Evaluating: *Journey to Magla*
Texts for the Online Activity

*Magla Atlas*
First Visit to Planet Gurta, Star System Magla  
by Earthing Kyla & Marco

Kyla writes:
Day One in Star System Magla. Three planets circle a star. I landed on a planet I call Gurta. My spaceship nearly crashed into a mountain. A flat jello thing crept around my feet saying gurta-gurta-gurta but didn’t bite me. The mountain top jiggled. It was a volcano. Smoke started to pour. I got out of there!

Marco writes:
Isn’t it just like Kyla to get there first so she can name the planet? Something like jello under my feet said gurta-gurta-gurta. A volcano exploded, but I wasn’t scared off like Kyla. The air was so thin, I started gasping. Rain fell so hard I had to hide in a cave. Wind blew so hard my spaceship nearly lifted off without me.
Goodbye, Planet Gurta!

First Visit to Planet Zoop, Star System Magla  
by Earthing Marco & Kyla

Marco writes:
I beat Kyla to land here first. I dub this planet Zoop and it’s a beauty. The fruit trees grow purple apples. The vines grow yellow grapes. Unfortunately it rains all the time. The Zooplings came to greet me and hung dripping vines all over my helmet. They want me to be king.

Kyla writes:
Isn’t it just like Marco to get himself crowned king. King Marco of the Planet Zoop – big whoop. The Zooplings, while not clever in their choice of king, are excellent farmers. Their vegetables are very good. They gave me three crates in return for a box of gel pens. I’m out of gel pens, now, but what a deal!
First Visit to Planet Bombonaut, Star System Magla
by Earthlings Marco & Kyla

Marco writes:
The planet Bombonut is almost all ocean. The waves make rainbows. There are many small islands. Good. Kyla has her own island and I have mine. Mine is called the Bomb because it is the greatest. The sun shines all the time. The sand sparkles. It rains lemonade. I just open my mouth to drink. I bet Kyla hasn’t spotted the creatures. They have many arms and swim like squid. They are pink and green.

Kyla writes:
Marco and I landed here at the same time, so we had to agree on a name. The planet will be called Bombonaut, I am sorry to say. Marco just had to name his island Bomb. I call my island Coconut. It has the planet’s only tree. At sunset, coconuts on the tree pop open and drop down fruit snacks. Underwater creatures are teaching me to speak Bombonaut. I will be sorry to leave here.

Rotoplasm: Science Stuff about Magla
Captain Zorch fights the blue gooeys

**CAPTAIN ZORCH**

**FIGHTS THE**

**BLUE GLOOEYS**

MAB is a clever one. She can climb anything. Her eyes are very powerful and she is good at math.

GREETINGS!

I CAN DO MATH!

Captain Zorch was cruising deep space with his trusty raccoon, Mab.

They cruised past the planet gooey. The space log said gooey had no people.

A LONE SOME PLANET...

**GOGGLE**

They would have to do something!

**GRASS**

Go Mab!

Then they couldn't see at all. The globs had covered the space shield.

**GOGGLE**

Go Zorch!

They saw hands with many fingers.

**GOGGLE**

15 Fingers.

That hand had fifteen fingers.

I can't see!

But suddenly they were under attack. Big blue globs were hurling from gloobey and sticking to their space shield.

Go Mab! But more were globbing toward them. They would have to Zorch!
CAPTAIN ZORCH AIMED HIS ZORCH GUN AND FIRED OFF TEN HOT ZORCHES.

MAB USED HER POWERFUL EYES.

Captian Zorch and Mab saw the two Glooys.

Only two. But each of them had two hands with many grabby fingers.

The Glooys looked hungry.

Are they hungry?

Are you hungry?

The Glooys melted the globs away. And then Mab saw the two Glooys.

Are they hungry?

Give them chowbies!

Would you like snazies?

To be continued...