

*Listen to the text. Practice your pronunciation*

### 7 Lesson 2 digital A screenplay

**Listen and read. Act out the screenplay.**

**SCENE 1 The flying machine**

**NARRATOR** This is Phileas. He's 11 years old and he likes inventing things. The other children think he's strange.

**SAM** Hello, Phileas. What are you making today?

**PHILEAS** It's a flying machine with an enormous digital camera. It can fly around the world in eighty minutes.

**LAURA** Eighty minutes? Very funny!

**SAM** Nothing can fly around the world in eighty minutes. You mean eighty days.

**PHILEAS** No, I don't. I mean eighty minutes. There are two seats. Who wants to fly with me?

**LAURA** You like flying, Sora. You go.

**SARA** OK. Eighty minutes. See you at quarter past four.

**PHILEAS** You can watch our progress on my laptop.

**SCENE 2 The journey**

**SARA** This machine is amazing. Look! We're flying over London.

**LAURA** I like London. There are lots of museums there.

**PHILEAS** Now we're flying over Venice in Italy.

**SAM** I can see the canals. The people travel by water bus ... That's the River Nile in Africa. Incredible!

**NARRATOR** Phileas and Sora fly over many cities, towns and villages. They fly over rivers, lakes, mountains and forests. They fly around the world.

**SCENE 3 Coming home**

**SAM** Look! That's our school.

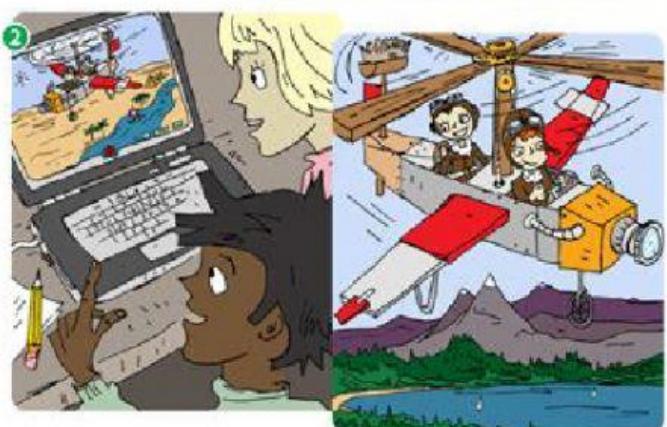
**SARA** Oh no, the school's on fire! And Mr Jones, the caretaker, is there today. He's painting the corridors.

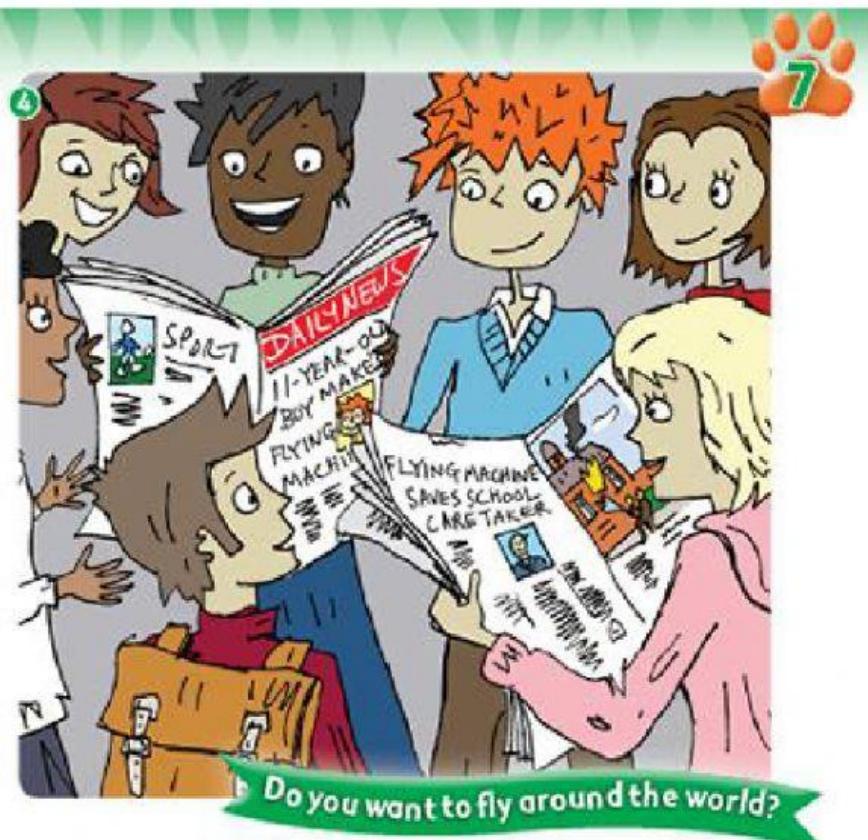
**PHILEAS** Sora, quick! Call the fire brigade.

**SARA** Hello. Is that the fire brigade? There's a fire at our school and we think Mr Jones, the caretaker, is there. Please hurry.

**NARRATOR** The fire brigade go to the school. They rescue Mr Jones and put out the fire.

**Around the World in Eighty Minutes**

#### SCENE 4 Phileas is famous

**NARRATOR** The next day, Phileas and his flying machine are on television, on the radio and on the cover of every newspaper.

**SAM** Wow, look at this! '11-year-old boy makes flying machine'.

**LAURA** 'Flying machine saves school caretaker'.

**NARRATOR** Now none of the children think Phileas is strange. They think he's really cool.

**PHILEAS** Who wants to fly around the world with me in eighty minutes?

**SAM** Me! I do. I want to fly with you.

**LAURA** Me too!