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Here I raise mine Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home. Jesus
sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God; He, to
rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts above.

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■ **“Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery”**

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In our longing, in our darkness now the light of life has come.
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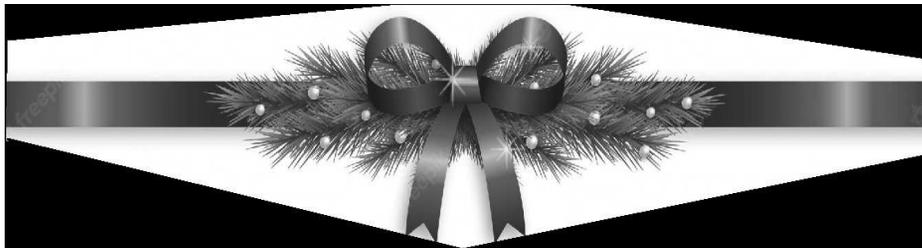
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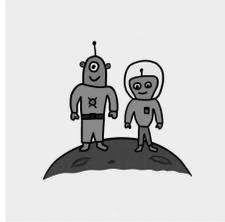
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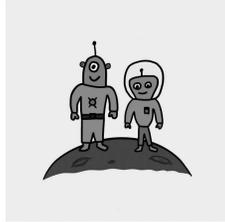
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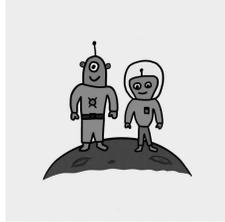
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Kid's Listening Sheet (12/4/22)

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Bible Passages: 1 Peter 2: _____



1 Peter 2:9-11 -- Aliens and Strangers in this World

Key Words: Circle each word every time you hear it.

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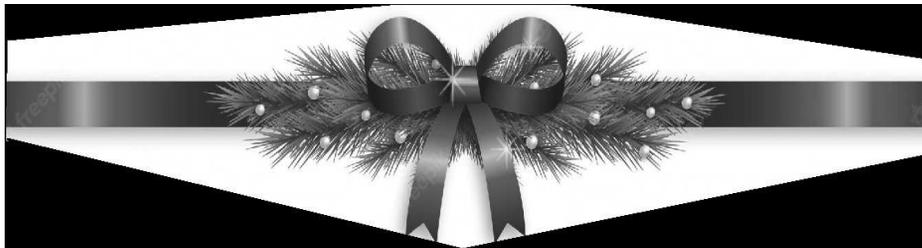
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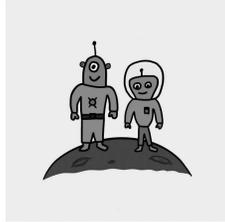
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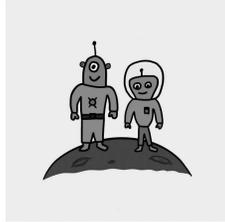
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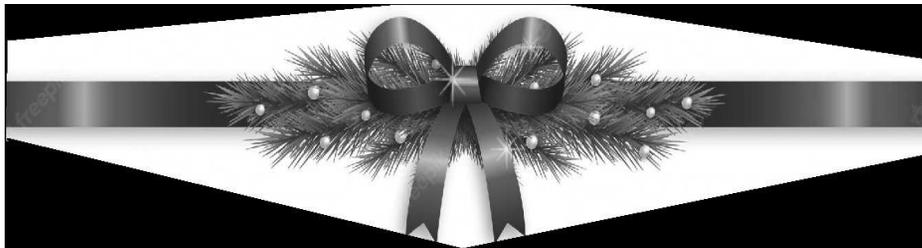
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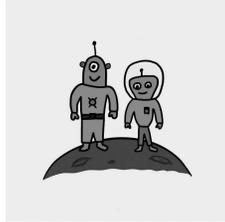
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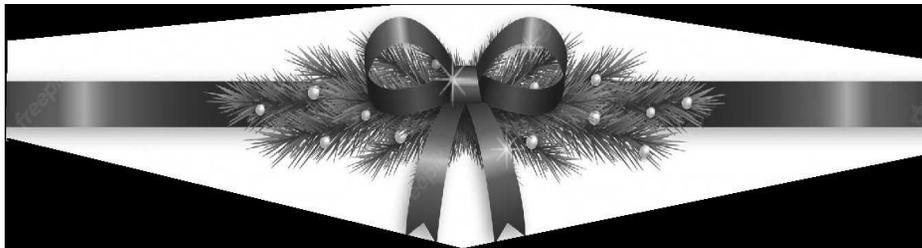
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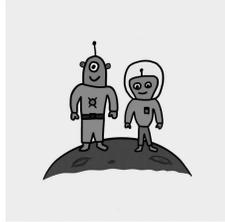
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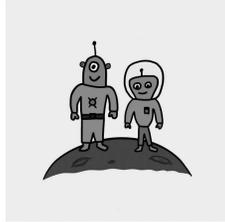
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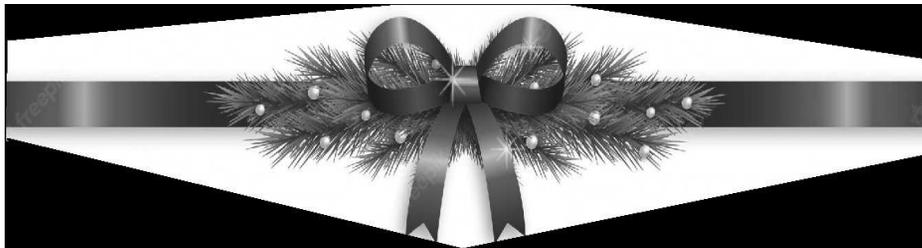
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Heb 13:14

