FAITH READERS
growing readers into leaders

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Fluency

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Do this Read the passage three times: carefully, smoothly, like talking. Tick a box each time. Read the words over each scoop together.

The Half-Moon Notebook

1 Every clear evening, Caleb sketched the moon from the porch. Some nights it looked round. Some nights only a thin curve shone. One week, his drawing showed a semicircle, or half circle. The prefix semi- means half or partly. Caleb labeled the page "first quarter" because the visible part looked like half of the moon's face from earth.

2 His sister asked whether the moon had become colder when less of it was bright. Caleb checked his science notebook before answering. The drawing showed a phase, not a temperature reading. A thermometer measures temperature; a sketch of the moon's shape does not. He wrote that distinction under the drawing.

3 The class later used Caleb's notebook to discuss wonder and limits. Careful observers can record phases, compare dates, and notice patterns. They should also say what the record does not prove. A semicircle drawing can show what part of the moon is lit from our view. It cannot explain every condition on the moon or measure heat. Honest wonder includes accurate words.

Reading Tracker

Read 1: Read it carefully. ☐

Read 2: Read it smoothly. ☐

Read 3: Read it like talking. ☐

Listener: ☐ ☐ ☐

A word I practised:

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