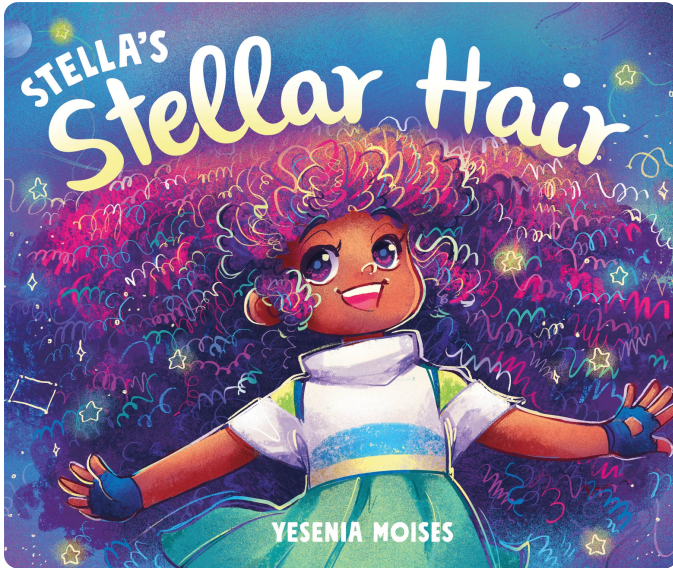


STELLA'S STELLAR HAIR

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SUMMARY

It's the day of the Big Star Little Gala, and Stella's hair just isn't acting right! What's a girl to do? Simple! Just hop on her hoverboard, visit each of her fabulous aunties across the solar system, and find the perfect hairdo.

WHY WE CHOSE THIS BOOK

Black girl magic takes the solar system in this celebration of hair, family, and self-love. Backmatter gives more info on each style and each planet.

VOCABULARY & SIGHT WORDS

Define these words together:

Gala: a special, fancy party

Hoverboard: a floating skateboard

Diaspora: a big family all spread out

Solar System: our sun and all the planets orbiting it

Notice these words in the story

day

my

and

hair

on

she

QUESTIONS TO ASK BEFORE READING

1. Have you ever woken up with tangled hair that won't behave?
2. What do you know about the planets?
3. Have you ever tried to change something about yourself to fit in?

QUESTIONS TO ASK WHILE READING

1. What color are the planets?
2. What are the aunties doing?
3. Do you think Stella is going to find the perfect hair?

QUESTIONS TO ASK AFTER READING

1. Where did Stella travel to get her hair done?
2. Which hairstyles are your favorite?
3. What's something special about yourself that you love?

EARLY LITERACY ACTIVITIES DURING OR AFTER A READ-ALOUD

- Point out letters and sounds in the story.
- Clap syllables in character names, hair styles, planets.
- Find rhyming or alliterative words together.
- Play "I Spy" with beginning sounds using objects in the illustrations.
- Trace or build letters from favorite words in the book.
- Make zigzags in the air based on the hairstyles.
- Draw self-portraits with dream hairstyles.