This is where the hostility comes in John 15:18-19

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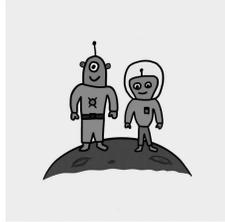
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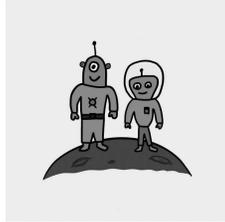
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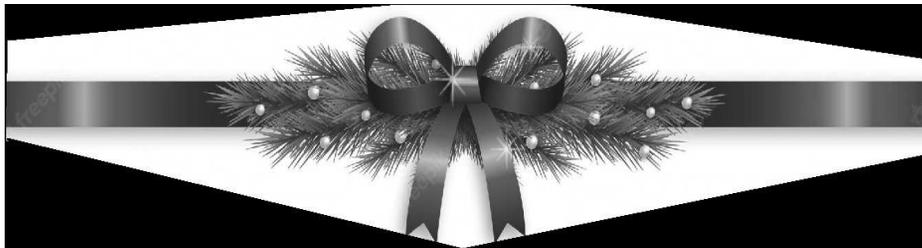
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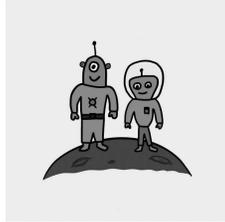
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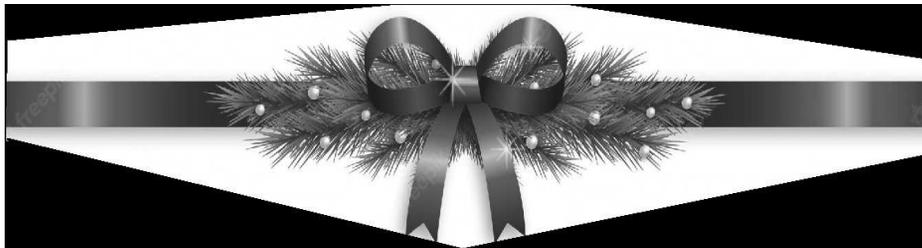
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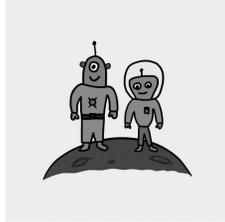
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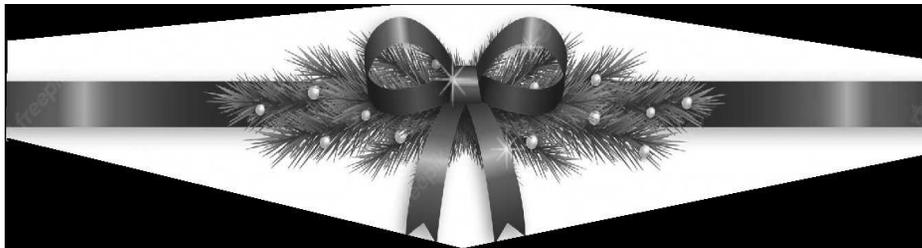
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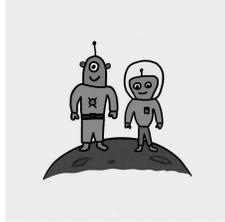
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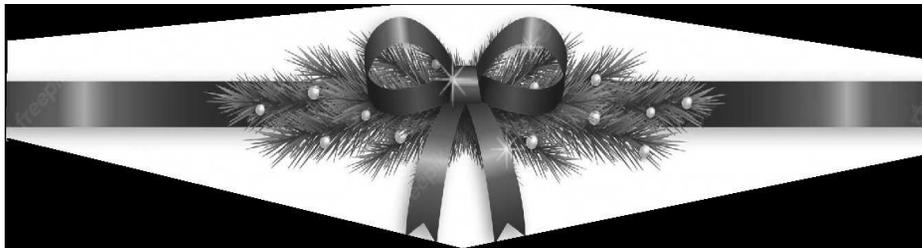
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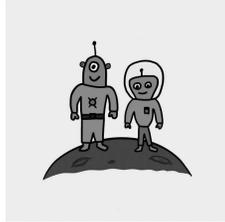
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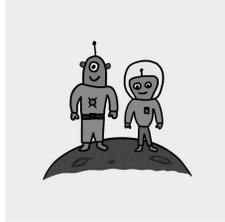
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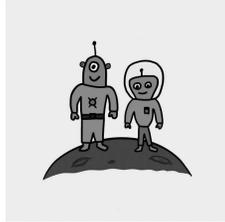
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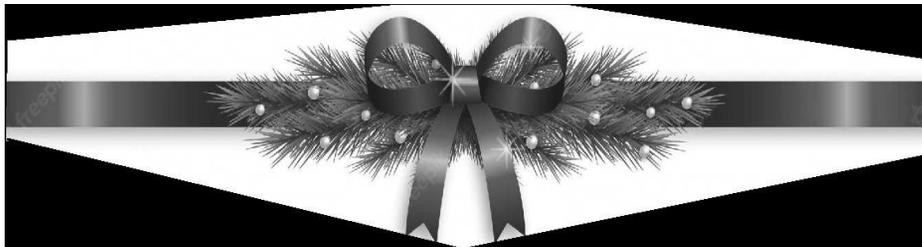
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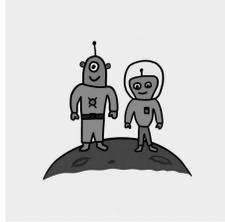
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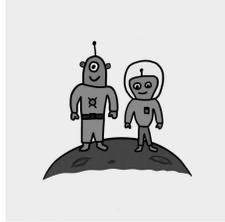
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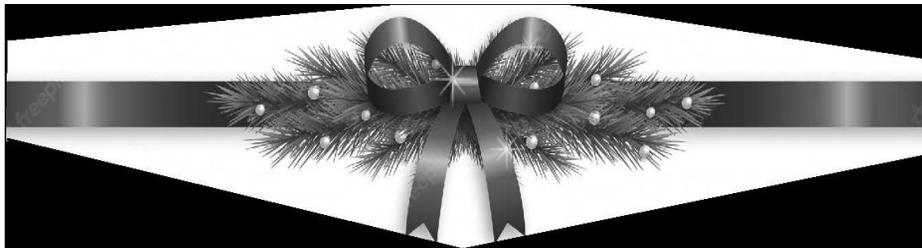
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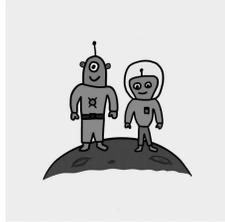
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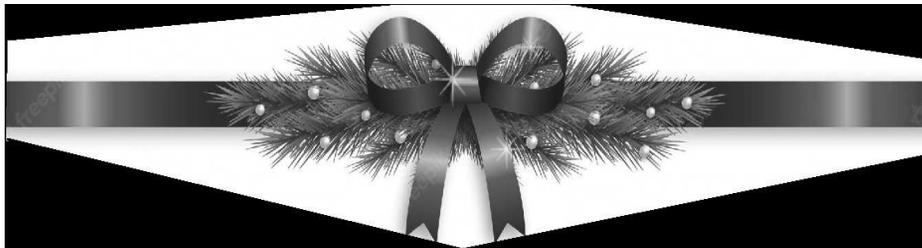
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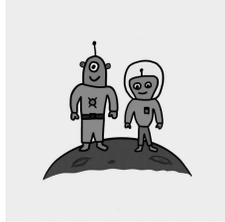
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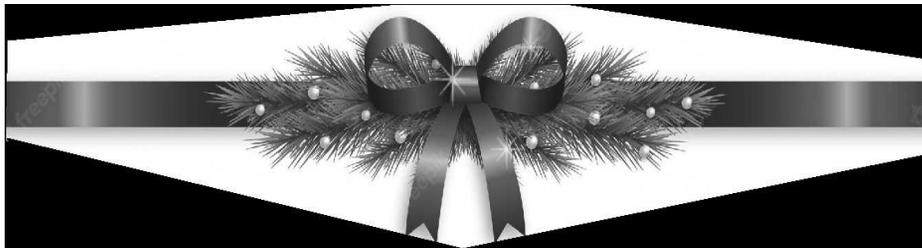
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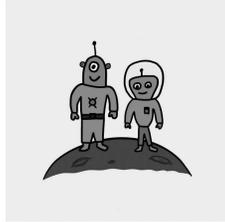
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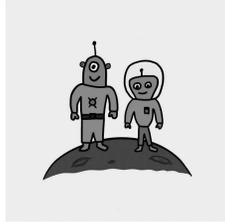
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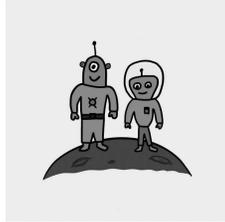
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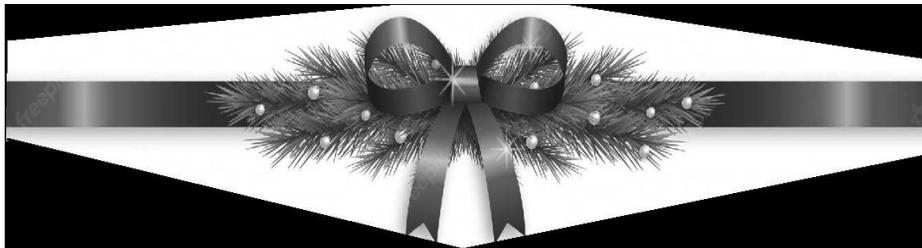
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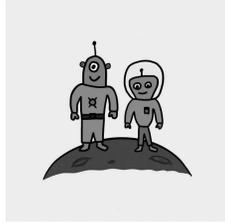
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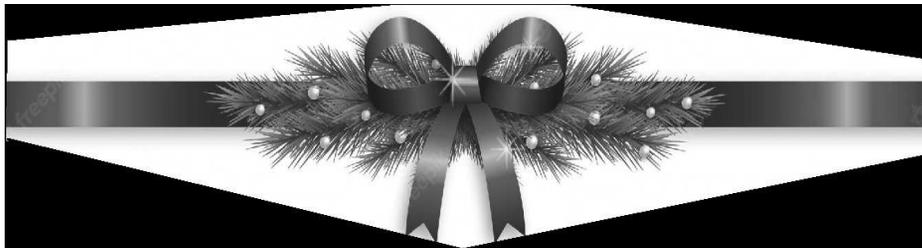
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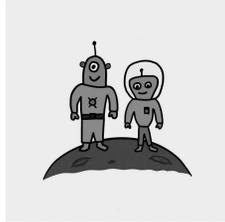
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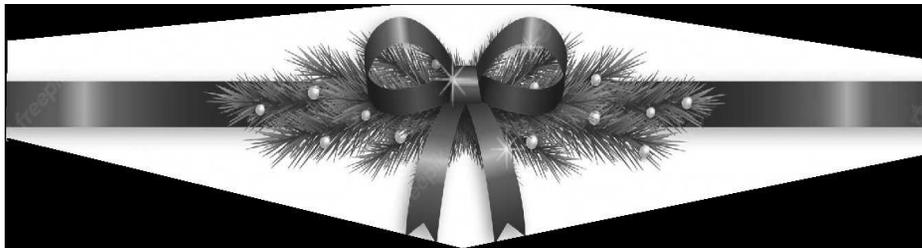
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- 12/11 – Our Hope in the Coming of Christ – Warren Kesselring
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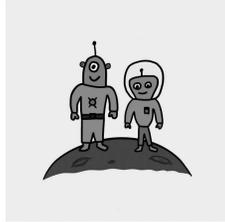
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Kid's Listening Sheet (12/4/22)

