

‘A MOMENT OF REFLECTION’

YEARS 3/4

INTRODUCTION:

Thinking about the difference, and then writing a poem about space and home.

CURRICULUM MAPPING:

Plan their writing by:

- Discussing and recording ideas

Draft and write by:

- Composing and rehearsing sentences orally (including dialogue), progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures
- Organising paragraphs around a theme
- In narratives, creating settings, characters and plot

STARTER:

Study a film of Earth from Space.

Discuss: How does Earth look from Space?

MAIN LESSON:

What would you miss most about Earth?

Write a list of:

- The exciting things you are seeing and doing in Space
- The things you miss most about home

Now, create a poem of alternate lines, first a line about Space then one about home and so on. Finish with a line that tells us whether you are glad to be up on the Moon and why.

Share your poems and illustrate them.

IDEAS FOR INCLUSION:

- Use **A Moment of Reflection: Widgit symbols chart** to learners think of what they would most miss about home and the things they might do and see in space. They need to fill in the gaps with images and/or text.
- Using BBC sound effects, choose some sound effects of life on Earth and of the moon. Play them to the students and they have to say if they are Earth or Space sounds.
- Learners can make their own soundscape of the sounds of life on earth and then one of sounds of life in space and walking on the moon. Alternatively, they can use pictures to create a visual landscape.