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Mini-book Option B

Lexile: 830

Word Count: 324

Vocabulary Sample:

1960, spaceship, flying, spacecraft, astronaut, soar, mankind, blast, leap, safely

Reading Skills in this Mini-book

Specific sounds, practice words, and phonemic awareness skills for this booklet are listed below and in the Reading Skills boxes throughout the story. Practice new sounds and words that are underlined.



Sounds

/oo/ as in hook and moon

/ee/ as in city

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Practice Words

courage, space, exploring,
challenge

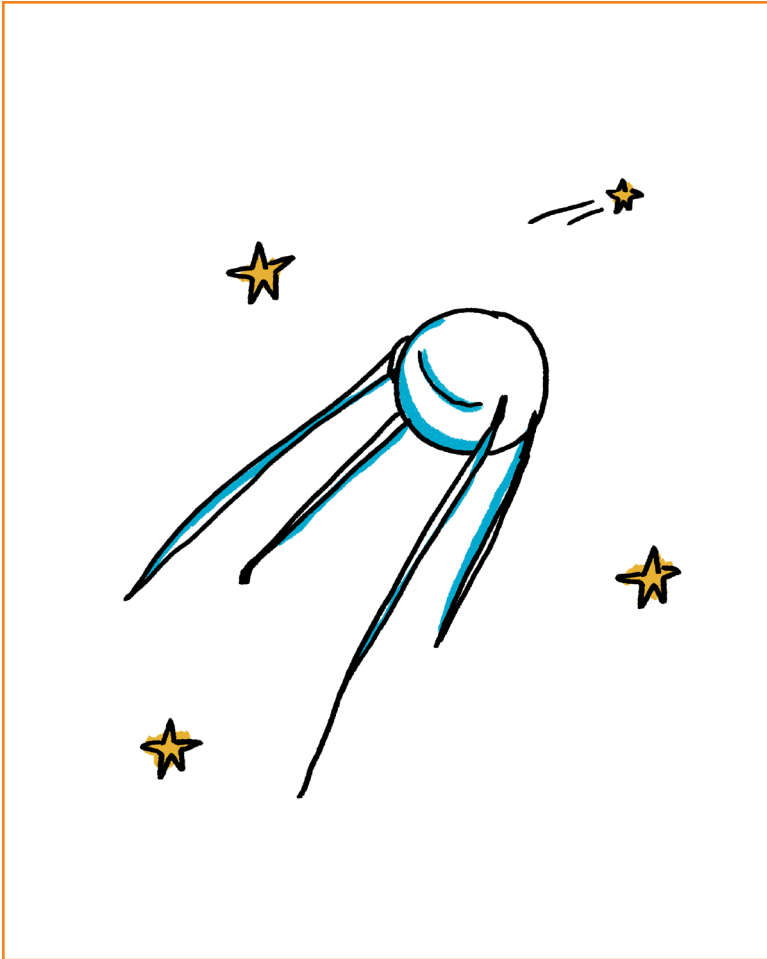
These words are underlined throughout the mini-book.



Phonemic Awareness

Sound Substitution

Replacing a sound with another sound. For example, changing the /a/ in “tap” to /o/ to make “top”.



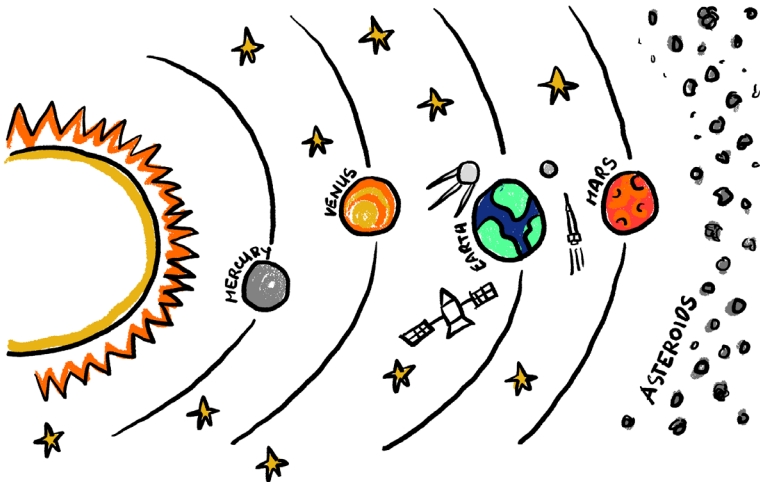
This is *Sputnik*.

