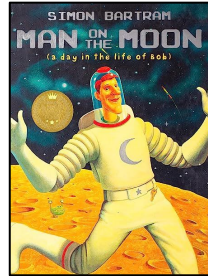
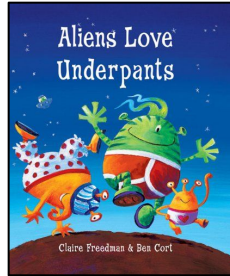


Key Question: What can we find in Space?



In this topic, we are learning to:

- Use our imagination to make rocket ships and aliens from a variety of materials;
- Create our own alien passports and use creative and imaginative writing;
- Explore the solar system, learning about the planets, moons and other things things we may find there;
- Use non-fiction books to talk about space and look at the difference between books of facts and story books.
- Use colour mixing to paint different planets and alien landscapes.
- Compare what we have learned about space with popular media, such as Star Wars;
- Write about our favourite alien characters, using detailed sentences to describe what they look like.



Vocabulary

aliens

Aliens are creatures which live on other planets.

Do you think there are any aliens in space?

solar system

Earth is one of 8 planets in the Solar System. The planets orbit around a giant star called The Sun. You can also find moons, asteroids and meteors.

astronaut

An astronaut is a person who travels into space.

We will read *Man on the Moon* by Simon Bartram. Bob is an astronaut, who travels to the moon every day.

antennae

Antennae are thin organs that help insects and snails feel things.

We will read *The Smeds and The Smoos* by Julia Donaldson. The Smeds and Smoos both have antennae.

rocket

A rocket is a large vehicle used to launch astronauts into space.

We will read *Whatever Next* by Jill Murphy. Baby Bear made a rocket from a cardboard box.

gazing

Gazing is another word for looking. People who look up at space are star gazing.

We will read *Space Tortoise* by Ross Montgomery. One night, Space Tortoise was gazing up at the sky.



SUN MERCURY VENUS EARTH MARS JUPITER SATURN URANUS NEPTUNE

Key Questions:

1. What is the difference between a story book and a book of facts?
2. What can we use to help us learn about space?
3. What did the alien look like? What colours and patterns did it have?
4. Why could you not live on the Sun?
5. Are any planets like our planet? What makes our planet so special?
6. How could we travel through space?