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Show-Not-Tell Writing

An activity of "Little trains, big dreams: world's biggest model railway".

"Little trains, big dreams: world's biggest model railway" takes us to the mesmerising world of Miniatur Wunderland in Germany (page 22, *What's Up* June 2023).

1. Imagine you are writing a story where the main character and his/her family visit Miniatur Wunderland. Use two to three sentences to **show** how they feel during this holiday trip **without naming** their actual feelings.

Do this by **describing what they do** or **how they look**. Here is an example of a "show-not-tell" about happiness:

Syafiqah and her siblings were chattering a mile a minute, barely able to stand still. As they watched the tiny trains chugging along on the tracks through the Grand Canyon, they had thousand-watt smiles on their faces. They couldn't believe they were finally there!

Now, it is your turn. Use your own words to tell your story.

A show-not-tell story about [*child's name*]_____ visiting Miniatur Wunderland.

- a. Show-not-tell disbelief.

- b. Show-not-tell disappointment.

- c. Show-not-tell fascination.

Using the show-not-tell approach can bring your words to life for your readers!