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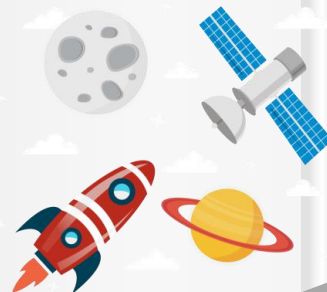


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Space Exploration

Reading for writing





learning objectives



- 1. Read the argumentative essay about space exploration**
- 2. Study the features of the argumentative essay**
- 3. Try to write an argumentative essay about space exploration**



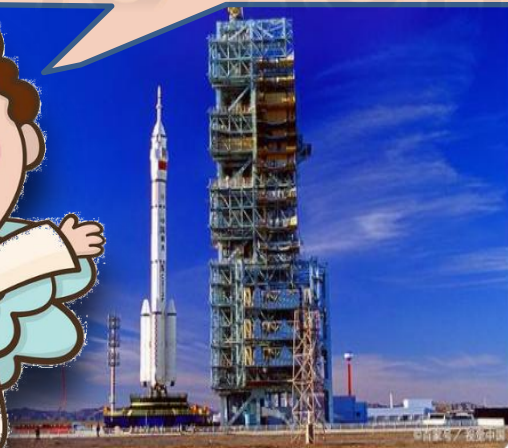
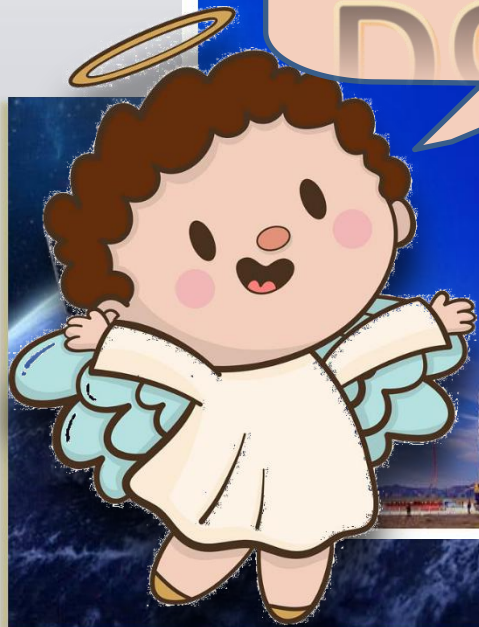
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Do you agree?

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世界各国



5、法国CNES: 31.6亿美元

6、日本JAXA: 30.6亿美元

7、德国DLR: 21.5亿美元

8、意大利ASI: 18亿美元

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Have A Debate



Different people, however, think quite differently on this issue.

Can you combine the two sides' opinions together?

1. Some people argue that..., **while** others disagree, they...
2. Some people argue that ... Others , **in contrast** , believe that ...
3. **Although** more and more people come to believe ... **there are still** others who **insist** that ...

《 Prediction 》

1. What kind of passage is it?
And the feature of this kind?
an argumentative essay

argument(论点), proof(论据),
reasoning(论证), **conclusion.**

2. Can you divide it into several
parts? and why?

IS EXPLORING SPACE A WASTE OF TIME AND MONEY?



NASA satellite image of Typhoon Goni

Countries around the globe are spending billions of dollars and lots of time on various space missions, whether to Mars or other planets much further away. Some people argue that we should stop wasting time and money exploring space. Instead, we should feed the world's poor and find more effective solutions to other problems, such as pollution and fatal diseases. However, others feel this is a shallow view which fails to realise how exploring space helps us.

Firstly, exploring space has already made a difference in the fight against world hunger. It has directly resulted in the many satellites that now orbit Earth. A number of the satellites record data on land and weather patterns. Then the data is transmitted back to Earth. After careful analysis, the scientists can provide useful recommendations and advice for farmers. As a result, space-based science has helped farming in its efforts to grow enough food to feed Earth's increasing population.

Secondly, space exploration has already promoted technological improvements that benefit us all. High-end products around the world are made to a higher standard now because of advanced technology which was first created to meet the requirements for space exploration. For example, space technologies have helped the research and development of different types of new material. They have also helped companies make better heart monitors, better power machines that doctors regularly use. Today, space technologies are widely used in all kinds of industries, and everyday products such as GPS, memory foam pillows, and smart phones are changing our lives.

Finally, sending spacecrafts into space has helped people to think about the world's problems and even to find ways to solve them. Seeing pictures of our planet as an island in a black sea made people realise that our planet's resources are limited. In order to provide for such a rapidly increasing population, scientists are trying to find planets that could one day be our new homes. The greatest attention at present is on Mars because it is closer to Earth. In the future, humans may live on both planets.

In closing, exploring space provides the world with many different benefits. Therefore, it should continue to be explored. It will provide better solutions to people's short-term and long-term problems.

list
the
proofs

echo the topic

conclusion



Reading



Is the topic clear and attractive?

Countries around the globe are spending billions of dollars and lots of time on various space missions, whether to Mars or other planets much further away. Some people argue that we should stop wasting time and

1. Nowadays, there is an increasingly hot topic about whether to...or not.

2. There is a drastic discussion about whether it is necessary to ... or not. (rewrite)

3. Nowadays there is a growing concern for...

4. Recently , ...has become the focus of the society.

《 Reading 》

1. What were the proofs to support writer's argument?

3. the topic sentences

How does the writer support his argument?(reasoning)

A. analyzing the data



listing examples

Firstly, then, besides (moreover, in addition (to that), apart from that, more importantly), last but

It made people realise

What's the function of last para? How?

To echo(呼应) the argument (writer's opinion)

In closing, exploring...different benefits.



Argumentative writing



Structure

1 topic, opinions of the claim, counter claim and **the author**

2 proofs (supporting details)

3 Repeat writer's opinion to echo ...



Writing



假设你是李华，最近你班就“垃圾是否要分类回收”进行了讨论。请根据讨论结果，写一封80词左右的信给某英文报社的编辑来报道此事。

注意：开头和结尾已给出，不计入总词数。

严峻形势	每天产生大量的垃圾，已成为令每个城市头疼的问题
垃圾分类的意义	1. 减少垃圾量和垃圾对环境的污染； 2. 是对垃圾进行有效处置的一种科学管理方法； 3. 回收资源，有利于改善生存环境质量和环境保护。
呼吁	政府采取有效措施并即刻行动，在公共场所放置不同的垃圾箱供居民投放分类垃圾



Sample



Recently, garbage sorting recycle has become a focus of the society. Some people argue that it's not necessary to do this. Others, in the contrast, think we should take actions right away, for society produces a large amount of rubbish every day. **And I agree with the latter.**

Firstly, rubbish classification can reduce the amount of rubbish and the rubbish pollution to the environment. **Secondly**, it is a scientific and effective way to manage rubbish. **Apart from that**, by classifying rubbish it allows us to recycle resources, which will improve the quality of our living conditions and help the environment.

In closing, **I definitely think** we should start the activity--- garbage sorting recycle immediately. **It will surely be beneficial to both our mankind, but also the environment.**