“I guess I am unique after all!” smiled Max. “Just like everybody else!”



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- Max

2. What does Dad say 'unique' means? **Tick one.**

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- funny
- brave

3. Where do Max and Lemon visit first? **Tick one.**

- a dry desert
- a tall mountain
- a blue ocean

4. Where do Max and Lemon visit last? **Tick one.**

- a faraway island
- the cold Arctic
- a thick jungle

5. What is Max doing to her map at the end of the story? **Tick one.**

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**No. Each person Max meets is a bit like her, but no one is exactly the same.**

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jungle	cold
ocean	tall
island	faraway
desert	blue
Arctic	thick

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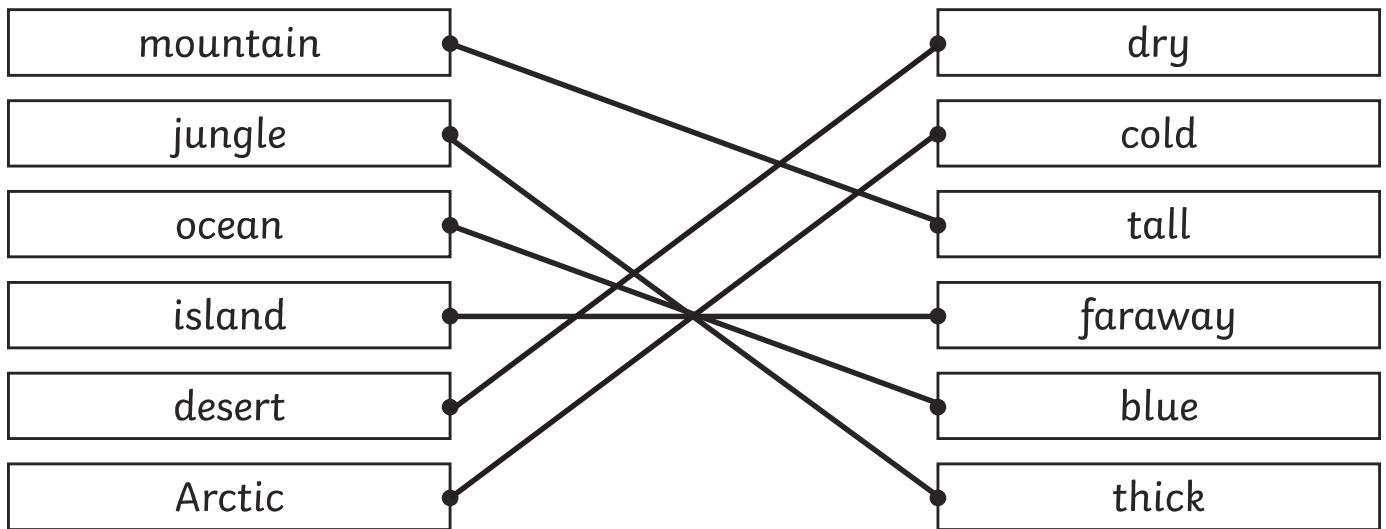
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**asked or smiled**

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**Children's own answers related to how Max is saying she is like everyone else because she is one of a kind/unique.**