

Read Aloud Guide for Families



The Racer from Outer Space

Author: Storytime

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Themes: Teamwork, Friendship

Book Brief: A fun adventure about three friends—Emani, Archie, and Kevin—who team up with an alien to build a winning soapbox racer!

READ ALOUD

Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask, "Have you ever worked with friends to build or make something? What did you create together?"

While Reading: Make Connections

- What are Emani, Archie, and Kevin building? What happens to their soapbox?
- Who crashes into their cart? Where does this visitor come from?
- How does the alien help the friends? What special power does he add to their racer?

After Reading: Ask Questions

- Ask, "What happens in the story? How do the friends and the alien work together? What do they accomplish as a team?"

RELATED ACTIVITIES

If your child enjoyed this book:

- Build something together as a team! Use blocks, boxes, or recycled materials to create a pretend car, house, or invention. Talk about what was easy or hard about working together and how teamwork helped you succeed, just like the three friends and Hugo won the race together.
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