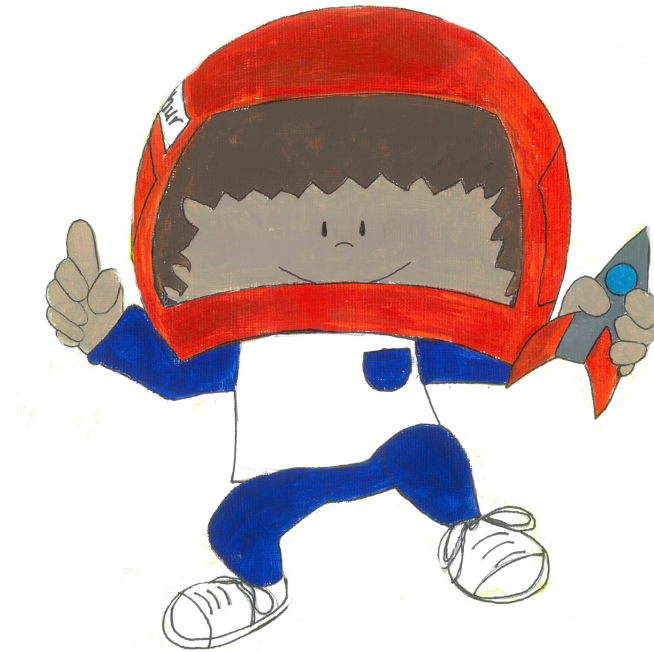


# Writing with Commander Charlee

Teaching Toolkit  
Writing Activities for Grades K-3



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# Contents

This toolkit contains activity pages for children in Kindergarten-3rd grade. This toolkit is designed as a starter resource to provide ideas and/or material for teachers or parents to integrate the book Commander Charlee: In Search of a Space Crew into a writing curriculum. These activities can help engage students in thinking about their community, goals and how they might achieve them. The objective of these activities is to also grow interest and excitement in students about writing before or after a book reading. Teachers can adapt these activities as needed to accommodate the varying levels or interest of learners and to support meeting the Common Core Writing Standards.

## My Space Rocket! - Draw & Color (Kindergarten)

Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events, tell about the events in the order in which they occurred, and provide a reaction to what happened.

## My Space Rocket! - Color (Kindergarten)

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## Secret Code Word (Kindergarten)

With guidance and support from adults, recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.

## My Space Crew (1st-2nd grades)

Write an opinion piece on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons

## Journal Reflection - Goals (3rd grade)

Write an opinion piece on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons

## Journal Reflection - Commander Charlee (3rd grade)

Describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events.