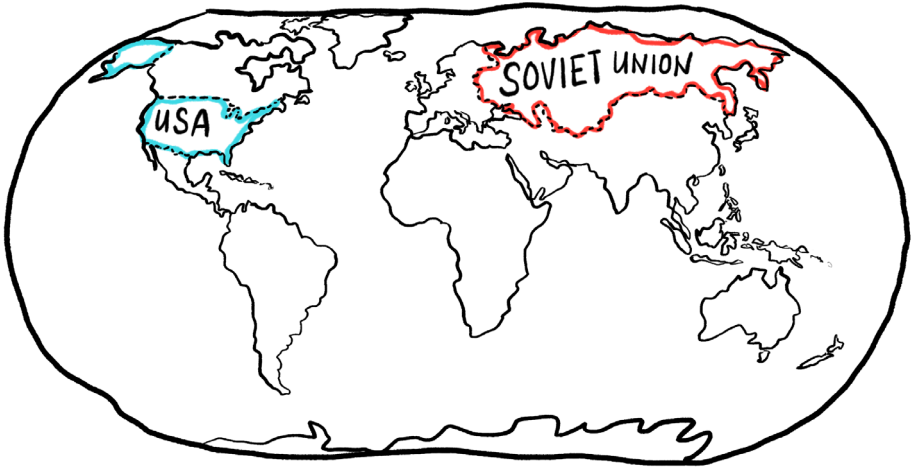
It was the first satellite in space, it was launched by the Soviet Union.

CHAPTER 1

What was the Space Race?

In the 1950s and 1960s, countries were racing to explore space. The United States and the Soviet Union both wanted to be the first to do amazing things. The Soviet Union sent the first satellite and even the first person into space!





A world map indicating the locations of the United States and Soviet Union.

What continents and oceans do you see? Label them.

The United States didn't give up. President John F. Kennedy told the country, "We will land a man on the Moon before the decade ends!" It was a big challenge. He wanted the United States to win the Space Race against the Soviet Union by the end of the 1960s.

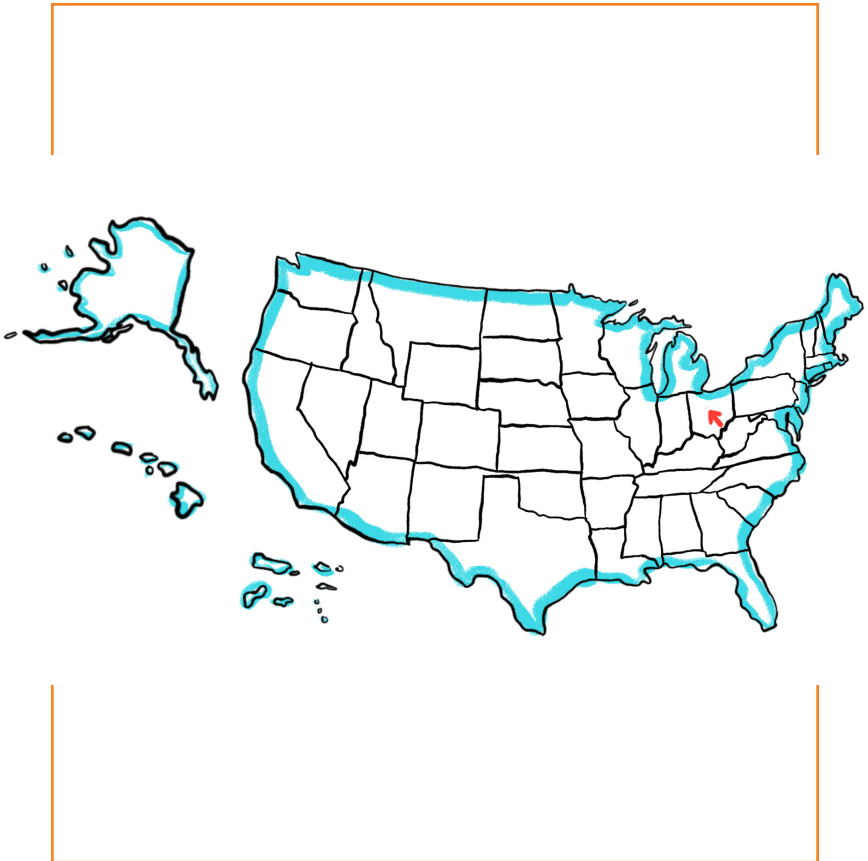


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Reading Skill

Practice Words

Practice reading the words courage, space, exploring, and challenge. You will read them many times in this story!



Young Neil Armstrong and a map showing Ohio, where he grew up.

