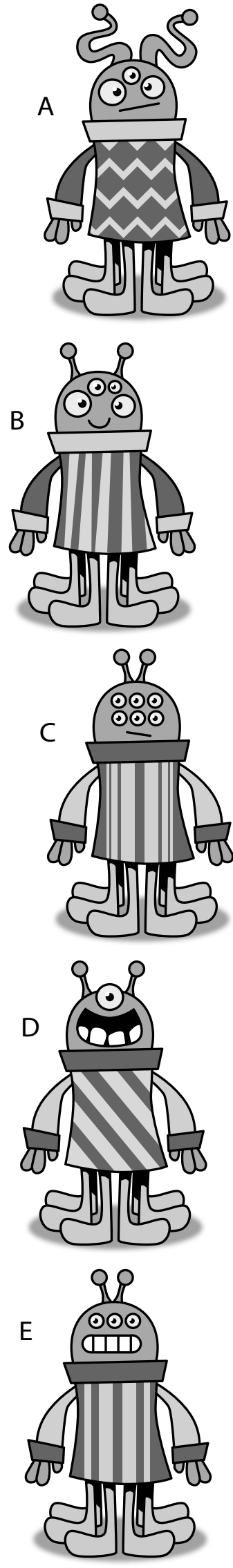


Zott or Nott?

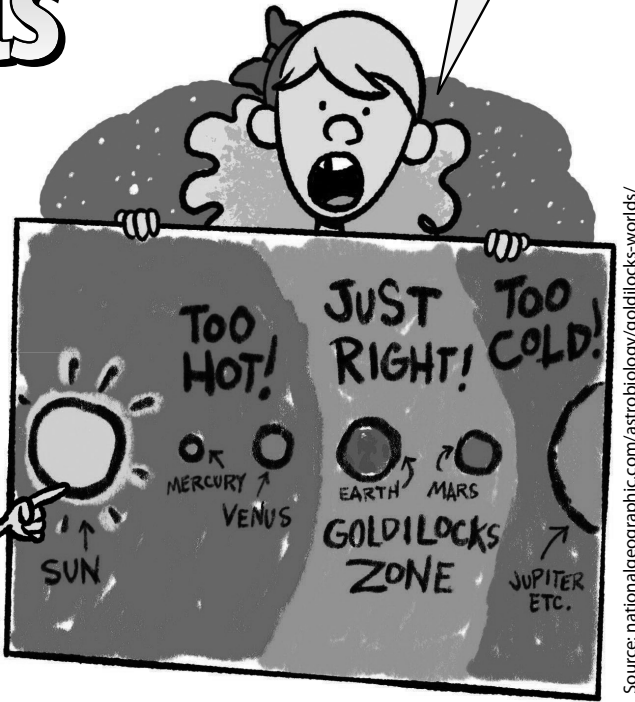
Circle all the aliens from the planet Zott using these clues: Aliens from Zott each have at least three eyes, but no more than six. They have antennas, but never curly or wavy ones. Their clothes have stripes, but only vertical ones.



The Search For Goldilocks Planets

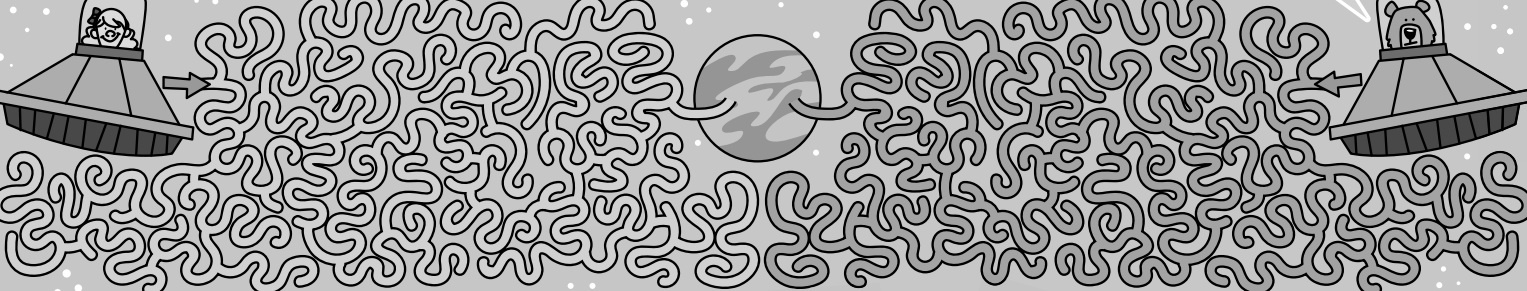


Earth is a "Goldilocks" planet. It's neither too hot nor too cold for liquid water, which is a key ingredient for life. Part of what makes Earth **just right** is its distance from the sun!