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Bible Passages: 1 Peter 2: _____



1 Peter 2:9-11 -- Aliens and Strangers in this World

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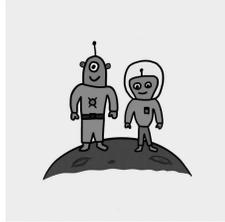
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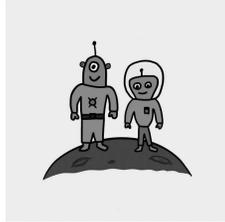
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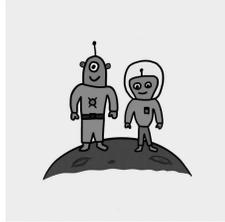
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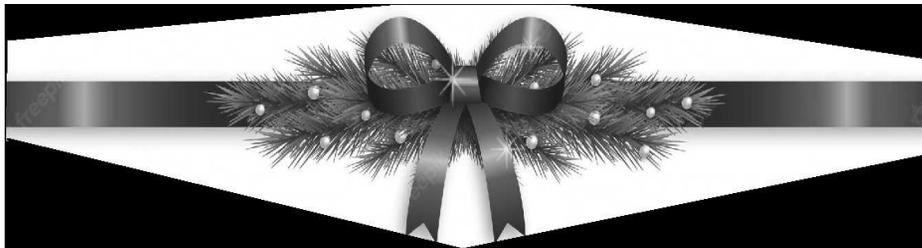
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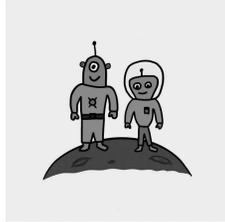
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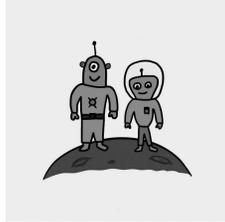
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vv 9-10

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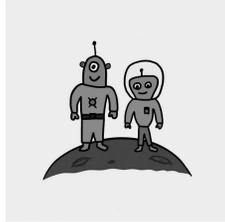
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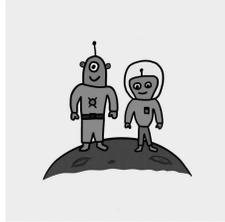
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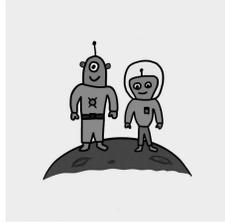
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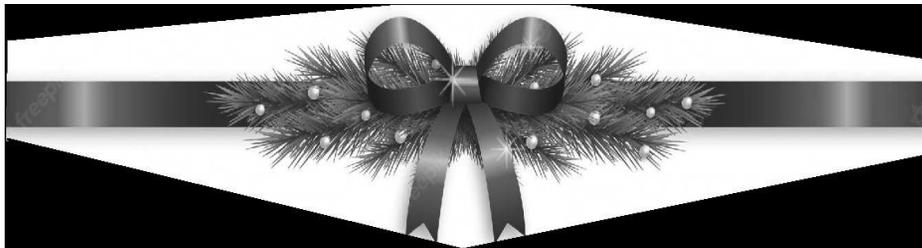
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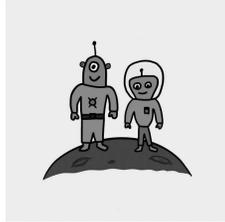
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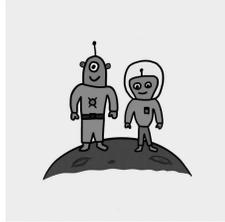
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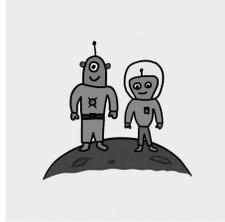
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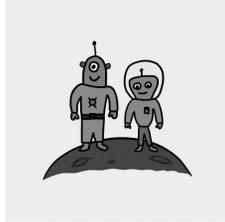
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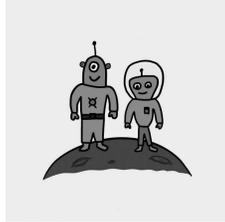
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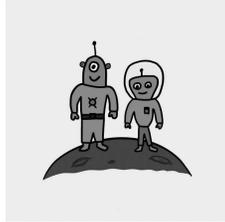
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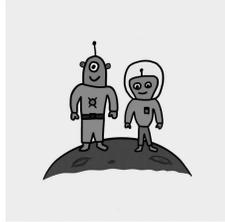
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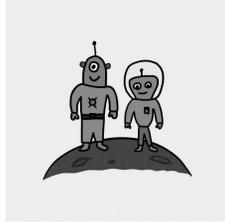
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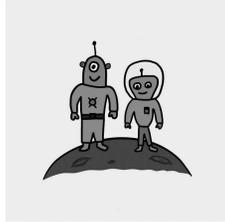
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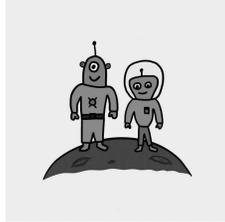
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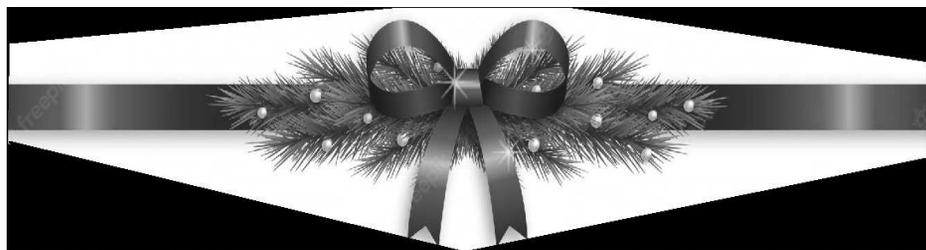
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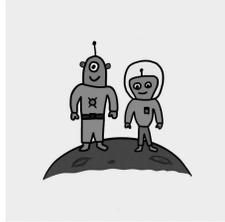
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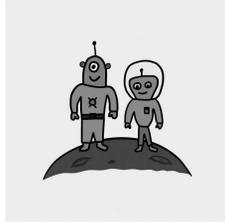
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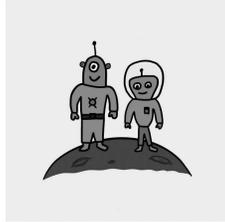
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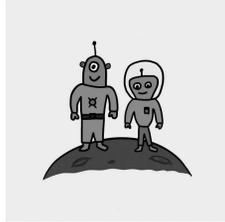
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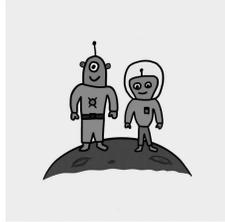
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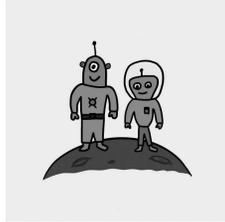
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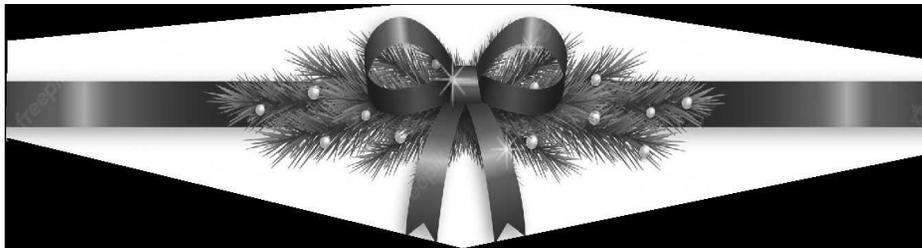
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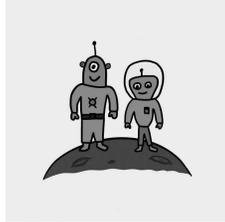
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Kid's Listening Sheet (12/4/22)

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Bible Passages: 1 Peter 2: _____



1 Peter 2:9-11 -- Aliens and Strangers in this World

Key Words: Circle each word every time you hear it.

