



Space Tourism

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Space is a very special place. For many years, only **astronauts** could go to space. They trained for many years and worked for governments. But now, things are changing. Today, regular people can buy a ticket and travel to space. This is called space tourism.

A space **tourist** is a person who pays to travel to space. They are not scientists or pilots. They are regular people who want to see Earth from above. Some space tourists are rich because space travel is very expensive. A ticket can cost millions of dollars.

Space **rockets** carry tourists into the sky. The rocket goes very fast and leaves Earth's atmosphere. Once in space, tourists can feel **weightless**. This means they float around like they have no weight at all. It is a very exciting feeling! They can also see the stars very clearly.

Some companies now offer trips to space. The spacecraft goes into **orbit** around Earth. From there, tourists can look down and see the blue oceans and green lands below. The trip does not last very long — usually just a few hours or days.

Space tourism is growing fast. In the future, there may be hotels in space! More companies are building rockets to take people there. Scientists think that one day, space travel will be normal, just like flying on an airplane. Maybe you will go to space one day!

A. Vocabulary

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| 1. astronaut ____ | a. invisible force that pulls objects toward Earth |
| 2. tourist ____ | b. curved path a spacecraft travels around Earth or another planet |
| 3. rocket ____ | c. large round object in space that moves around a star |
| 4. weightless ____ | d. layer of air and gases that surrounds Earth |
| 5. orbit ____ | e. powerful vehicle that flies very fast and carries people or objects into space |
| 6. spacecraft ____ | f. feeling of floating because gravity is not pulling you down |
| 7. gravity ____ | g. vehicle built to travel in space |
| 8. launch ____ | h. send a rocket or spacecraft into the sky to begin a space trip |
| 9. planet ____ | i. trained person who travels and works in space |
| 10. atmosphere ____ | j. person who travels to a new place for fun or experience |

B. True or False

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| ____ 1. Space tourism means regular people can travel to space. | ____ 2. Space tourists feel weightless when they are in space. |
| ____ 3. Space travel is very expensive. | ____ 4. Rockets are used to carry tourists into space. |
| ____ 5. Tourists in orbit can see Earth's oceans and land from above. | ____ 6. Only astronauts can travel to space today. |
| ____ 7. Space tourists are all scientists or government pilots. | ____ 8. A space tourism ticket costs less than a normal airplane ticket. |

___ 9. Tourists in space feel very heavy and cannot move easily.

___ 10. There are already many hotels in space.

C. Fill in the Blanks

Word Bank: rocket, tourist, weightless, orbit, astronaut, gravity, launch, atmosphere

1. A person who pays to travel to space for fun is called a space _____.
2. The spacecraft goes into _____ around Earth, moving in a curved path.
3. In space, you feel _____ because gravity does not pull you down.
4. A _____ is a powerful vehicle that carries people and objects into space.
5. A trained person who travels and works in space is called an _____.



D. Comprehension Questions

1. What is space tourism?
2. How do tourists feel when they are in space, and why?
3. What can space tourists see when their spacecraft is in orbit around Earth?

E. Discussion Questions

1. Would you like to travel to space one day? Why or why not?
2. What do you think would be the most exciting or scary thing about being a space tourist?



Answer Key

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A. Vocabulary: 1-i, 2-j, 3-e, 4-f, 5-b, 6-g, 7-a, 8-h, 9-c, 10-d

B. True/False: 1-T, 2-T, 3-T, 4-T, 5-T, 6-F, 7-F, 8-F, 9-F, 10-F

C. Fill Blanks: 1-tourist, 2-orbit, 3-weightless, 4-rocket, 5-astronaut

D. Comprehension:

1. Space tourism is when regular people pay money to travel to space, not just trained astronauts.
2. Tourists feel weightless in space because there is no gravity pulling them down, so they float around freely.
3. Space tourists can look down and see Earth's blue oceans and green lands from high above.

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