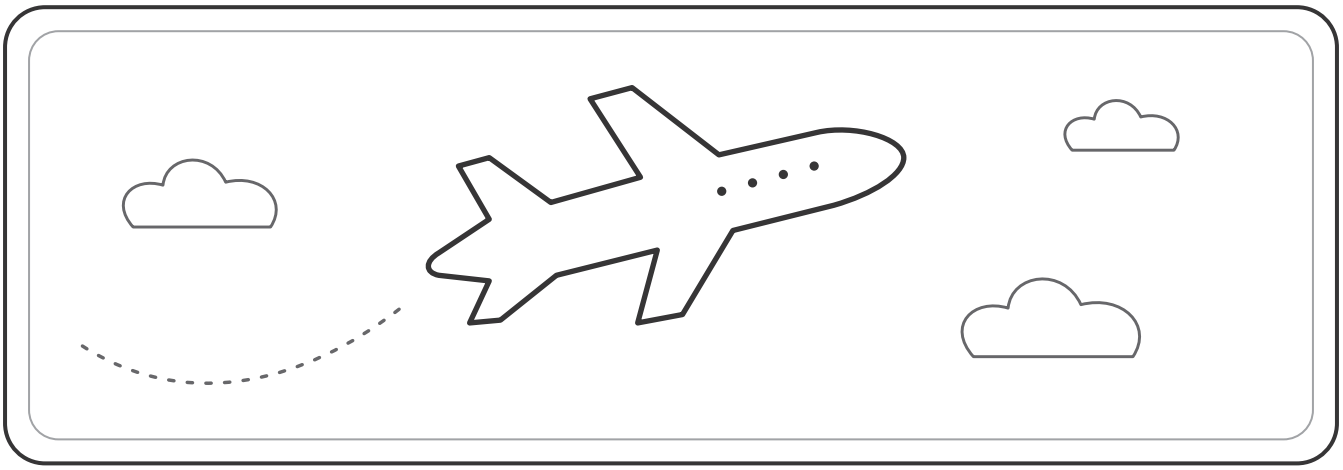
# Cal and Bertie’s First Flight

A story about getting ready to fly



Cal was going on a plane for the first time. “I wish you could come,” he told Bertie. Bertie thumped his tail. He was staying with Gran, so Cal tucked a photo of him into his pocket.

At the airport, suitcase wheels rattled past. A voice boomed from a speaker. Cal covered his ears. “Can we wait somewhere quieter?” he asked. Mum found two seats by the window.

Cal rubbed his thumb over Bertie’s photo. “What happens next?” he asked. Mum pointed to the door by the window. “When it’s our turn, we’ll show our passes and walk onto the plane.”

When the plane rolled down the runway, Cal held Mum’s hand. Soon the cars below looked as tiny as toys. “Look, Bertie,” Cal whispered to the photo. “We’re in the sky!”

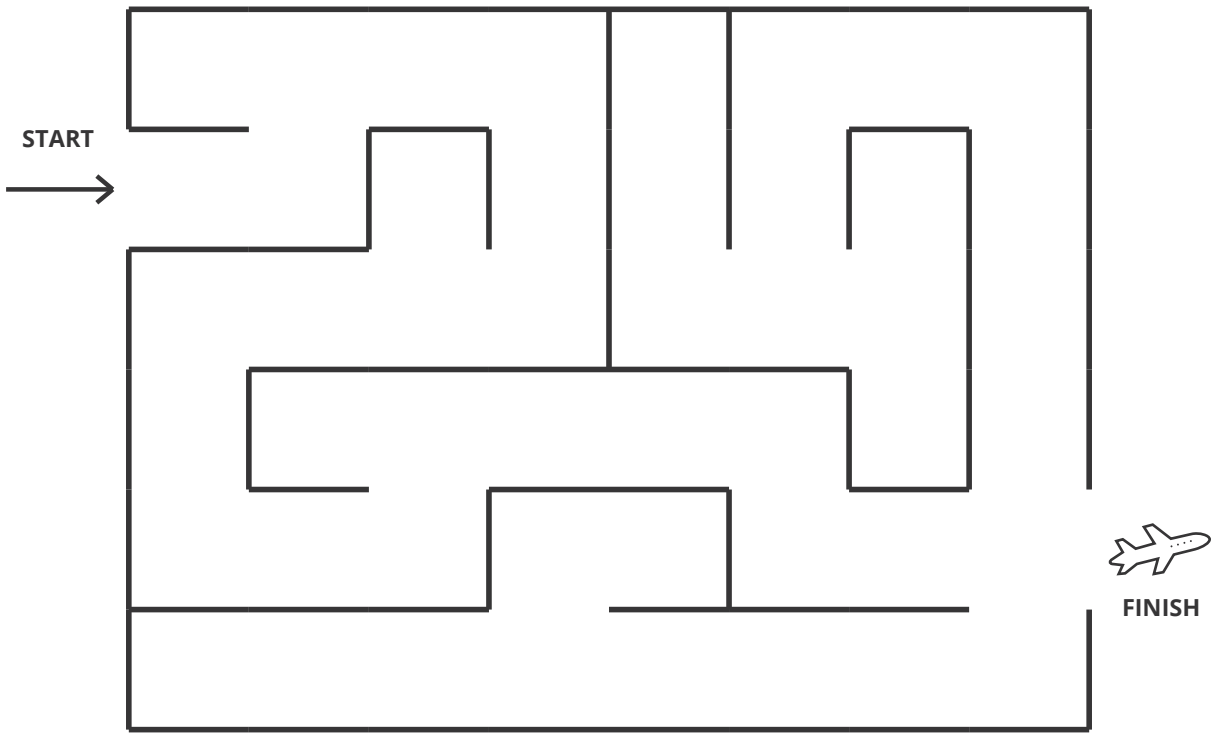
**What would you take to help you feel ready?**

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# Find the plane

Start at the arrow. Follow the paths to the plane. If you reach a dead end, go back and try another way.




## Use a finger or a pencil

Ages 4–5 may want a grown-up to show them where to start and help with the first turn. Ages 6–7 can try on their own or ask for help.

The answer is on the drawing page.


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# Out of my plane window

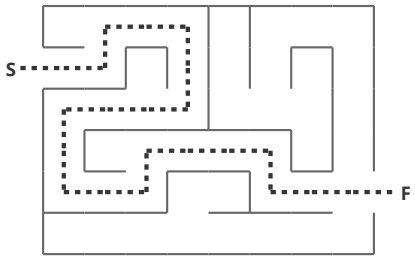
What would you see from your seat? Draw it inside the window.

Try a cloud, a tiny town or something from your imagination.

Tell a grown-up about your picture if you'd like.

## Maze answer

For grown-ups. The dotted line shows the route from start to finish.




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