

## It's a Comet!

A comet is a large chunk of ice and dust that orbits, or goes around, the sun. It is like a big, dirty snowball. Comets travel far out into the solar system and then move back toward the sun.



- Circle a word that has the same **or** sound as “corn.”
- Underline a 4-letter word that is the opposite of “be still.”
- Put a ✖ next to an important detail from the text.

A comet has a main core called a nucleus. The nucleus is made of ice, dust, gas, and rock. It can be several miles wide. When a comet gets close to the sun, some of the dust and gas form a long, glowing tail.



What is a comet? What does a comet look like?

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Have students draw and write to respond to the text.