

SPACE PUZZLES

The book cover features a dark space background with several yellow stars. On the left, a large blue alien with large green eyes and a wide smile is partially visible. Above its head, a single eyeball with a green iris floats. To the right, a purple alien with two small eyes stands on a pinkish planet. In the background, a ringed planet like Saturn is visible.

MINKIE MONSTER AND THE BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

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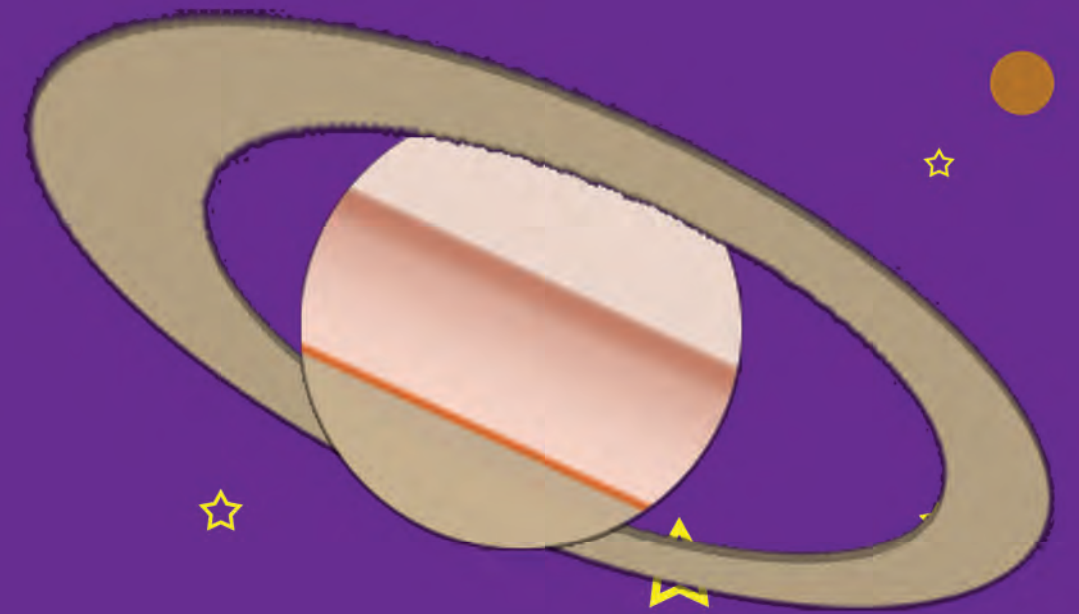
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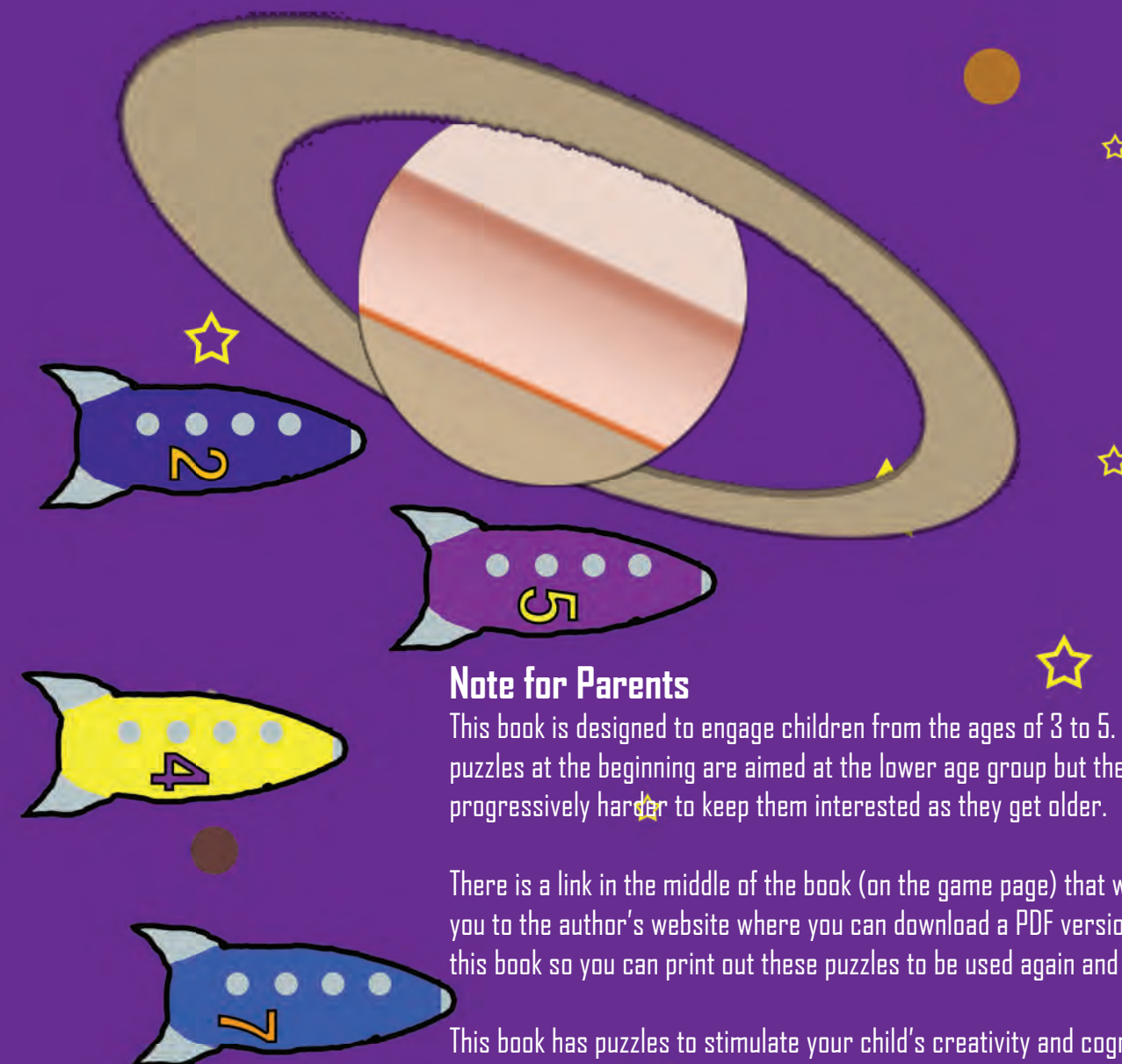


