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"GUS GOES TO OUTER SPACE"  
by LEO



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## THE WINNERS!

### KINDERGARTEN

- 1st Place:** “Gus Goes to Outer Space” by Leo  
Coral Academy of Science
- 2nd Place:** “My Big Adventure” by Sofie  
Brookfield School
- 3rd Place:** “AAAA Dinosaurs!” by Chloe  
Bohach Elementary School

### FIRST GRADE

- 1st Place:** “Rolant the Annihilator” by Noah  
Lemelson STEM Academy
- 2nd Place:** “The North Pole” by MacKenzi  
Winnemucca Grammar School
- 3rd Place:** “My Adventure” by Agnes  
St. Teresa of Avila Catholic School

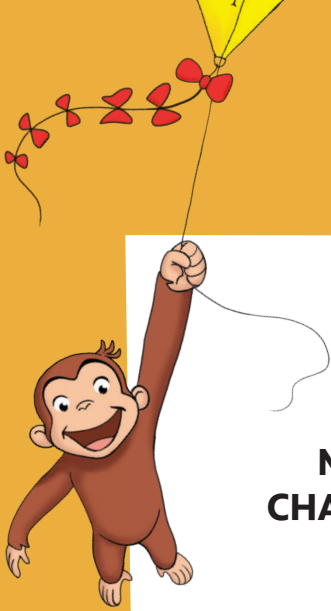
### SECOND GRADE

- 1st Place:** “Jack and the Internet Transporter” by Elijah  
North Star Online School
- 2nd Place:** “The Lost Dog” by Vilteya  
Coral Academy of Science
- 3rd Place:** “The Lucky Girl” by Finley  
Spanish Springs Elementary School

### THIRD GRADE

- 1st Place:** “The Mystical Magic of the Book” by Stella  
Westergard Elementary School
- 2nd Place:** “My Yeti Adventure Story” by Jai  
Caughlin Ranch Elementary School
- 3rd Place:** “Adventure to the Moon” by Lillian  
Lena Juniper Elementary School





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PBS member station, PBS Reno, serving northern Nevada and northeastern California, is proud to take part in the PBS Reno Curiosity Classroom Writers Contest.

Few things can capture a child's imagination like a good book. PBS Reno Curiosity Classroom Writers Contest invites children, kindergarten through third grade, in communities across our area to use their boundless imaginations to create original stories and illustrations and then submit them to their local PBS station. This year, thousands of children from across northern Nevada and northeastern California participated in the PBS Reno Writers Contest, building their creative voices, and developing critical reading and writing skills.

Visit our website at [pbsreno.org/writerscontest](https://pbsreno.org/writerscontest) to find out more about the contest, read the winning stories and watch the winners announce their stories.



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**KINDERGARTEN: 1st Place**

“Gus Goes to Outer Space”

