

Watson is having trouble sleeping. He lies awake at night, doing his best not to think about the lurking, creeping things that might be hiding in his closet or under his bed. But the more he tries, the harder it gets.

Then he notices a mysterious light coming from under his covers. When he takes a peek he discovers a beautiful, tented night sky full of twinkling stars. And because he isn't sleepy, he follows a path the stars show him. It leads him through a forest and onto an adventure that includes friendly creatures and a magical trolley ride to a tiny island with a very tall tower—and finally, sleep.

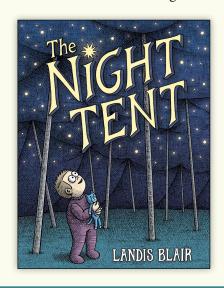
### What's Included:

- Where Does the Path Lead?
  - Your Own Night Tent!
  - Your Own Starry Sky!
  - Imagination Station!

#### **MEET THE CREATOR:**



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# WHERE DOES THE PATH LEAD?

Trace Watson's path with your finger and draw where you imagine it leads on the next page.





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# WHERE DOES THE PATH LEAD?

Draw where you imagine it leads!







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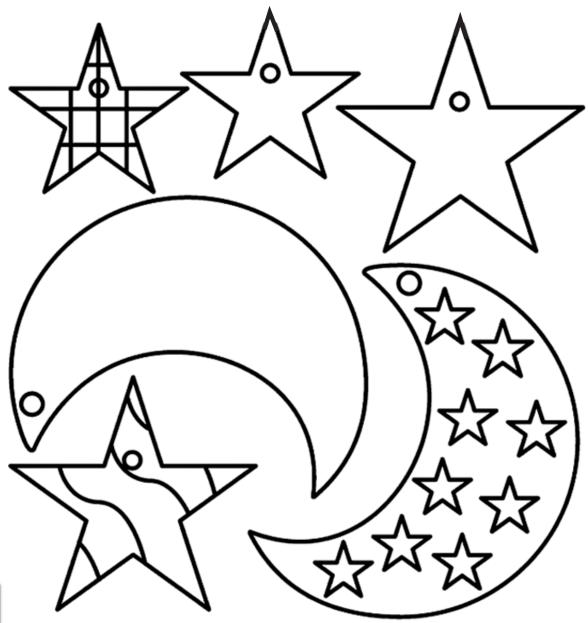
### YOUR OWN NIGHT TENT!

You can dream under the stars like Watson with this easy-to-make mobile.



#### What to do:

- 1. Color and decorate the shapes.
- 2. With the help of an adult, cut out the shapes.
- 3. Glue three shapes, one of each size, to a piece of thin cardboard, such as a recycled cereal box or file folder. With the help of an adult, cut out the cardboard shapes and glue the remaining matching shapes to each back.
- 4. Ask an adult to help you punch a hole through the top of each piece.
- 5. Tie different lengths of ribbon or yarn to each mobile piece.
- 6. Tie the strings to a plastic clothes hanger or a stick that has fallen from a tree.
- 7. Ask an adult to help you hang up your mobile.





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# YOUR OWN STARRY SKY!

You can create your own starry sky like Watson with this fun activity.



### You will need:

- Metal colander
- Flashlight
- Dark bedroom

Shine the flashlight under the colander and point it up to the ceiling. Rotate the colander and lift it up and down to see a starry sky in your own bedroom!





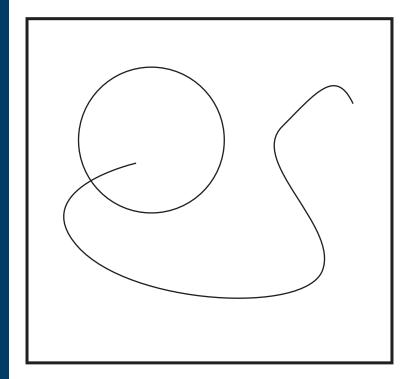
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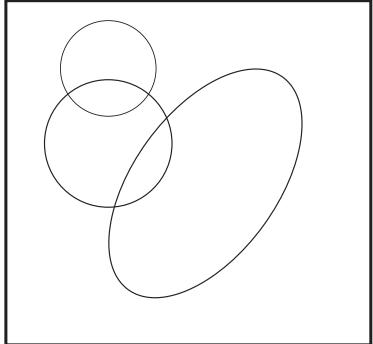


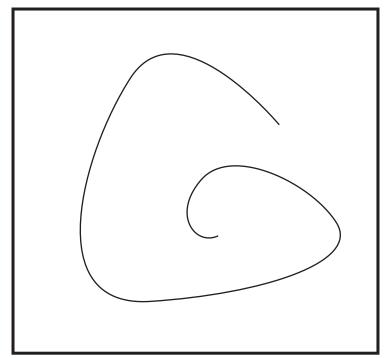
# **IMAGINATION STATION!**

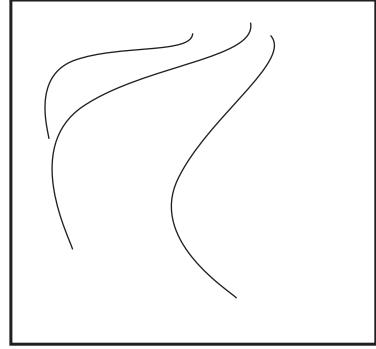
Use your imagination to create your own friendly creatures from each of the images below.





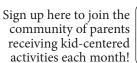








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