

Monday 8th February 2021

OLI: To understand what I have read

Read the comprehensions carefully and answer the questions. Underline where you have found the answers in the text.

Unidentified Flying Object Spotted

4 Last night, residents from
8 the north-west of Mars
12 spotted a large object
16 flying over the sinking
18 mud lakes.



22 According to one witness,
26 it dropped three objects
31 at the base of Blagzog
34 Mountain before zooming
40 off again. A team has been
44 deployed but it's expected
50 to take them at least two
54 days before they reach
57 the landing zone.

61 Each team member is
64 carrying an important
68 piece of safety equipment.

74 This is due to the levels
80 of oxygen at the base of
84 the mountain which are
88 known to be dangerous.

92 We asked our Martian
97 leader if the events were
102 anything to do with the
106 strange message that was
110 received last week. Once
114 again, they have refused
116 to comment.

Quick Questions



1. How long will it be until the team expected to reach the landing zone?



2. Why do you think that the leader refused to comment?



3. Summarise the events using 25 words or fewer.



4. What do you think the search team will find at the bottom of Blagzog Mountain?

Diary of a Voyager

2 Day 200

13 Today marks our 200th day on this ship. That's 200 days
23 of seeing nothing but emptiness. It also means 200 days
33 of the captain saying, "We'll find somewhere to settle soon
34 enough."

36 Day 215

47 We have heard from one of the other passenger ships that
59 left Earth at around the same time that we did. Although it
71 was nice to hear from them, I wish that they had brought
76 news of a new planet.

78 Day 290

88 The captain has announced that we may have found a
99 suitable planet to land on. The scout ship has been sent
110 out to investigate. I've got my fingers and toes crossed for
112 good news.



Quick Questions



1. On which day did they hear from another passenger ship?



2. What type of ship do you think they are on? Explain your answer.



3. This text is called **Diary of a Voyager**. Invent another name which sums up the text.



4. Compare how the person writing the diary is feeling on day 200 to how they are feeling on day 290.

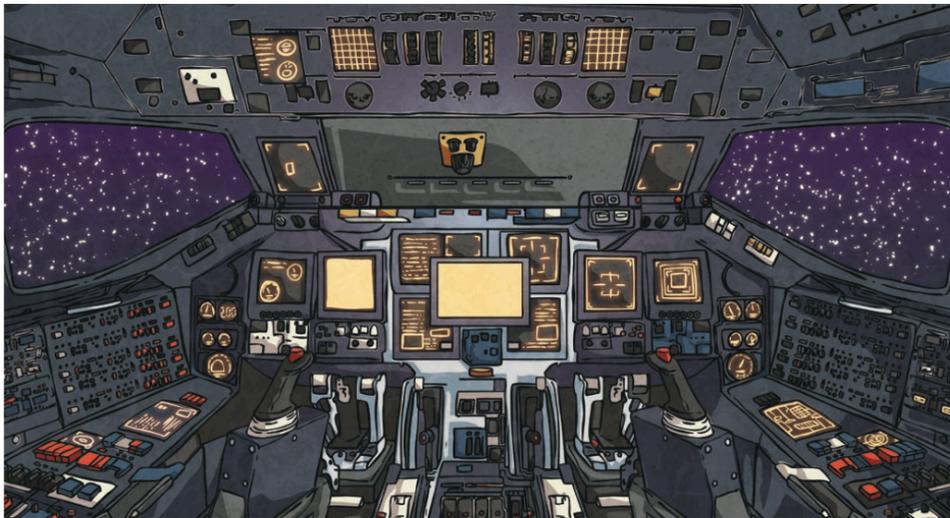
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Meg's Mission

11 With a hiss, the doors of the egg-shaped pod slid open
22 and Meg stepped out. "What is it? Has there been a
32 prob...?" she started before noticing that no one else was
43 in the room. In shock, she moved over to the cockpit.

52 The view was breathtaking. A vast blanket of sparkling
63 stars stretched in outer space as far as the eye could
73 see. Turning to look out of the opposite side, Meg
83 couldn't believe her eyes. Emerging from the base of the
92 window was an immense planet that was unlike any
96 Meg had seen before.

104 Remembering the device dangling around her neck, Meg
114 pulled it forward and trembled as she checked the date.



Quick Questions



1. Find and copy one word that means the same as **amazing**.



2. How was Meg feeling when she checked the device around her neck?



3. Number the events from 1-4 to show the order that they happened in.

Meg spotted the vast planet.

Meg checked the date on the device.

Meg stepped out of the pod.

Meg moved over to the cockpit.



4. What do you think Meg will do next?
