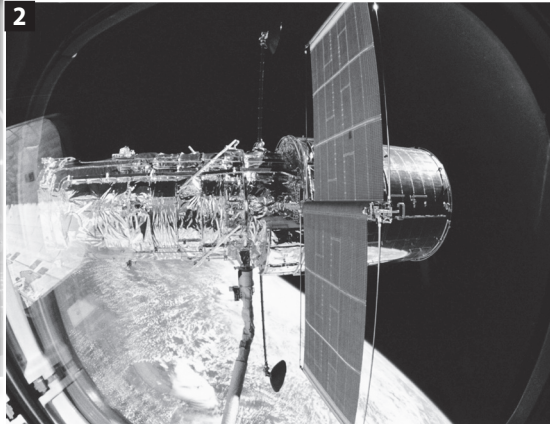
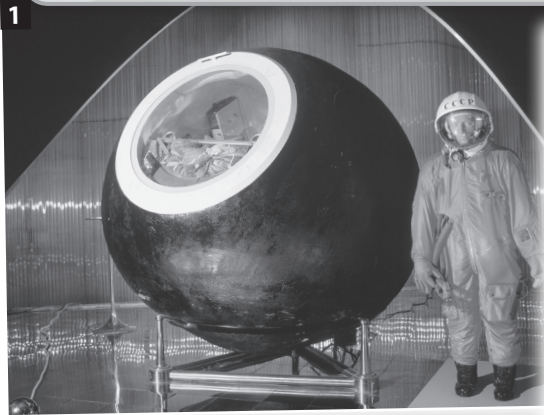


International cultural knowledge – Space exploration



1 Look at the pictures. What do they show?

Picture 1
Picture 2
Picture 3

2 Below are four short texts describing exhibitions about space. Match each picture with the correct exhibition.

Picture 1 Picture 2 Picture 3

A The Man on the Moon

This forthcoming exhibition looks into the history of human space travel since 1961. On display will be objects, photos, and audio/video recordings from human space journeys including a space suit that visitors will be invited to try on. The exhibition includes computers on which visitors will be able to watch live transmissions from space centres such as astronaut training sessions and spacecraft launches. It will open for three months from 1 June.

B Spaceship Enterprises

This exhibition, which opens next month, focuses on the amazing array of spacecraft that have enabled us to explore our universe. It includes a space module used in an unmanned mission and a full-size model of the lunar research vehicle *Lunokhod*. From 20–22 May there will be a visit from a European Space Agency astronaut who will give talks and answer visitors' questions.

C Space 2100

This exhibition, which showcases photos, documents, spacecraft models and computer graphics from all the world's space agencies, has had rave reviews from visitors young and old. It has three main strands: the incredible missions that space agencies have planned but never actually carried out; the missions that are planned for the next decade; and the missions that five space experts predict may be undertaken before the year 2100. The exhibition closes on 31 May.

D A View of Space

With the space-watching world now expecting fantastic things from the James Webb space telescope (JWST), this popular exhibition looks back at how space telescopes have evolved since their earliest days. It also looks forward to what JWST will be able to achieve. There is also a mind-blowing display of photos taken by the Hubble telescope of planets, stars, galaxies and the clusters in which they group themselves. In the 'Gazer's Room' visitors may try out telescopes used by both amateur and professional stargazers.

3 Match the words and definitions.

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| 1 transmissions <u>e</u> | a wide range |
| 2 array | b incredible |
| 3 unmanned | c a group of things that are close or stuck together |
| 4 lunar | d exhibits |
| 5 showcases | e broadcasts |
| 6 strands | f connected with or belonging to the moon |
| 7 mind-blowing | g informal word for astronomers |
| 8 clusters | h without a human in it |
| 9 stargazers | i parts or elements |

4 Match these sentences to the correct text or texts. Some have more than one answer.

- Visitors cannot yet see this exhibition. A, B
- It includes exhibits which focus on the future of space exploration.
- Visitors can meet someone who has been into space.
- A spacecraft has been put in this exhibition.
- It shows the huge range of things that exist in space.
- Visitors can handle/use some of the objects on display.
- There is some information about unsuccessful space projects in this exhibition.
- Visitors can view events that are happening at the moment.

5 Read the texts in 2 again. Which of these exhibitions would you most like to see? Why?

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