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Dedication

This is for the youngest members of my family whether they are starting preschool or having adventures in regular school.




Note for Parents

This book is designed to engage children from the ages of 3 to 5. The puzzles at the beginning are aimed at the lower age group but they get progressively harder to keep them interested as they get older.

There is a link in the middle of the book (on the game page) that will take you to the author's website where you can download a PDF version of this book so you can print out these puzzles to be used again and again.

This book has puzzles to stimulate your child's creativity and cognitive ability as well as practice their reading and counting.

The best way to use this book, is to give them a set of pens and let them loose on the book while giving them hints and some advice if they get stuck.



How many green books can you see?

My name is **Minkie Monster**,
I am from deepest darkest **space**.
Bob is my friend who I always have to **chase**.
He is very **naughty** and likes to **hide**,
I'm always searching for him, **far** and **wide**.

To a party, we have been invited,
I am so happy and so excited.
I must find Bob now, we need to go,
I have looked everywhere, high and low.



I cannot find my ship,
I cannot see...
Please tell me,
where is space ship number three?

5

4



I really don't want him to *miss* all the *fun*,
He **must** be here,
the counting is almost *done*!

Where is he? Where can **Bob** be?
The **countdown** has begun.
Oh no! We must **run**!

1



2

**BLAST
OFF!**

Trace the numbers to help him get into space!

Bob is **always** doing this to me.
Where is he hiding, where **can** he be?



Can you
count the stars?



I need to let all my **friends** know
that we **left** not so long ago.
Who is this **party** even for?
I cannot recall **anymore**!

Sorry I am late,
And you had to **wait**.
I'm passing the Moon,
I will be there very **soon**!



Trace the
letters to
finish the
message!





☆ I cannot **decide**, yellow, blue or pink? ☆
Help! Which trail should I take?
☆ What do **you** think? ☆

Follow the
right trail to
the party
planet!

