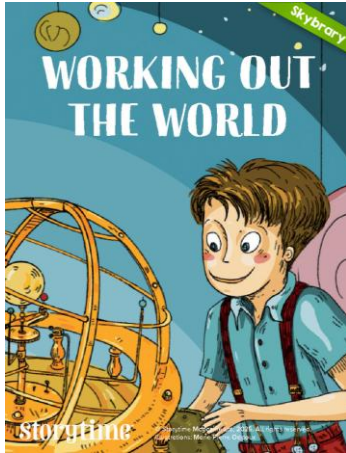


Read Aloud Guide for Families



Working Out the World

Author: Storytime

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Themes: Curiosity, Discovery, Problem-Solving

Book Brief: A boy wants to discover how everything works – including the universe!

READ ALOUD

Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask, “Have you ever been really curious about how something works or wondered about big things like space, time, or the universe?”
- Explain to your child that this story is about real events, but it is told like a story with characters, a setting, and events in order.

While Reading: Make Connections

- What kinds of things does the boy wonder about?
- How does he feel about learning when school feels difficult?
- What big ideas about the universe does he try to understand?
- Who or what helps him keep thinking and asking questions?

After Reading: Ask Questions

- Ask, “How did the boy’s curiosity help him learn about the world?”

RELATED ACTIVITIES

If your child enjoyed this book:

- Create a “Big Questions” chart at home. Write questions your child has about space, nature, animals, or machines and talk about possible ways to find answers.
- Talk about a time your child wondered how something worked. What did they do to try to find out more?
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