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Day 1

Read and Think

First, read the text out loud with proper phrasing. Then answer the question in a complete sentence.

"Hop up Marvin. You can bring your rocket to bed," Mom tells Marvin as she pulls back his quilt.

"When I am big I will blast off in a rocket. I will visit the planets and stars," Marvin tells Mom as she tucks him into bed.

"But for now, you can visit the planets and stars in your imagination,"

Mom tells Marvin as she kisses him.

Mom pats Max the dog and clicks off the light. It is dark.

1. What have you learned about the characters and the setting that is important to the story setup?



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Summarize and Synthesize

Think about what Marvin wanted based on the passage you read on the last page.

Somebody wanted	What did Marvin want?	Marvin wanted to travel to outer space in a rocket
Because	Why did Marvin want to go to outer space?	because
But	But what was the problem?	But
So	So what did Marvin's mom do to solve the problem?	So
Then	Then what happened?	Then

Word Sort

Sort the words by the sound the of the vowel **a**. Does the **a** make a short **a** sound like in **drat**, or an *r*-controlled sound like in **dart**?

Words: hard, had, ham, harm, pat, part, bark, back

drat	dart



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Day 2

Read and Think

First, read the text out loud with proper phrasing. Then answer each question in a complete sentence. Underline the evidence for your answers in the text and draw a line to the question it answers.

Just then a red man with lots of arms is standing next to Marvin's bed.

"I am Zar from Mars. I will do you no harm. Do you want to visit Mars and the rest of the planets and stars?"

"Yes, but I should ask Mom and Dad," Marvin tells him.

1. What is the initiating event?

2. How does Marvin react? _____

3. What can you infer about Zar's plan? _____

4. Did you underline the evidence in the text? yes no

Spell the Words

Spell the words in the sound boxes. There will not always be a sound to fill in every box in the grid.

h	ar	m		harm
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				<u>sparks</u>
				arms
				far
				cars
				mark
				<u>stars</u>
				barks



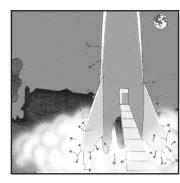
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Retell Part of the Story

Use the pictures to help you write a retell of the attempts to carry out the plan to go on a trip to Mars. You can use more paper to write if you need to.







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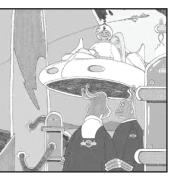
Then...



After that...



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Finally...



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Day 3

Read and Think

First, read the text out loud with proper phrasing. Then answer each question in a complete sentence. Underline the evidence for your answers in the text and draw a line to the question it answers.

On Mars, Marvin begins to miss planet Earth. He misses his Mom and Dad and his yard. "Can we go back?" Marvin asks. "Yes, as fast as you can imagine," Zar tells him. As fast as that, Marvin is back in bed. His rocket is in his arms. Max is on the bed next to him.

The sun was up. Zar had departed. There was no rocket in the yard. Had Marvin and Max visited Mars, or was Zar just part of Marvin's fantastic imagination?

1. What happens at the end of the story? _____

2. How do things work out for Marvin? _____

3. Is there a consequence Marvin has to face after going to Mars with Zar? _____

4. How does Marvin feel at the end? _____

5. Did you	underline	the evi	dence in	the text?	yes	no
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Spell the Words

Spell the words in the sound boxes. There will not always be a sound to fill in every box in the grid.

		<u>pat</u>			<u>ham</u>	
		<u>part</u>			<u>harm</u>	
		<u>had</u>			<u>cat</u>	
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		<u>barn</u>			arm	Marvin's Trip to Mars Homework Day 3, Page 1 of 2

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Summarize and Synthesize

Think about what Marvin wanted based on the passage you read on the last page.

Somebody wanted	What did Marvin want?	Marvin wanted to go back home
Because	Why did Marvin want to go back home?	because
But	But what was the problem?	But
So	So what did Marvin do?	So
Then	Then what happened?	Then



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Day 4

Think and Write

Have you ever missed home and felt homesick? Write about the who, what, where, when, and why of this time you felt homesick. You can use more paper to write if you need to.



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