

Earth to Kenzie

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“And Now We Present Our Winning Essay” – Part 1

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TEACHER

And now, we present
our winning essay...
A super fantastical,
cleverly tactical,
ever practical,
climactical,
galactical
adventure,
brought to us by not one,
but *two* brilliant
storytellers:
Eddie and Kenzie.

KENZIE

The asteroid hit,
sent me flying.
Inside I'm dying
to know where I'll land.
With help from my friends,
I aim for the stars.
My rocket flies
to planets unknown.

Faced with fear
I must decide:
Do I run? Do I hide?
Or simply open my eyes?
Ready, steady
Here I go!
Facing our fears
is how we all grow!
Facing our fears
we're never alone!

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“And Now We Present Our Winning Essay” – Part 2

Kenzie and Eddie, her new friend and classmate, present their winning essay for the class.

EDDIE *[spoken]*

Psst!

KENZIE

Hey, Eddie, what’s going on?

EDDIE *[from offstage, spoken]*

Stage fright!

KENZIE *[spoken]*

What?

EDDIE *[spoken]*

I’m experiencing stage fright!

KENZIE

Come on! You can do it!

EDDIE

No, I don’t think I can!

KENZIE

Yes, you can! Here, count with me.

ALL

Five-four-three-two-one.

Here we go!

Lift off!

KENZIE, EDDIE

Ready, steady;

Steady, ready;

Here we go!

Facing our fears is how we all

Hold on tight;

find your people;

ask a question.

MOTHER, TEACHER

Ready, steady;

Steady, ready;

Here you go!

Grow!

Hold on tight;

find your people;

take a breath.

ALL

Face to face

we must decide:

Do we run? Do we hide?

Or simply open our eyes?