



Three Kids and a Rocket

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Level 2

Story Description

Julianna tells a story about how she, Annette and Gerry go into outer space, and encounter a black hole which they fly away from, leading them somewhere new.

Pre-Reading Vocabulary and Phonics

Sleepover

sl-ee-po-v-ur

The two girls were staying up and having a**sleepover**.

Gaining

g-ey-ning

The black hole was **gaining** on them, getting very close.

Dodged

doh-j-d

They somehow dodged the black hole and ended up on another world.

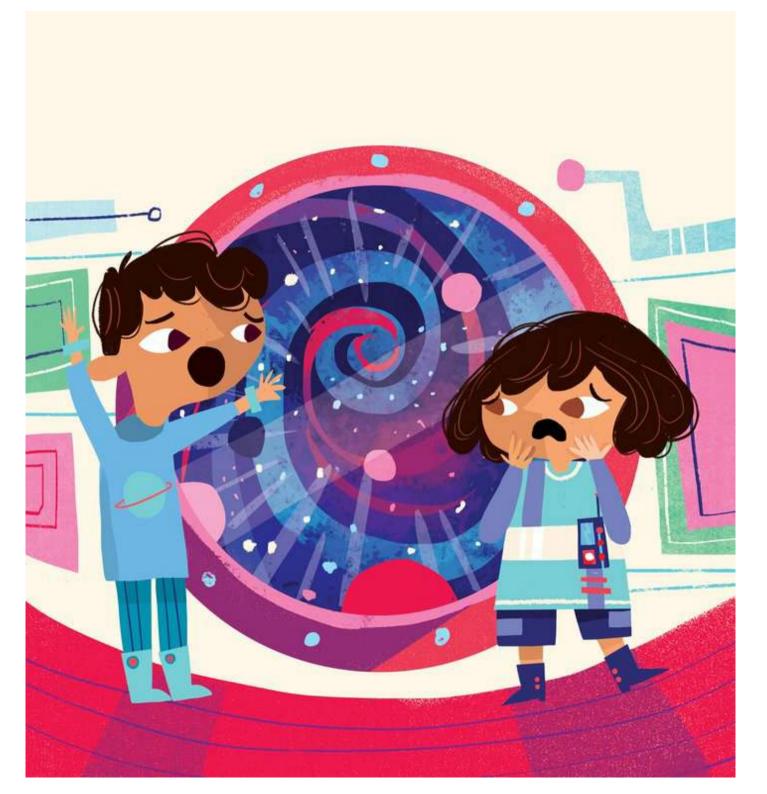
Blasted

b-la-st-id

The rocket **blasted** off into space.



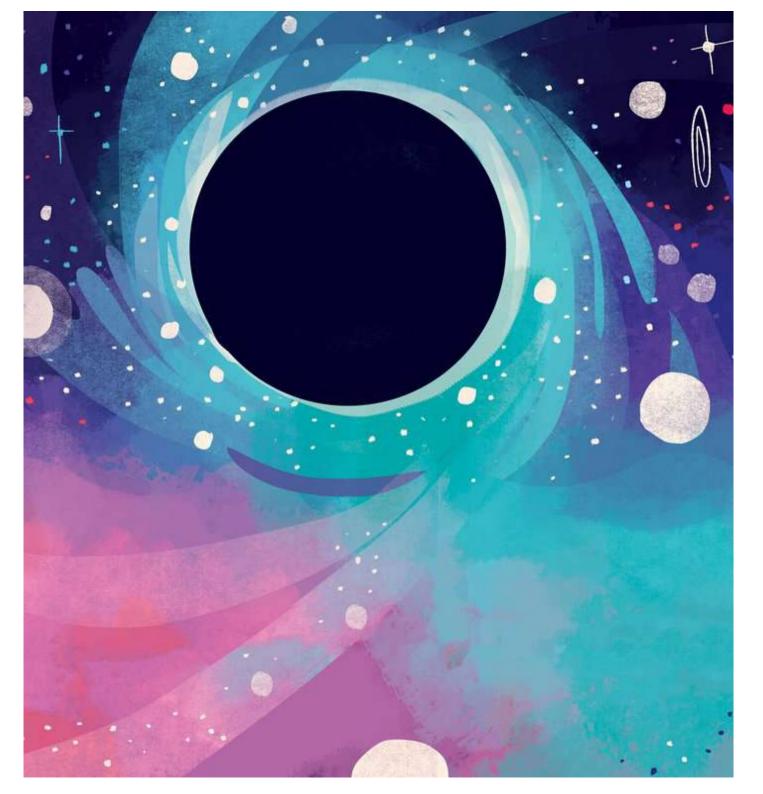
Annette and Juliana were having a sleepover when they started telling stories. Juliana began a story about flying into space in a rocket.



