



**Year 1**  
**Guided Reading**  
**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

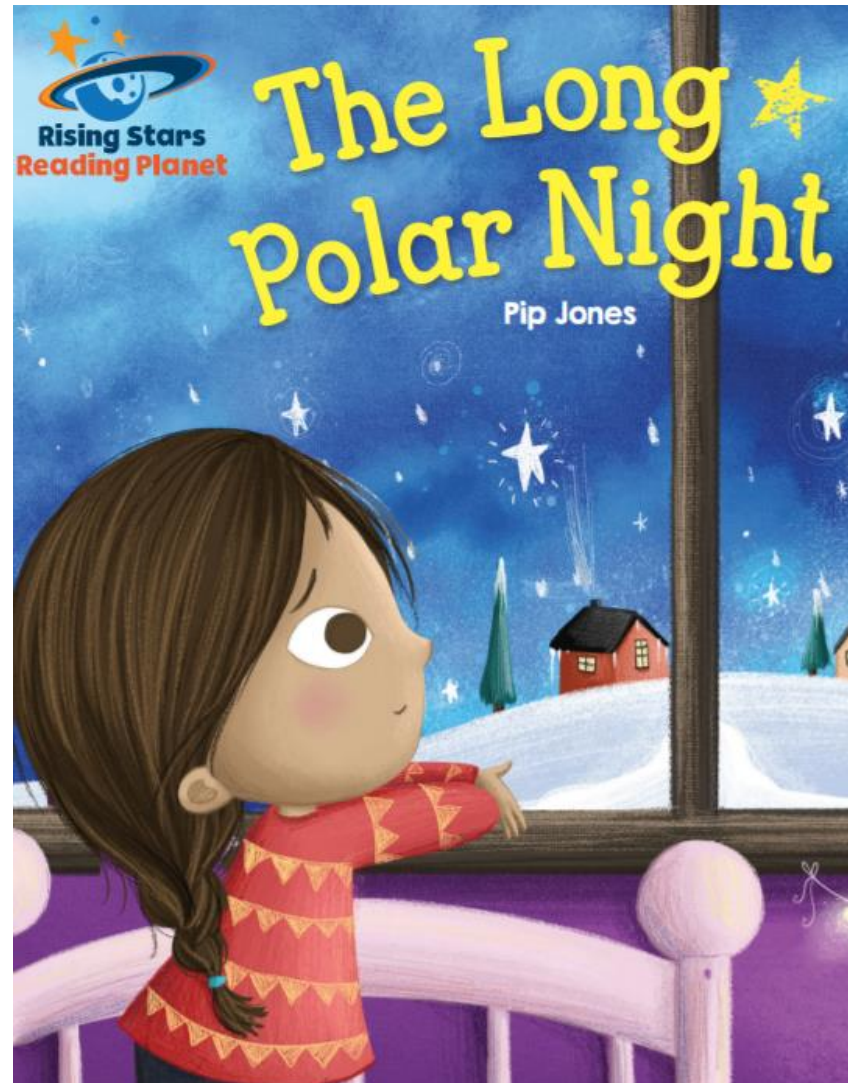


# Key aims/success criteria

- I can look for clues in the pictures to help me understand.
- I can use the clues to predict the story...
- I can answer questions about what I have just read.
- I can retell the story in my own words.



**Look at this book cover**





# Title page

What is the title of this story?

What do you think 'Polar Night' means?

Where do you think the girl might live?

Do you know where the North Pole is?

Would you prefer to live somewhere cold or hot? Why?



# Read the blurb



**BLUE**

Level 4



## The Long Polar Night

Uki is sad when the sun goes away for the winter. How will she fill her days during the long polar night?



# Blurb

Read the blurb

Why do you think Uki is sad when the sun goes away for the winter?

Would you be sad if this happened where we live?

Think some things that Uki might do to fill her days during the long polar nights.

What would you do?



# Read the story

Uki and Dad watched the sun go down.  
“We won’t see the sun again for a long time,” Dad said.



“Why is it going away?” Uki asked.  
“We live at the top of the world,” Dad said.  
“In winter, the sun cannot reach us.”





Uki felt sad.

“Don’t worry,” said Dad.

“We’ll see the sun again in the spring.”



“I don’t like the dark,” said Uki.

“But we can have lots of fun in the dark!”  
Dad told her. “I’ll show you, you’ll see.”





The next day, Uki got up and went to school in the dark.



When she ate lunch, it was dark.



When she went home, it was dark.

