

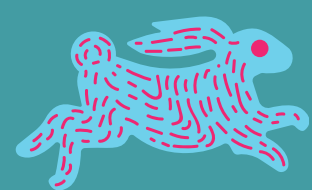


## Story Guide

### SUN, MOON & THE COLORS

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WATCH THE VIDEO OF STORYTELLER MARA MENZIES LIVE AT THE 2019 NATIONAL STORYTELLING FESTIVAL [HERE](#). (STORY RUN TIME IS 0 TO 15:37). THEN ENJOY EXPLORING THE STORY WITH THE ACTIVITIES OUTLINED BELOW.



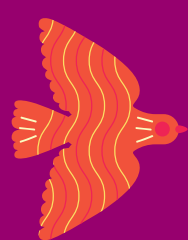
#### explore it

- What might Mara's outfit say about her personality or her culture?
- How was music used as a helpful tool in the story?
- What does Mara mean when she says "get into character" as she asks the audience to participate in the story?



#### think it

- An origin myth explains how something came to be. How is this story an origin myth?
- How did Moon discover that his colors were missing?
- Sun and Moon were the best of friends at first. What happened to change their friendship?



#### create it

- Draw the Moon before he lost his colors.
- Act out the tug of war between Sun and Moon without touching anything or anyone.
- Draw the animals in the story to show their personalities: Dirty Rat, Octopus, Frog, and Bird. Try creating a "puppet theater" to retell the story with your drawings.



#### tell it

- Sun stole Moon's colors because of jealousy. Tell a story about how you experienced jealousy in the past. How did you resolve those feelings?
- What are some of your strengths? How do you use your strengths to make the world a better place?
- What are some of your best friend's strengths? How can people learn to appreciate each other's strengths and avoid jealousy?