“Come From Aways” is what people from Gander call people who are not from Gander. Some of the plane people participate in the Gander tradition of kissing a fish!

Many of the people on the planes became friends with people in Gander. They’ve come back to visit and even set up a scholarship fund for students in Gander!

GANDER
COME FROM AWAYS
Or
The Plane People

There were almost 7,000 people on the 38 planes that landed in Gander on 9/11.

It would take 7 of the Schoenfeld Theatre’s to fit that many people.

Gander has a population of 12,732 in comparison NYC has a population of 8,385,000 which is 674 times bigger.

Warm and friendly, the people of Gander are famous for their hospitality. Newfoundland and Labrador was named one of the top 10 friendliest cultures in the world according to Maclean's magazine.

Gander is located on the northeastern tip of New Foundland which is an island off the east coast of Canada.
Kevin is a businessman. He has a boyfriend who is also named Kevin. Kevin is more adventurous than his boyfriend and wants to do all of the things people in Gander do.

Hannah is from New York. She has a son who is a fireman who went to help people at the World Trade Center. She becomes friends with Beulah.

Capt. Beverly Bass was the first female captain for American Airlines. On 9/11 she was flying a plane that had to land in Gander. She has a husband and 2 kids.

Ali is an accomplished chef. When he gets to the shelter he wants to help cook. Sadly, some people are not nice to him because he is Muslim.

Nick is from England and Diane is from Texas which is where Nick was headed. Nick likes to take photographs and Diane likes adventure. They spend a lot of time together while they’re in Gander.