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by Young Authors
(Ages 5-13)

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This anthology is composed of stories written by children and youth between the ages of 5 and 13 as a result of our July 2020 creative writing contest. The task was to write a short fiction story taking readers on an adventure through space!

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IS SEEING BELIEVING?

by

Monique



“Sarah Montgomery, I presume,” said a tall man with curly hair and a strange hat.

“Uh, yes?” I said.

“It's not a question,” he replied bluntly.

I ignored his rude remark and pushed past him. I looked for my room, number 208. I was in the famous space hotel that was speeding around the world at two thousand miles per hour. But there was a machine in the hotel that made it feel like we

weren't moving at all. As I started for the elevator I realized it might calm me down a little bit to walk up the stairs instead. I was halfway up the stairs when there was an ear-piercing shriek. It was coming from Room 209, the room next to mine. I bolted up the stairs, almost slipping several times.

“I saw an alien!” a woman shrieked at the top of her lungs.

“Calm down, miss,” said an officer with a nice tan and an Alabama accent.

“Excuse me, what happened?” I asked, pretending to look as if I had no idea what was going on.

“Well ma'am...” the officer started.

“Nope, actually, I was wondering if I could talk to this lady here,” I said stubbornly.

“Now who do you think you are?” asked the officer in an annoyed tone.

“Detective Sarah Montgomery,” I said, flipping open my badge to show everyone. “No one move.”

Later that day I was escorted to the scientist’s lab.

“Hello, I am here to ask a few questions,” I said, feeling unstable under the weight of the silence that followed.

“You are the detective? You are only about, what... eighteen?!”

And that was true but it made me somewhat annoyed.

“As you may have heard, there was a lady who said she saw an alien on Deck 10. I was just wondering if that was really possible...”

I never finished my sentence because then we saw a figure standing before us. It was the lady from Deck 10.

“How on earth did you get in here?” I asked in disbelief. She shook her head.

“You humans are so gullible. You say seeing is believing, so what about this?” She lunged with all of her might and landed on top of me. Luckily I had practised karate. I wasn't exactly a

black belt, but I knew enough to take her down. Suddenly she began morphing into a green, slimy, human-like shape before my eyes.

“It’s all beginning to make sense now,” I said. “You are the alien. You killed the woman in Room 209 and then morphed into her as a disguise. Do you have a partner?” I asked forcefully.

“Yes, you may have seen him,” the alien said with a smirk.

I bolted down the hallway. All the pieces were clicking together. I ran into Room 594 and jumped on top of the man sitting there.

“Got ya,” I said as I clicked handcuffs on the man with curly hair and a huge blue oozing head, which he had tried to make look like a strange hat.

As I walked back toward my room I saw the officer with the Alabama accent from Deck 10 look at me oddly before stalking down the stairwell. Then I caught sight of a trail of green

footprints that led through the door and out into the stairwell.

The aliens could be anywhere... or anyone. Just then, I heard a scream...

THE END.

AN ADVENTURE ON THE MOON

by

Sarah

Hi, I'm Ava Arrowood. I'm an astronaut that works for NASA.

About three hours ago my team landed on the moon. My Instructor, Amanda Linder, is a fully trained astronaut that has worked at NASA for five years. My team and I have trained at NASA for a whole year. We all passed our tests and now we finally get to be on the moon!

Amanda split us into four groups. There were twelve of us and I was grouped with Peter Brown and Lizzy Jones. My group and I were jumping around in an area when suddenly the ground split open and swallowed us whole.

When my eyes got used to the dark, I got up and the first thing I did was find my friends. Something touched me and I screamed at the top of my lungs. I found out it was just Peter and we both started looking for Lizzy. We found her right beside a hole. She was pretty easy to see because a torch was right beside her. Peter and I, on the other hand, were in the dark.

We all heard noises and hid in the dark. Strange figures slid past us and over to the hole. I saw an eye by the torch and it was connected to a slimy green body with purple dots. Then I figured they were aliens and they both jumped into the hole.

Before thinking twice I jumped into the hole behind them. It was a much farther fall than I thought. I landed in this yucky black water and made a big splash. I heard noises and hid in the eerie darkness. Both of my friends jumped in the hole and hid with me. Without a flashlight there was no way to tell what kind of creatures lurked in the caliginous cave.

We got out of the water and cautiously snuck around the cave. I saw a bluish greenish glow in the distance. Lizzy, Peter and I walked over to it, but before we were even close a cage dropped on top of us.

Aliens came towards us from every direction. Surprisingly though, they could speak English. One came forward and said,

“Who dares to enter Kalamaroko land of the Marokos?”