It is a **long time** since they last saw us.
We are going to the planet **Venus**. ☆

Party
Planet





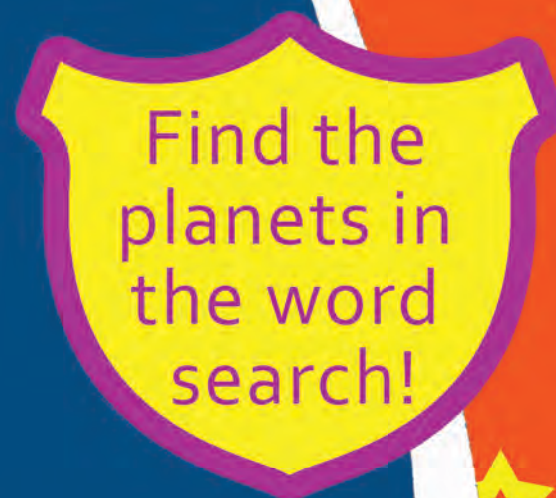
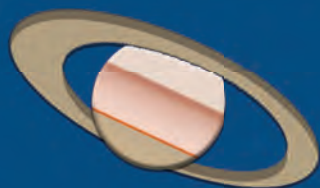
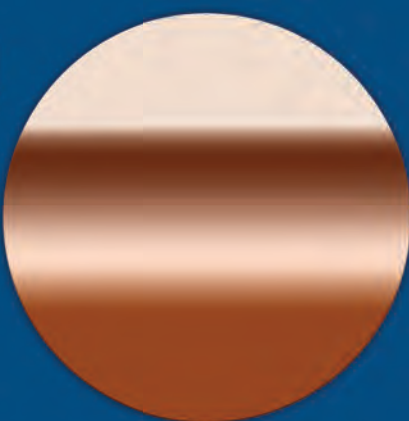
I made a **cake** and
left it on a **plate**.
Oh no! It's gone!
Someone just could not wait.

It is **Bob**, he has to be here.
I will never find him, I fear.



How many candles are there **on**
the cake? **2, 3, 4 or 5?**

- MERCURY
- VENUS
- EARTH
- MARS
- JUPITER
- SATURN
- URANUS
- NEPTUNE



All the planets are **hidden** away.
 I **will** solve this puzzle, come what may.
Yikes! All the words are jumbled.
 This is hard, I am **humbled**.

Y	N	H	T	R	A	E	R
U	R	R	S				E
	R	U	U	R			T
		A	C	T	A		I
			N	R	A	M	P
				U	E	S	U
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	E	N	U	T	P	E	N



The words can go up or down, side to side or diagonally!