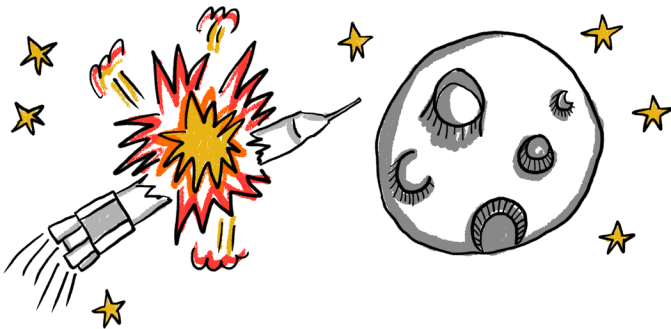
What state do you live in? Show it on the map.

CHAPTER 2

Who was Neil Armstrong?

Neil Armstrong was chosen for this mission because he was brave and smart. He grew up in Ohio, loved flying, and became an engineer and a pilot. Later, he became an astronaut.

Neil knew this trip would be dangerous. Rockets had exploded before. No one knew if the Moon's surface could hold a spacecraft. But Neil believed in exploring, liked solving problems, and had courage.





Courage

Courage is doing what is right or good even if it is hard or scary.

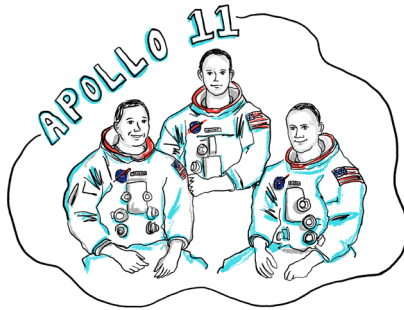
When we think of courage, we can think of a big and strong lion!

Sketch it!

An example of courage is...

On July 16, 1969, Neil and two other astronauts, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins, climbed into their spaceship. The mission was called Apollo 11.

Millions of people watched on television as the giant rocket blasted off. It shook the ground and left a trail of fire as it soared into space. Neil felt heavy in his seat as the rocket sped fast into the air.



History Skill

How long ago was 1969?

$$\begin{array}{r} 20 _ _ \\ - 1969 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

 years ago

Do you know anyone who was alive in 1969?



Neil onboard the spaceship.

After four days of flying, they reached the Moon. Neil and Buzz climbed into a smaller craft called the *Eagle*.

It was not easy. Alarms went off to warn of danger. Neil carefully landed the *Eagle* on the surface of the Moon. That took courage.



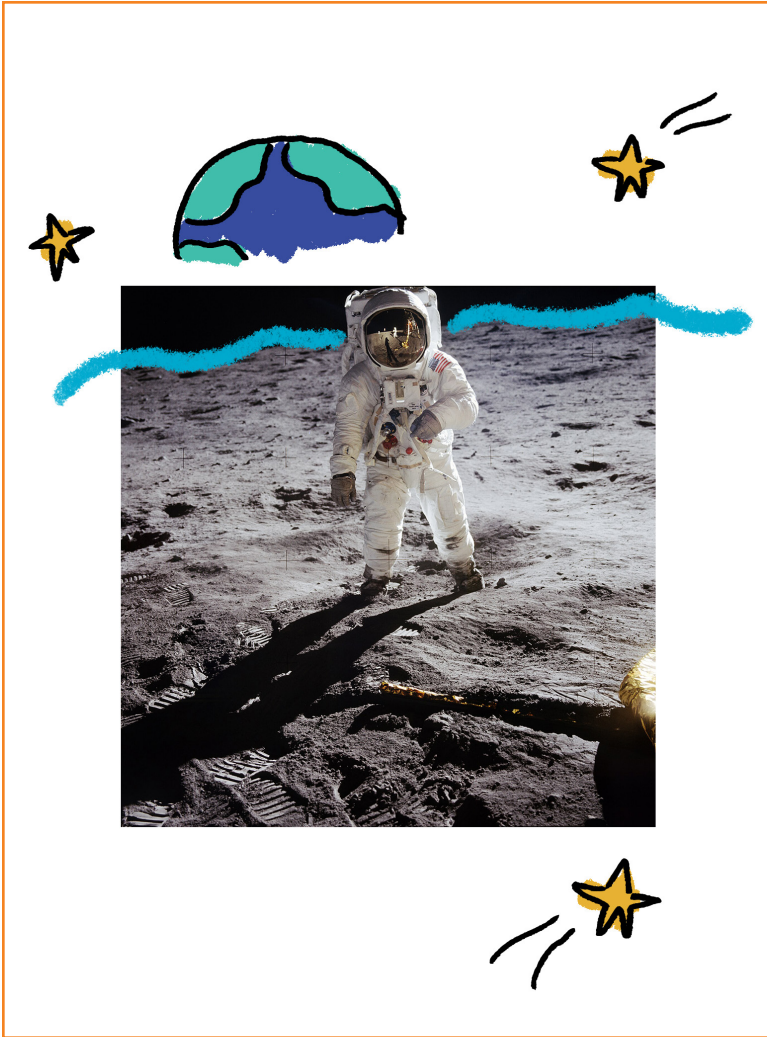
Reading Skills

Phonemic Awareness

Delete the /m/ in moon. Replace it with /s/.