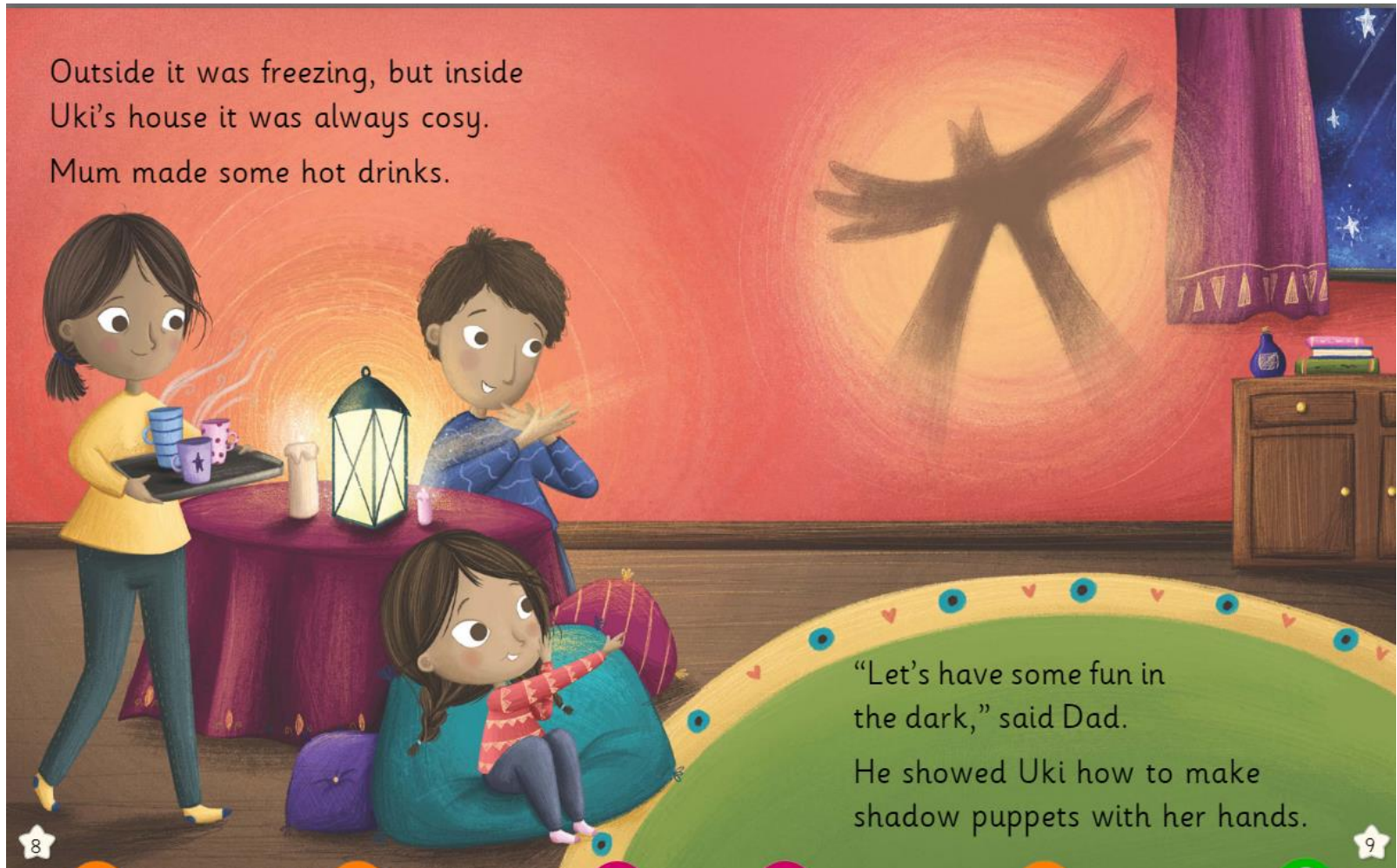


And when it was nearly time for bed, the sky was very black.





Outside it was freezing, but inside  
Uki's house it was always cosy.  
Mum made some hot drinks.



"Let's have some fun in  
the dark," said Dad.  
He showed Uki how to make  
shadow puppets with her hands.





Through the dark winter, Uki, Mum  
and Dad played hide and seek.



They told stories by the light of the fire ...



...and took funny photos.



Dad was right. It was fun!  
But Uki still missed the sun.





“When will the sun come back?”  
Uki asked one night.  
“We must wait a little longer,”  
Dad replied, “but here at the top  
of the world, we do still have light.”  
“Do we?” Uki said.



Dad took Uki's hand.  
“Follow me,” he said, smiling.





In Uki's garden, the thick snow was twinkling in the moonlight.

But it wasn't the moon Dad wanted to show Uki.

Look up!

Wow!

"We have the Northern Lights," Dad said.  
"I promise the sun will come back soon."  
And just like Dad promised ... it did.





# Questions...

## Talk about the story

Answer the questions:

- 1 Where does Uki live?
- 2 When does Dad say the sun will come back?
- 3 Is it warm or cold in Uki's house?
- 4 How do Uki's family have fun in the dark?
- 5 Have you ever played in the snow? Did you like it?
- 6 How do you keep warm in the winter?







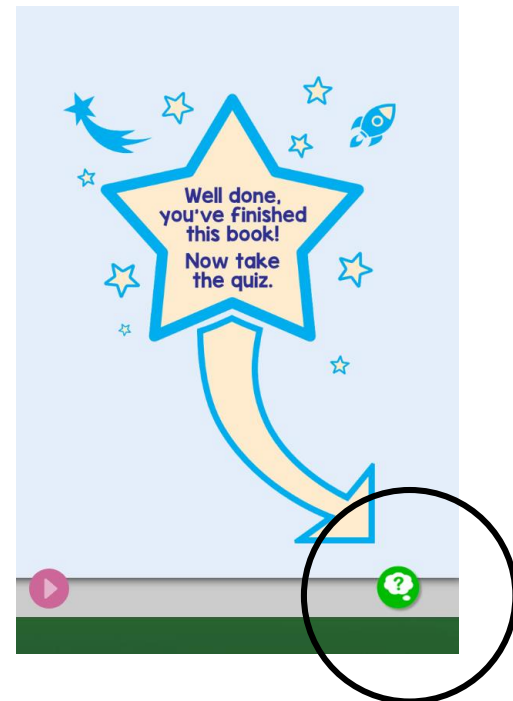
# If time (or another day)

Teachers- follow link.

<https://my.risingstars-uk.com/LessonPlayer.aspx?lessonID=10587566&lessonOwnerUserID=486471&vle=true>

Flick through the book to page 16/17 (last page)

Click on the quiz icon on the bottom right of the screen as shown...





# Challenge time...



Can you retell the story in your own words?