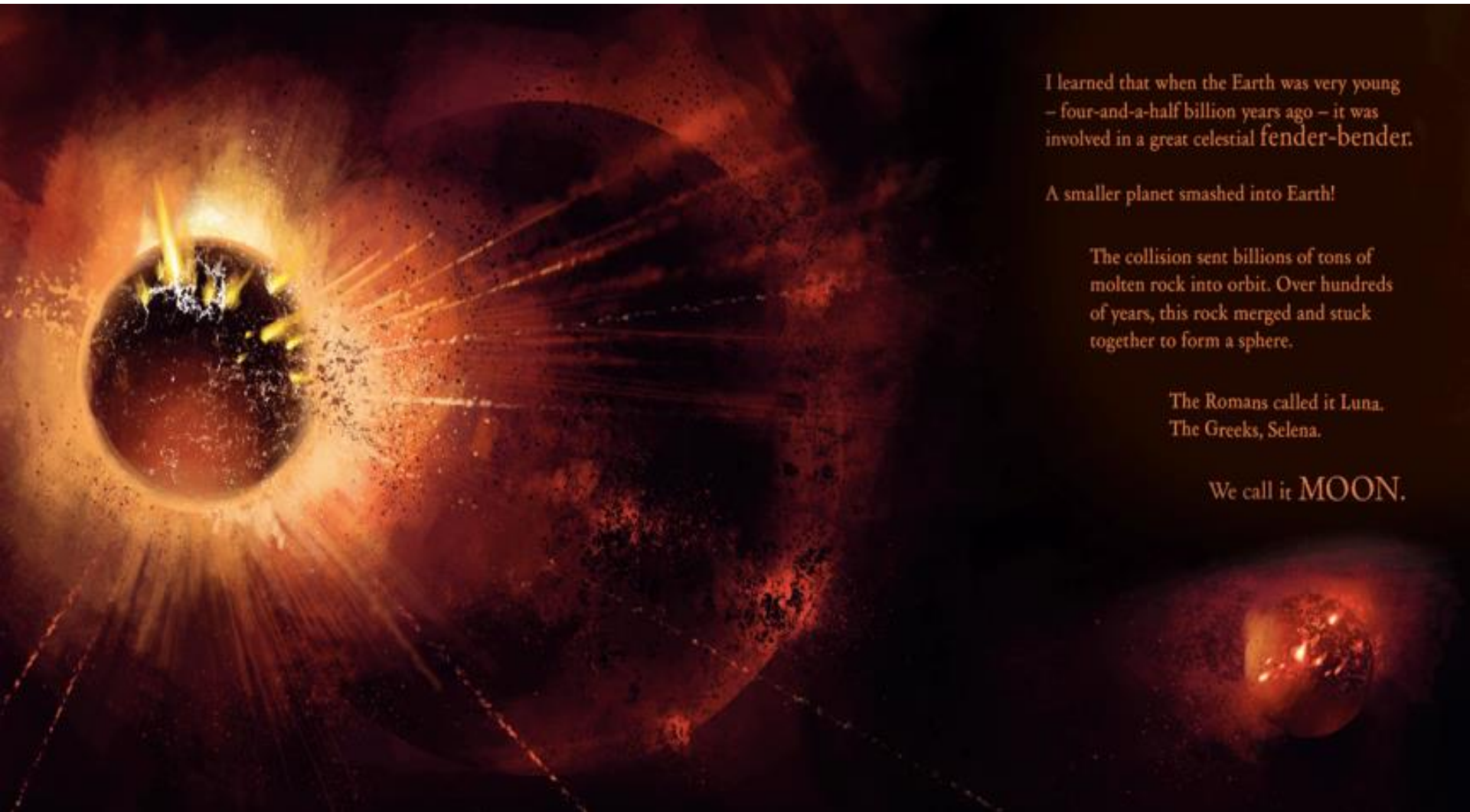


Extract 1



I learned that when the Earth was very young
– four-and-a-half billion years ago – it was
involved in a great celestial fender-bender.

A smaller planet smashed into Earth!

