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For this paper you must have:

- **a clean copy of the pre-release SOURCES A, B, C and D**
- **a calculator.**



INSTRUCTIONS

- **Use black ink or black ball-point pen.**
- **Answer ALL questions.**
- **You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do NOT write on blank pages.**
- **If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).**
- **Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.**



INFORMATION

- **You will be provided with copies of the pre-release SOURCES A, B, C and D.**
- **There are two sections in this paper – SECTION A and SECTION B.**
- **You should answer all questions in each section.**
You should spend approximately 1 hour on SECTION A and 30 minutes on SECTION B.
- **The marks for questions are shown in brackets.**
- **The maximum mark for this paper is 60.**



ADVICE

- Read each question carefully.

**DO NOT TURN OVER UNTIL TOLD
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SECTION A

This section is based on SOURCES A, B, C and D.

Answer ALL the questions in this section.

01

SOURCE A describes NASA's celebrations to commemorate the Apollo 11 landing on the moon.

Use SOURCE A to answer Question 01.

01.1

In what year did Apollo 11 land on the moon? [1 mark]



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**Calculate the world population in the year that Apollo 11 landed on the moon.
[1 mark]**

World population = _____ million

[Turn over]



01.3

As part of the celebrations, NASA showed the original moonwalk on NASA TV.

A video of the moonwalk could also be watched on YouTube.

What was the total number of people who had watched the moonwalk on either NASA TV or YouTube? [1 mark]

Use SOURCE A.

Tick (✓) ONE box.

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**SOURCE A states that NASA was
‘looking forward to its next giant leap’.**

**What was NASA planning as its next
giant leap?
[1 mark]**

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02

SOURCE B describes the difficulties involved in landing on the moon.

Use SOURCE B to answer Question 02.

02.1

How many successful soft-landings have there been on the moon? [1 mark]

Tick (✓) ONE box.

☐**19**☐**22**☐**25**☐**30**

02.2

**Give TWO issues that could cause an UNSUCCESSFUL moon landing.
[2 marks]**

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02.3

It can be argued that moon landings are more successful if they have people on board the spacecraft.

Give TWO pieces of evidence to show how SOURCE B supports this view.
[2 marks]

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Give TWO ways that NASA is planning to increase the chance of successful landings in the future.

Do NOT refer to having people on board the spacecraft. [2 marks]

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Sport and exercise scientists are some of the many types of scientists employed by NASA.

Suggest the role of a sport and exercise scientist working for NASA. [2 marks]

03.2

SOURCE B refers to spacecraft from several different countries.

Give the names of TWO spacecraft and the country that each comes from.
[2 marks]

Spacecraft 1 _____

Country _____

Spacecraft 2 _____

Country _____

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04

SOURCE C describes a NASA mission to investigate the possibility of life on Europa.

Living organisms require water to survive.

Evidence suggests that there may be oceans below the crust of Europa.

Use SOURCE C to answer Question 04.

04.1

**Give ONE piece of evidence that NASA has that there may be water on Europa.
[1 mark]**



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Give TWO OTHER conditions required for living organisms that scientists believe may be present on Europa.
[2 marks]

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05

No spacecraft has ever landed on Europa.

Use SOURCE C to answer Question 05.

05.1

What conditions around Jupiter have prevented spacecraft from landing on Europa. [1 mark]

05.2

Why have these conditions prevented spacecraft from landing on Europa?
[1 mark]

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05.3

Give TWO measurements that Europa Clipper will make during its mission.
[2 marks]

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How will the Europa Clipper take measurements from Europa if it cannot land on Europa? [1 mark]

[Turn over]



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SOURCE C states that Europa Clipper is ‘not the only mission heading for Europa’.

Give TWO ways that the Jupiter Icy Moons Explorer mission is different to the Europa Clipper mission. [2 marks]

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2 _____

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SOURCE D refers to the space exploration plans of Elon Musk and his company SpaceX.

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Give ONE reason why the author of SOURCE D believes that SpaceX will succeed. [1 mark]

[Turn over]



06.2

The author of SOURCE D states that ‘the risks of contaminating Mars, injuring astronauts and damaging the environment are very real’.

