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Section 1 Comprehension I 16%

Read the passage and answer the questions below.

WOMAN ON THE MOON

Jane wanted to be an astronaut. She had wanted to be an astronaut since she was a small baby, when she would point at the stars as if to say "take me up there". Most of all, she wanted to visit the moon. Jane was born in 1959, and so was ten years old when the first moon landing took place. The Apollo 11 mission was all that she would talk about for months. She looked up to Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin as heroes, and she wanted to walk on the moon just like they did. She never forgot seeing Armstrong step out onto the moon for the first time, sat with her eyes glued to the television. It was the most amazing thing she had ever seen.

Jane wrote stories about going to the moon, drew pictures of the moon, even composed songs about going to the moon. Once, she made up a story about an astronaut called Mary Michaels who was the first woman to walk on the moon. She worked especially hard in science lessons at school; she wanted to understand how space travel worked. After all, if she was going to become an astronaut then she needed to know about **that**!

But in 1972, when Jane was thirteen years old, the Apollo 17 mission marked the last time that humans visited the moon. She was shocked and upset ― she hadn't had the chance to go yet, no woman had. She wondered why they could possibly want to stop sending people to the moon. She didn't care then about how expensive the moon missions were, or how dangerous. She just couldn't understand.

Jane became an adult eventually, and gave up her dreams of walking on the moon. Working hard in science class paid off, though, and she now works as a research scientist at NASA (the American space programme). Sometimes, though, at night when she looks up into the sky and sees the moon, she still wishes that she could have walked on its surface.

1. What was the year of the first moon landing? (2%)

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2. What do you think the phrase "eyes glued to the television" means? (2%)

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3. Who was Mary Michaels? (2%)

4. Why was Jane devastated by the Apollo 17 mission? (2%)

5. How many women have walked on the moon? (2%)

6. What does "that" at the end of the second paragraph refer to? (2%)

7. When did Jane give up her dreams of walking on the moon? What did she do instead? (4%)

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Section 2 Comprehension II 6%

When she was a child, Jane put this poster up at her school. Read it and then answer the questions that follow in short answers.

CALLING ALL ASTRONAUTS!

I am sure that you will all have seen the recent moon landing on television, and I am sure that you will have thought "I want to be up there too!". Well, I am starting a Space Club for everyone who wants to be an astronaut. We will learn all about space travel so that we will be ready when the time comes.

If you're brave and interested in space then come to my house (14 Montford Lane, Townville) at four o' clock on Tuesday 17th September. Juice and biscuits will be provided.

Space Club members must be over 10!

Jane Moreland

(for more information talk to me in the cafeteria)

1. What is the poster advertising? (1%)

2. Who is it for? (1%)

3. What does Jane want to get ready for? (1%)

4. When will the first meeting be taking place? (1%)

5. Can a seven year old attend? (1%)

6. What should someone do to find out more about space club? (1%)

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Section 3 Prepositions 9%

Below is an entry from Jane's diary. Fill in each blank with the correct preposition.

July 21st 1969

I gleamed with excitement yesterday when I was leaning __(1)__ the rails, watching the moon landing on the big screen. I watched all the interviews __(2)__ my parents urged me to go home. Since then I've been playing with my rocket made of paper and reading articles __(3)__ the landing all the time. I have decided __(4)__ become an astronaut when I grow up, and to be the first woman __(5)__ the world to walk __(6)__ the moon, but I know that I will be waiting for a while. In the meantime, I have taken __(7)__ myself the task __(8)__ monitoring the space news about the next moon mission and hope that it goes safely __(9)__ its way.

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Section 4 Tenses 9%

Below is an entry from Jane's diary. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs given.

Wednesday 18th September 1969

Yesterday I (1. hold) the first meeting of the Space Club. It was wonderful, and so I (2. feel) very happy now. I (3. have) another meeting next week ─ I hope that it (4. attract) even more people. I (5. plan) for it now. I (6. enjoy) learning about space for a while now, and so it was nice to do it with others. I (7. talk) about Apollo 11 at the club when my mum (8. come) in with drinks and biscuits for all of us. Because I (9. live) near to school lots of people could come.

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Section 5 Prefixes 9%

Choose the suitable prefix (un, dis, mis, in or im) and insert it into the blank space to complete the sentences.

Jane decided to enter a competition to meet Neil Armstrong, the first man on the moon. She thought winning would be __(1)__possible, but then she received a phone call saying that she'd won. Mr Armstrong talked about the __(2)__comfort in the spacecraft, how they could not afford to __(3)__calculate any part of the mission, and how his wife thought that he was __(4)__sane for flying into space. She worried about them having __(5)__sufficient fuel and was __(6)__patient when Armstrong was on the mission — she wanted him home as soon as possible. He said that you couldn't be __(7)__fit as an astronaut and needed lots of exercise, and that, __(8)__like being an army pilot like he was before, you needed to know a lot about science. He said that people who said that he didn't really land on the moon were __(9)__correct.

