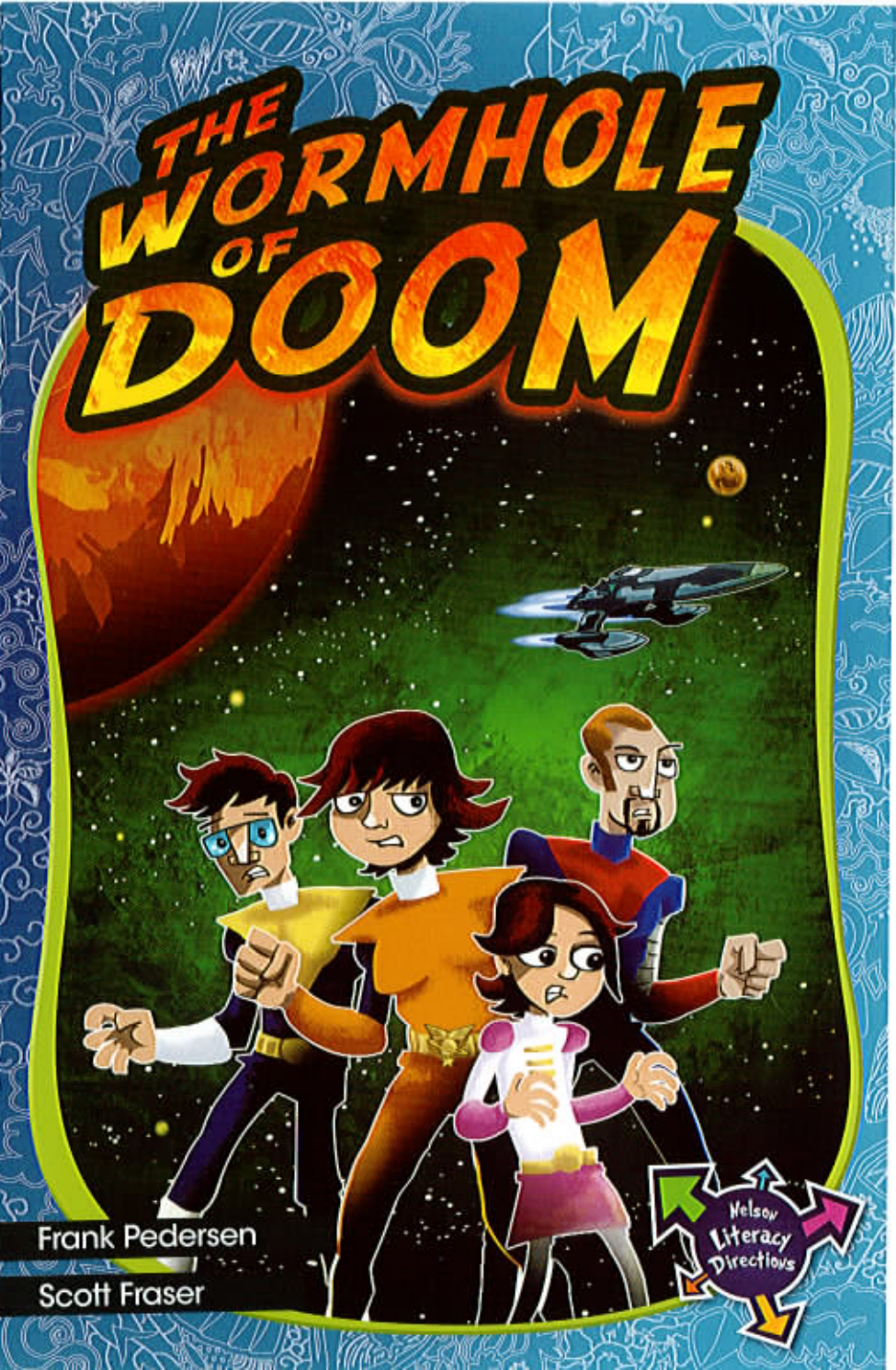
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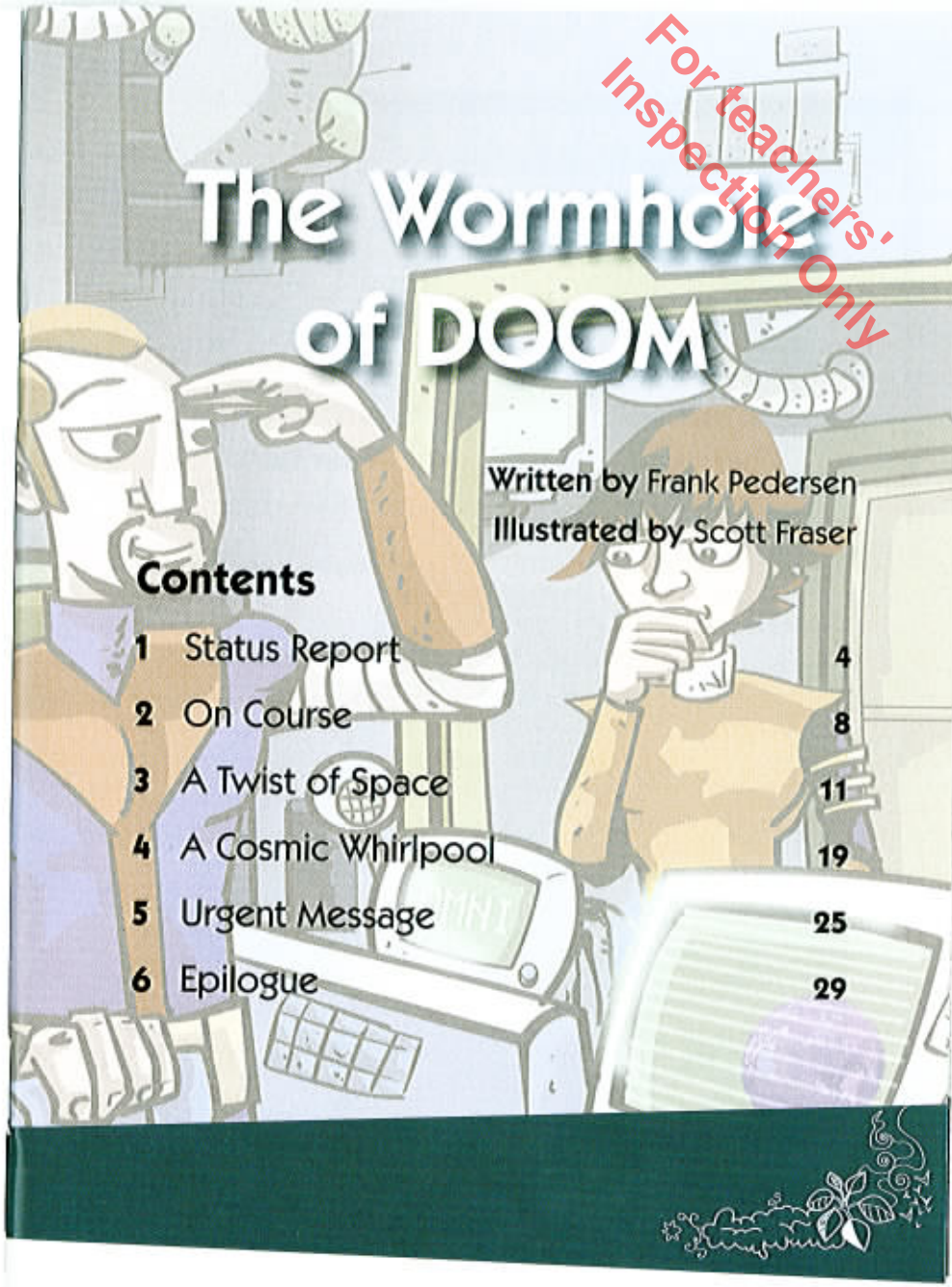
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Meet the Characters



