

Shookrullah from Afghanistan



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My Story



My name is Shookrullah Alizadah. I come from Afghanistan. I live in Sweden. I travelled for 4 months to come to Sweden. My parents paid money to smugglers. I travelled over mountains by trucks, cars and boats.

First, I arrived in Iran. It was a difficult trip. I walked for about 20 days. After that, I went to Turkey by bus and car. I walked for 5 hours across the Turkish border. Next, we arrived in Istanbul. I stayed for three weeks in this beautiful city. After this, we went to Greece. This was a dangerous trip because we crossed the border to Greece in a rubber boat.

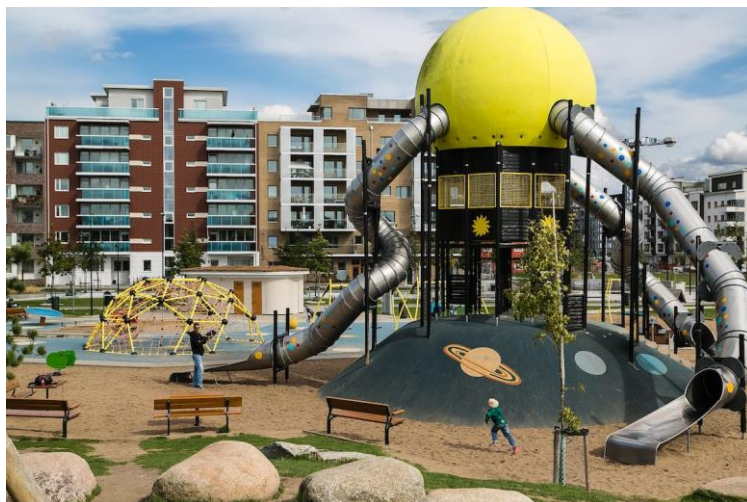
We arrived at the sea at midnight but the police tried to catch us. We ran because we didn't want to return to Afghanistan. Finally, we arrived in Greece: exhausted, hungry and thirsty.

In Greece, the police took us to a refugee camp. We got checked, registered, and sent to Athens. We phoned the smuggler because we wanted to go to Italy.



We tried to reach the sea many times. On the third time we were put in jail. Finally, we arrived at the sea, but there was one big problem: we had no food or water and the trip from Greece to Italy was 3 days and 2 nights. We drank sea water to survive. In the middle of the sea, the GPS broke. We were sad and worried, but an Iraqi boy knew how to navigate a boat and he steered the boat to Italy.

My journey was not over. After more car and train journeys, I finally arrived at Malmö in Sweden. It was freezing and I didn't have any warm clothes!



Connect the sentences together.

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| 1. | I come | to come to Sweden. |
| 2. | I travelled for 4 months | in Iran. |
| 3. | My parents paid money | 20 days. |
| 4. | I travelled over mountains | but the police tried to catch us. |
| 5. | First, I arrived | To Greece. |
| 6. | I walked for about | Turkey by bus and car. |
| 7. | After that, I went to | and sent to Athens. |
| 8. | I walked for five hours | from Afghanistan. |
| 9. | I stayed for three weeks | across the Turkish border. |
| 10. | After this, we went | us to a refugee camp. |
| 11. | This was a dangerous trip because we crossed | to smugglers. |
| 12. | We arrived to the sea at midnight | exhausted, hungry and thirsty. |
| 13. | Finally, we arrived in Greece: | by trucks, cars and boats. |
| 14. | In Greece, the police took us | the border to Greece in a rubber boat. |
| 15. | We got checked, registered | the sea many times. |
| 16. | We tried to reach | in the beautiful city. |
| 17. | On the third time | to survive. |

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| 18. | Finally, we arrived at the sea, | didn't have any warm clothes! |
| 19. | we had no food or water and the trip from | we were put in jail. |
| 20. | We drank sea water | I finally arrived at Malmö in Sweden. |
| 21. | In the middle of the sea, | Greece to Italy was 3 days and 2 nights. |
| 22. | We were sad and worried but an Iraqi boy knew how | the GPS broke. |
| 23. | After more car and train journeys, | navigate a boat and he steered the boat to Italy. |
| 24. | It was freezing and I | but there was one big problem: |

Please answer the following questions.

1. What's his name?

2. Where does he come from?

3. Where does he live?

4. How long did he travel to come to Sweden?

5. Who paid money to smugglers?

6. How did he travel?

7. How long did he walk for in Iran?

8. How long did he walk for across the Turkish border?

9. How long did he stay for in Istanbul?

10. Why was his trip to Greece dangerous?

11. Why did they run from the police?

12. Where did the police take them in Greece?

13. Who did they phone in Athens and why?

14. What happened on their third attempt reaching the sea?

15. When they finally arrived at the sea, what was the one big problem?

16. What did they drink to survive?

17. What happened in the middle of the sea?

18. Who navigated the boat?

19. Where did he finally arrive?

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