COMPLETE STORY + QUIZ

Mina Paints the Evening Sky

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Mina changes the bright afternoon sky into evening one color at a time, then cleans her brush when the first star appears.

Read, talk, and discover

The complete story is followed by questions and a separate answer guide. Read aloud together, pause to talk, and take your time.

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Part 1

Evening had come. The story began in the open sky as afternoon becomes night. Mina begins with a bright blue sky. The evening felt soft and quiet around them.

Part 2

She brushes warm gold near the hills. That gentle moment helped everything feel ready for rest.

Part 3

She adds a soft pink band above it. There was no need to rush, so the little friend moved slowly.

Part 4

Purple spreads gently across the top. The calm sound made everything feel safe and cozy.

Part 5

The first small star appears. Soon, the busy part of the day was almost done.

Part 6

Mina washes her brush and rests on a cloud. With one last peaceful step, bedtime was near.

Part 7

Mina felt peaceful and ready to rest. The little adventure helped Mina learn about following a calm sequence. Good night, Mina.

Draw, tell, or write

Draw your favorite part of the story. Tell a grown-up what happened before it and what happened next.

My favorite part, and why I chose it

STORY QUIZ

Think about the story

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Name: _____ Date: _____

Read each question and all the choices. Circle one answer. A grown-up can read aloud; you can point or say your answer, too.

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1. What color was the sky first?

A. Red	B. Gray	C. Blue

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

2. Which color did Mina paint near the hills?

A. Gold	B. Green	C. Black

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

3. What color came after gold?

A. Brown	B. Pink	C. White

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

Questions 4 to 5

4. What appeared in the sky?

A. A big kite	B. A train	C. The first star

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

5. What did Mina wash?

A. Her brush	B. Her shoes	C. A cup

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

ANSWER GUIDE

For the grown-up

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Keep this page separate from the child's activity. Read directions aloud when helpful, and invite the child to explain their ideas.

1. C - Blue

The answer is Blue.

2. A - Gold

The answer is Gold.

3. B - Pink

The answer is Pink.

4. C - The first star

The answer is The first star.

5. A - Her brush

The answer is Her brush.

Keep exploring

Draw your favorite part of the story. Tell a grown-up what happened before it and what happened next.