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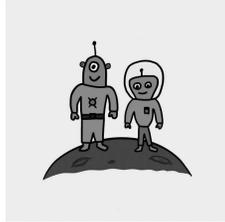
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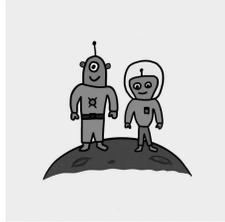
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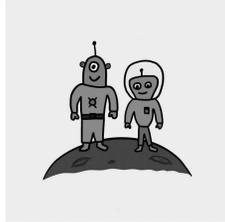
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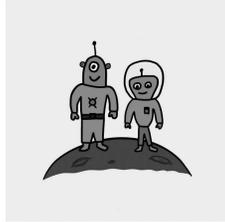
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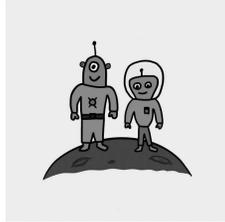
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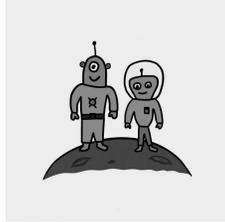
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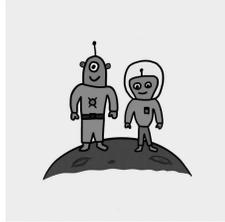
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vv 9-10

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What are we here for? v10b ; Mt 5:16

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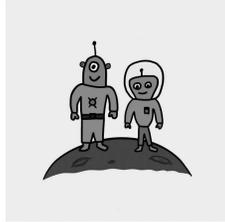
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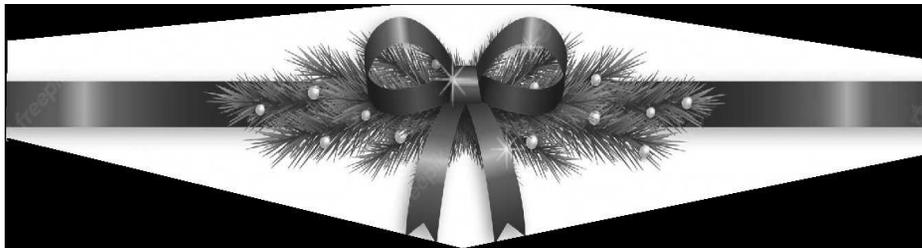
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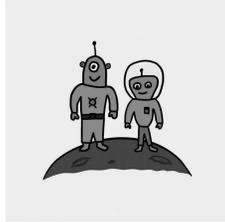
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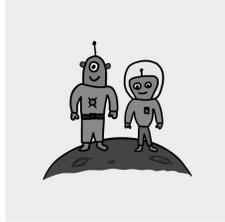
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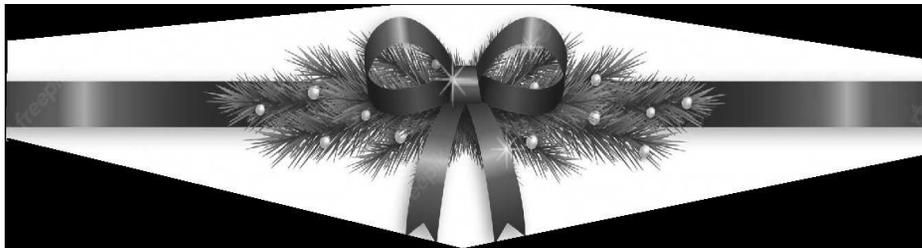
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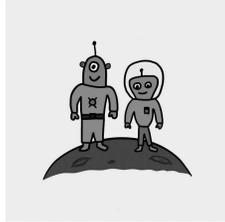
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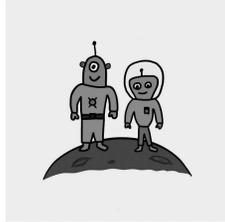
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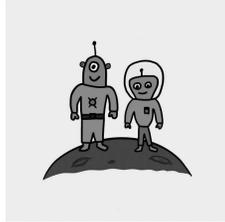
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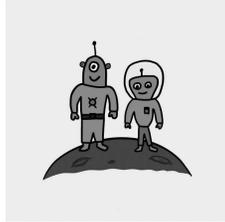
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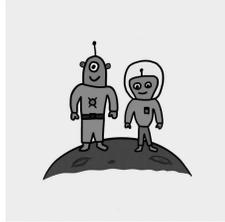
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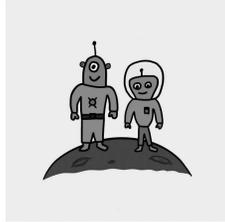
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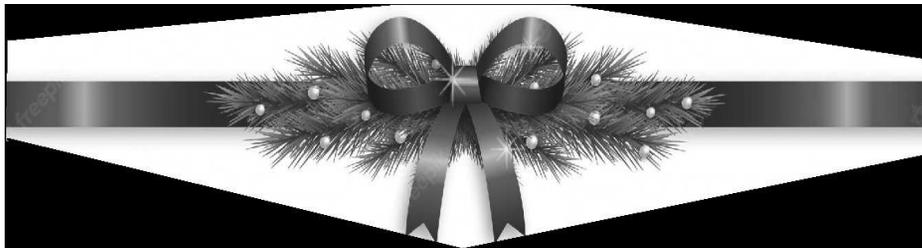
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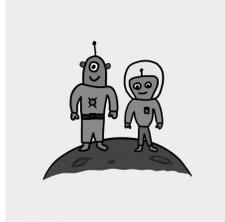
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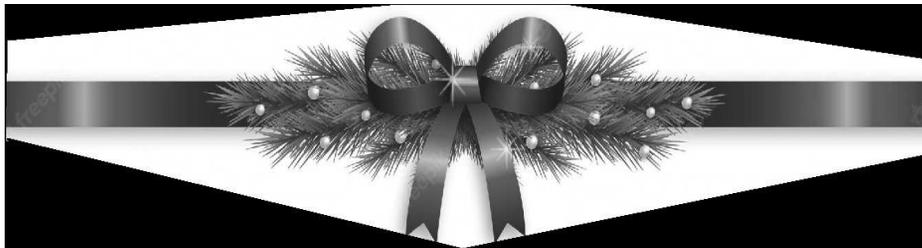
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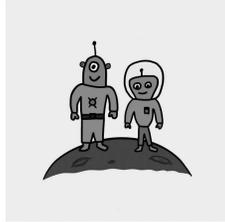
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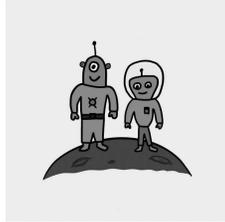
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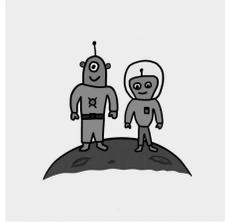
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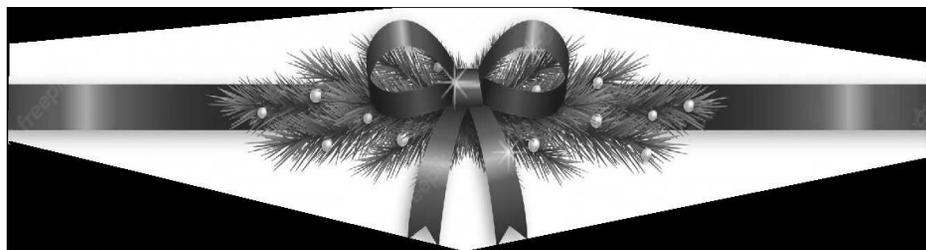
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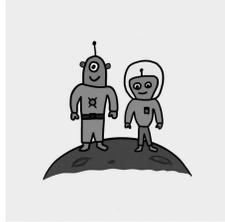
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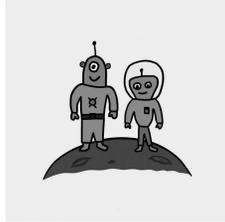
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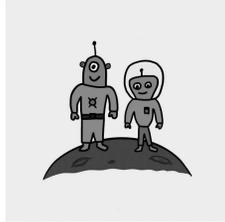
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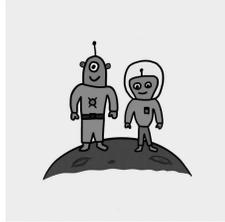
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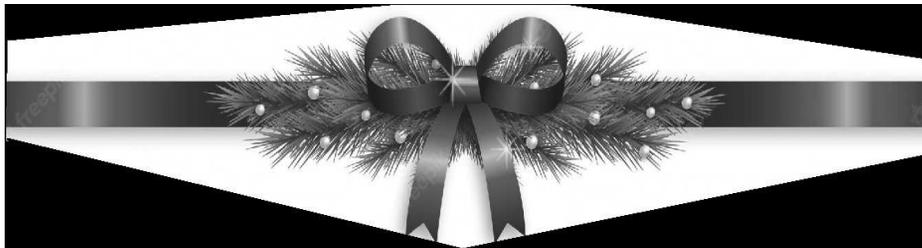
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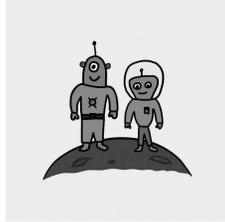
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Kid's Listening Sheet (12/4/22)