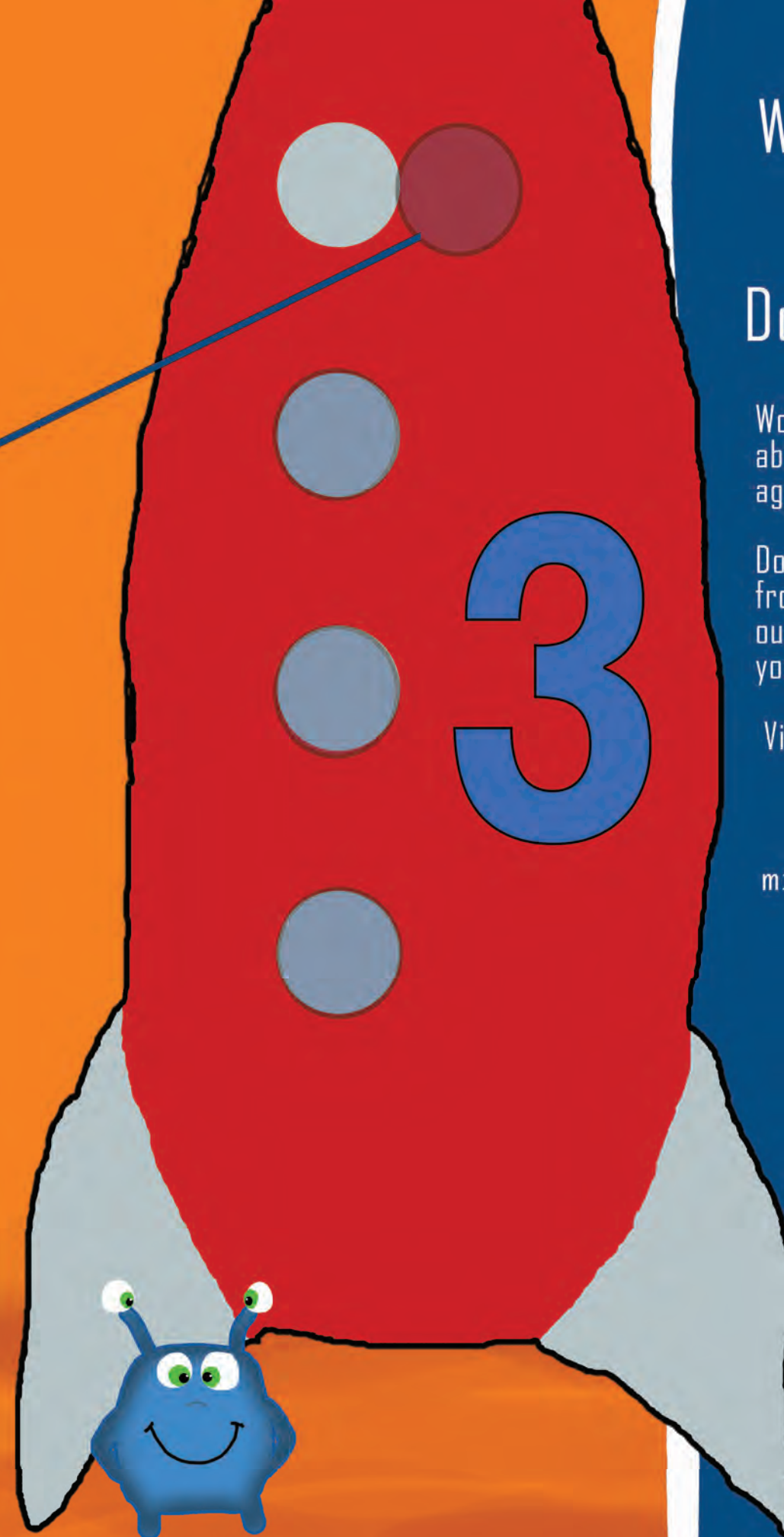
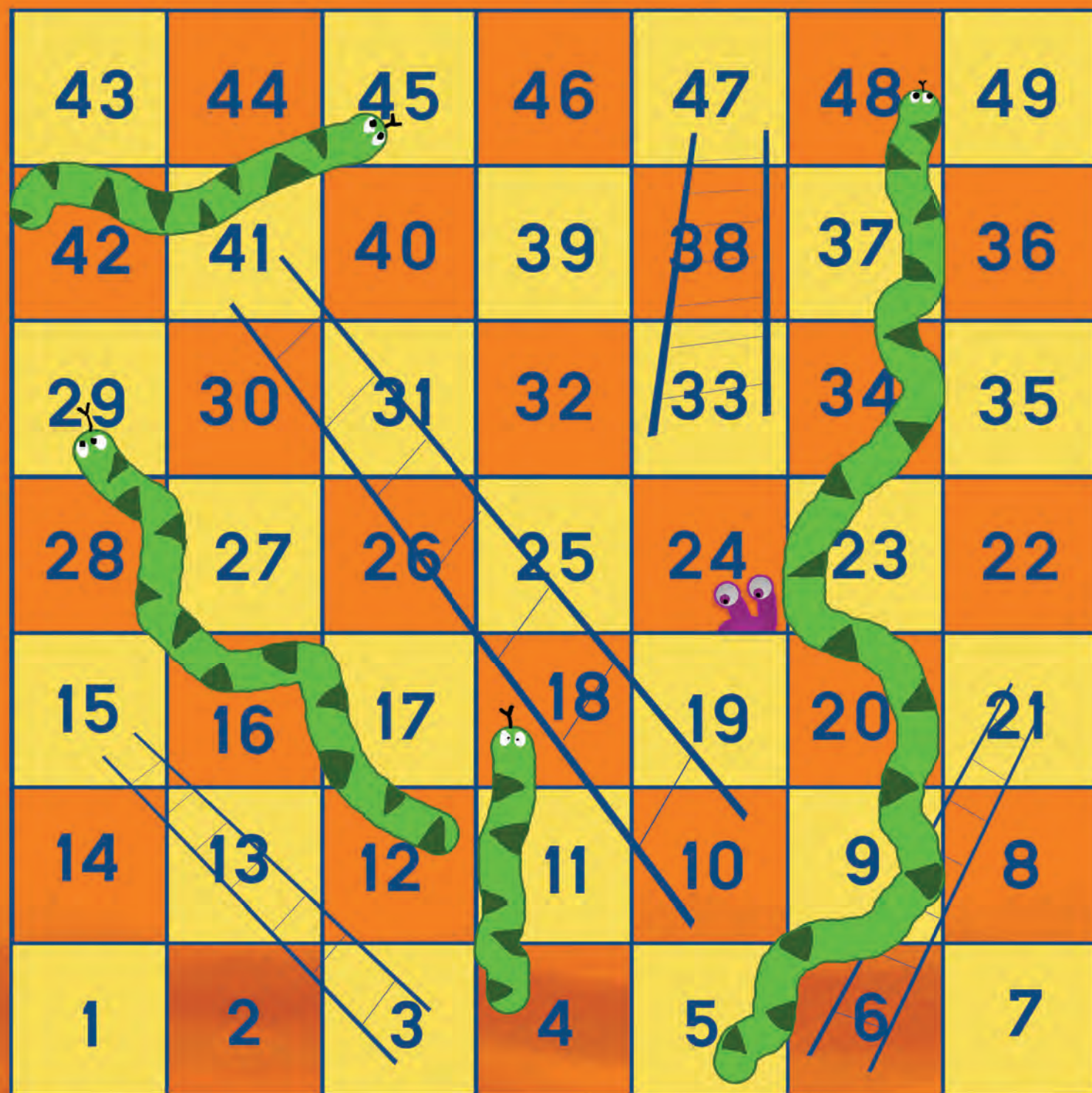
I am **thirsty**, I need a drink.
Time to stop for **moon juice**,
I think.



