



School Times Worksheet

Apollo-Soyuz

Missing words

Use the following words to complete the text below: **American, backgrounds, cosmonaut, cost, couple, friendship, launched, minutes, peaceful, possible, weeks**

On Thursday 6 October, a SpaceX Dragon capsule docked with the International Space Station (ISS). The day before (about 29 hours earlier) a Falcon 9 rocket _____ the spacecraft into orbit. On board the Dragon 'Crew 5' mission were Nicole Mann, Josh Cassada, with Japanese astronaut, Koichi Wakata, and Russian _____, Anna Kikina.

The mission continues a long tradition of US co-operation in space with Russia. This _____ international co-operation dates back to the Apollo-Soyuz mission in 1975. This latest Dragon mission includes a _____ of 'firsts'. Nicole Mann became the *first* Native American woman to fly into space, and Anna Kikina became the *first* Russian to fly on a private _____ spacecraft. 'I am very proud to represent Native Americans and my heritage,' Mann said during a press conference on 1 October. 'We're all from very unique, different _____. It's really great to see everyone coming together.'

Anna Kikina also thanked NASA, SpaceX, and Russian space officials, in fact everyone who made the Crew-5 mission _____. 'We will do our job the best way — happy!' she said.

In spite of troubles here on Earth, the past two _____ have seen a US astronaut fly on board a Russian Soyuz spacecraft, and now a Russian cosmonaut fly on board a US spaceship.

If international _____ and understanding is possible in space, it must also be possible on our planet below. Dragon and Crew-5 will leave the station and return to Earth in early 2023.

As usual, the first stage of the Falcon 9 rocket returned to Earth to be reused! SpaceX has a strong focus on re-usability. About 9.5 _____ after launch, the first stage booster landed on a SpaceX 'droneship' waiting in the Atlantic Ocean off the Florida Coast. This kind of reuse allows SpaceX to reduce the _____ of space travel. However, it also means that flights can be made more often.

The Crew-5 mission was the 44th orbital launch of 2022 for Elon Musk's SpaceX company!



Essay exercise

'The best film I've seen in a very long time!'

Write about a film you really enjoyed watching (it could also be a TV series), and describe (a) what it was about, in other words, the 'plot' of the film or series, and (b) why you enjoyed it.

If you don't want to write about a *specific* film then describe the type or 'genre' of film you like best. For example, are you a sci-fi fan or a comedy movie fan? Or do you prefer fantasy films set in a supernatural 'reality'. Which films in your favourite 'genre' would you recommend, and why?

Finally, discuss with your class the subject of 'age limits' for certain films, especially those containing scenes of realistic violence. Much of what we are allowed to see and hear is regulated by our governments. But are current movie age limits good enough? Or are too many very young people exposed to film violence that could disturb their mental well-being?



A scene from 'The Lost King', the new movie about the quest to discover the final resting place of Richard III



School Times Worksheet *Hummel World Cup Protest*

to / too / two

These three words have the same sound but different spellings and meanings. Use 'to', 'too', or 'two' in the sentences below:

1. European football fans will have _____ travel quite far _____ attend this year's World Cup.
2. Playing in the summer was impossible because it was simply _____ warm for the players.
3. High temperatures are not just an issue for _____ teams playing a match, but also for the fans.
4. The idea of playing in desert heat seemed just _____ crazy, yet a decision was made to do so!
5. _____ protest human rights issues in Qatar, Hummel has decided _____ change their kits.
6. The _____ organisations, Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch, are also concerned.
7. It seems that _____ many decisions affecting sport are influenced by politics and money.

their / there

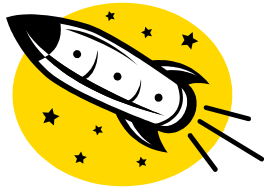
Once again, words with the same sound but with different spellings and meanings. Use 'their' or 'there' in the sentences below:

1. You'd think _____ was a better place to hold the World Cup than in a desert — in summer!
2. The article says that _____ were rumours of bribery and corruption back in 2010.
3. FIFA certainly had many people puzzled by _____ decision to choose Qatar.
4. A winter World Cup means European football leagues have re-arranged _____ tournaments.
5. Recently, _____ was a suggestion that the World Cup should be held every two years!
6. If that happened, most countries would have non-stop chaos in _____ football leagues.
7. If it _____ was a possibility to separate football from politics, would you be in favour of that?
8. No one in _____ right mind thinks football players should risk heat stroke in the desert.
9. How about you? World Cup 2022 — would you like to be _____ , in Qatar?



