

Grandpa's Space Adventure

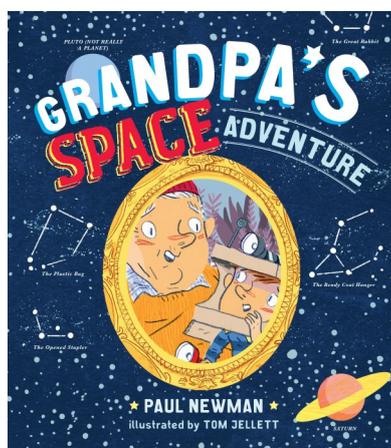
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Join the creative team behind best-selling picture book Grandpa's Big Adventure on a new voyage full of out-of-this-world delights and cosmic dangers. This time Grandpa and his grandson explore a new fear - the dark. But through Grandpa's hilarious jokes and tall tales, his grandson discovers the amazing things you can see at night-time.



Themes:

- Space
- Grandparents
- Overcoming Fears
- Humorous Stories
- Camping

Discussion Questions:

- The story begins with the little boy saying "I'm scared of the dark". Discuss amongst the class why many people are afraid of the dark.
- Why do you think some people are scared of different things to others? Conduct a poll in the class to see what is the most common fear.
- What can we do to help overcome our fears?
- How did Grandpa help his grandson overcome his fear of the dark?
- Have you ever been camping?
- What are some of the things that you associate with camping? As a class, brainstorm as many ideas as you can.
- There are many space references used throughout the whole book. Can you recall what they all are?
- Grandpa told many funny stories about his space adventure. Do you think any of his stories are true? Why or why not?
- Grandpa knew 'loads of facts about space'. In small groups, set out to find 10 facts about space that you think are interesting. Present an oral presentation to the class to tell them your findings. You may like to make visual props that you can use to add to your presentation.
- If you could go on a big adventure, where would you want to go and why?
- Grandpa had to build a rocket ship in his back yard for his space adventure. Design and make your own small rocket ship. You may like to use Grandpa's design, or come up with your own.
- The boy in the story has a space helmet on. Make your own out of cardboard, including a torch on the top. Paint it in your favourite colours.