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Section 6 Pronouns (emphatic and reflexive) 9%

Below is a letter from Jane to her pen-friend in Florida. Choose the suitable emphatic or reflexive pronouns to insert into the blanks.

Dear Jess,

You said in your last letter that you had hurt __(1)__ last month so I hope that you are feeling better. I couldn't believe it __(2)__ when you told me about the accident — I hope that the driver has apologised! He needs to take a good look at __(3)__. My mum was involved in a car accident last year, and she said it wasn't the accident __(4)__ that was the problem but the fear afterwards.

Anyway, more importantly, I met Neil Armstrong last month after winning a competition! We all went to New York — we couldn't afford a flight so we had to drive there __(5)__ — and I talked to him for an hour. Neil __(6)__ was very friendly, but his assistant wasn't. She would help __(7)__ a lot by being a bit nicer. But overall I had a wonderful time. My brother enjoyed __(8)__ even though he doesn't like space, and my parents enjoyed __(9)__ because they love New York. Perhaps we'll come to Florida next!

From Jane

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Section 7 Proofreading 8%

Read the following instructions and then correct the sentences below. There is one mistake in each sentence.

a. Missing word – Draw an arrow (^) and write the missing word in the answer column.
b. Extra word – Cross out (X) the extra word and write it in the answer column.
c. Wrong word(s) / Spelling mistake – Underline the wrong word(s)/spelling mistake and write the correct answer in the answer column.

1. Jane was a very adventure young girl.	1. _____
2. She was fascinated by a space travel.	2. _____
3. It was what she cared the most.	3. _____
4. Neil Armstrong was the toppest astronaut in this mission.	4. _____
5. Jane wanted to meet him, so that she entered the competition.	5. _____
6. Jane often imagined meet him.	6. _____
7. Jane never became an astronaut when she grows up.	7. _____
8. Instead she became a scientists at NASA.	8. _____

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Section 8 Relative Pronouns 8%

Below is some information about Neil Armstrong. Fill in the blanks with the suitable relative pronouns (where, whose, which, that, who).

Neil Armstrong was an astronaut __(1)__ was the first person to walk on the moon. Armstrong, __(2)__ father worked as an auditor, worked as a pilot for a long time, __(3)__ helped him a lot when he became an astronaut. The place __(4)__ he grew up was very small. The spacecraft __(5)__ took Armstrong to the moon was called Saturn V, and the man __(6)__ walked on the moon with him was called Buzz Aldrin. The American space programme, __(7)__ built Saturn V, sent other people to the moon after Armstrong, but Armstrong did not go again. The moon was a place __(8)__ he would never walk again.

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Section 9 Conditional Tenses 8%

Suzy writes an article for the school newspaper. For each blank, fill in the correct form of the given verb.

Jane is a very bright student. If she __(1. continue)__ to work hard, then she __(2. have)__ great success in the future. She __(3. also make)__ a big difference in the world if she __(4. try)__ as hard as she has been doing next year. Jane particularly loves science lessons. I __(5. give)__ her the job of school science ambassador if she __(6. keep up)__ the good work, and perhaps I __(7. allow)__ her to become Head Girl if she __(8. remain)__ as polite as ever. Overall it has been an excellent year for her.

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Section 10 Open Cloze 5%

Fill in each blank with one suitable word.

Jane went on to become a NASA scientist when (1) grew (2). She worked with very (3) rockets – in fact, these rockets had so much power that Jane was one of the only scientists in the world who was trained to handle them! She is looking forward to (4) back to her home town next week to give a lecture at her old school. There (5) a lot of students who will be very interested in what she has to say.

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Section 11 Articles 9%

Jane has written a poem. Fill in each blank with "a", "an", "the" or "X" if nothing is needed.

A View from the Moon

I can see (1) world below,
It is such (2) beautiful thing.
It looks like (3) enormous blueberry
And makes me want to sing!

I can see (4) Himalayas,
And (5) large storm cloud above.
I can see (6) Sahara Desert –
It's a view which I just love!

Some people down there will be going to (7) school,
While some will be going to (8) bed.
Meanwhile, I just want to stay in (9) space
And look at this view forever instead.

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Section 12 Comparatives and Superlatives 8%

Fill in the blanks with the correct comparative or superlative form of the adjectives in brackets.

1. The earth is ___(1)___ (large) than the moon.
2. Neil Armstrong is the ___(2)___ (wealthy) astronaut ever.
3. Being an astronaut is ___(3)___ (exciting) than any other job.
4. Jane's hair is ___(4)___ (dark) than her sister's hair.
5. She is the ___(5)___ (good) poet in her school.
6. Mount Everest is the ___(6)___ (tall) mountain on earth.
7. A spaceship is much ___(7)___ (big) than an aeroplane.
8. Being an astronaut is not the ___(8)___ (easy) job in the world.

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