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Teacher's Page



‘When I orbited the Earth in a spaceship, I saw for the first time how beautiful our planet is. Mankind, let us preserve and increase this beauty, and not destroy it!’

Yuri Gagarin
(1934-68)

Soviet cosmonaut and first human in space on board Vostok 1 in 1961

Dear Teacher,

Welcome to the October issue of *The School Times*.

This month we have five feature articles for you, starting with ‘Apollo-Soyuz’ and the good news that international co-operation continues in space, if not here in Earth. Following up from last month’s royal news we have an archive article about Lady Diana and a look at the future of the UK royals in ‘The End of Monarchy’.

We continue with Film News, also with a royal theme with ‘The Lost King’. And finally, in Sports News, sportswear company Hummel have announced a Qatar protest kit.

Best wishes,

Peter Young, Editor

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Solutions

The Peace Puzzle (page 5)

- 1 Frank; 2 handshake;
- 3 astronauts; 4 diplomats;
- 5 between; 6 shadow;
- 7 Leonov; 8 superpowers;
- 9 Elbe; 10 Baikonur;
- 11 rescue; 12 against;
- 13 hand

Key Words (1 Across)
FAR ABOVE EARTH

Questions on the text (page 6)

- 1 Three spacemen were on board the latest Soyuz.
- 2 It was to honour Russian rocket scientist Konstantin Tsiolkovsky.
- 3 They wanted to decrease international tension.
- 4 The story was about three US astronauts who became marooned in space.
- 5 The handshake took place high above the Elbe river in Germany.
- 6 The mission tested the idea of space rescue.
- 7 It was an example of how great things could be achieved by working together.

Questions on the text (page 8)

- 1 It was published one year after her death.
- 2 He said it was the best way to honour Diana’s memory.
- 3 The aim of the campaign was to ban all landmines.
- 4 Many of the young victims had lost arms and legs.
- 5 She wanted governments to help get rid of them.
- 6 *Students’ own answers.*
- 7 She would probably have been very happy.

The Monarchy Grid (page 10)

See grid key on this page

Jumbled Words (page 10)

- 1 FORBES; 2 PLATINUM;
- 3 WESSEX; 4 PALACE;
- 5 CARIBBEAN

Questions on the text (page 11)

- 1 They are breaking their final links with the country that colonised them.
- 2 Because they are so far from the UK.
- 3 It happened as Prince Edward and Sophie were in the Caribbean region.
- 4 They had been met with protests and demands for reparations.
- 5 The two couples were Edward and Sophie and William and Kate.

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- 6 He announced that a referendum would be held on replacing the Queen (now the King, obviously).
- 7 Scandals have been deeply damaging to them.
- 8 It’s described as a way to exploit and use other nations, by force.

The Lost Puzzle (page 13)

- 1 burial; 2 beneath;
- 3 Guardian; 4 Langley;
- 5 Richard; 6 experts;
- 7 throughout; 8 quest;
- 9 Scottish; 10 Plantagenet;
- 11 mystery; 12 Shakespeare;
- 13 fact; 14 restore; 15 work

Key Words (16 Down)
UNDER THE CAR PARK

Questions on the text (page 14)

- 1 He was 32 years old when he died in battle.
- 2 He didn’t have an official grave or burial site.
- 3 She had a ‘never-give-up’ attitude.
- 4 The film lacks the element of suspense.
- 5 Shakespeare wrote a play about him between 1592 and 1594.
- 6 Their goal is to restore the public image and reputation of Richard III.

Questions on the text (page 16)

- 1 They are designed as a protest against Qatar’s human rights record.
- 2 It is a bold and courageous move.

- 3 Because the temperature in summer is far too hot.
- 4 There have been rumours about bribes and corruption.
- 5 It said compensation (in money) should be given to the families.
- 6 Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch also commented on the poor conditions.

Worksheet 1

Missing words (in order)
launched, cosmonaut, peaceful, couple, American, backgrounds, possible, weeks, friendship, minutes, cost

Worksheet 2

Essay exercise and possible class discussion

Worksheet 3

to / too / two
1 to, to; 2 too; 3 two; 4 too; 5 To, to; 6 two; 7 too

their / there

1 there; 2 there; 3 their; 4 their; 5 there; 6 their; 7 there; 8 their; 9 there

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