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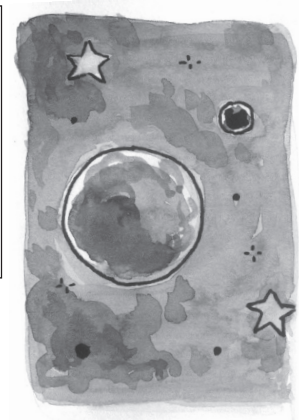
Write page numbers for these:

moon stars sun Milky Way

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Which pages are about these **things**?

Mars rocket

Can you read about Earth on page 25?

Are the **index** words in **alphabetical order**?



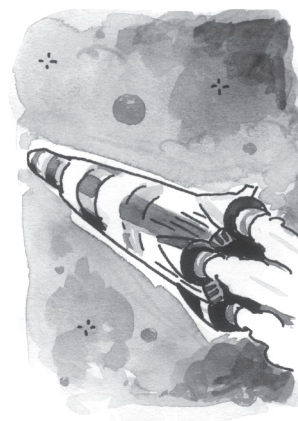
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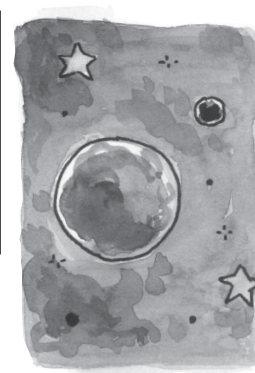
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Which pages are about these **things**?

Mars 15, 16 rocket 35, 36

Can you read about Earth on page 25? No

Are the **index** words in **alphabetical order**? Yes

Help your child to understand and use the terms *table of contents* and *index* and to know their roles in a range of nonfiction information books. He or she should skim the sample text to find the book's content and fill in page numbers for the topics.