Purple, gloopy and **sweet**,
it is a **tasty** treat.



Get past the space snakes to
get into the rocket!



Want to redo this book?

Download the PDF!

Would you like your child to be able to do the puzzles again and again?

Download the PDF of this book
from the author's website to print
out the puzzles as many times as
you want.

Visit the following url and type in the password:

Website address:
minkiemonster.com/SPv1
Password:
Venus

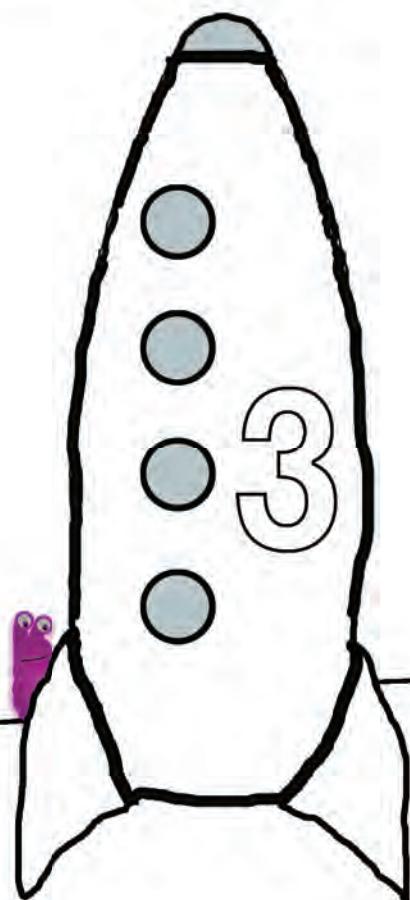
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a die
some counters