/ / /oo/ /n/

What is the word?



A picture that Neil Armstrong took of Buzz Aldrin on the Moon.

Then came the moment everyone was waiting for. Neil stepped onto the Moon and said, "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind." He was the first human to walk on the Moon!



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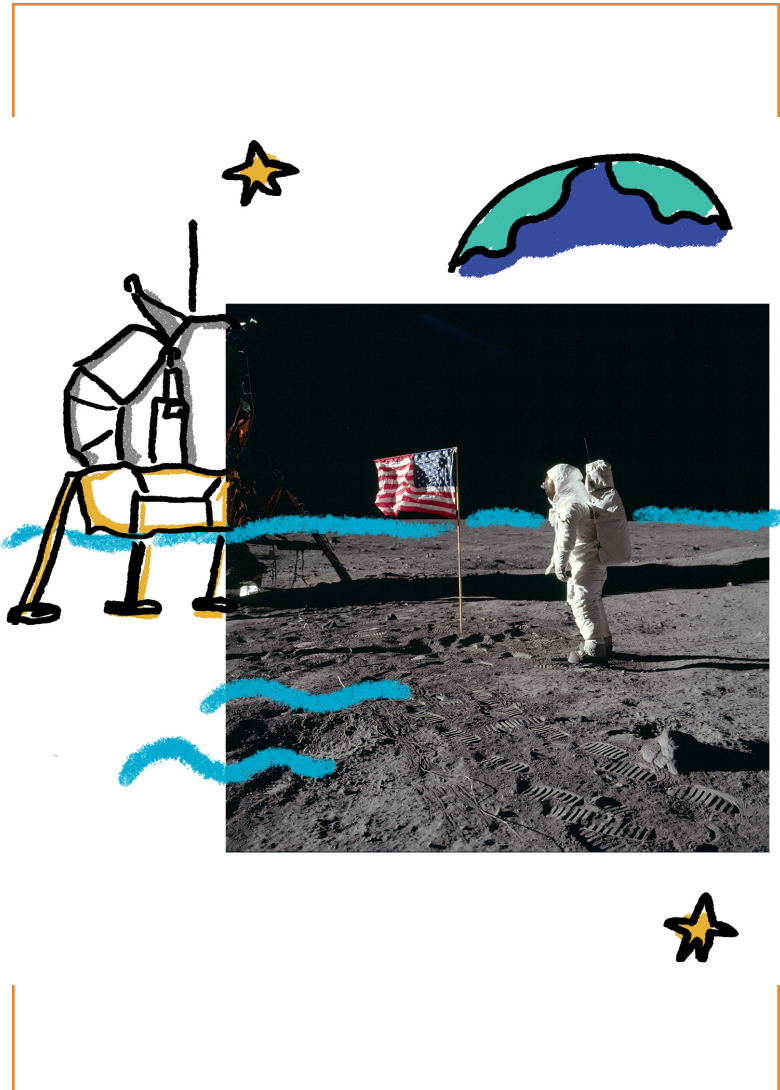
The letters "oo" can have two sounds!

long /oo/ like food

short /oo/ like book

Which sound does the word moon make?

Armstrong's Amazing Courage



CHAPTER 3

How did Neil Armstrong show Courage?

Neil showed courage by doing something no one had ever done before. He and Buzz explored, collected rocks, and planted an American flag in space.



Reading Skills

Phonemic Awareness

Delete the /fl/ in flag. Replace it with /b/.

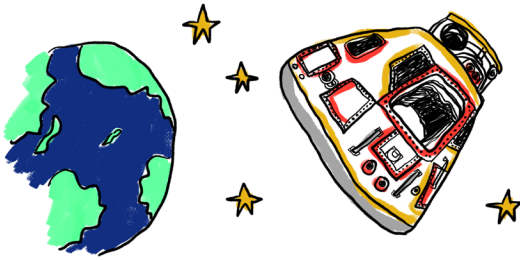
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What is the word?



**Big and small things are possible
with courage.**

After their work, they returned safely to Earth. Neil Armstrong proved that with courage and hard work, humans can meet any challenge.



Reading Skills

Phonemic Awareness

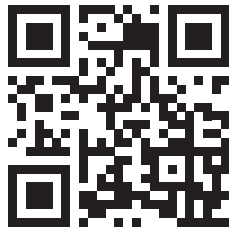
Delete the /ing/ in sharing.

Replace it with /ed/.

/sh/ /ar/ /__/ What is the word?

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