Eva Niyaz

A space commander.



Nazur Dark

Eva's second-in-command.



Zara

Eva's daughter.



Al-Shamari

Eva's brother and Zara's uncle.



Ave

Someone who lives on the other side of the universe.

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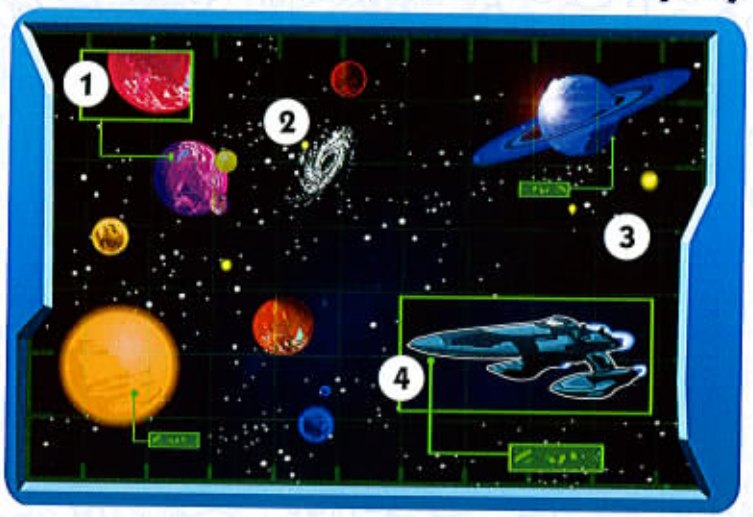
POSTCARD

Dear Reader

Science and technology are mostly used to help people but what if we discovered something that we thought was useful – but that was actually dangerous? Would we be smart enough to stop – before it was too late?

Frank Pedersen
Author

Space Data Display



1. Location of Wormhole Collider
2. X13 Galaxy
3. Current position
4. The *Kazakhstan*

1 Status Report

Something was wrong!

Eva Niyaz woke with a jolt. "Status," she gasped.

OMNI, the ship's computer, checked her voice.

"Voice OK," said OMNI. "No threats. All systems OK."

The year was 2061. Eva was in charge of the spaceship *Kazakhstan*. The ship shone like a meteor.





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What had woken her? Was it a bad dream, or …? Eva leapt out of bed, dressed and went next door. Her daughter, Zara, was asleep. Nothing was out of place. It must have been a bad dream.

"Calm down, Eva," she said.

She peered at the breakfast choices on her computer. She chose apricot slurry, with two shots of soy milk.

"I don't know why I even look at the other breakfasts," she said. "Who likes dairy genes with beef DNA tofu? Yuck!"

Eva ate her slurry. She blew a speck of dust off the gold rings on her sleeve.

Zara was still asleep. Eva kissed her, and left.

"Everything's fine," she said to herself. "You're awake now."



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