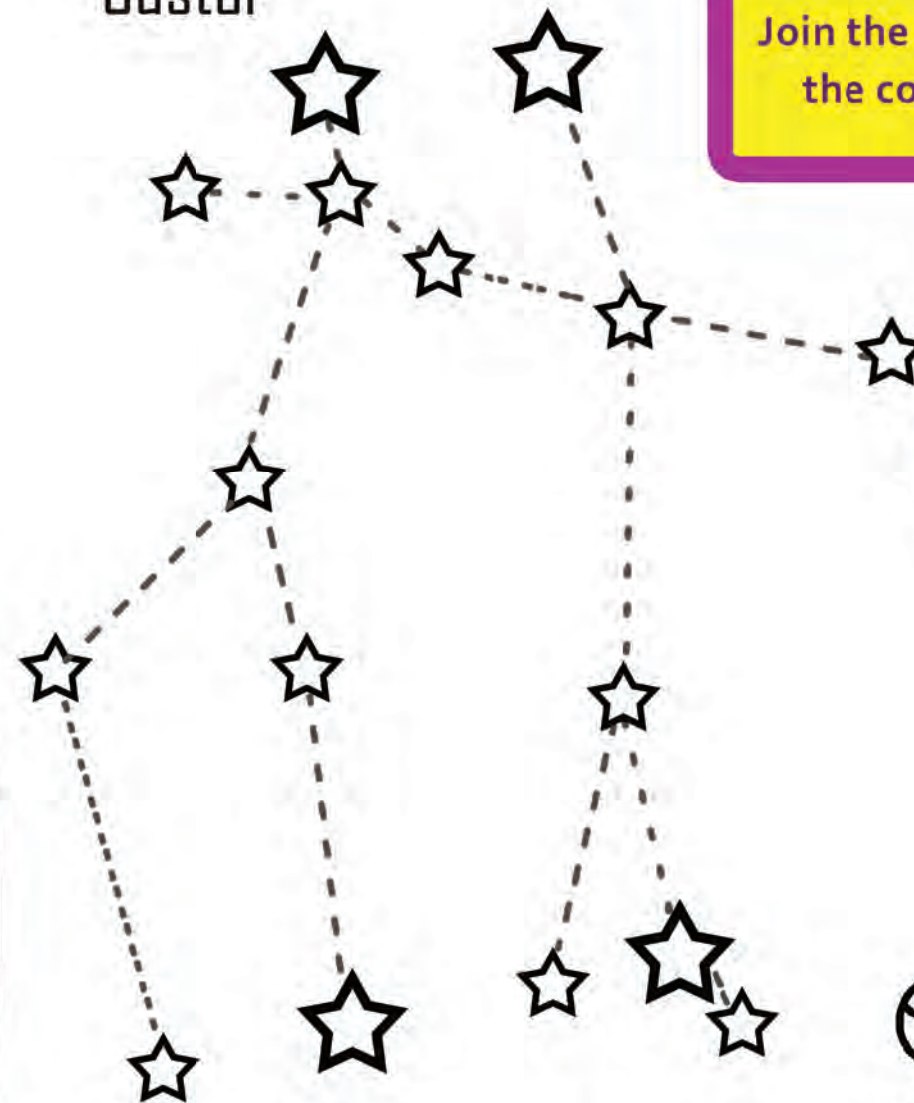
Print and cut out these counters from the PDF:



The stars outside are lovely and bright,
I have to stop to look at the light.
Together they look like a funny shape.
It is the dancing **twins**! I am **agape**!



Castor



Pollux

Join the dots together to make
the constellation Gemini!




Gemini

Hmph, naughty Bob has struck **again**.
Trying to find him is a **pain**.
Look at the **untidy** food and drink,
he must be here - what do **you** think?



Choose **2**
of these to
finish the
pattern!



Ava, Lottie, Melanie, Hugo, and Siôn are **all** here.
This party, I know who it is for, it is now **SO** clear.
From home to Venus, I did **not** foresee,
that the party was always for me, **Minkie!**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY MINKIE!

Siôn Bananas Ava Carrots Melanie Radishes



Lottie Blueberries Hugo Broccoli

Draw a line from Minkie's friends to their names using the clue beside each one to work out who is who.