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Bible Passages: 1 Peter 2: _____



1 Peter 2:9-11 -- Aliens and Strangers in this World

Key Words: Circle each word every time you hear it.

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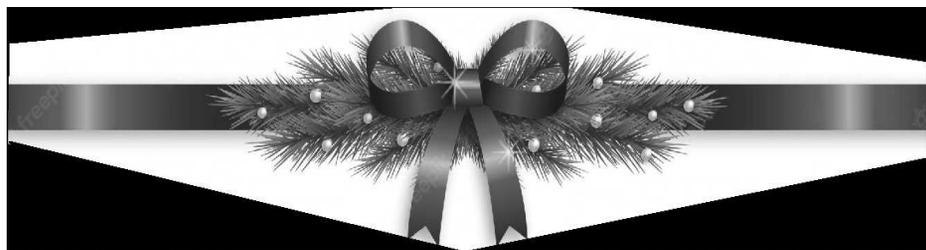
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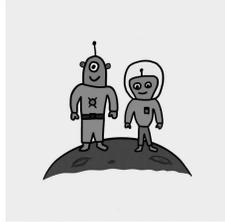
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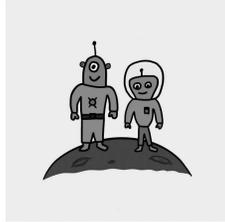
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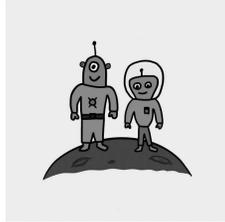
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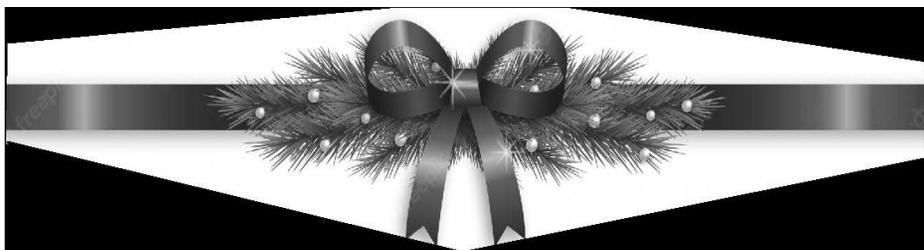
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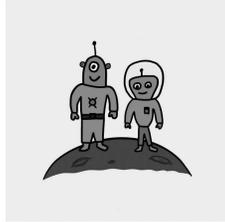
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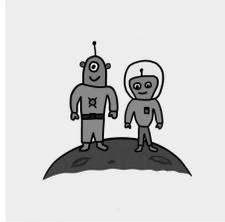
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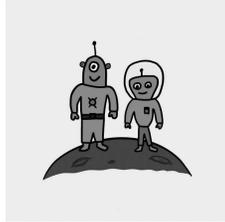
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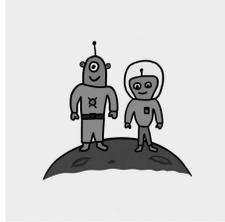
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vv 9-10

