

Unit 3

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Reader's Notebook: Exploring Pluto

As you preview *Pluto No Longer a Planet*, you will get to know *Ice Princess Pluto*, a fictional planet character in space.

Respond to the following questions:

1. What clues did you notice in the selection **layout and art** that contributed to the idea that this is an interview?

2. I have seen these types of features when I read...

Think about this question: *If Pluto had a personality, what would it be?*

Look at the way Ice Princess Pluto is depicted in the visual. Respond to these questions:

- 3.** If Ice Princess Pluto had a personality, describe how it might react to finding out it is no longer a planet?

- 4.** What are some statements Ice Princess Pluto might say?

- 5.** Based on the visual, describe Ace Astro's personality.

Fact or Fiction?

Read the interview between *Ice Princess Pluto* and *Ace Astro* on pages 150 and 151 of *Literacy in Action*. In the chart below, identify whether Pluto's responses are fact or fiction (or a combination).

Ace Astro's Question	Ice Princess' Response: Fact or Fiction
Where were you when you heard that you were no longer a planet?	
How did you feel when the news hit you?	
Did you see it coming?	
What do you say to those who think you haven't got what it takes to be a planet?	
What do you think the future holds for you?	

List two words or phrases that the author used to provide clues to Pluto's personality.

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Answer the following question after watching two minutes of the interview with Commander Chris Hadfield.

1. Is the content of this interview fact or fiction? How do you know?

2. Explain whether you think that the author's intent was to entertain or to provide information. Use **evidence** from the selection that supports your opinion.