



## **Teacher's Guide**

### **The Sun Isn't Sleepy**

**Moko**

**Grade Levels:**

K-5

**Subject Areas:**

Reading

Writing/Composition

Media Literacy/Critical Thinking

Astronomy

Earth Sciences

**Synopsis:**

For some reason, the sun isn't setting—it must not be sleepy! Moko sets off to try to make the sun sleepy and give it some rest. Along the way, he realizes he left Alarick behind and goes back to find him!

**Learning Objectives:** Students will:

- Enjoy the origin story presented in this program.
- Understand why sometimes the sun does not set at the north pole.
- Evaluate Moko's reasoning and conclusions.

**Vocabulary:**

Sun, North Pole, South Pole, axis, rotation, revolution, polar night, midnight sun

**Pre-Viewing Discussion:**

Can you imagine a place where the sun never sets? How would this affect your life?

Why do you think the sun would not set in these places?

**Post-Viewing Discussion:**

Why did Moko think the sun would not set? How did he try to help?

What are the real reasons behind polar nights and midnight suns?

**Further Activities:**

Imagine you live at the North Pole. Write a story about how you would spend your time during a midnight sun.