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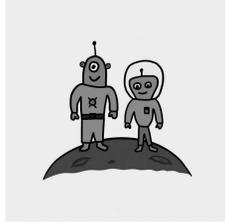
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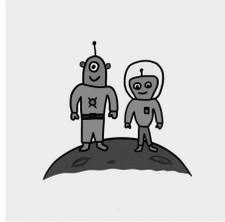
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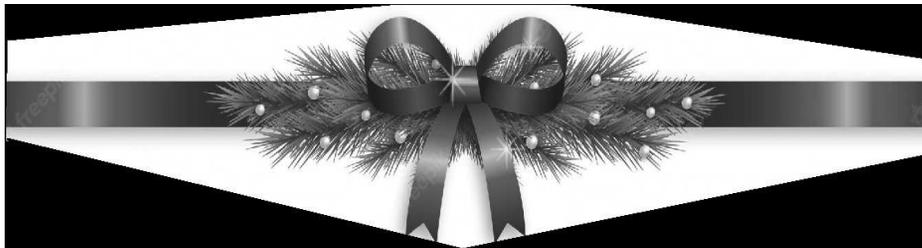
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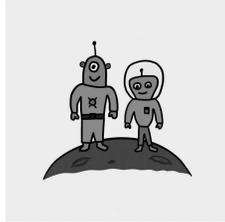
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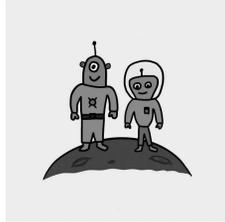
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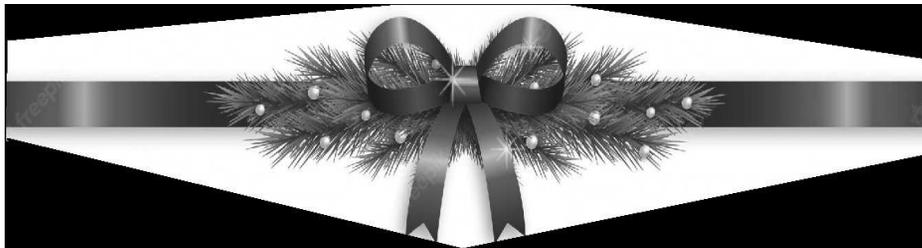
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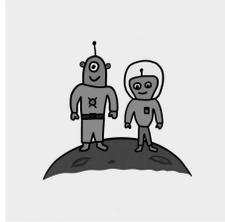
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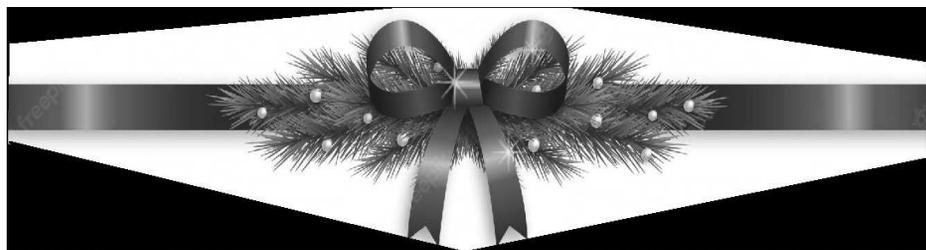
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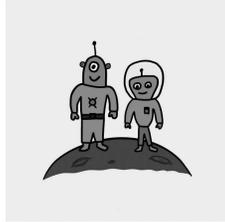
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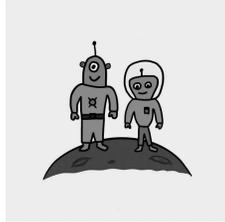
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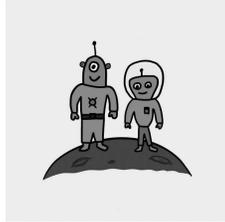
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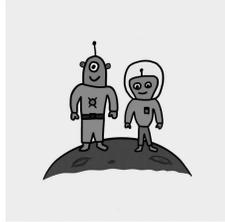
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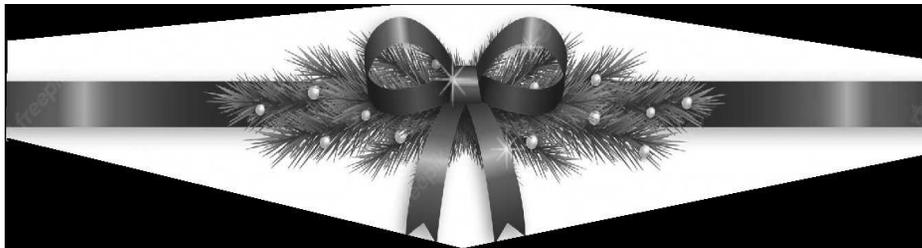
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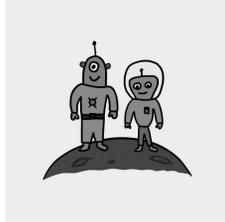
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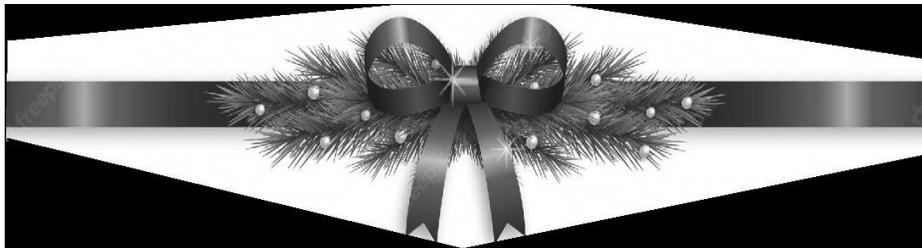
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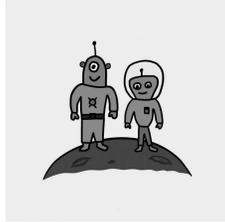
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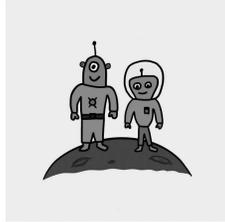
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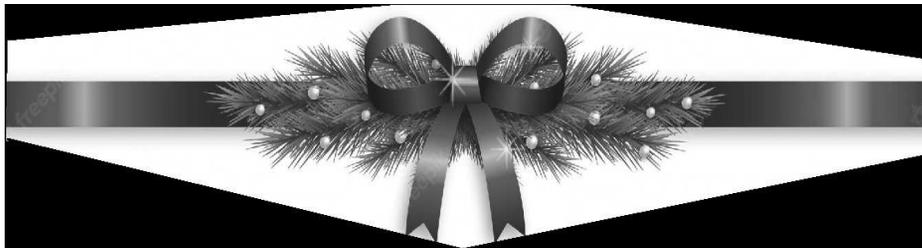
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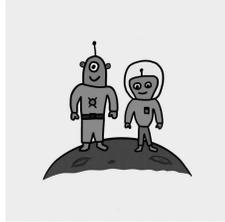
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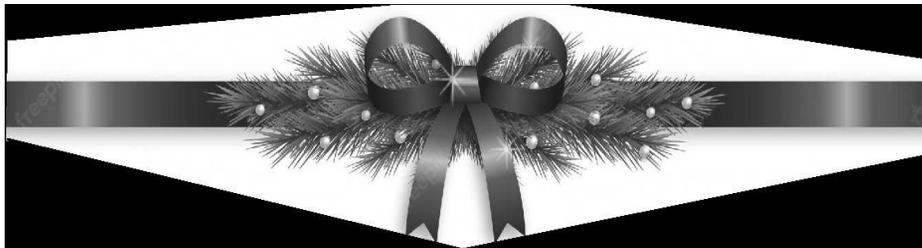
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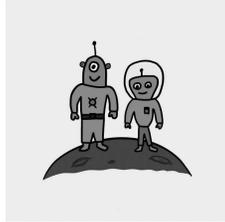
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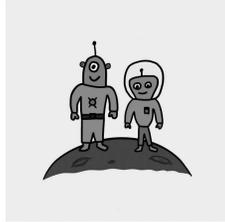
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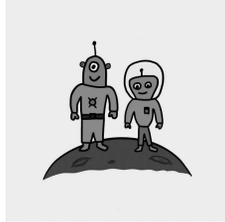
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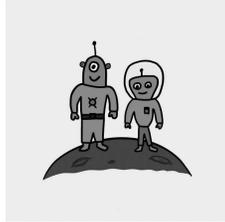
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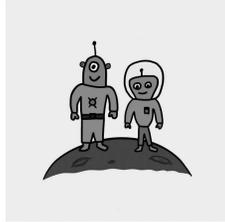
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Kid's Listening Sheet (12/4/22)

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Bible Passages: 1 Peter 2: _____



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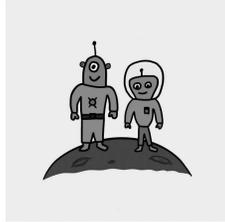
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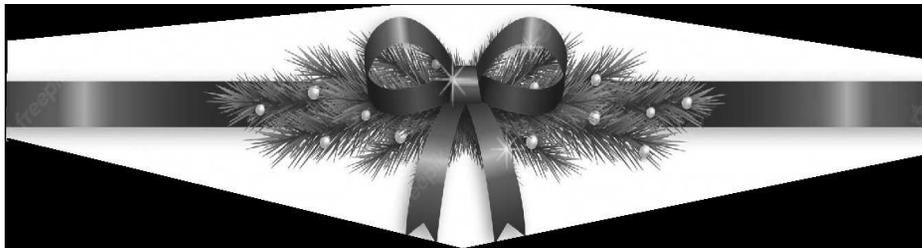
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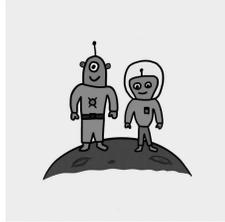
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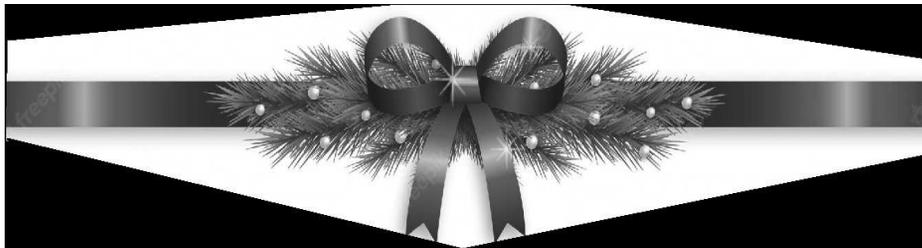
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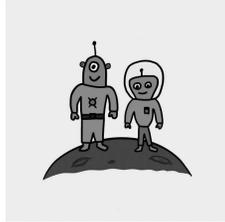
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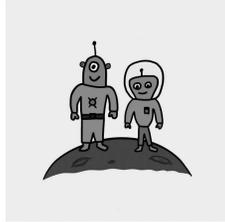
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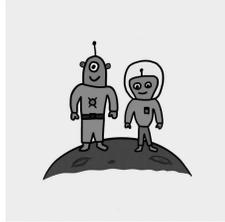
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• 1 Pet 2:16, 20-25