Goldilocks planets have habitats that are healthy for life.

A habitat is a place where an animal lives. It provides the animal with food, water and shelter. Different habitats are home to different animals.



Are we there yet?

Which Goldilocks planet is the closest to Earth? **Proxima Centauri b** (also called Proxima b) is a planet orbiting in the "Goldilocks" zone of the red dwarf star Proxima Centauri. Discovered in 2016, it is about 4.2 light years from Earth.

Until faster ways of traveling through space are discovered, it would take you a long time to reach Proxima Centauri b from Earth using current spacecraft. How long? Circle every other letter to find the answer.

**(S)V E B V U E L N F T P Y A F X
I D V L E M T J H Y O B U N S T A
R N V D W Y D E A A T R G S**

S _ _ _ _ _



Extra! Extra! Just Right

Look through the newspaper for pictures and words that reflect your community. What kinds of things make your community a place that is "just right" for living there?

Standards Link: Students describe the physical and human geography of their local community.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Kepler-16b is a distant planet that exists just outside a Goldilocks zone. It was first discovered in 2011.

Some scientists have given it the nickname Tatoonie, Luke Skywalker's home planet in *Star Wars*. Why does Kepler-16b remind them of Tatoonie? Use the secret code!

1=B 2=I 3=N 4=O 5=R 6=S 7=T 8=U 9=W

		2		7		
4	5	1	2	7	6	
7	9	4	6	8	3	6

Double Double Word Search

GOLDILOCKS POTENTIAL PORRIDGE DISTANCE PLANET EARTH RIGHT STORY WATER JUST ZONE COLD BOWL FOOD HOT

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

E	S	J	P	A	R	P	F	E	S
C	C	E	U	E	R	O	A	T	A
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D	R	P	L	A	N	E	T	L	T
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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: POTENTIAL

The adjective **potential** means something that might happen someday, a possibility.

Noah had the **potential** to be a great soccer player.

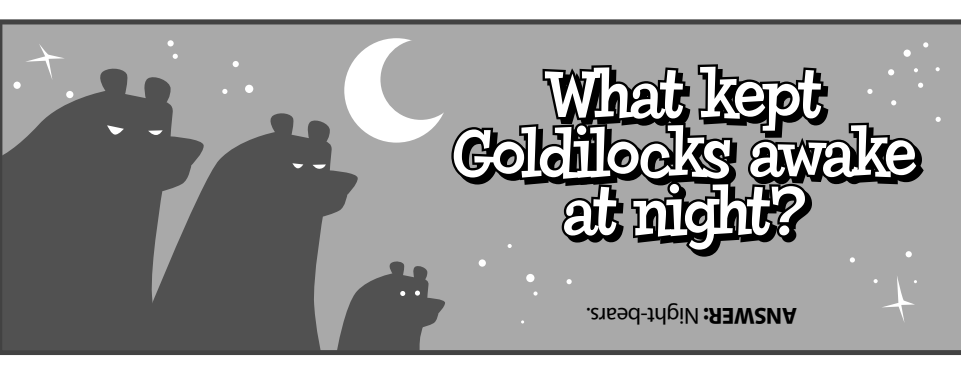
Try to use the word **potential** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

Make It Better

Newspapers are called watchdogs of the community, investigating and reporting on things that need changing or improving. Look for an article about something that needs to change in your community and write a letter to the editor.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Students write persuasive letters citing evidence.



Write On! Cold Poems

Write a poem about the cold. What's the best part of winter weather? Do you enjoy cold weather or do you prefer the warmer days of spring?

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