

My Journey Home

Family Connection

Your child will listen to and explore a book called *What a Beautiful Sky!* This book describes the many different things to be seen in the day sky and the night sky.

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Sky Watch Make a Sky Chart with your child. Divide the chart into two parts: "Day Sky" and "Night Sky." Together, check the day sky and the night sky for a week (or longer). Draw pictures and write notes about what you both see. Talk about how the sky changes over time.

With your child, compare things you see in the sky to other things. Here are some examples: *The sun is like a big yellow ball. The stars are like diamonds.*

CHALLENGE

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Rhyme Time! List these letters on paper: *a, m, s, t, c, p, n, f, b.* Then write the word *bat*. Take turns writing a rhyming word for *bat*, using the letters in the list. Each time one of you finishes writing a rhyming word, say, "Rhyme Time!" This is the signal for the other player to write a rhyming word. Make as many rhyming words as you can. Then play more rounds beginning with the words *man* and *cap*.

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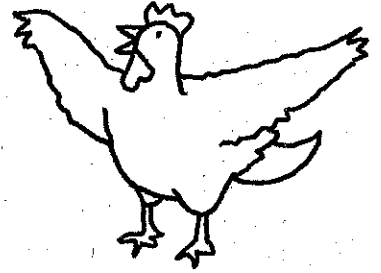
Spell and Check Write these words on paper:

come me with my you what are now

Take turns with your child spelling a word (without saying the word). The other person finds the word on the paper and reads the word. Cross out or check off each word on the list as it is read.

News Flash Read the tale below. Ask: What happens at the beginning, in the middle, and at the end of the story?

The Sky Is Falling!



"What hit me?" Henny Penny cried. "The sky is falling!" As she ran to tell the king, she met Ducky, Goosey, and Turkey.

"The sky is falling! Come with me to tell the king!" Henny called to her friends.

Just then, Foxy Loxy jumped out of the bushes! "Now I will have a big dinner!" he said.

Henny and her friends quickly ran away. Foxy ran even faster, and the sky did not fall.

Star Pictures Create a night sky with your child. Draw the Moon and stars on black construction paper. Poke holes through each star with a pin. Then hold the paper up to the light to see the night sky.



Book Links

- *In the Space of the Sky*, by Richard Lewis
- *The Sun's Daughter*, by Pat Sherman and R. Gregory Christie **CHALLENGE**



Internet Challenge Go to the library or search the Internet with your child to find out facts about the planets, stars, constellations, or phases of the Moon. Write a sentence about what you learn.