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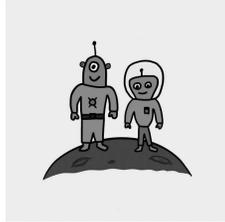
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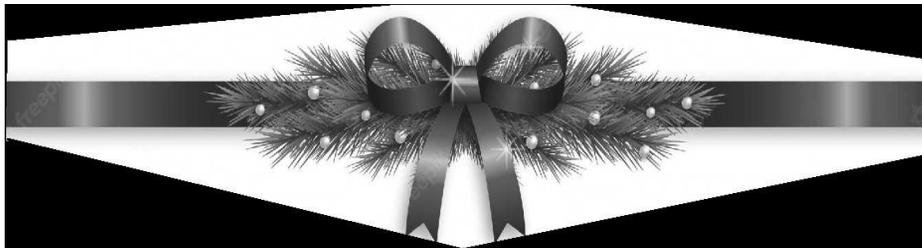
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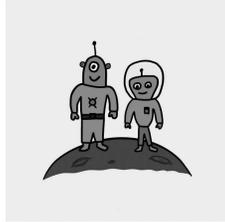
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vv 9-10

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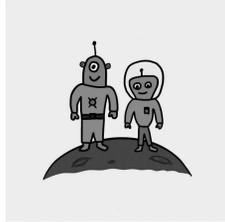
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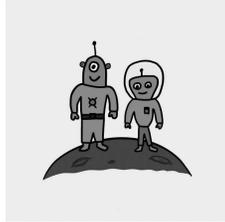
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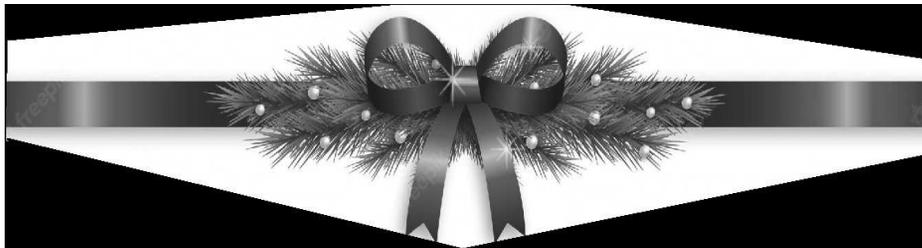
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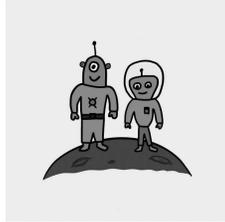
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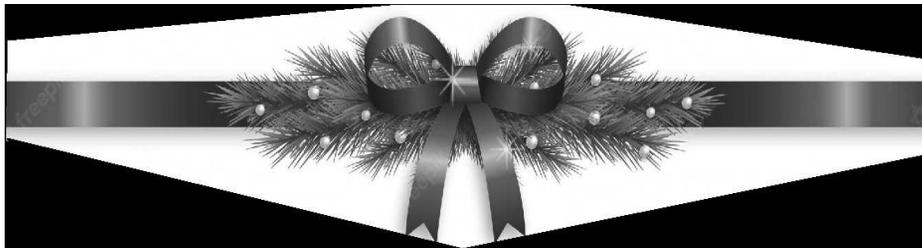
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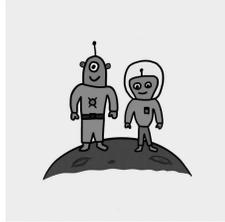
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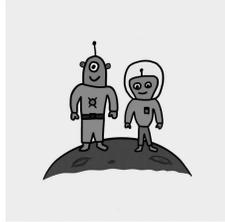
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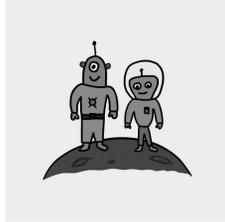
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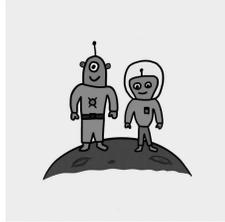
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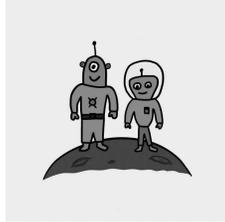
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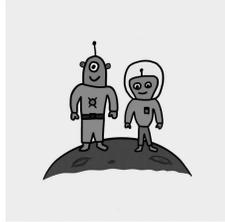
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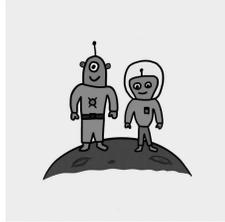
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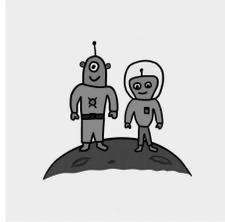
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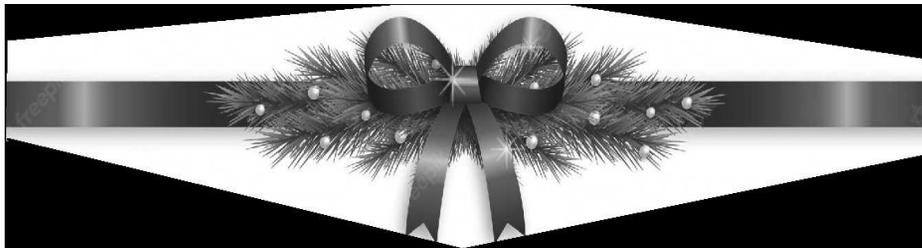
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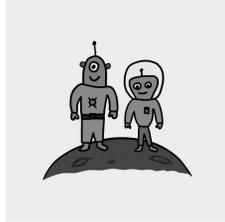
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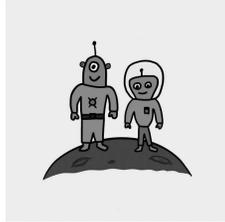
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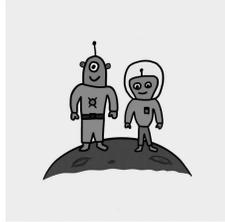
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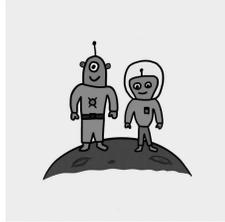
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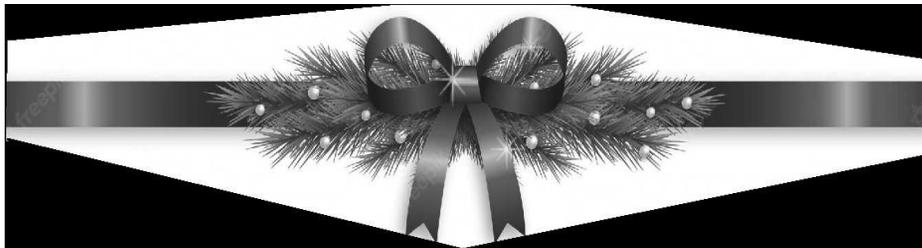
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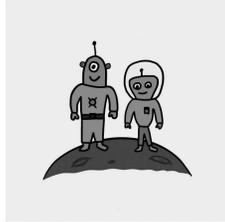
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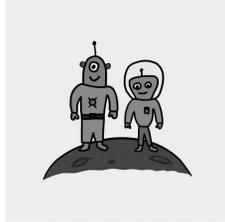
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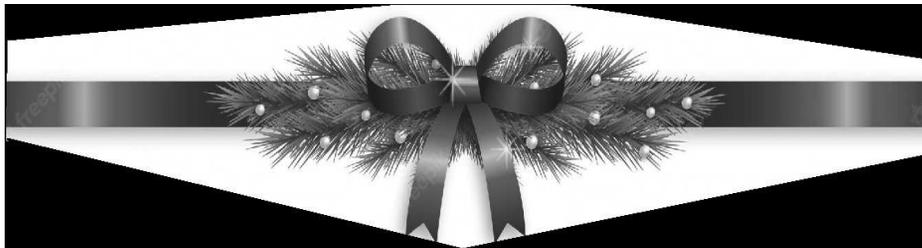
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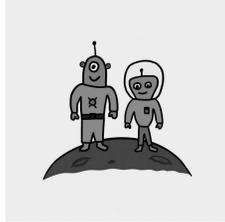
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Bible Passages: 1 Peter 2: _____



