

Mice In Space

Topic: Humour

Curriculum link: English

Text type: Narrative

Reading level: 12

Word count: 245

Vocabulary: starring, puff, government, centre, danger, mice-ies, whoosh, alert, engines, roar, function, activated, crew

Possible literacy focus:

Understanding the conventions of comics.

Reading speech balloons.

Exploring how stories in comics differ from other narratives.

Summary:

This comic book tells the story of how two mice escape from a cat by hiding in a rocket and travelling to space.

The conventions of a comic book are used to tell the story.

Task card

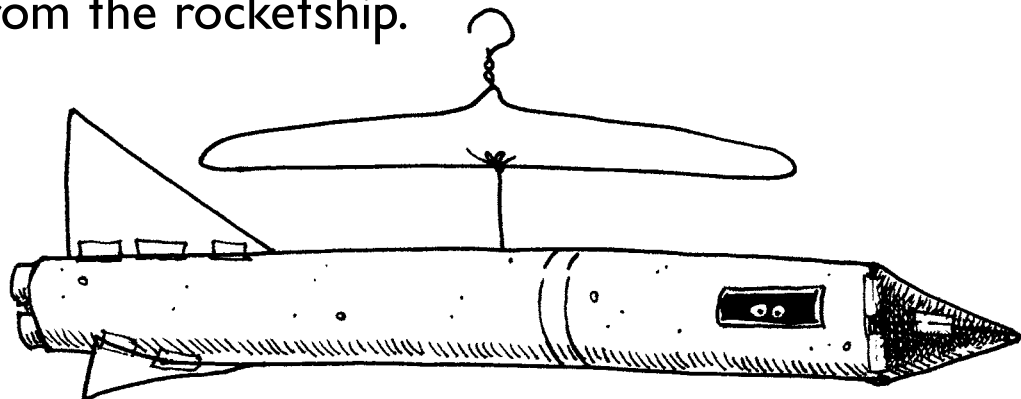
Rocketship mobile

You will need:



coathanger, string, cardboard, cardboard tube, crayons, felt-tip pens, tape

1. Make a rocketship mobile
2. Draw the tail, wings and nose of the rocketship on cardboard. Cut out and tape onto the cardboard tube.
3. Colour in your rocketship.
4. Hang the rocketship on the coathanger.
5. What did the mice see in space? Draw these and hang from the rocketship.





Name _____

Story outline

Write down the story outline of *Mice In Space*.

Use these headings.

Title: _____

Author: _____

Who is involved and where does it happen?

Characters: _____

Setting: _____

Problem 1: _____

How is problem 1 solved? _____

Problem 2: _____

How is problem 2 solved? _____

What do you think could happen to the mice in the end?



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Words like 'space' and 'mice'

Look for words that end in 'ace' and 'ice' in books.

'ace'	'ice'
space	mice
	rice

Now write some sentences using these words.
