

MY

LOUD

AND



QUIET

WORLD



LIN



LOUD

**ALWAYS CARRIES
GUITAR**

LOVES TO SING

EATS ANYTHING

**STAYS INSIDE
(LOVES COMFORT)**

SLEEPS IN

**COLLECTS
INSTRUMENTS**

NIGHT OWL

JANIE



QUIET

**ALWAYS CARRIES
EXPLORER PACK**

LOVES TO WRITE

VEGETARIAN

**STAYS OUTSIDE
(LOVES NATURE)**

WAKES EARLY

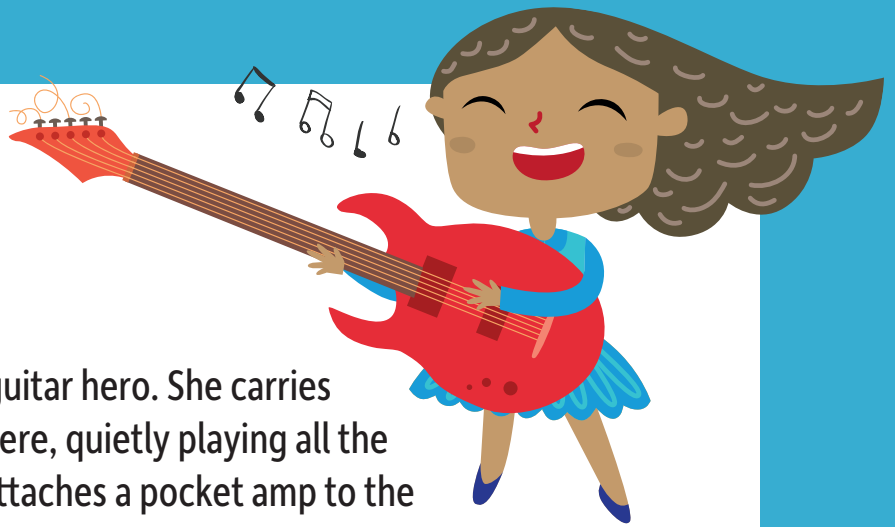
**COLLECTS BUGS
AND REPTILES**

IN BED EARLY

Lin

Lin dreams of being a guitar hero. She carries her red guitar everywhere, quietly playing all the time. Sometimes she attaches a pocket amp to the strap or her belt loop and cranks up the sound. She writes her own songs, with custom lyrics by Janie.

Lin loves comfort. She won't go out unless the temp is between 68 and 75. "Weather," she says, "is for animals. Wind, rain, cold, heat? No, no, no, no." But Lin also hates missing out on the fun — and Janie *always* seems to be having fun, forcing Lin to brave the discomforts of the natural world.



Janie

Janie was born deaf. Her parents (both with full hearing) taught her ASL and became fluent themselves. Janie attends the Laurent School for the Deaf, which she loves, though she also enjoys having the summer off.

Janie always carries her "explorer's backpack" stuffed with tools and gadgets: magnifier, pocket microscope, digital camera, duct tape, string, glue, journal, etc. "Summer," according to Janie, "should be an adventure," and if an adventure doesn't present itself, she'll invent one — which is big a challenge for Lin since most of Janie's adventures happen *outdoors*.





EPISODES



Fireflies

A perfect summer night. Even Lin is outside playing guitar! Dad uses words and ASL to point out constellations. Wait, are those stars moving? No, they're fireflies! Janie and Tom have so much fun chasing fireflies, Lin joins in. They put one in a plastic jar and use a pocket-scope (both from Janie's pack) for a close-up view (which grosses Lin out). A line of fireflies float over the fence, across a field, and toward the woods. Lin wonders where they're going. Tom says, "Let's find out!" and zips his scooter down the block. Dad drives Janie and Lin to the woods (picking up Tom on the way). Other cars are parked at the forest entrance. Tom zooms his scooter down the path, followed by Dad. Lin is scared but Janie encourages her. **They slip into a Shared Moment: holding hands, walking in the dark woods, the firefly jar like a lamp, music reflecting Lin's fear, then excitement, then awe.** Up ahead, a bright glow flashes through the trees. They hear Tom whooping with excitement. Dad says/signs, "Ready for nature's fireworks?" Curious, they move forward. The light grows brighter and brighter...

VIDEO DIARY TAKE-AWAY: A friend cuts fear in half, and half-fears are doable.

