

# REACH FOR THE MOON

Choose one or more of the moon-themed activities below.

## Design a Mooncake

Mooncakes are traditional Chinese pastries in a circular moon shape. Usually mooncakes have beautifully designed messages pressed on top. Design a moon-shaped pastry with your own message!

- **Choose** a word or image inspired by what the moon makes you think of (examples: “sweet dreams” or “beautiful eclipse”).
- **Draw/color** your design on paper. Or use a crayon to color a thick layer of wax on paper and etch your message on top.



This mooncake says “long life” in Chinese.

## Read All About It

Research a space explorer, scientist, inventor, or engineer like Mae Jemison, Ellen Ochoa, or Katherine Johnson. Create a news article or broadcast to report your findings.

## Write a Song

Write a song or poem about the moon. Or create a new set of moon-themed lyrics for a song you already know.

## Create a Capsule

Use your imagination to pack a capsule to the moon. Plan to leave it for mythical space creatures to discover. Write a list of the 7–10 things you’ll put inside the capsule—and why. Then draw pictures to match.



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