We were speechless. I finally found my voice and said, “We found a glow in the distance. We mean no harm.” Besides that I didn’t know what to say.

Lizzy jumped in the conversation and said, “Let us go! Now!”

I think she was really scared of the aliens. The aliens said they would let us go if we didn't tell anyone about them because it was a secret.

Suddenly a guard stormed in and said, "They're here!" The leader asked if we could do one more favour for them. He wanted us to help them fight their enemies.

Suddenly the cage disappeared and red aliens came running in. Lucky for us Peter is a black belt in Karate so that should have helped, but not with six foot tall aliens with crossbows.

I saw some swords nearby and grabbed them. I gave one to Peter and one to Lizzy and kept one for myself. After hours of fighting we finally defeated them.

The leader of the troop gave each of us a clear gem as a thank-you gift. Then he said to go through a portal and we would be home. We jumped through the portal and landed in the same place we were jumping earlier.

Amanda saw us and said, “It’s okay everyone, I found them.”

She walked over to us and said, “Where were you guys? We’ve been looking for hours.”

All we did was smile at her because she would never guess where we were.

THE END.

TO THE ASTEROID AND BACK

by

Sheaen

The year is now 4028 and the city has changed. New planets have been discovered. New life forms have been discovered. New universes have been discovered. But only one thing has not changed... humans have not changed.

I'm a city boy who is fourteen years old. At my school we make crazy experiments, like making giant bricks fly, which is very possible right now. Once I graduate and get a job I'm hoping to go to one of the newer planets, GBSKS, which is technically another Earth 20 000 light years away. Right now, I can get there in about forty-five minutes.

I want to get a job at NASA because they have made a brand-new rocket which will take us to discover new asteroids.

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Three... Two... One... **BLAST OFF!!!**

We are almost at the International Space Station for a quick snack and nap and then we are off to Jupiter's planet which is the 28th Nectarus Lava. The real world named it because it was a fire planet made of lava. The scientists who are sending us

there have created a man-made island where the lava can't reach and burn us. When we get to the island we quickly take some dehydrated potatoes and some water and we are set to reach the asteroids.

Finally, we can see the asteroid! Now it is time to land. Three...
Two... One... **TOUCH DOWN!**

“Okay, now let's get out! Nice and easy.” It's time for us to put the flag down and find some diamonds and gold.

We dig up some diamonds, a few buckets full. Then it's time to go back home. We pass so many other astronauts and rocket ships flying and carrying passengers to work and to see their families. It's tiring being out in space and coordinating and staying on course. But I wouldn't want it any other way!

THE END.

JOURNEY TO JUPITER

by

Taylor

Rebecca was seven years old when she discovered her love for space. After high school, she joined a space academy. Then, after many years of training, her dream finally came true.

“I got elected to go to Jupiter!!” exclaimed Rebecca to her friend Julia. “I have to leave for my flight in two hours?!?” She lived in Toronto and had to fly into Halifax.

Julia replied, “Let’s see if we know anyone else that got elected.” They looked over the list and saw that her friend from the academy, Sarah, was also on the list.

“Well, I will miss you! Bye!” Rebecca told Julia. She called a taxi, got to the airport, and was on her way to Halifax. When she made it to the launching spot. She had to immediately get geared up for the journey.

Then it was time to leave Earth. Climbing excitedly, she got into the spaceship and strapped into her seat. “Ready for blastoff,” said the leader. “Three... Two... One...” And off they went. But, once they were in space, they ran into some trouble.

“An asteroid field!” Sarah exclaimed. They almost crashed into one, but steered away just in time.

After a while, they saw the biggest asteroid ever! It was at least a mile in length and width. “I can’t get around it, but there’s a hole I think we can fit through. It’s risky,” Ben, the leader, told the group.

He tried and they fit! But, the trouble was not over yet. They were celebrating getting through the asteroid when Rebecca asked, “What is that?!”

They all looked and saw an alien spaceship. They tried to fly away from it, but it followed them.

“Let’s go!” yelled Sarah. They flew back into the asteroid field.

Rebecca was about to ask why when she heard an explosion. She looked back and saw that the aliens had crashed into an asteroid! “Smart thinking,” Rebecca commented.

“Now, let’s get to Jupiter,” Ben said.

They made their way to Jupiter with no other incidents. They even found information that helped make a scientific breakthrough. But, they actually became very famous for being the first people to see aliens. Rebecca grew up to be the captain of many space missions. She found something she truly loved.

THE END.



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