

What to do today

IMPORTANT Parent or Carer – Read this page with your child and check that you are happy with what they have to do and with any weblinks or use of the internet.

1. Read *The Owl and the Moon* by Sinead Gaffney and Jackie Abey.

- Would you like to be out in the middle of the night like the owl and the mouse? What would you do?

2. What kind of writing is *The Owl and the Moon*?

Use the poster, *Fiction or Non-Fiction?*, to decide whether *The Owl and the Moon* is fiction or non-fiction.

3. It's writing time!

Write full sentences on *Night Time* to record all the facts you know about night time.

- Use the words and ideas in the *Hints* box to get you started.
- Remember to use capital letters, full stops and good word spaces for all your sentences.
- Read out loud the facts you have written.

Now try these Fun-Time Extras

- Find all the *igh* words in *The Owl and the Moon* and write them out carefully in the *Spelling Box*.
- Find books, magazines, comics and newspapers from around your house. Divide them up into piles of fiction and non-fiction titles. Which do you have more of? Are there some that are both?
- Learn the nighttime rhymes, *Star Light, Star Bright* or (for a challenge!) the complete version of *Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star*!

Fiction or Non-Fiction?



Fiction texts...	Non-Fiction texts...
Contain stories about made up people or animals (characters), events or places	Are about real people, things, events or places
Have to be read in order, starting at the beginning	Can be read in any order
Sometimes have illustrations and pictures	Often contain lots of photographs, diagrams and charts. These images usually have labels and captions with them
Are sometimes divided up into chapters	Are sometimes divided up into chapters but also have other sections, like an index, a glossary, headings and subheadings
Often contain speech and talking	Tell you facts and information
<u>Examples of fiction texts include:</u> story books, novels, poems, plays and film scripts	<u>Examples of non fiction texts include:</u> encyclopaedias, magazine and newspaper articles, biographies and autobiographies, instructions and explanations

Night Time

Hints

stars

moon

dark

sleep

quiet

animals

owls

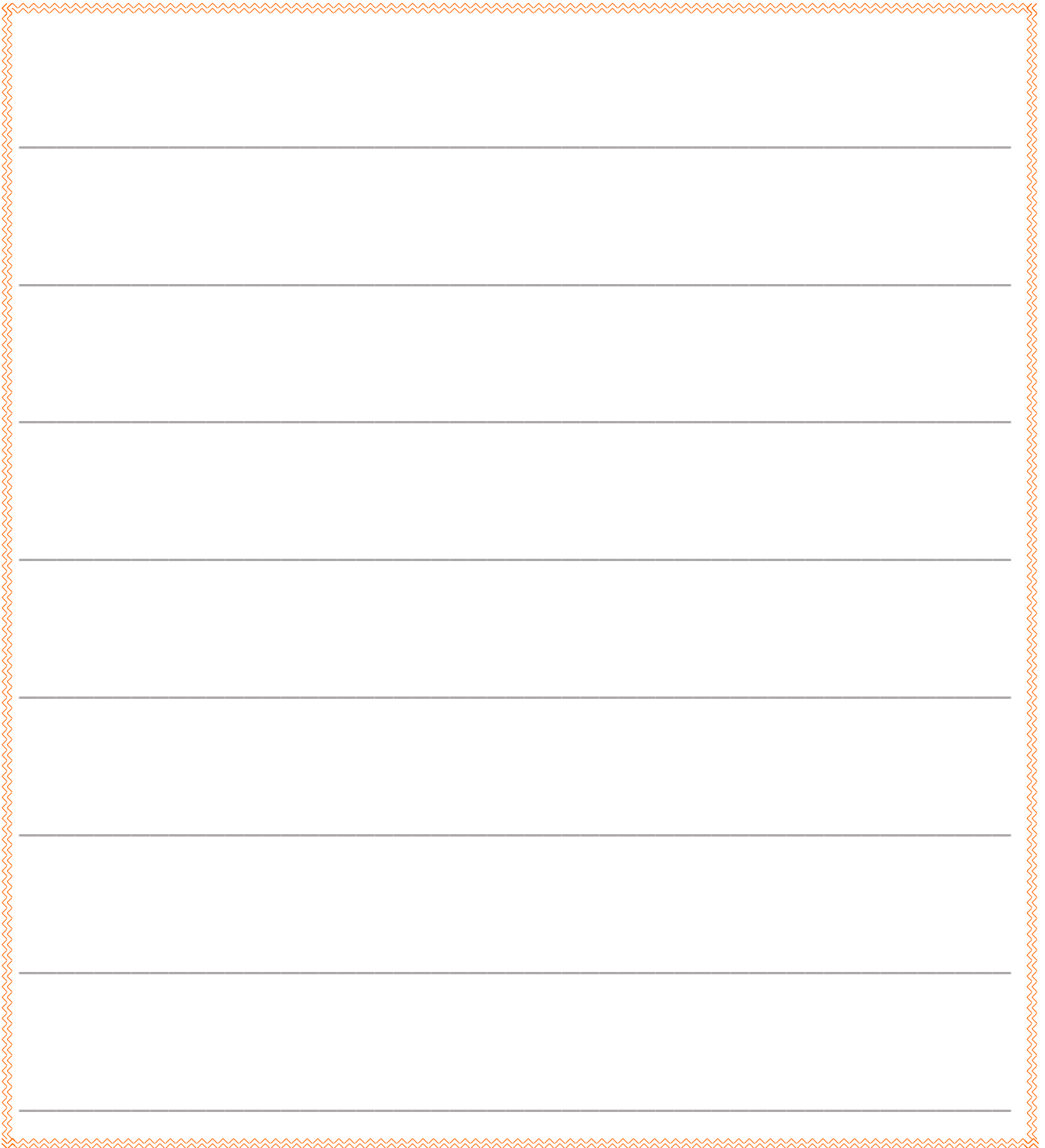
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A large rectangular area with a decorative border of colorful puzzle pieces (red, blue, yellow, green, orange). The interior is divided into eight horizontal writing lines, providing space for a student to write a story or poem based on the hints provided above.

Spelling Box

*How many different words with **igh** in them can you find in the story?*

Write them in the box below.



A large rectangular box with a decorative orange zigzag border, containing ten horizontal lines for writing.

Star Light, Star Bright



Star light, star bright,
From first star I see tonight,
I wish I may, I wish I might,
Have the wish I wish tonight.

Traditional

Twinkle Twinkle Little Star

Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are.
Up above the world so high,
Like a diamond in the sky,
Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are.
When the blazing sun is gone,
When he nothing shines upon,
Then you show your little light,
Twinkle, twinkle, all the night.
Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are.
Then the traveller in the dark,
Thanks you for your tiny spark;
He could not see which way to go,
If you did not twinkle so.
Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are.

Traditional