

# The Speckled Band

● Study the chart. Complete the poem with words from the box at the bottom. Use the clues in parentheses to help you.

Prefix	Meaning	Root	Meaning	Suffix	Meaning
<i>de-</i>	away	<i>-ject-</i>	throw	<i>-er</i>	person who, thing that
<i>ex-</i>	from, out	<i>-port-</i>	carry	<i>-tion</i>	action or process involved with
<i>in-, im-</i>	in, into				
<i>re-</i>	back				
<i>trans-</i>	across				

A customs official at an airport

Checked every small \_\_\_\_\_

(out + carry)

and \_\_\_\_\_,

(in + carry)

She was looking for pets

That came in on the jets.

She said, "Those are the ones I \_\_\_\_\_."

(away + carry)

Then she spotted young Sam and his pet.

She said, "This is a dog I will get.

It must have had an \_\_\_\_\_,

(in + throw + action)

Or it faces \_\_\_\_\_."

(back + throw + action)

"Help!" cried the boy. "Where's a vet?"

An intrepid \_\_\_\_\_

(back + <sup>carry</sup>~~throw~~ + one who)

In his modern \_\_\_\_\_

(across + carry + thing that),

A dog lover right to the core,

Lifted Sam and his pet

And headed straight to the vet—

As the official opened the door.

reporter  
export  
injection  
transporter  
import  
deport  
rejection