



# SPACE STORYTIME =SOUNDS=



## ALFIE THE ASTRONAUT

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Alfie the astronaut was on a mission to Mars. He landed his spaceship, opened the doors,  then strapped on his jetpack  and started whizzing about exploring the planet's surface.

From out of nowhere, an alien spaceship circled the sky above Alfie. A bright yellow beam zapped from the ship.  And then, a martian  and an alien  appeared right in front of his eyes. 

Alfie had never seen such strange looking creatures before and he was very frightened.

He turned his jetpack up to full power,  and jetted back to his ship as quickly as he could. Alfie was almost too scared to turn around, but when he did, he could see the martian  and alien  following him.

Alfie tried to quickly take off his jetpack so he could jump back in the spaceship to blast off.  But wait - oh no! Alfie suddenly couldn't move. His jetpack was stuck on a rock! He pulled and pulled but couldn't free himself...

The alien  and martian  were getting closer. They were trying to talk to Alfie, but he couldn't understand a word they were saying. All he could hear were strange alien  sounds.

'I'M STUCK!' he shouted and, to his surprise, the space creatures seemed to understand. They nodded, but then pulled out their laser guns! 

Alfie closed his eyes and screamed as he heard the sound of laser fire. 

It all went quiet. Several minutes passed, then Alfie slowly opened his eyes and realised he was no longer trapped. The alien and the martian had lasered the strap of his jetpack and he was free! Now they had put their lasers away  and were waiting to give him high fives.

Alfie stood up and they handed him a small, silver disc. They showed him how to clip it onto his ear.

'It's an Inter-Galactic Language Translator Device,' said the martian.  Alfie understood every word the martian was saying! 'We came to ask if you would like to play a game of space football.'

Alfie smiled. Although they looked scary and different, they just wanted to be friends. He opened up his spaceship  and found his space football. They had a great time zooming  around kicking the ball on the planet's surface.

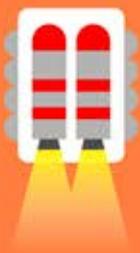
'I'm hungry,' said the alien. 'Let's have some marshmallows!' He beamed down a bag  from his spaceship and made them all gooey and delicious by toasting them with his laser. 

'It's been fun,' said the martian,  'but we better get going. I have to take alien home. He lives on a distant star.' 

Alfie hugged his new friends and they beamed up  to the spaceship, and blasted off  into the galaxy.

Flying home in his spaceship, Alfie's radio crackled, with a message from martian  and alien.  'It was great to make a new friend today.'

'Roger that,'  Alfie said, grinning from ear to ear.



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