

Nighttime Skies

Grow Your Phonics Skills!

Look for the vowel teams



Try these decodable words! See page 15 for more.

flight

pie

New Vocabulary

horizon: the line where the earth and the sky appear to meet

telescope: an instrument to view distant object (like objects in outer space)

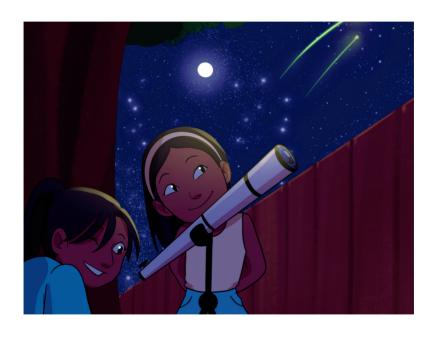
vie: to compete for something

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It is nightfall, only a bit of daylight left. Dakota and Mika plan to look at stars tonight. They have tried to see the Milky Way and hope it is a bright night tonight.



Dakota and Mika love the wonders of the world's night skies. The girls want to see sights high in the skies, such as comets, lightning, and falling stars.



Dakota and Mika vie for Dad's telescope. They sit upright to look into the telescope at the night skies. The stars seem brighter! They look for any sight of the mighty galaxy.



Sitting in thigh high grass while on their night's quest, Dakota and Mika are eating Mom's pie by flashlight.

Bats are in flight above, eating flies and other bugs. The bats do not frighten the girls.



The stars are bright on this night. Far off, along the highway, there is lightning. North, at the horizon, is a brush of green light. The Northern Lights.

The girls try to see a comet, a ball of light tied to a tail of not so bright light.



Dakota sights a falling star up high and to the right. She gives Mika the telescope.

Mika is delighted to see the star on its flight through the night sky.



They sigh to Dad, "We saw a falling star, lightning, the Milky Way, and the Northern Lights. It was a perfect night!"

After a nighttime of star sightings, bright moonlight, and great pie, the girls go inside.





Phonics Fun

- Write 3 words from the book.
- Note how many letters and how many sounds are in each word.
- Are they the same or different? Why? (e.g., The word "meat" has 4 letters and 3 sounds because the ea makes 1 sound.)



Comprehension

Why do you think the author chose to solve the problem by having the girls use their dad's telescope?



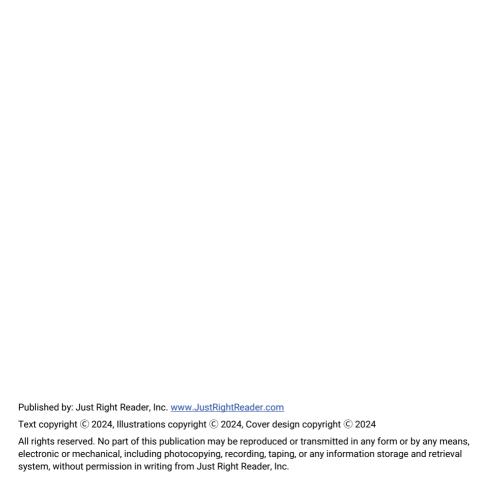
High Frequency Words

after night world



Decodable Words

bright flight lightning nighttime sightings tonight tried daylight frighten mighty pie skies delight moonlight thigh high right upright flashlight tied highway night sigh vie flies light nightfall sight



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