
SPACE ACE
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THIS IS JUST TO SAY

If you have feet
I hope
you put on
slippers

when
my spaceship thunderously
shattered
your bedroom window

Forgive me
glass
is unknown
on my home planet

Gail Carson Levine



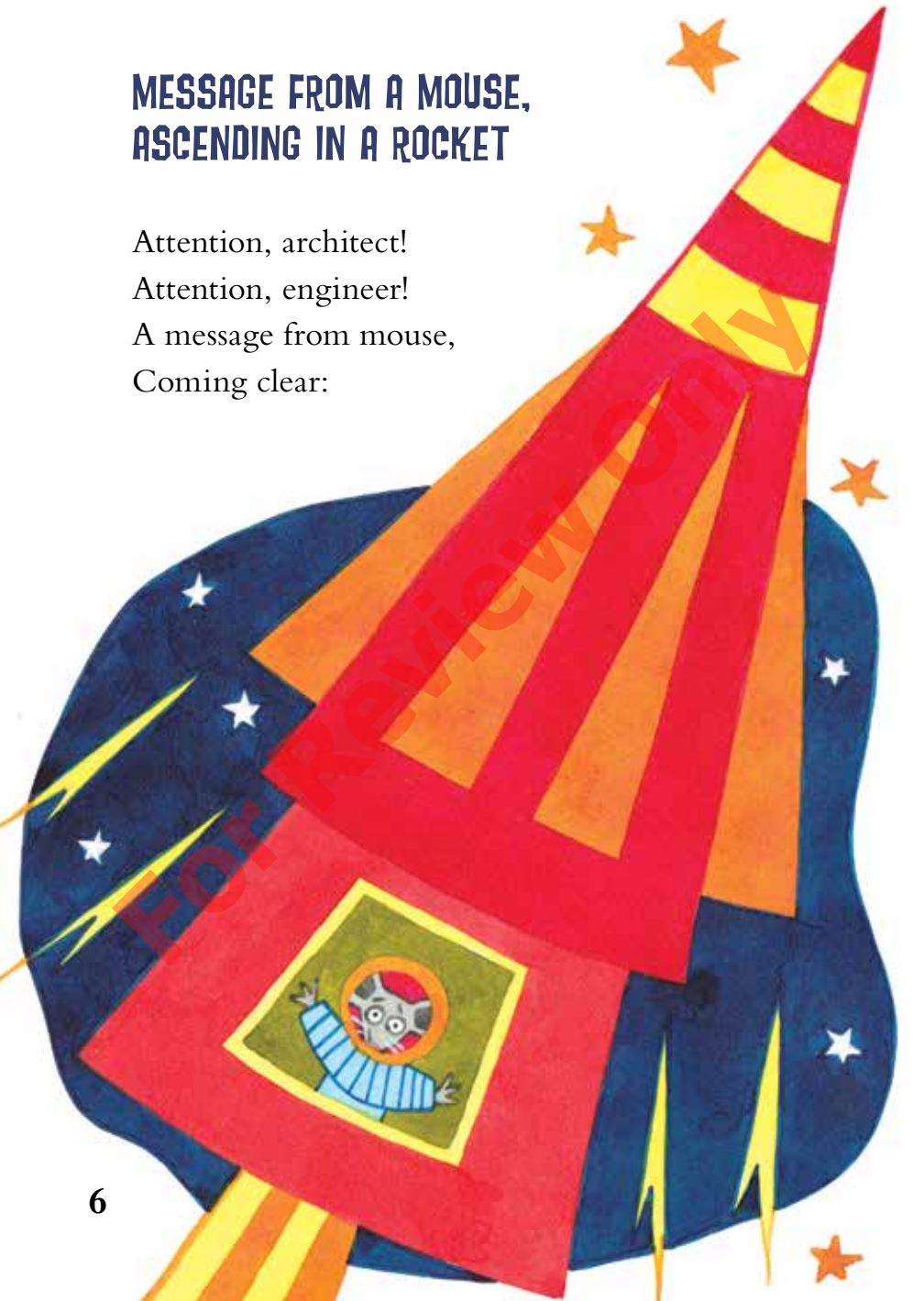
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MESSAGE FROM A MOUSE, ASCENDING IN A ROCKET

