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Chapter 1: Where Will Maria Go?



-  Maria's family plans a trip. They look for places to visit. They look for things to do. Maria loves to travel. She meets new people. She learns new things.



- 🔊 Maria lives in Los Angeles, California. She wants to visit a zoo. She wants to go to a museum. Her family likes those places, too. They look at a map to plan their trip.



- ▶ Maria's mom compares the distances to both places. The zoo is in San Diego. San Diego is 116 miles from their home. The museum is in Santa Barbara. Santa Barbara is 105 miles from home.



Distance from Maria's house to the zoo

116 Miles

Distance from Maria's house to the museum

105 Miles

- ▶ The distance from Maria's home to the zoo is greater than the distance from her home to the museum. 116 is greater than 105. Maria's family thinks about other places they might visit near the zoo. They also think about other places near the museum.




- ▶ If her family goes to the zoo, they will visit San Diego. They will visit Old Town. They also will go to San Diego Bay. Maria wants to look for shells on the bay's beach.



- If her family visits the museum, they will go to Santa Barbara. They will visit a painted cave at a state park. The Chumash Indians made drawings there. Some of the art is hundreds of years old. They will spend a day at the beach, too. Maria loves to swim.

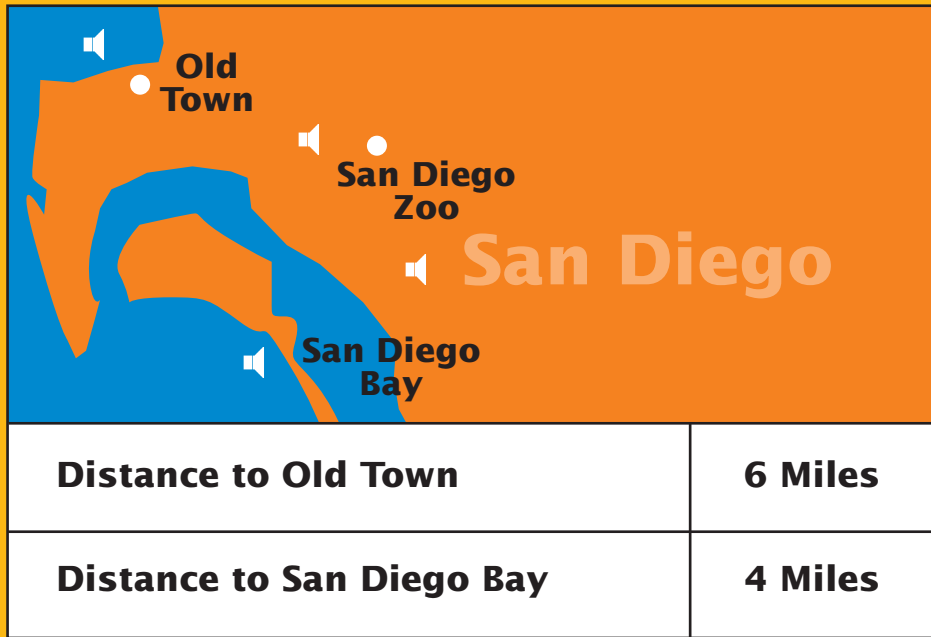
Chapter 2: On the Way to San Diego!



-  Maria's family must pick one city to visit. Maria's family plans to go to San Diego. Their first stop is the zoo. The San Diego Zoo is one of the largest zoos in the world. More than four million people visit the zoo each year.



🔊 The zoo is in a park. There are many kinds of animals. Maria likes the apes the best. She watches one hide its face. Her brother waves to the ape. The ape does not wave back. It is ready for a nap.




- Maria's family decides where to go next. They could see Old Town. There is a park there. They could go to the bay. It is sometimes called the Big Bay. Old Town is 6 miles from them. The bay is 4 miles away. Maria's family visits the bay.



- Maria buys a postcard. She sends it to her cousin Juan. She tells him about the places they visited. She tells him that she liked the bay the best. “See you soon!” she writes.

Chapter 3: **Where Will Juan Go?**



-  Juan's family plans a trip. They look for places to visit. They look for things to do. Like his cousin Maria, Juan loves to travel.



