



# NIGHT LIGHTS

Lights at night cause trouble for some kinds of animals. They can drown out the flashes of fireflies and confuse birds, turtles, and other animals that navigate by the moon or reflections on water. Bright lights keep people from seeing the stars, too. Is your neighborhood a night-light fright? Ask a grownup to join you and check it out.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_

Weather \_\_\_\_\_

**Helpful Things to Take Along:**

- ✓ Grownup
- ✓ Flashlight

1. Is it a clear night? If so, can you see the moon or any stars? Describe the sky.

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2. Take a walk around your house or neighborhood. For each outdoor light you see, make a tally mark on the chart below, noting what kind of light it is and whether it points down toward the ground or up into the air.

Kind of Light	Number pointing down	Number pointing up
Porch or yard light		
Street light		
Other light		

3. In general, would you say your neighborhood is pretty dark or pretty bright?

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4. Did you see or hear any animals? What else did you notice as you walked around? Describe what you observed and how you felt.

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