The collision sent billions of tons of
molten rock into orbit. Over hundreds
of years, this rock merged and stuck
together to form a sphere.

The Romans called it Luna.
The Greeks, Selena.

We call it **MOON**.

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Extract 2

Geologists – people who study rocks – have a saying: “Rocks remember”.

History is recorded in the minerals and marks of each boulder and pebble. During the next four billion years, Bok would see and remember many things.

He saw the Sun rise in the east and parade majestically across the sky to set in the west.

Occasionally, new stars would burn with a fiery brilliance against the velvet blackness of space.

Constellations changed their shape as stars were born, burned for millions of years and disappeared.

Back then, the Earth also rose and set.

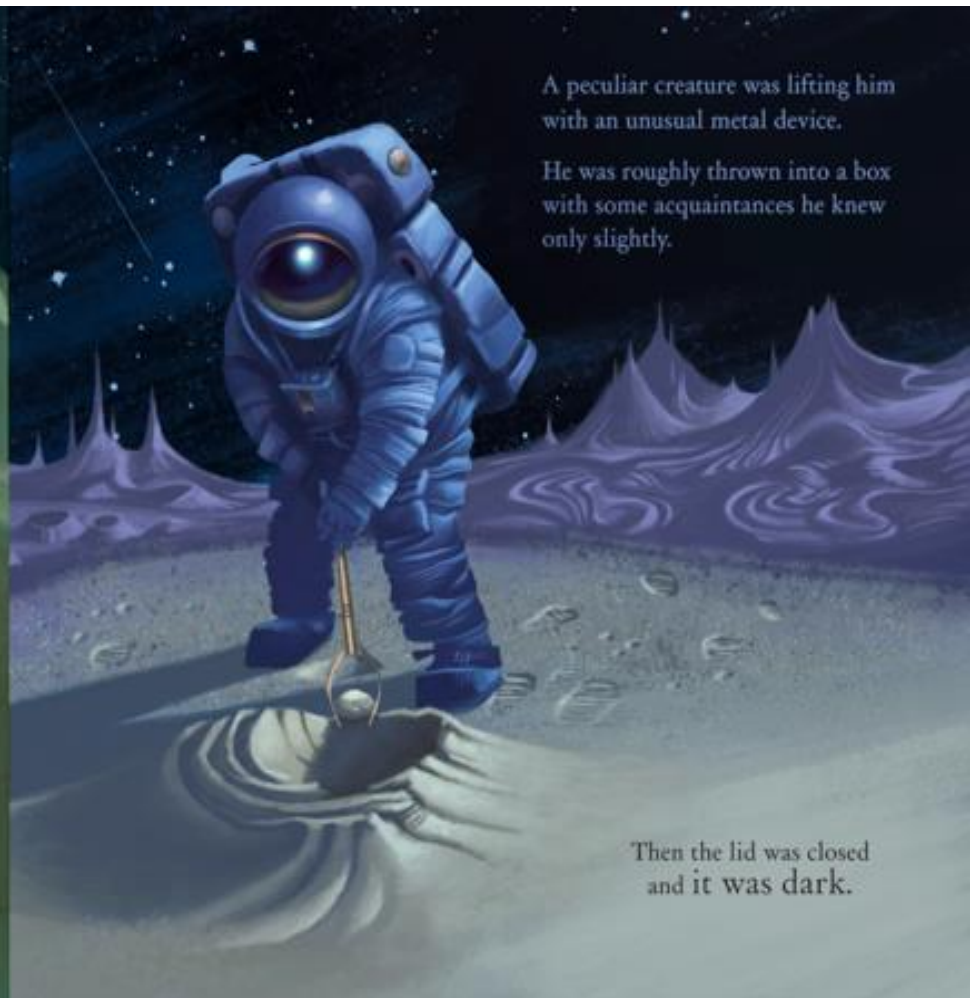


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Extract 3



Bok couldn't have guessed that his nap would end with a rude awakening early one lunar morning.



A peculiar creature was lifting him with an unusual metal device.

He was roughly thrown into a box with some acquaintances he knew only slightly.

Then the lid was closed and it was dark.

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