

To Activate Space Portal By Antoinette Portis

This book is an interstellar portal, and the aliens inside want to get to know you! Get ready to meet Zrk and Blrg. They're not so different from you—but to them, you're the alien!

Describing Planet Earth

When Zrk and Blrg peer through the portal they see Planet Earth for the first time. How would you describe what they see? Think about all the things you know about our planet and add this into your description.



The Planets

Zrk and Blrg see Planet Earth first but there are 7 others in our solar system. What do you know about each of them?

You could choose one and write:

- a fact-file
- a non-chronological report
- or create a poster.





Decode the alien message



Imagine the message is:

- a 3 letter word then
- a 5 letter word and then
- a four letter word

What might the message be?

Design your own alien

Zrk and Blrg are keen to find out what human teeth look like and why we have two eyes that stay stuck in one place.

If you could meet an alien what would they look like?





Acceptance and Inclusion

There is a gentle message of acceptance threaded throughout the story. These are importance values to foster with young children. Try playing the game, "Find Someone Who..." which helps children to explore our differences and similarities. What did they learn?

Send the aliens a message...

The aliens send the planeturthlings a message. What message would you like to send back?



My Alien

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Decode the alien message

Imagine the message is a 3 letter word, then a 5 letter word and then a four letter word.

What might the message be?



Some examples to help you get started:

The stars call! See human life!