

Video Zone: Mars One introduction film – exercises

Would you like to go and live on Mars? There are plans for a group of scientists to settle on Mars in 2023.

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the video and do the exercises. Remember you can read the transcript at any time.

Preparation

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–h next to the numbers 1–8.

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| 1..... to establish | a. newspapers, television, the internet, radio and magazines |
| 2..... a settlement | b. a type of machine used to travel on planet surfaces |
| 3..... the media | c. to start something that will exist for a long time |
| 4..... the globe | d. a place that can be lived in |
| 5..... a private enterprise | e. ideas that you think are nonsense |
| 6..... mumbo-jumbo | f. a place where people will live and make into a community |
| 7..... habitable | g. a business that is owned and managed by independent people or businesses and not by the government |
| 8..... a planetary rover | h. the world |

1. Check your understanding: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

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| 1. | The first group of five humans will land on Mars in 2023. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 2. | Prof. Dr Gerard T Hooft has changed his initial view of the project. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 3. | Humans last went to Mars in the 1970s. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. | The crew will not be coming back from Mars. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. | The mission will be financed by creating the biggest media event ever. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. | Aerospace companies from around the world will supply the equipment. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 7. | Government and taxpayers' money will also help finance the project. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 8. | The first humans to go there will prepare the settlement for the arrival of the others. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

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9. The journey to Mars will take seven years. *True False*
10. Prof. Dr Gerard T Hooft is completely positive about the project. *True False*

2. Check your understanding: multiple choice

Circle the best answer to these questions.

1. Mars One will establish a human settlement on Mars in _____.
- a. 2023 b. 2020 c. 2032
2. The last time that humans walked on the moon was in _____.
- a. 1979 b. 1792 c. 1972
3. In _____, a communications satellite and a supply mission will be sent to Mars.
- a. 2016 b. 2017 c. 2018
4. Then, in _____, a large planetary rover will be sent to Mars.
- a. 2020 b. 2018 c. 2016
5. Next, in _____, living units, life support units, a rover and more supplies will be sent to Mars.
- a. 2021 b. 2022 c. 2020
6. When the settlement is fully operational and habitable, a crew will then depart in September _____.
- a. 2023 b. 2022 c. 2024

Discussion

Would you apply for the job to live on Mars?

What do you think about the Mars One project?