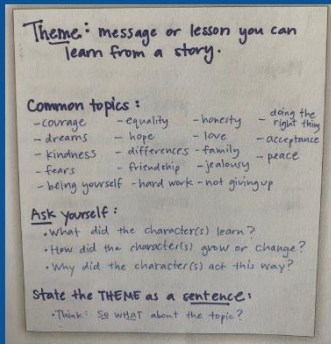


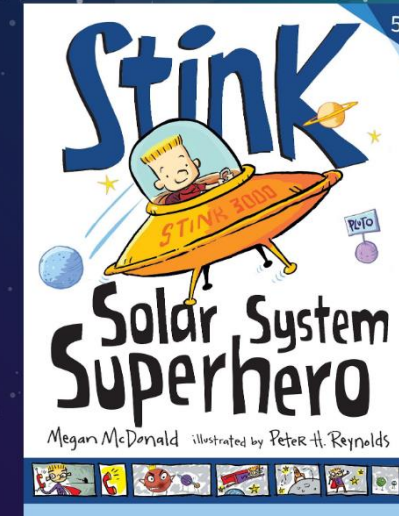
Readers can determine the **theme** (message or lesson) by recalling key details that support the theme.



What is the theme of *Stink Solar System Superhero*?

One possible theme is that it is important to stand up for things that you believe in despite what others may say about you or your beliefs.

Read Aloud



Steps to Determining Theme:

1. Read the story.
2. Ask yourself, what lessons about life is the character learning?
3. Apply those lessons to your own life: Think, “What did the character learn about life that I can take-away as a life lesson also?”
4. Always state theme(s) as a complete sentence.

Look at the example of theme above. *Stink learned that it is important to stand up for things you believe in.* I know this because he believed Pluto should be a planet, and he stood up for that. In the end, he convinced everyone that Pluto should be a planet.

Phonics

In a CVVC pattern the **Vowel Team** works together to make **one sound**. In a CVVC word with **oa**, the vowel team oa will make the sound /o/ as in boat.

oa

coat



goat



boat



soap



"Happy to be here
on Croaker Road,
State of Virginia,
Planet Earth, Milky
Way Galaxy."

oa

coat



goat



boat



soap



boat

coat

coal

goal

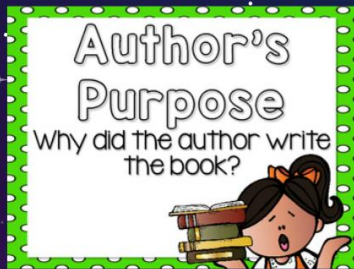
goat

Teaching Point: Readers and writers use their knowledge of word patterns to read and spell unfamiliar words.

Notice in the word **road**, the pattern is:

r (Consonant) **o** (Vowel) **a** (Vowel)
d(Consonant)

Practice reading these other CVVC words that contain the **-oa** combination.



Readers can state the **author's purpose** and compare their own perspective to that of the author.

Author's Purpose & Perspective	
Author's Purpose	New Learning
My Perspective:	

AUTHOR'S PURPOSE		
PERSUADE P	INFORM I	ENTERTAIN E
PERSUADE The author is trying to get you to do something or try something.	INFORM The author is trying to teach you facts and give you information.	ENTERTAIN The author is trying to make the story interesting for you.
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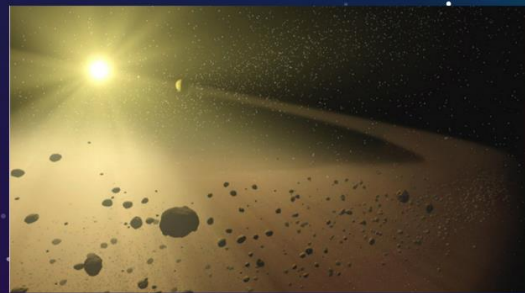
Space Systems: What is an asteroid?

Asteroids are small, rocky objects. They orbit, or circle, the sun. Asteroids orbit the sun the same way the planets do, but they are much smaller than planets.

There are many asteroids in our solar system. Most of them are in the main asteroid belt. This belt is an area of space between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter.

Asteroids hang out in other places, too. For example, some asteroids are found in the orbital paths of planets. This means that the asteroid and the planet follow the same path around the sun. Earth has asteroids of this type. A few other planets do, too.

Author's Purpose & Perspective	
Author's Purpose	New Learning
The author's purpose is to inform the reader about what asteroids are and where they are located.	Even though most asteroids are located in the main asteroid belt, they also located in other places.
My Perspective: It fascinates me that asteroids and planets follow the same orbital path because I was not aware of this.	



Remember:

- When the author is trying to persuade you, your perspective will either agree with the author or argue with the author.
- When the author is trying to teach you or inform you, your perspective is usually building on what the author taught you...making a connection.
- When the author is trying to entertain you, your perspective is usually what the author did in the writing that you found entertaining.

Note: These are not rules; there are exceptions. These are just “most of the times...”.