"We climbed into the rocket and blasted off into space. We travelled far, far away from the solar system."

"What happened?" said Annette.

"We encountered something big and strange. You and Gerry were terrified!"

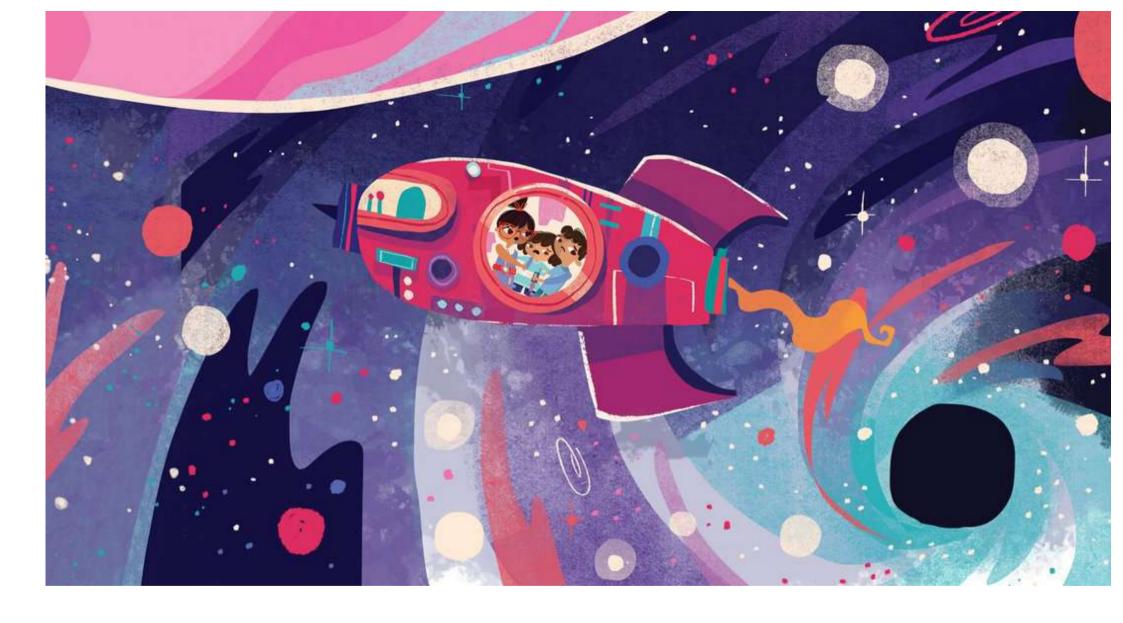


"What did we see?" said Annette.

"There was a massive black hole!" said Juliana.

