Annika is all of 9 years. Gifted with vivid imagination and empowered by her love for languages, she weaves together beautiful verses on subjects that appeal to her young mind.



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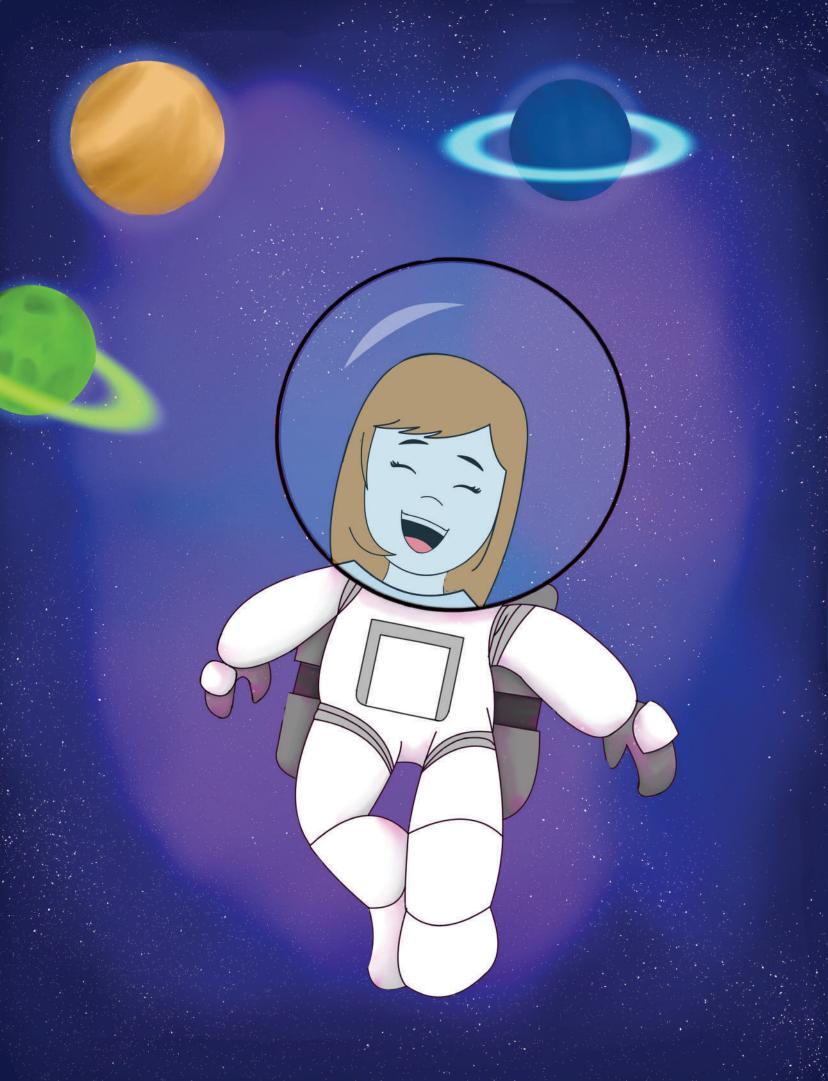
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I went up high into space, It all seemed like a flying race.



The suit I wore was silver and bright, I was out there in the starry night.

