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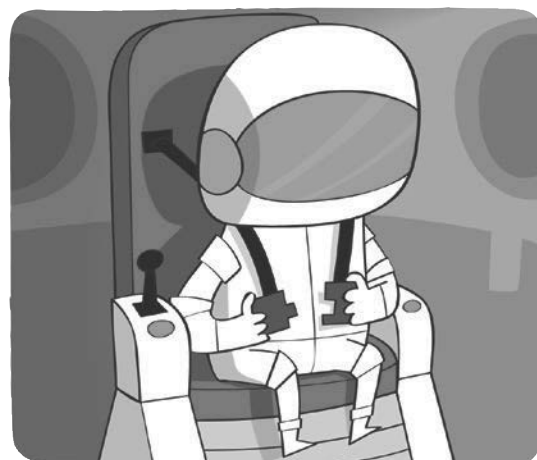
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Space Adventure

I'm putting on my spacesuit,
I'm feeling rather scared.
I don't know what I'll find in space –
I'd better be prepared!

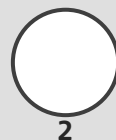
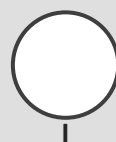
It's nearly time for take-off.
I'm ready for the flight.
I've got to do the countdown –
I hope I get it right!

Ten ... nine ... eight ... It's starting!
The engines growl and roar.
Seven ... six ... five ... four ... three ... two ... one –
Into the sky I soar!



1 Why do you think the astronaut feels 'rather scared'?

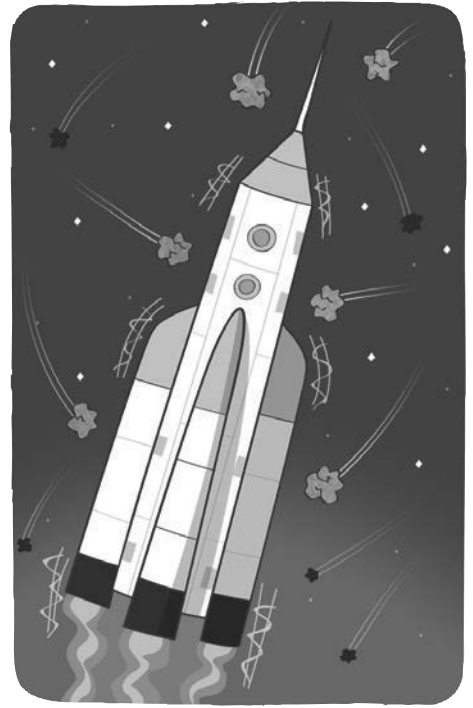
2 Find and copy **two** words that describe the sound the rocket's engines make.



I'm feeling slightly queasy
and just a little sick.
I've got space-rocket sickness –
I hope the journey's quick!

I'll look out of the window
to help me calm my nerves.
Oh no! Here come some asteroids!
I hope the rocket swerves!

Thank goodness! We've avoided
being smashed to smithereens.
But now the warning light's come on!
I wonder what that means?



3 What does the astronaut see when he looks out of the window?

4 Why do you think the astronaut says, 'I hope the rocket swerves'?

Tick **one** box.

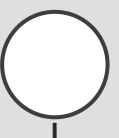
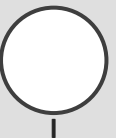
He hopes the rocket can fly around the asteroids without hitting them.

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He thinks it will be fun to swoop and swerve through space.

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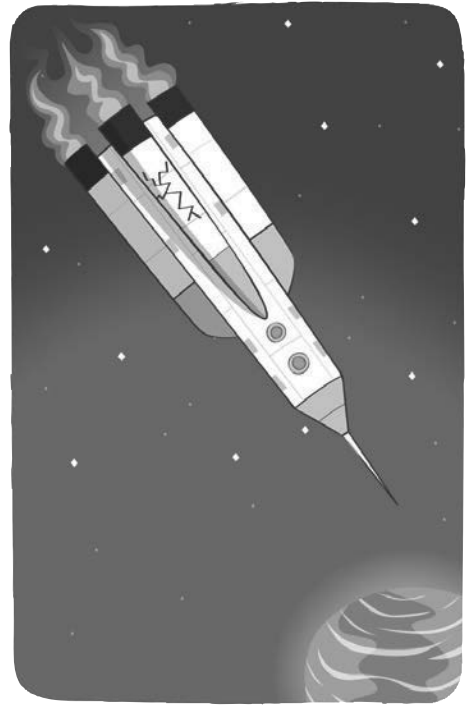
He wants the rocket to fly as fast as possible to the nearest planet.

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Oh dear. I think those asteroids
have made a little crack
and now the rocket's damaged.
I hope I can get back!

What's that down below me?
It's blue and green and white ...
It has to be a planet!
What a welcome sight!

I'm landing on that planet,
and I'm sure I'll find a way
to mend this broken rocket
before the end of day.



5 What is the problem with the rocket? Tick **one** box.

It has run out of fuel.

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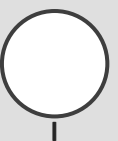
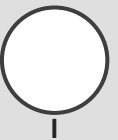
It can't land on the planet.

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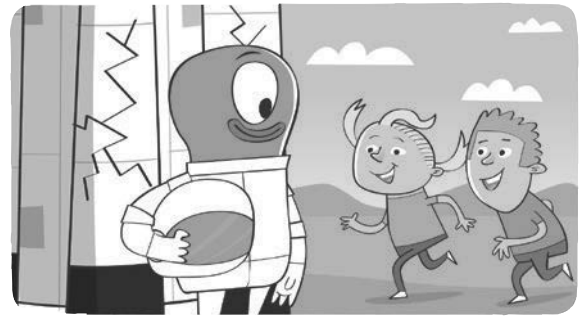
The asteroids have damaged it.

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6 Find and copy **one** word from the poem that rhymes with 'white'.

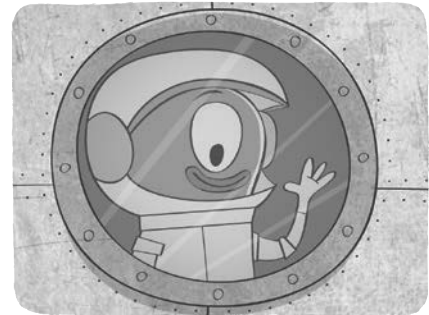


Look! Here come the aliens!
They don't look much like me,
but perhaps they will be friendly.
We'll have to wait and see.



These are the kindest aliens!
They're also very clever.
They've fixed my rocket, and it's now
the fastest rocket ever!

Thanks to those clever aliens,
the rocket's safely mended.
I'm zooming on my way again –
my journey's nearly ended.



- 7 Complete the sentences to describe the missing events in the poem.
First, the astronaut put on his spacesuit.
Next, _____.
Then some asteroids damaged the rocket.
Then _____.
Finally, the astronaut got some help to mend his rocket.

- 8 What do you think is the most surprising thing about this poem?

For teacher use

Your mark	_____ out of 10
What went well	
How to improve	

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