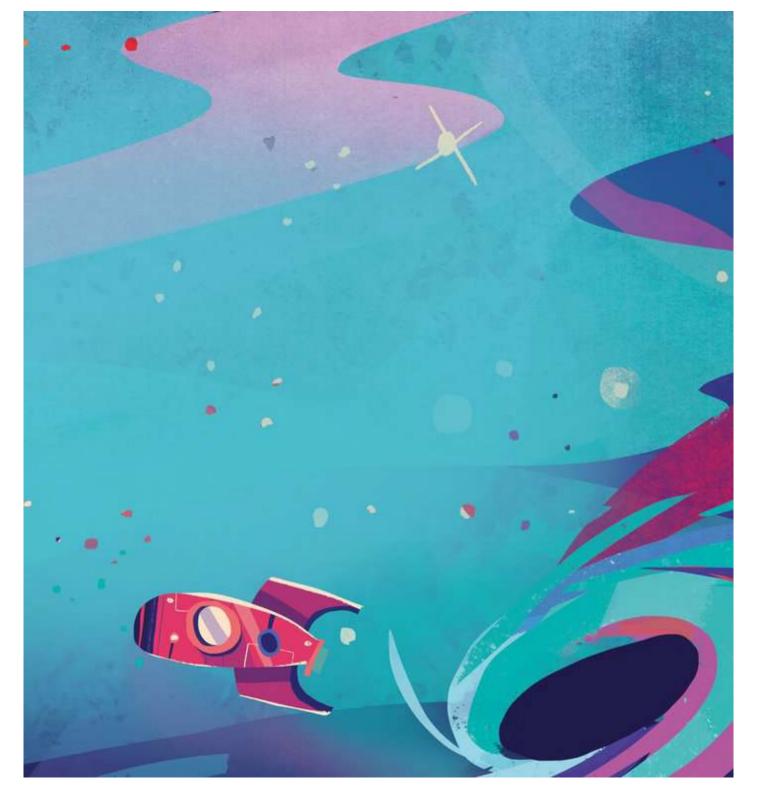


"I decided we had to get to the nearest solar system!" said Juliana.



"We raced through space but the black hole kept chasing us!" said Juliana.

[&]quot;Did we get away from it?" said Annette.

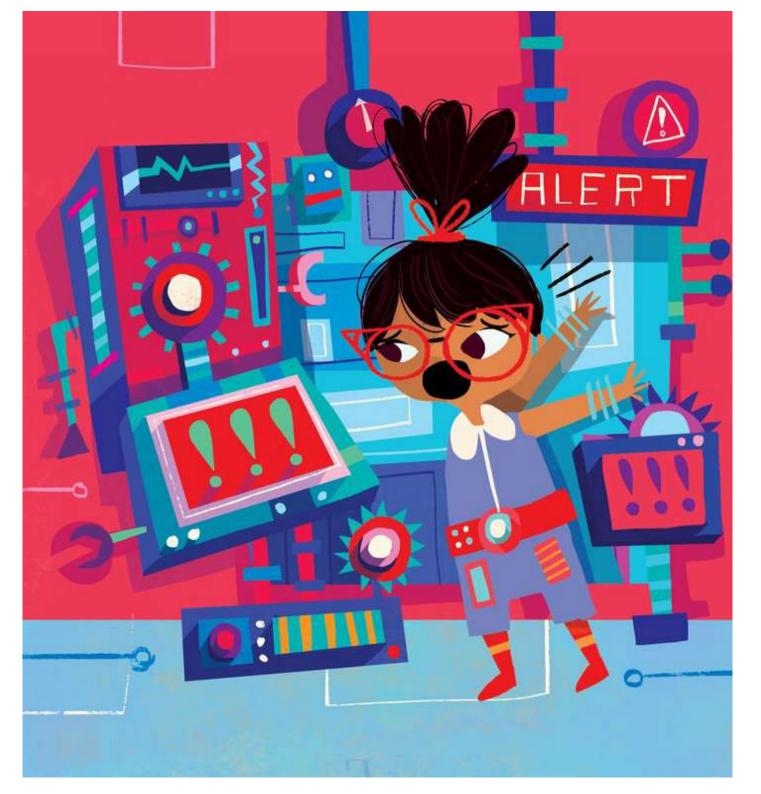


"It kept gaining on us," said Juliana. "Gerry tried his best to fly the rocket but the black hole was sucking us in."

