

CELEBRATE SPACE



“Every part of the universe is connected with every other part by ties that are very powerful...” —‘Abdu’l-Bahá

Do you ever gaze at the night sky and wonder about the awesomeness of the universe? All created things—from grains of sand to galaxies—can help us learn about God. The vastness of space can help us try to imagine God’s infinite nature. The Earth revolving around the sun can be seen as a metaphor for how we

should make God’s teachings the center of our lives.

How many more lessons are there out beyond our atmosphere? World Space Week, October 4–10, is a great time to explore questions about the amazing universe. So invite your friends and family to celebrate the mysteries of space!

Try out these fun activities during World Space Week.



On a bulletin board, post a sign that says “I Wonder?” at the top. Place index cards, pens, and push pins nearby.

Invite your family to add their questions about life, the universe, spiritual topics, and more. At dinner time, use the board to spark conversation and exploration.

WEIGHTLESS SPACE RACE



Players are blindfolded and given a spoon, an empty bowl, and a bowl filled with a set number of cotton balls. They use the spoon to move the cotton balls from one bowl to the other.

Since they can’t feel the weight of the cotton balls, people are just guessing if they’ve got them all. Whoever moves the most balls successfully in 30 seconds wins.



RING AROUND THE PLANET



Place a beach ball or basketball on the ground as a “planet.” With a friend, take turns tossing a hula hoop to make a ring around the planet (think Saturn!).

Keep moving the starting line back. See who can ring the planet from farthest away.

BLAST OFF! ROCKET LAUNCHER

Make a paper airplane with a piece of paper about 4" x 6" (10 x 15 cm). Punch a hole through the bottom fold and string a rubber band through it in a loop.

Hook the rubber band around a stick or pencil held at arm’s length and pull the airplane back. Let it go and watch it rocket through space!



SEND YOUR QUESTIONS!

We’re over the moon with excitement about a new feature we’re launching at Brilliant Star! We’re publishing kids’ questions about our incredible universe, with answers from Steve Scotti and George Hatcher, space scientists at NASA! Send the questions, along with kids’ first name and birth date, to brilliant@usbnc.org.



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