



Quick Check Life in Space

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Instructions: Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

- **1.** What is the author's purpose for writing this book?
 - A to inform readers about space missions
 - B to inform readers about the importance of exercise
 - © to persuade readers to be astronauts on the International Space Station
 - ① to inform readers about astronauts' lives before, during, and after work in space
- **2.** How does exercising in space compare to exercising on Earth?
 - Astronauts have to use less equipment to add resistance in space.
 - B Astronauts have to exercise for a longer period of time each day to stay strong.
 - C Astronauts have to work out for less time to get the desired results.
 - (D) Astronauts do not need to exercise while in space.

- 3. What does the word orbit mean?
 - (A) to revolve around
 - (B) to float
 - (C) to imitate
 - ① to restore
- **4.** What causes astronauts' bones and muscles to weaken in space?
 - (A) the lack of gravity
 - B the lack of exercise
 - (C) the strange sleep cycles
 - ① the unusual space food
- **5.** How is personal cleaning different on a space station?
 - Astronauts don't brush their teeth.
 - Astronauts don't use any water to clean themselves.
 - © Astronauts use shampoo without water.
 - ① Astronauts shower more frequently.



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- **6.** Why do astronauts go through so much training before heading to outer space?
 - (A) Astronauts train for fun because life in space is easy.
 - B Astronauts need strength to bear the extra gravity in outer space.
 - C Astronauts need to look good when they are working up in space.
 - D Astronauts' lives are very challenging, and they need to be fully prepared.
- 7. Which event happened first?
 - (A) The first part of the ISS launched.
 - (B) Apollo 8 orbited the moon.
 - © Mir was launched.
 - A Russian scientist spent438 days in space.
- **8.** Which word means the natural force that pulls objects toward each other?
 - A training
 - (B) nozzle
 - © gravity
 - ① cosmonaut

- **9.** Which of the following details supports the author's purpose to inform readers about an astronaut's life?
 - A You are about to begin your first day in space!
 - B Everyone should become an astronaut.
 - © You wake up just as the Sun is rising.
 - ① Astronauts sleep in "sleep pods" tied to the wall.
- **10.** What is a reason why space food is different from food on Earth?
 - A Some food eaten as it is on Earth could damage space station equipment.
 - B There is no water aboard the International Space Station.
 - © Astronauts need special foods they can easily digest while living in space.
 - ① Astronauts only eat food that can be refrigerated.





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11. Extended Response: How is living in space different from living on Earth? Provide at least three examples with details to support each example.

12. Extended Response: Why could an astronaut's work be described as "challenging"?

LEVEL Y

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Author's Purpose

- **1.** D Author's Purpose
- **2. B** Compare and Contrast
- **3.** (A) Vocabulary
- **4.** (A) Cause and Effect
- **5.** © Compare and Contrast
- **6.** (D) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **7.** B Sequence Events
- **8.** ① Vocabulary
- **9.** ① Author's Purpose
- **10.** (A) Cause and Effect
- 11. Answers will vary but should include at least three examples with details that show how living in space is different from living on Earth.
- 12. Answers will vary but should include evidence from the book that show the challenges an astronaut faces before, during, and after life in space.