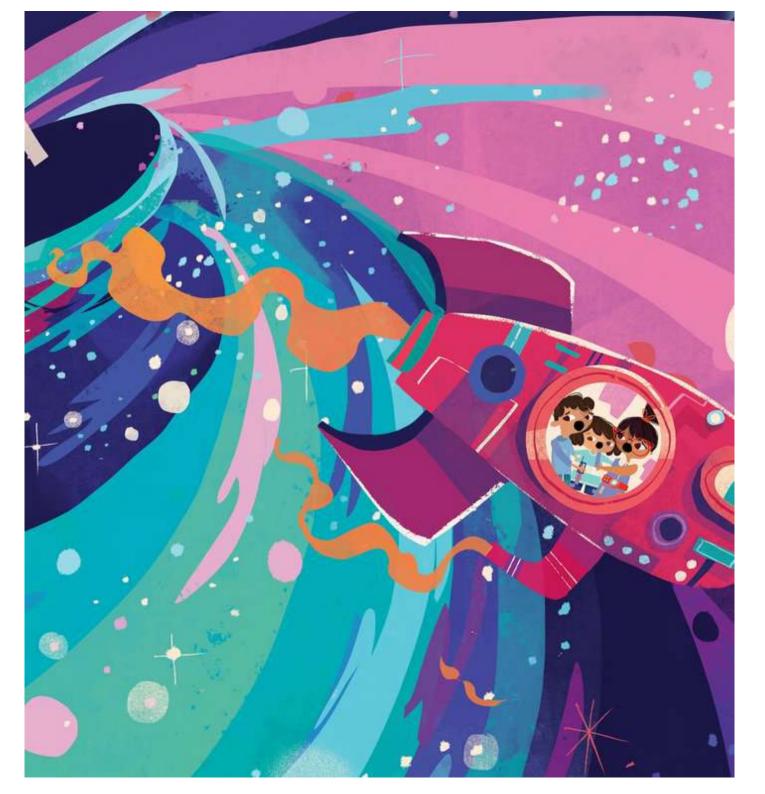


"Gerry increased our speed but it was too late. We slipped towards the black hole."

"That's horrible!" said Annette.



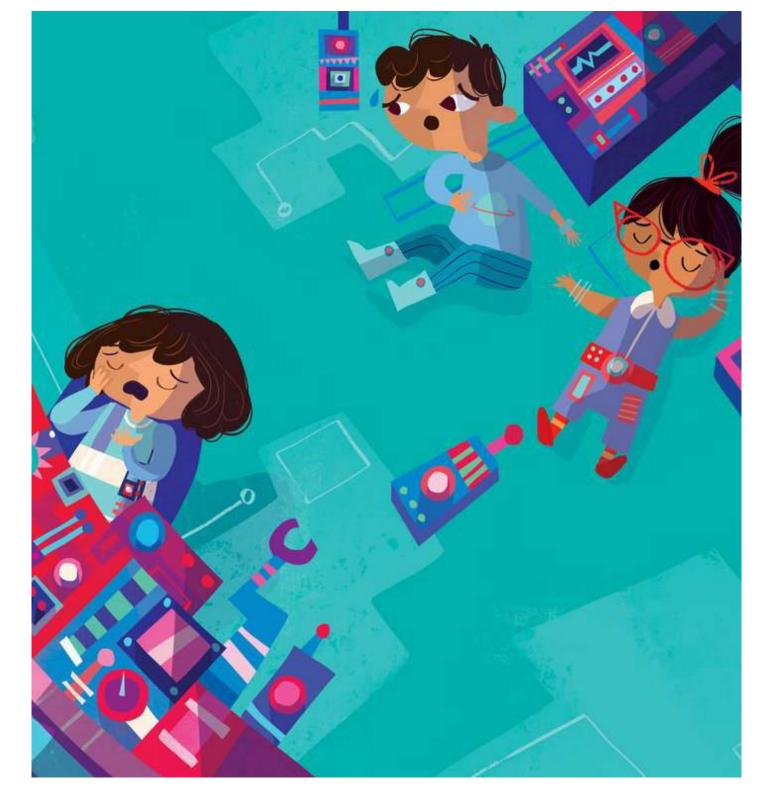
"I checked the ship and alarms went off everywhere," said Juliana. "There was nothing we could do."



