

Improving Your Reading with Inference Iggy: The Star



Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you
are!
Up above the world so high,
Like a diamond in the sky.

When the blazing sun is gone,

When he nothing shines upon,
Then you show your little light,
Twinkle, twinkle, all the night.

Then the traveller in the dark,
Thanks you for your tiny spark,
He could not see which way to go,
If you did not twinkle so.

In the dark blue sky you keep,
And often through my curtains peep,
For you never shut your eye,
Till the sun is in the sky.

As your bright and tiny spark,
Lights the traveller in the dark –
Though I know not what you are,
Twinkle, twinkle, little star.



1. The traveller thanks the star because... Tick **one**.

- it lit their path.
- it was brighter than the sun.
- they didn't know what it was.
- it was high up in the sky.

2. How do you know that the star only comes out at night?

3. How does the poet feel about the star? Give words from the text to support this.

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One has been done for you.

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The poet understands everything about the star.		



Answers

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Pupils' own responses, such as: It says that the star often peeps through the poet's curtains and you only shut your curtains at night.

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Pupils' own responses, such as: I think the poet is curious about the star because it says 'how I wonder what you are'.

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