- ▶ Juan lives in Victoria, Texas. He wants to see the space center. Juan wants to explore space when he grows up. He also wants to visit an aquarium. Juan's family likes those places, too.



- ▶ Juan's dad compares the distances to both places. The Johnson Space Center is in Houston. Houston is 129 miles from their home. The aquarium is in Galveston. Galveston is 169 miles from home.



Distance from Juan's home to the space center

129 Miles

Distance from Juan's home to the aquarium

169 Miles

From Juan's home, the distance to the space center is less than the distance to the aquarium. 129 is less than 169. The center is closer to Juan's home.



- ▶ If Juan's family goes to the space center, they will visit Houston. They will go to the Natural Science Museum. They will spend time at a lake. Juan wants to ride in a boat there.



- If his family visits the aquarium, they will go to Galveston. They will go to the Texas Seaport Museum. They will spend time at the beach.

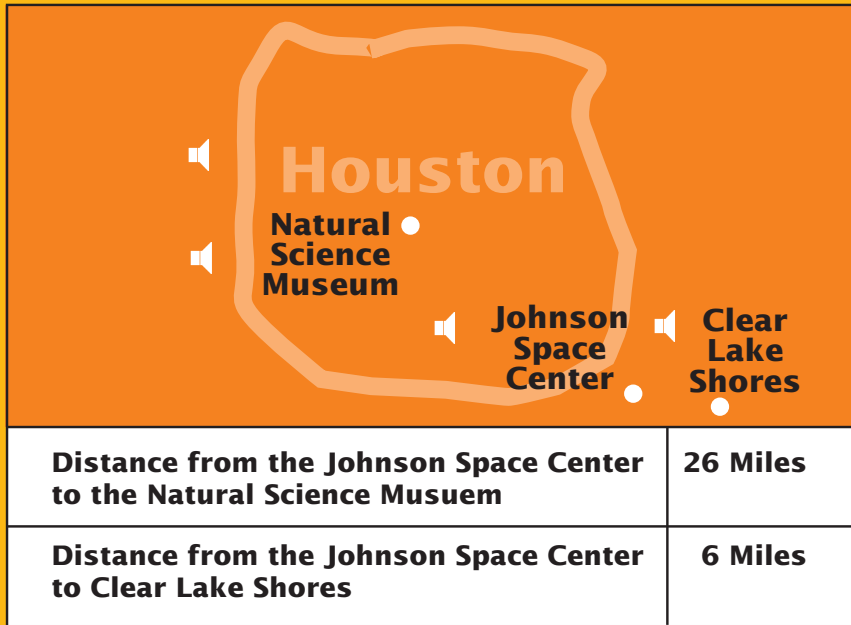
Chapter 4: Off to Houston!



- ▶ Juan's family plans to go to Houston. They stop at the Johnson Space Center first. Juan is excited to see the center. The center trains space explorers.



- Juan's family sees a space shuttle. He learns about a space day camp. Juan likes the Mission Control Center the best.



Juan's family decides where to go next. They could visit the museum or go to the lake. The museum is 26 miles from the space center. The lake is 6 miles away. The lake is closer, but it is raining. Juan's family visits the museum.



- Juan buys a postcard. He sends it to his cousin Maria. He tells her about the places they visited. He tells her about the space center. “Wish you were here,” he writes.






Glossary

- ▶ **compare** to find ways in which two or more things are alike and different
- ▶ **distance** the length of space between two points
- ▶ **is greater than** a larger amount than something else. 116 is greater than 105.
- ▶ **is less than** a smaller amount than something else. 129 is less than 169.

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Think and Respond

-  1. Ventura, California, is 67 miles from Maria's home. Santa Barbara is 97 miles from Maria's home. Which city is closer to Maria's home?
-  2. San Antonio, Texas, is 115 miles from Juan's home. Houston is 129 miles from Juan's home. Which city is a greater distance from Juan's home?
-  3. San Jose, California, is 340 miles from Maria's home. Salinas, California, is 303 miles from Maria's home. Is 303 less than or greater than 340?



4. Suppose you and your family are planning a trip. The mountain is 204 miles from your home. The beach is 142 miles from home. Which distance is greater? Which place would you choose? Why?