**Summative Assessment for Term 4**

**Class:** 10th

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| **Learning objectives:** | 10.2.7 Understand speaker viewpoints and extent of explicit agreement between speakers on a range of general and curricular topics.10.4.2 Understand specific information and detail in extended texts on a range of familiar general and curricular topics, and some unfamiliar topics.10.5.2 Use a growing range of vocabulary, which is appropriate to topic and genre, and which is spelt accurately.10.5.3 Write with grammatical accuracy on a range of familiar general and curricular topics.10.5.6 Write coherently at text level using a variety of connectors on a range of familiar general and curricular topics. 10.1.7 Develop and sustain a consistent argument when speaking or writing10.3.3 Explain and justify own and others’ point of view on a wide range of general and curricular topics. |

LISTENING

**Task 1. Listen to the recording and choose the best option A, B, C or D.** Use the link to listen: <http://www.esl-lab.com/story1/storysc1.htm>

1. Where was the man coming from when he first saw the Unidentified Flying Object (UFO)?

A. He was returning home from a party.

B. He just got off work when he saw the UFO.

C. He was driving home from a restaurant.

D. He was returning home from the school.

2. What time did the man report the incident to the police?

A. about 12:00 AM

B. about 2:00 AM

C. about 5:00 AM

D. about 3.00 AM

3. What jumped out in front of the man’s car?

A. a giant deer

B. a strange man

C. a hairy clown

D. a hairy creature

**Task 2. Fill in the gaps with NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS:**

4. The beast picked up the front of my car and said, "Get out of the car. I'm taking you to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_!"

5. When I did not get out of the car, the beast opened the car door, carried me on his shoulders to this round-shaped \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and well, that is when I woke up alongside the road.

6. We have a great \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that deals with THESE kinds of cases.

**Total 6 points**

READING

**Task 3. Read the text and complete the summary.**

**Space Flight Tourism**

Falcon 1’s successful launch on 28th of September was an outstanding achievement for the fledgeling space tourism industry. When a rocket made by Space X in Hawthorne, California, reached an orbit of 500 kilometres from the Earth, it became possible for privately developed rocket too.

Two days after the launch, Virgin Galactic started a business with the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration which will be accepted by US scientists as a way of researching climate change using a spacecraft.

No doubt the civilian space flight industry is an exciting area and this was apparent at the International Aeronautical Congress in Glasgow last month. It displayed slick promotional videos, and models of the “Nearly Ready” spacecraft in orbit to the people who would be investing money in the project.

However, in spite of increasing confidence, it is also necessary to be cautious: can a civilian spacecraft be safe like holiday airlines? Gerardine Goh, a lawyer at DLR, the German Aerospace Centre in Bonn and a member of Germany’s delegation to the UN’s Office of Outer Space Affairs reported that as it is not global, there need to be enforceable regulations in place to guarantee the safety of a civilian spacecraft. She said, “Ships should be equipped to be seaworthy, aircraft should be equipped to be airworthy but there is no legislation in place to ensure that a spacecraft is spaceworthy.”

At the International Association for the Advancement of Space Safety, Goh is planning to press the UN to force civilian space operators to warrant which spacecraft are designed and built to minimum safety standards. She says, “Mass commercial space flight does not currently have international safety regulations.” and “We deeply need a UN treaty which offers us this.”

One way companies are planning to transport tourists into space is with a “mother ship”, an aircraft which carries a rocket at an altitude of 16 kilometres before launching it, says Goh. “But with launching the aircraft, the ICAO’s air safety standards only apply to the mother ship and the rocket capsule until they are separated. After that, we do not have any safety standards for the capsule itself. It is a critical problem.”

From 16 kilometres to the Karman line, the point of 100 kilometres up where space is considered to start, the rocket will be travelling within a legal vacuum. Here, lawyers cannot agree on whether it is a plane or a rocket. Some insist that if you are in a well-equipped functioning rocket, more strict safety measures should try to be incorporated into the spaceship’s design.

The other aspects of the UN’s 1967 treaty for outer space exploration may be discussed again if civilian space flight turns out to be successful. For example, countries must consider how to rescue and repatriate astronauts crashing or landing in their land. Also, governments have to decide if the money generated by the space flight industry will be enough to cover the cost of rescuing space tourists.

