

**Reading comprehension**

**The stars**



The stars are huge balls of gases. These gases are very hot and glowing. Stars have their own light. Thousands of stars when grouped together make a galaxy. There are billions and billions of stars.

A star twinkles. It shines because it is a big ball of fire. A star releases a great amount of heat and energy. When we look at the sky at night, a star looks like a point of light. This is because it is far away from us. It twinkles because there is disturbance in the atmosphere.

The nearest star to our planet is the sun.

**Word meaning:**

huge : big

galaxy : a large group of stars.

billion : one thousand million

release : give out

atmosphere : the mixture of gases that surrounds the earth.

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**Answer the following questions.**

1. What are stars?.....
2. What is a galaxy? .....
3. Why does a star look like a point of life?.....
4. Why do stars twinkle?.....
5. What is the nearest star to our planet? .....