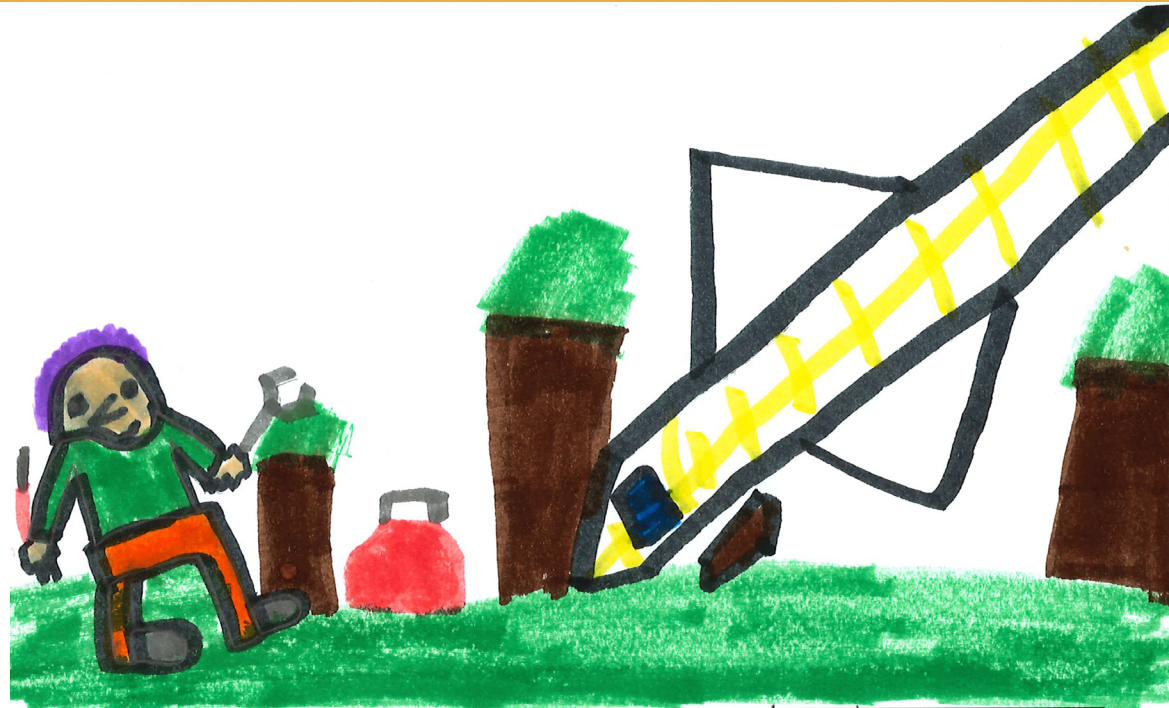
**by Leo**

Coral Academy of Science





**Gus finds a rocket ship  
in the forest and  
he fixes it up.**



Gus finds a rocket ship  
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fixes it up.

Gus looks on his phone and learns how to fly the rocket ship. He gets a truck to go to the airport to get ready to fly for duty.



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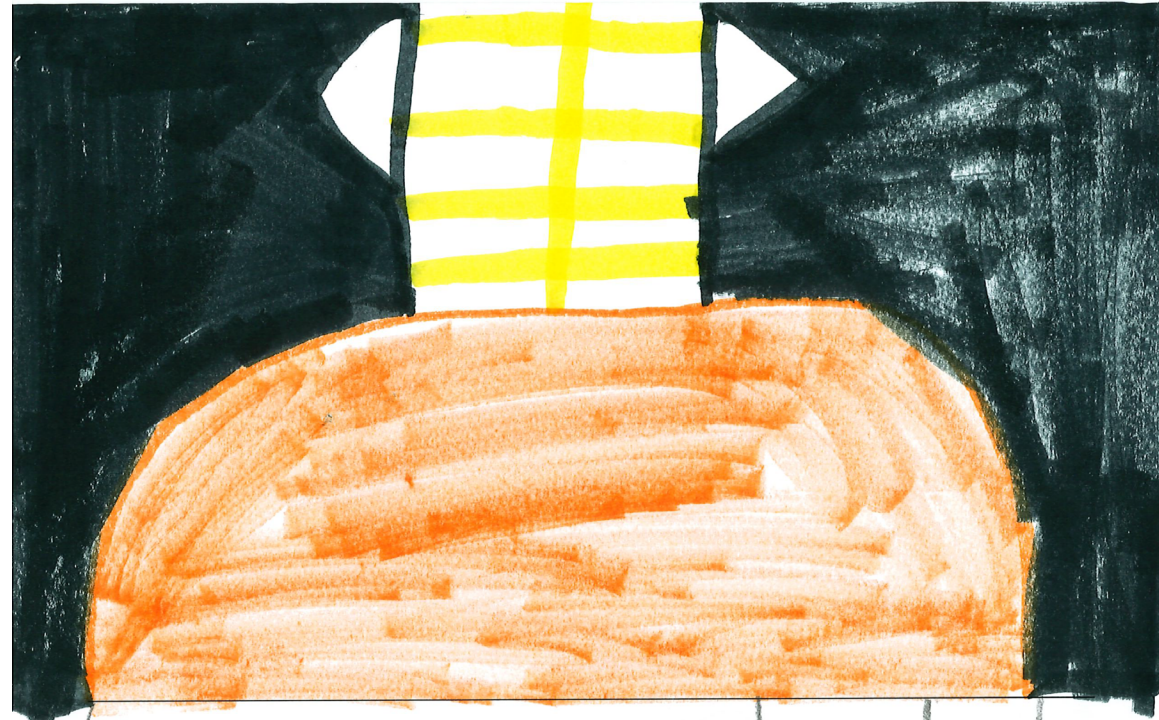
**Gus is ready for BLASTOFF!  
He wants to go somewhere  
hot and sees the sun.  
He's not there yet, but he  
believes he can get there.**



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He wants to go go go  
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**Gus prepares to land  
on the sun. He turns  
off the engine and lands.**



Gus prepares to land  
on the sun. He turns  
off the engine and  
lands.

Gus tries to get on the sun,  
but with regular shoes  
it hurts him. He changes into  
his sun shoes so he is able  
to walk on the sun!



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