Oh, it will be fine
To rocket through space
And see the reverse
Of the moon's dark face,

To travel to Saturn
Or Venus or Mars,
Or maybe discover
Some uncharted stars.

But do they have anything
Better than we?
Do you think, for instance,
They have a blue sea
For sailing and swimming?
Do planets have hills
With raspberry thickets
Where a song sparrow fills

The summer with music?
And do they have snow
To silver the roads
Where the school buses go?

Oh, I'm all for rockets
And worlds cold or hot, But I'm wild in love
With the planet we've got!
Valentine for Earth

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7. The author uses descriptive words or phrases to help us create pictures in our mind. As you read the poem on page 9 of your Readings Booklet, circle, underline or highlight descriptive words or phrases.

8. Summarize in your own words what you think the author's message is in this poem. Provide support from the poem.

9. Explain what it makes you think of or how it makes you feel.

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