

Starlight

Stars fill the night sky with twinkling light. They make the night come alive!

Billions and billions of stars move through space.

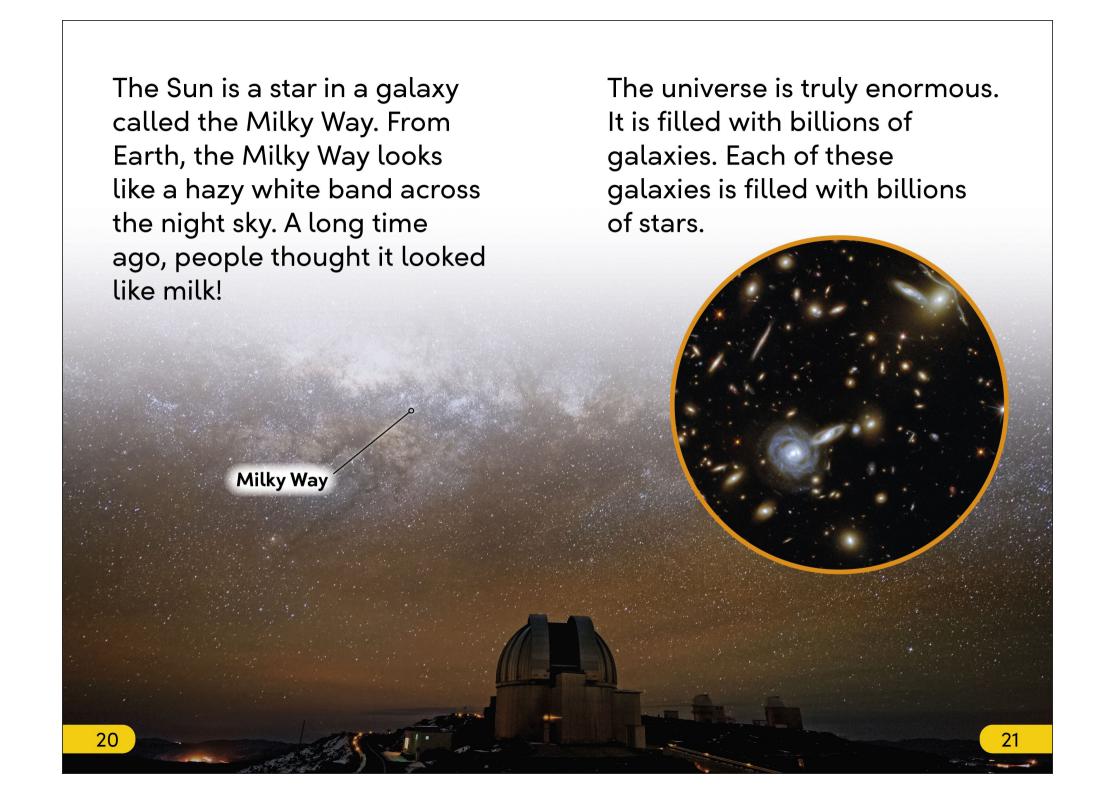
They are far, far away from us.

We see stars as tiny points of light.

But stars only look tiny because they're so far away. Really, they're huge balls of hot gas!

Far away in space, stars glow brightly. This starlight takes many years to reach our planet, Earth.





Glossary

Astronomer

A scientist who studies the planets, stars, and space

Constellation

A group of stars that forms the pattern of a person, animal, or object in the sky

Dwarf star

A star that is not as big or as bright as a giant star or a supergiant star

Galaxy

A group of billions of stars moving together in space

Gas

An air-like substance that has no fixed shape

Myth

A very old story known by many people

Orbit

To move around something in space

Solar system

The Sun, and the objects in space that orbit around it, including Earth and the other planets

Supergiant star

The largest and brightest type of star

Universe

Everything that exists in space, including stars, planets, and galaxies

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