Describe how sending humans to Mars could cause each risk. [3 marks]

Contaminating Mars _____



Injuring astronauts _____

Damaging the environment _____

[Turn over]



06.3

Give TWO actions that the author of SOURCE D believes could reduce the risks in Question 06.2. [2 marks]

1 _____

2 _____

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You are employed by NASA to promote space exploration and encourage post-16 students towards a career in the space industry.

You have been asked to recommend articles for post-16 students.

The articles should:

- **be effective at promoting space exploration and a career in the space industry**
- **use effective language and structure which is appropriate for the students**
- **come from valid sources.**

Describe the effectiveness and validity of SOURCES A, B, C and D. [9 marks]



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SECTION B

Answer ALL questions in this section.

08

TABLE 1 opposite shows data on eight planets in our solar system.





TABLE 1

PLANET	Distance from the Sun / km	Time taken to orbit the Sun / Earth days	Diameter / km
EARTH	149 600 000	365	12 756
JUPITER	778 330 000	4 328	142 984
MARS	227 940 000	687	6 805
MERCURY	57 910 000	88	4 879
NEPTUNE	4 501 000 000	60 190	49 528
SATURN	1 424 600 000	10 759	116 464
URANUS	2 873 550 000	30 687	51 118
VENUS	108 200 000	225	12 104

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Use the data in TABLE 1 on page 35 to answer Question 08.

08.1

Give TWO facts about Mercury in comparison to the other planets.
[2 marks]

1 _____

2 _____

08.2

Which planet is the closest to the EARTH? [1 mark]

08.3

Describe the relationship between the distance from the Sun and the time taken to orbit the Sun. [1 mark]

[Turn over]



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One Earth year is the time it takes for the Earth to orbit the Sun.

**Calculate how many Earth years it would take for Saturn to orbit the Sun.
[2 marks]**

Number of Earth years = _____



08.5

There is no relationship between the diameter of the planet and the distance from the Sun.

Give TWO pieces of evidence from TABLE 1 on page 35 to show there is no relationship. [2 marks]

1 _____

2 _____

[Turn over]



Ceres is a dwarf planet in our solar system.

Ceres takes 4.6 Earth years to orbit the Sun.

08.6

Suggest the position of Ceres in our solar system.

Use data from TABLE 1 on page 35.
[2 marks]



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FIGURE 1 below shows information published in NOVEMBER 2019 about space telescopes.

FIGURE 1

- **One million observations have been made using the Hubble Space Telescope (also known as Hubble) since its launch in 1990.**
- **Hubble orbits the Earth 550 kilometres above the Earth's surface.**
- **16 000 peer-reviewed scientific articles have been written using data from Hubble and these have been referenced 800 000 times in further articles.**
- **NASA plans to launch the James Webb Space Telescope (known as JWST) in 2021 at a cost of \$10 billion.**



- **JWST has a circular mirror with a radius of 3.25 metres.**
- **Hubble has a circular mirror with a radius of 1.20 metres.**
- **JWST will be 1.5 million kilometres from Earth.**

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Calculate the mean number of observations made using Hubble EACH YEAR between its launch and when the data in FIGURE 1 on pages 42 and 43 was published.
[2 marks]

Mean number of observations each year = _____



09.2

Calculate the mean number of times each peer-reviewed article has been referenced in a further article. [1 mark]

Mean number = _____

[Turn over]



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Give ONE reason why an author would choose to refer to a peer-reviewed article in their own article. [1 mark]



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09.4

NASA claims that the mirror used in JWST has an area which is more than 7 times bigger than the mirror used in Hubble.

Show that this claim is correct.

Use calculations and data from FIGURE 1 on pages 42 and 43.

**The equation for the area of
a circle = πr^2**

**where $\pi = 3.14$ and r = radius of
the circle.**

[3 marks]

[Turn over]



09.5

Suggest ONE reason why a bigger mirror will make JWST a better space telescope than Hubble. [1 mark]

09.6

Different types of scientists are involved in constructing and using space telescopes such as Hubble and JWST.

Give the name of each type of scientist described opposite. [2 marks]



Scientist who does tests to determine what space telescopes should be made from.

Scientist who studies planets and the solar system using a space telescope.

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