

# How Many Stars in the Sky?

Reading Genre: Realistic Fiction

Reading Skill: Setting

Spelling/Phonics: Short Vowel Sounds CVC

Language and Conventions: Complete sentences

**Academic** Vocabulary - words used to talk about learning

**Setting** - when and where a story takes place or happens; the time and the place in the story



**Genre** - a type or kind of reading selection.

For example, reading has four main **genres**: poetry, drama, fiction, and non-fiction.

All of these **genres** have particular features and functions that make them different from one another.

**genre**

Genre:  
**Realistic Fiction** - a story that is NOT TRUE, but is written as if it COULD happen in real life.



## Language and Conventions: Simple sentences

\*A simple sentence is a group of words that says a **complete idea**.

\*A simple sentence tells who or what a person, animal, or thing is or does.

\*It starts with a **capital** letter and ends with a period or another **end mark**.

\*The subject and verb in the sentence must agree in number.

## Language and Conventions: Simple sentences

A complete simple sentence has two main parts: one naming part called a subject and one action part called a predicate.

To find the subject, ask yourself “Who or what did something?”

To find the predicate, ask, “What did the subject do?”

The stars were shining very brightly.

Subject Predicate

## Language and Conventions: Simple sentences

### Sentence

With subject and predicate

The bird landed on the branch.

A bus parked over there.

A bus parked over there.

### Not a sentence

The little girl

Tanya said

The little girl

Tanya said

# Parts of a Sentence





As long as your sentences have all their parts, you can change them to make them more interesting!

Practice writing interesting sentences!

Don't forget:



- \*capital letter
- \*subject
- \*predicate
- \*end mark
- \*makes sense





## Spelling/Phonics: Short Vowel Sounds CVC

Everyone knows the alphabet, but did you know there are two kinds of letters? What are they?



## Spelling/Phonics: Short Vowel Sounds CVC

In the syllable pattern CVC, the vowel makes its short vowel sound.

cat

jet

sit

rob

hut

**That's right! With a breve!**

What happens to  
the vowel sound  
when the second  
consonant is  
added?



## Selection Vocabulary

Backyard - A yard behind a house

The family kept their backyard mowed and looking neat.



## Selection Vocabulary

treehouse- A small space built in the branches of a tree for children to play in or on

Climb up the ladder to get into the treehouse.





## Selection Vocabulary

searchlights - Powerful lights that can shine in any direction

Disney uses searchlights to light the night sky.



## Selection Vocabulary

daylight - The natural light of day

The rooster  
crows at the  
first daylight.





We like to have club meetings in our treehouse.

backyard  
treehouse  
searchlights  
daylight



The Texas State Fair used blue searchlights to get attention.

backyard  
treehouse  
searchlights  
daylight



I had to wear my sunglasses because the daylight was so bright.

backyard  
treehouse  
searchlights  
daylight



My friend has a swingset in her backyard.

backyard  
treehouse  
searchlights  
daylight

