



First Grade Literacy Life

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Dear Room 126 Families,

Have you ever wondered what it would feel like to walk on the moon? During the next two weeks we will be exploring space, space travel, and landing on the moon. We will be reading a few selections including *Come Meet the Moon* and *Let's go to the Moon*. These books will introduce the moon to the students, what it takes to get there, and what supplies are needed to survive on the moon. We will also read a biography about an American astronaut named Mae Jemison.

Have fun reading together!
Martha Orso

Word Wall Words

2/1-2/5

- ♦ one
- ♦ two
- ♦ three
- ♦ four
- ♦ five

2/8-2/11

- ♦ ate
- ♦ came
- ♦ ride
- ♦ white
- ♦ take

Spelling Words

2/1-2/5

- ♦ home
- ♦ rope
- ♦ stove
- ♦ poke
- ♦ chose

2/8-2/11

- ♦ eat
- ♦ read
- ♦ keep
- ♦ tree
- ♦ sea

Vocabulary

- ♦ crater
- ♦ orbit
- ♦ telescope
- ♦ explore
- ♦ capsule

Reading Strategies

- ♦ The Essential Question-Why is it important to examine time-lines, photographs and illustrations in non-fiction text?
- ♦ Non-Fiction Text Features-Identify the glossary, headings, labels, captions, index, and table of contents, and explain why they are important and helpful when reading.

Writing

Try this...

Write a short book report about space. You can either write about something you research from books or online (moon, solar system, or beyond), or write a short essay about where you would like to visit if you were to become an astronaut. Don't forget to add some beautiful illustrations that will match the words in your story. Enjoy!



Activity to Do Together

- ♦ Use your computer to log onto Google Earth. From there you can explore the moon off of that site. Find the Sea of Tranquility where the first lunar landing touched down.
- ♦ Log on to NASA.gov and search for the Hubble Space Telescope. Look at some of the images and imagine what it would feel like to travel to these far off places.