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Jade Rabbit sends photos from the Moon

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THE READING

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China's expedition to the Moon sent back its first photos of the surface. The Jade Rabbit rover is the first to drive on the Moon for 40 years. Chinese scientists were very happy with the photos. They were of an area called the Bay of Rainbows. They showed the Chinese flag on the rover. Jade Rabbit will do tests ahead of the possible mining of the Moon's resources. China said its mission was an important part of exploring "the peaceful use of space".

A China newspaper said the Moon landing was a great achievement. It showed the importance of China as a space power. It added that nothing compared with the scientific significance of the Moon landing. The mission means China's dream of putting a man on the moon will happen sooner rather than later. Chinese science fiction writers are also happy. One said: "I think everything will look differently when a Chinese person looks at Earth from the Moon."

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MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1312/131218-jade-rabbit-4.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. China's expedition | a. the surface |
| 2. photos of | b. to the Moon |
| 3. the first to drive on the | c. use of space |
| 4. They showed the | d. the Moon's resources |
| 5. the possible mining of | e. Moon for 40 years |
| 6. exploring the peaceful | f. Chinese flag |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. the Moon landing was a | a. as a space power |
| 2. It showed the importance of China | b. than later |
| 3. nothing | c. a man on the moon |
| 4. China's dream of putting | d. great achievement |
| 5. sooner rather | e. differently |
| 6. everything will look | f. compared |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1312/131218-jade-rabbit-4.html>

(1) _____ the Moon sent back its first photos of the surface. The Jade Rabbit rover is the (2) _____ the Moon for 40 years. Chinese (3) _____ happy with the photos. They were of an area called the Bay of Rainbows. They showed the Chinese flag on the rover. Jade Rabbit will (4) _____ of the possible mining of the Moon's resources. China (5) _____ was an important part of exploring "the (6) _____ space".

A China newspaper said the Moon landing (7) _____. It showed the importance of China (8) _____. It added that nothing compared with the (9) _____ of the Moon landing. The mission means China's (10) _____ a man on the moon will happen sooner rather than later. Chinese (11) _____ are also happy. One said: "I think everything (12) _____ when a Chinese person looks at Earth from the Moon."

JADE RABBIT SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Jade Rabbit in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