Civilian space flight companies are very aware of the risks in this field as they have already had the experience of dealing with a tragedy. Unfortunately, three engineers were killed and another three were severely injured in 2007, when nitrous oxide rocket fuel suddenly exploded during fuel flow tests at a Scaled Composites facility in Mojave, California. The company is establishing WhiteKnightTwo, a carrier aircraft and SpaceShip Two, a six seater rocket for Virgin Galactic. The facility was regulated by California's health and safety regulator, and it has now modified its technology to decrease the risks.

However, space flight’s dangers are far from just fuel issues. According to Laurent Gathier of Dassault Aviation developing the VSH of a rocketpowered sub-orbital tourist space plane, other critical safety factors are with depressurization risks, passengers close to the engine and the activities of flight trajectories including cosmic ray shielding.

Civilian space companies should incorporate the safety features into their designs. For instance, the VSH will equip an ejector seat for all tourists and staff. It is a device for bailing out of the spacecraft with a default of 40,000 feet (12 kilometres).

Goh’s vision is essentially against the Federal Aviation Administration Office of Commercial Space Transportation (AST) and does not have any schemes to regulate civilian space flight safety until 2012. The Commercial Space Launch Amendments Act of 2004 mentions that George Nield as AST chief said, the civilian space flight regulation must not “stifle” the developing technologies with inconvenient rules.

Before launching, a hands-off approach to civilian space flight could be quite risky. Goh said, “A lack of safety standards and a lot of operational burdens will leave a commercial space flight in the dangerous activity categories in terms of the insurance.” It means insurance costs will be very high. Critics who are developing safety standards also insist that the “at-your-own-risk” mentality that is applied to risky sports like scuba-diving should also be applied to civilian space flight.

**Complete the summary. Choose NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS from the passage for each answer.**

On 28 September the emerging space tourism industry was enormous. In Hawthorne, California, a rocket was erected by 1)…………… . Climate change was monitored by 2)…………… in US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration using its spacecraft. In Glasgow, at the International Aeronautical meeting, it is apparent that civilian space flight industry is growing, as it showed the 3)…………… spacecraft which promised sub-orbital flights. Although developing confirmation, non-regulation is clear to guarantee 4)…………… A method for space business is cooperating with a 5)…………… conveyable at 16 kilometres in the skies. From 16 kilometres to 100 kilometres’ travelling may be available, but lawyers definitely cannot agree with whether it is a 6)…………… or a rocket. 7)…………… need to be revisited if civilian space flight proves successful.

**Task 4. Complete each sentence with the correct ending A-I below. Write the correct letter A-I.**

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| 8) Civilian space flight companies9) Laurent Gathier10) VSH devised for a safety11) AST chief George Nield12) Insurance costs13) Critics | A) assisted some minimum safety standards may prevent that.B) emphasised a civilian space flight must not be under a severe regulation for technical advancement.C) hardly need a reminder of the danger when considering past experiences.D) will protect a commercial space flight.E) try to develop a module of safety regulations applied to civilian space flight.F) made up for an ejector seat for tourists and the crew in case of a craft emergency in the skies.G) indicated the main safety problems were with passengers' proximity to the powerful engine.H) believed that scuba-diving should be applied to civilian space flight.I) kept costs stratospheric. |

**Total 6 points**

WRITING

**Task 5. Choose ONE topic to write a For-and-Against essay. Use 250 words maximum. Give reasons.**

Topic 1. Advantages and Disadvantages of Space Exploration

Topic 2. Advantages and Disadvantages of Space Tourism

**Total 6 points**

SPEAKING

**Task 6. Talk for 1-2 min on the topic. The following questions will help you organise your speaking:**

1. Will humans ever travel to different solar systems? Why or why not?

2. What is the most interesting thing you know about space?

3. Have you ever seen any of the following movies: ET, Alien, Star Wars? Which one is your favorite? Why?

4. Which planet in our solar system would you most want to visit?

5. How is the Earth unique in our solar system?

6. Do you think life exact on other solar systems?

**Total 6 points**

KEYS

LISTENING

A

C

D

my master

flying saucer

Therapist

READING Space flight tourism reading

1 Space X

2 US scientists

3 Nearly Ready

4 safety

5 mother ship

6 plane

7 UN'S 1967 treaty

8 C

9 G

10 F

11 B

12 I

13 E