# My Space Rocket!

By \_\_\_\_\_

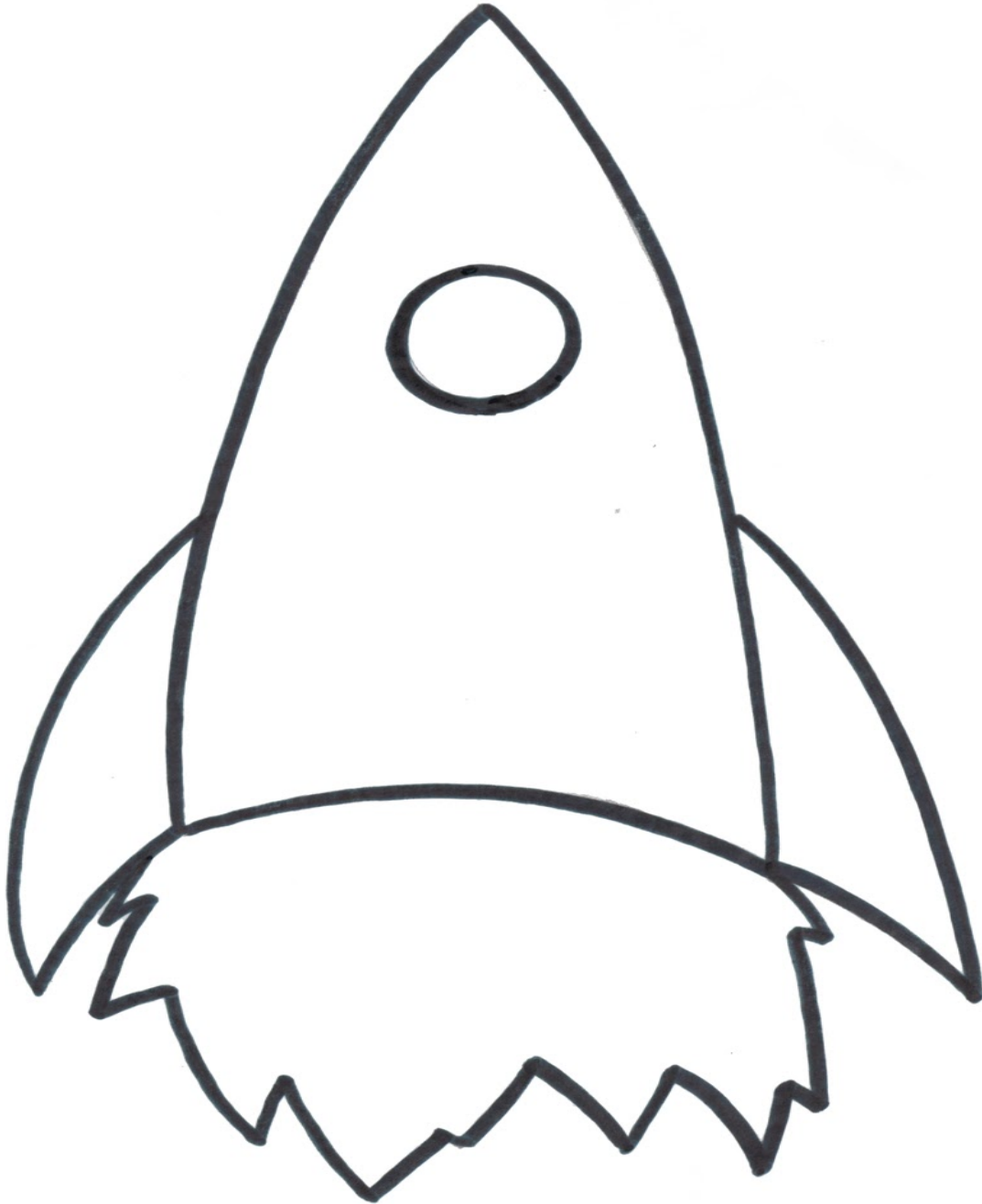
Draw and color your space rocket.



# My Space Rocket!

By \_\_\_\_\_

Color the space rocket.







## Secret Code Word

What message does Charlee want to share with you?



Hendrick



Emma



Arthur

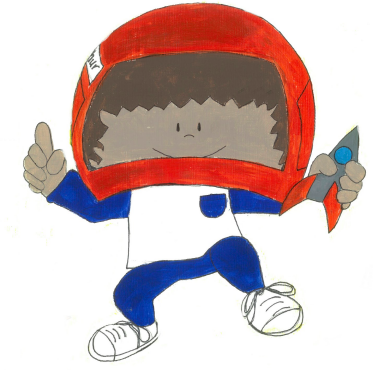


Ruthie



Teddy

Write the first letter from each of their names to find out!



# My Space Crew

By \_\_\_\_\_

Who would you ask to join your space crew?

List their names and describe why.

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In the box below, draw a picture to show your written response.

A large, empty rectangular box with rounded corners, intended for a drawing. It has a thin black border.

# Journal Reflection - Goals

By \_\_\_\_\_

What goals have you set for this year?

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Who can help you with your goal? How?

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# Journal Reflection - Commander Charlee

By \_\_\_\_\_

Why didn't Charlee want her neighbors to join her space crew?

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What did Charlee learn by the end of the story?

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