

A writing activity from
Grimm & Co

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**Cosmic Whispers**  
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You will need: a pencil and a piece of paper.

We are Grimm & Co, an Apothecary to the Magical. We sell potions, concoctions, and elixirs to magical beings of all kinds.

Currently we only sell to the Magical Beings on Earth, but we want to extend our products to the intergalactic market! To the creatures of Space...

We've been trying to communicate with these beings in space to find out what kind of thing they want. We've received some messages back but – they appear to be in code...

I have one to show you.

Step One:

Look closely at the image on the stone.

This stone was formed deep in the cosmos. It has travelled light years to enter the Earth's atmosphere and it is clear that something is trying to communicate to us.

Close your eyes and let your imagination roam...

Whereabouts in the universe could your object have come from?

Think about the markings on the stone, what do you notice?

What could this symbol mean?

Is there anything that draws you to this particular stone? Texture of it? The colour or the shape?

Open your eyes.

Step two:

For the next task you are going to spend one minute writing.

What do you think the message is on the stone?

The message can't be too long, maybe a sentence or a phrase that is a clear message to Earth.

Extend your writing for 5mins by explaining

Who wrote the message and why.

Thank you for deciphering the message!

Step three: Share your writing with us! Take a photo of your handwriting, type up your work, or audio or video record yourself reading it aloud (you could also ask someone else to read it aloud for you).

If you're accessing this activity independently, or through your school, we'd love to share in the amazing writing you've created! You can post your work on social media, tagging us @GrimmAndCo, or email your work to info@grimmandco.co.uk.