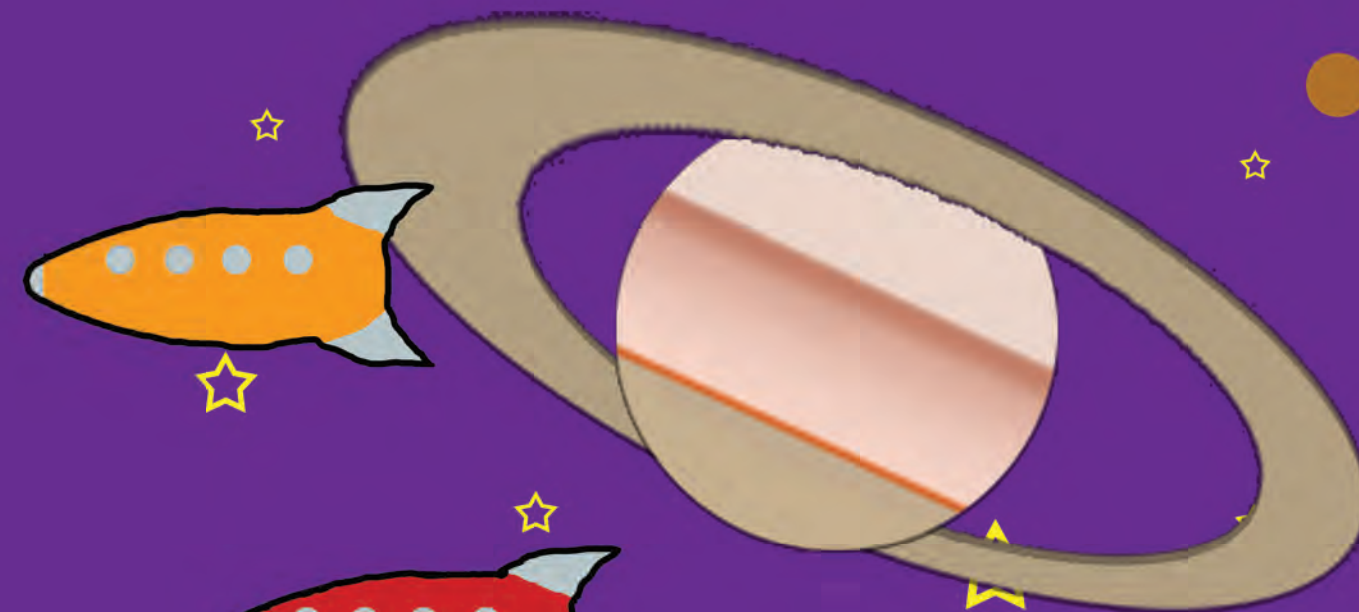


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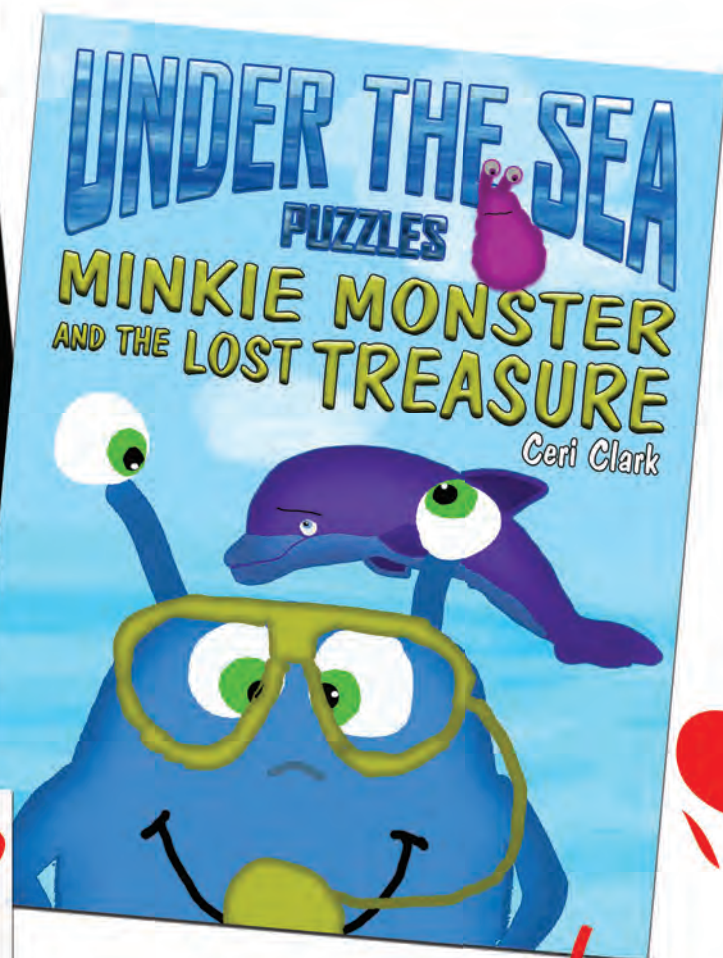


Ceri Clark lives in the Land of Myth with her husband and young son. She spent time as a school librarian but now loves to create puzzles and stories for children of all ages.

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