"Did we fall into the black hole?" said Annette.

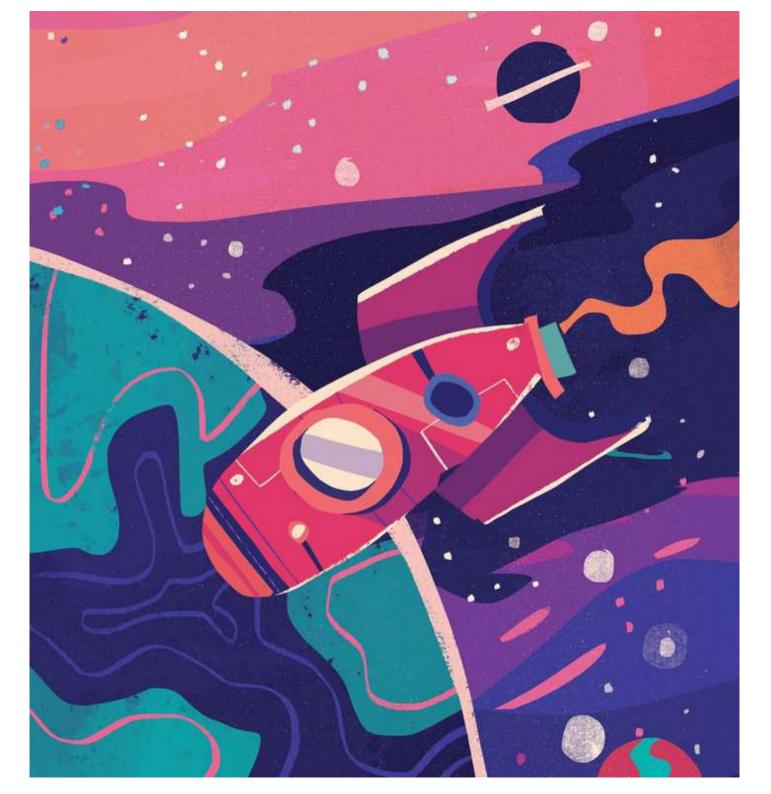


"I took the controls and flew the rocket," said Juliana. "With my skills, I weaved and dodged the black hole, and we finally got away!"



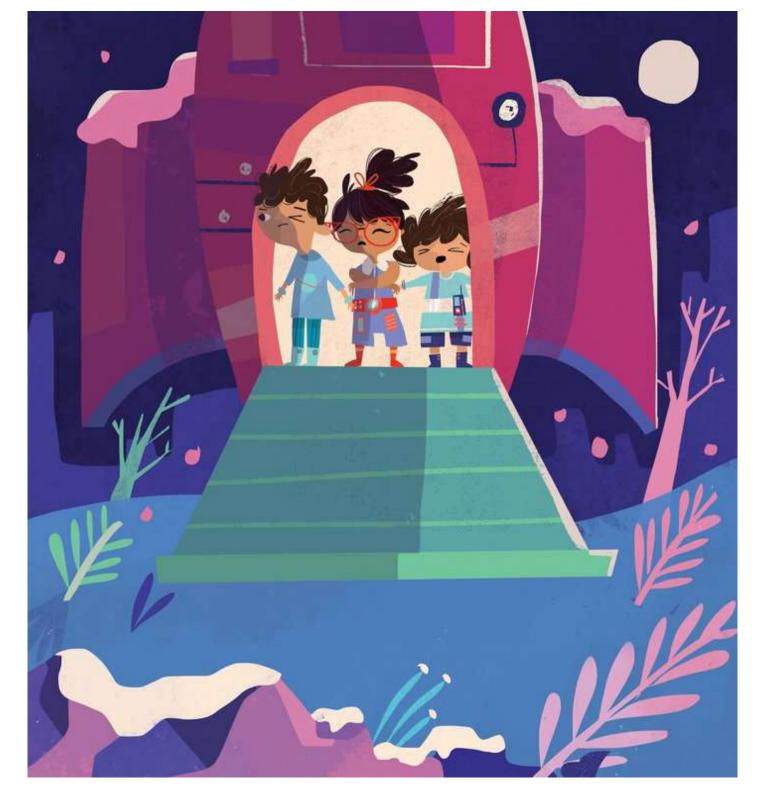
"You saved us!" said Annette.

