



colette

She has a passion for clothing and style, especially anything pink. When she grows up, she wants to be a fashion editor.



Paulina

Cheerful and kind, she loves traveling and meeting rodents from all over the world. She has a magic touch when it comes to technology.



violet

She's the bookworm of the group, and she loves learning. She enjoys classical music and dreams of becoming a famous violinist.

THE THEA SISTERS



Nicky

She comes from Australia and is very enthusiastic about sports and nature. She loves being outside and is always ready to get up and go!



Pamela

She is a great mechanic: Give her a screwdriver and she'll fix anything! She loves pizza, which she eats every day, and she loves to cook.



Do you want to help the Thea Sisters in this new adventure? It's not hard – just follow the clues!

When you see this magnifying glass, pay attention: It means there's an important clue on the page. Each time one appears, we'll review the clues so we don't miss anything.

**ARE YOU READY?
A NEW MYSTERY AWAITS!**



READY TO GO!

It was dawn at Mouseford Academy. A light summer **BREEZE** fluttered through the open window, tickling Colette's nose.

The mouselet rolled over in bed and opened her eyes just enough to see the light **filtering** in from outside.

"Ugh." Colette sighed. "Is it time to get up already?" But then she smiled suddenly, sitting straight up in bed.

"Pam!" she called to her roommate. "Today's the day! We're finally **LEAVING!**"

But there was no answer.

"**Pam?**" Colette called out. She peered across





the room at the bed next to hers in the semidarkness.

The bed had been perfectly made and the **pajamas** were neatly folded. Colette noticed the two humongous **backpacks** by the door, packed and ready to go. They were in the exact spot where she and her friend had placed them the previous night.





“Where would she have gone so early?” Colette wondered aloud. Their flight didn’t leave until the afternoon. She immediately texted the other **THEA SISTERS**. They hadn’t seen Pam that morning, either!

“Maybe the **excitement** of the trip woke her early with a big appetite and she went straight to breakfast,” Nicky said when she, Violet, and Paulina joined Colette a few minutes later.

“That could be,” Paulina replied, smiling. “She’s probably waiting for us in the cafeteria right now, ready for a second **breakfast!**”

“Well, let’s go find out if you’re right!” Colette said.

Her friends followed Colette out of the mouselets’ bedroom and into the deserted hallway. Then they scurried toward the cafeteria.



Summer **Vacation** had started a few days ago, and most of the students had already left, so the campus was unusually quiet.

The four friends were right outside the cafeteria when they heard a voice from inside.

“We’ll land in **CHICAGO** and our road trip will begin from there!” Pam squeaked excitedly.

Colette, Nicky, Paulina, and Violet stepped into the cafeteria. Pamela had a map of the **United States** laid out on a table, and she was using cups, saucers, and cutlery to show Craig and Shen the itinerary for their trip.

“We’ll rent a camper and drive across the country from east to west along the famous **ROUTE 66**,” Pamela continued. She pointed at the map with a teaspoon to highlight the



We'll cross
the country!

What an adventure!

Pam, you're here!