1 Peter 2:9-11 -- Aliens and Strangers in this World

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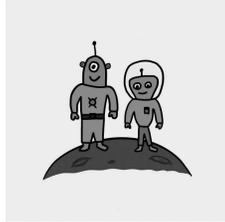
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- 12/4 – Living as Aliens and Strangers in the World (1 Pet 2:9-12)
- 12/11 – Our Hope in the Coming of Christ – Warren Kesselring
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- 12/25 – Our Joy at the Coming of Christ – Scott Lee
- 1/1/23 – First of All... Pray – Scott Lee
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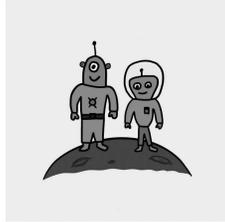
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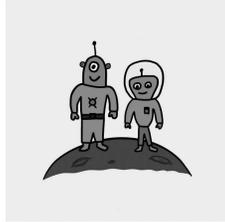
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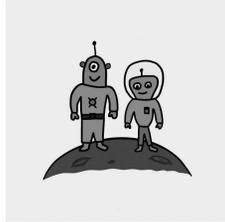
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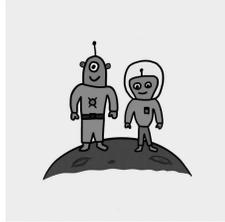
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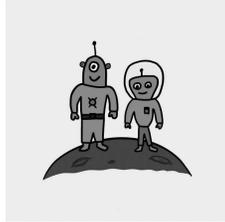
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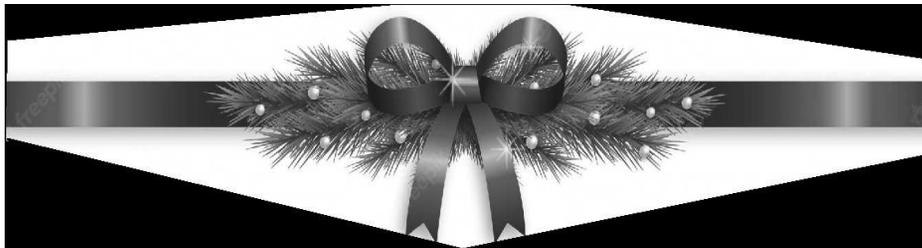
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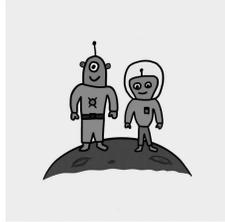
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vv 9-10

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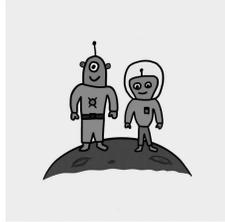
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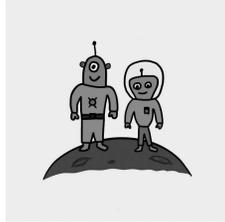
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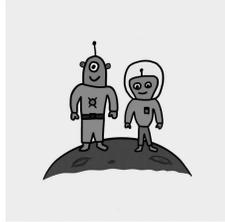
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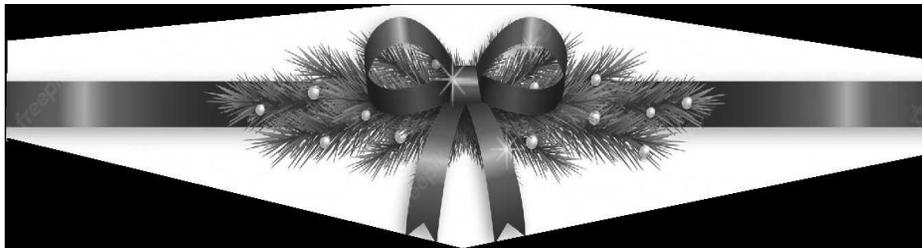
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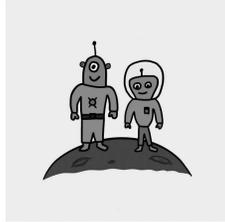
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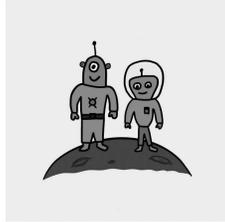
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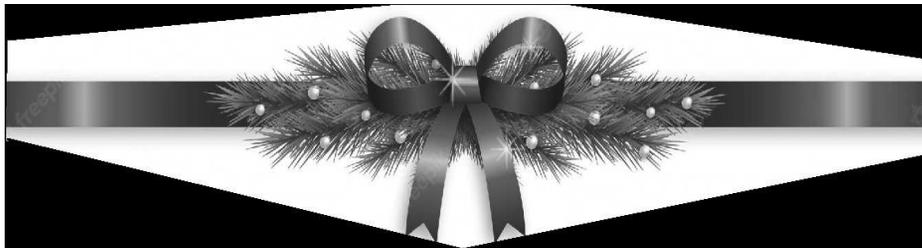
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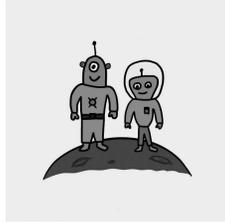
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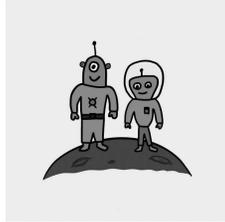
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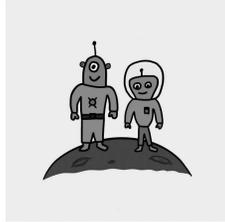
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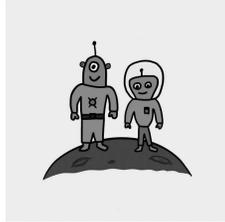
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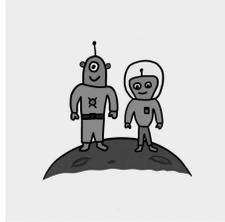
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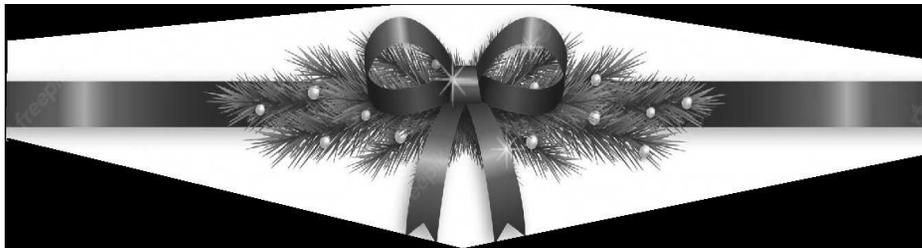
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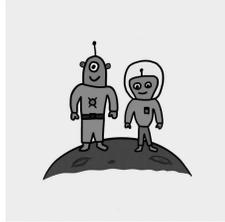
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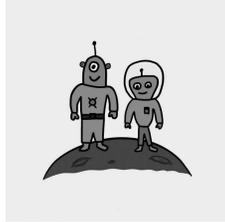
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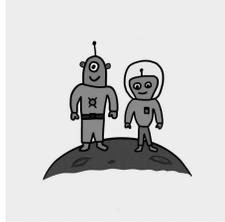
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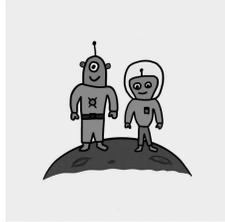
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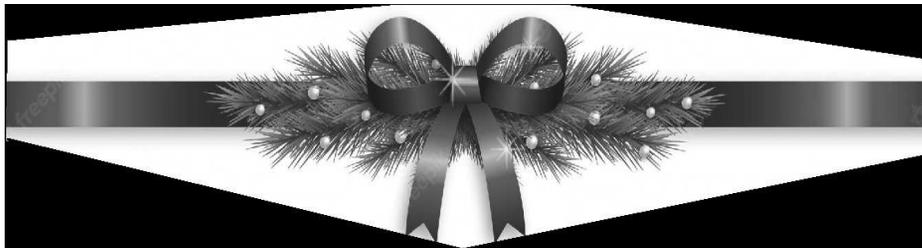
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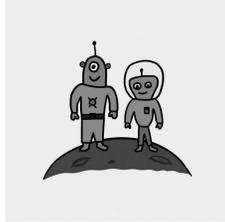
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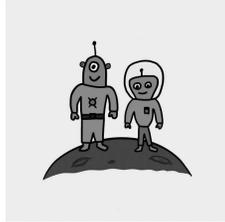
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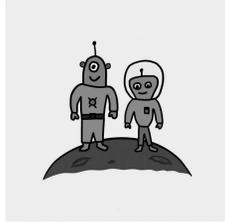
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