Attention, architect!
Attention, engineer!
A message from mouse,
Coming clear:

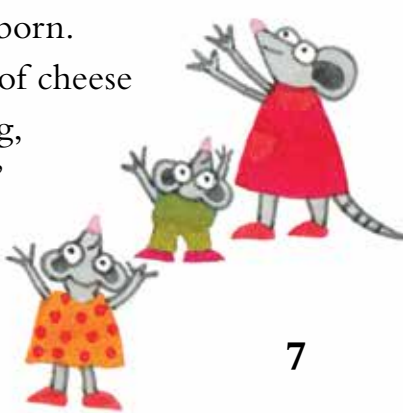


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"Suggest installing
Spike or sprocket
Easily turned by
A mouse or rocket:
An ejection gadget
Simple to handle
To free mouse quickly
From this space-age ramble.
Suggest packing
For the next moon trip
A mouse-sized parachute
Somewhere in the ship,
So I can descend
(When my fear comes strong)
Back to Earth where I was born.
Back to the cheerful world of cheese
And small mice playing,
And my wife waiting."

Patricia Hubbell



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SKY NET

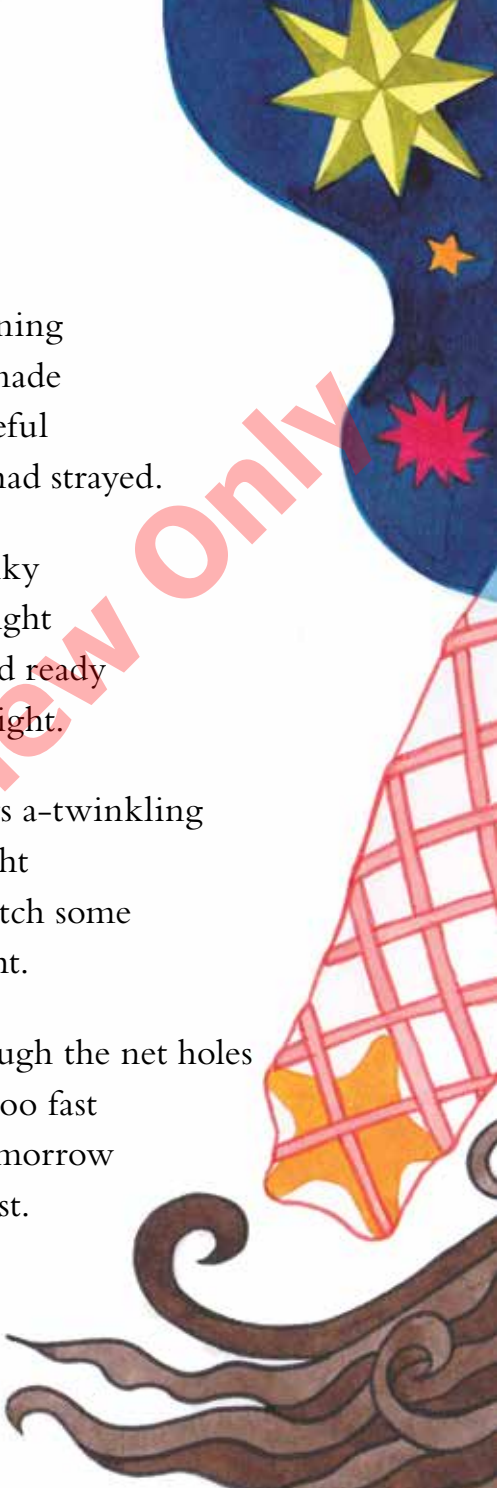
As I went out in the evening
With a sky net that I'd made
I thought it might be useful
To collect meteors that had strayed.

Its net was as fine and silky
And woven strong and light
The mouth was wide and ready
To catch everything in sight.

There were a billion stars a-twinkling
And planets blazing bright
I thought I might just catch some
To save for a cloudy night.

But the stars leaked through the net holes
And the planets moved too fast
So I'll come back out tomorrow
With a fishing line to cast.

R.L. Moore



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