"And we were tired," said Juliana. "We had to rest. Then Gerry saw something coming close."



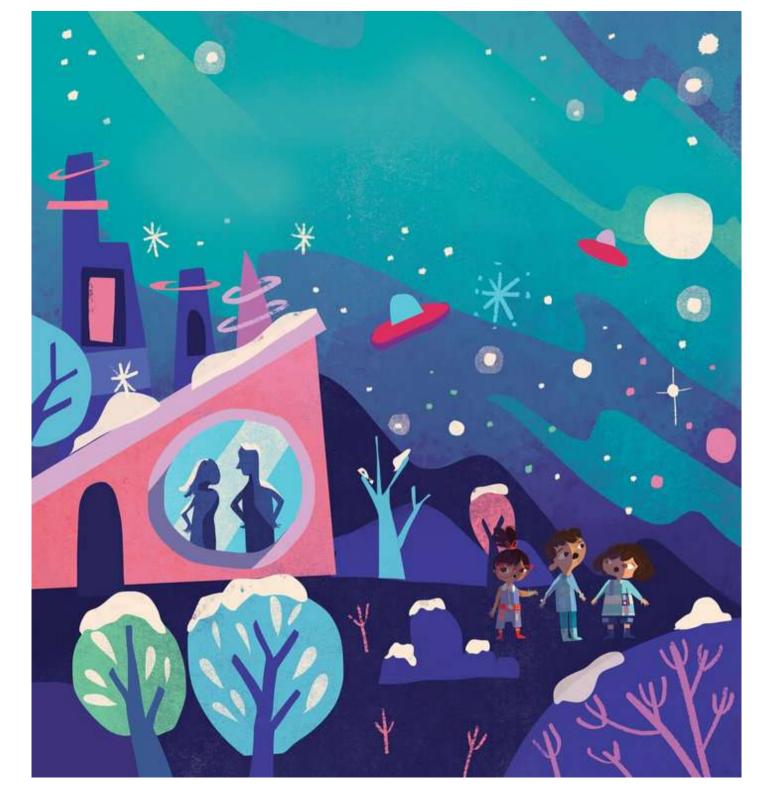
"What was it?" said Annette.

"A new world," said Juliana.



"Was it survivable?" said Annette.

"The air was clean," said Juliana. "The planet was dark. There were different trees and fields. There were many moons, and the houses looked strange."



"Did we stay there?" said Annette.

"We walked around and we realised it was Earth," said Juliana. "But somehow we had travelled into the future."

"We were stuck there?" said Annette.

"Yes, and we had to find our way back to our time. So we got back into the ship and flew away, and we went back the way we came..."

Post-Reading Questions

What **object** chased the rocket through space?

Who steered the ship and took them away from danger?

Re-read page 7. Ask: Where did Juliana decide they should go?

Re-read page 11-13. Ask: Who **rescued** the ship from falling into the black hole?

Re-read page 17. Ask: What **planet** did the three realise they had landed on?

Do **you** think they made it back to their time safely?



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