

# Rocket Boy

Rafi looks like an ordinary boy, but he is actually a superhero with amazing powers. When he is being a superhero he is known as Rocket Boy. Rocket Boy can fly through space. He plays football with planets.

Rafi thinks he might have found a brand-new planet. It is bright green and has large, purple crystal rocks on it. If you tap the rocks they flash brightly. Rafi has



one of the rocks in his bedroom. He uses it for a bedside light.



He also likes helping people and animals in trouble. Once he rescued Snowball the cat. Snowball had gone to sleep in the basket of a hot-air balloon. Then the balloon took off into the air. Luckily Rocket Boy came to the rescue. He flew off, jumped into the basket and grabbed Snowball. Snowball's owner, Mr Simpkin, was very happy to get Snowball back.

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## Questions

Answer the following questions with a full sentence:

1. Why is Rafi also known as Rocket Boy?
2. What does Rafi do for fun when he turns into Rocket Boy?
3. What is Rafi using as a bedside light?
4. What type of animal is Snowball?
5. What accident happened to Snowball?
6. How did Rafi rescue Snowball?

## Word work

Give the meaning of the following words:

*superhero*

*flash*

*rescue*

## Extension work

1. How do you think Mr Simpkin felt when he realised Snowball was missing?
2. What do you think Mr Simpkin said to Rafi when he returned Snowball safely?
3. Imagine you have found something new and special in space. What is it?
4. If you were a superhero, where would you hide your outfit?
5. Rafi's parents do not know he is Rocket Boy. What do you think they might say and do if they found out?
6. Write a story about how Rafi became Rocket Boy.
7. Write a story in which Rafi carries out another amazing rescue as Rocket Boy.