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Moon vacations possible by 2024

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THE ARTICLE

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WARM-UPS

1. TRAVEL: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about travel. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

website / price comparisons / predictions / travel / vacation choices / collaboration / spectacular / space travel / hotel rooms / supersonic aircraft / danger zone / dining

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. FUTURE TRAVEL: Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Advantages	Disadvantages
Moon tourism		
Intercontinental rail links		
Airplanes 20 times faster		
No passports		
Drone air-taxis		
Personal virtual tour guides		

4. TOURISM: Students A **strongly** believe tourism is beneficial to local cultures; Students B **strongly** believe it isn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

5. DESTINATIONS: Rank these with your partner. Put the best destinations at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- the Moon
- hotels in space
- Great Barrier Reef resort
- Mt Everest summit hotel
- Antarctica resort
- Buckingham Palace
- Sahara desert
- heart of the Amazon

6. GLOBE: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "globe". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

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1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- | | |
|---|-------|
| a. A hotel chain made predictions about travelling in the future. | T / F |
| b. The article said there will be water on the Moon in 2024. | T / F |
| c. The travel report should please people who want excitement. | T / F |
| d. The report was written by travel and technology experts. | T / F |
| e. The report says tickets for space travel will be heated. | T / F |
| f. A seat on a Virgin Galactic space flight is \$250,000. | T / F |
| g. The report says underwater hotel rooms will be common in the future. | T / F |
| h. The report says there will be little change to how we shop or dine. | T / F |

2. SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.

- | | |
|------------------|--------------------|
| 1. provides | a. inexpensive |
| 2. hire | b. forecasts |
| 3. predictions | c. normal |
| 4. unimaginable | d. joint effort |
| 5. collaboration | e. eye-catching |
| 6. spectacular | f. makes available |
| 7. affordable | g. arrival |
| 8. explosion | h. unheard of |
| 9. mainstream | i. increase |
| 10. emergence | j. rental |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. A website that provides price | a. tourism |
| 2. car | b. seeking traveller |
| 3. in the not-too- | c. between travel experts |
| 4. the thrill- | d. travel option |
| 5. the collaboration | e. proposition |
| 6. lining | f. comparisons for flights |
| 7. make it a more affordable | g. in shopping and dining |
| 8. become a mainstream | h. distant future |
| 9. the emergence of "danger-zone" | i. up |
| 10. futuristic advances | j. hire |

GAP FILL

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A website that provides price (1) _____ for flights, hotels and car hire across the globe has made some (2) _____ predictions for what travel will look like in a (3) _____ from now. Perhaps the most (4) _____ destination for 2024 holidaymakers will be a trip to the Moon or a stay in space. The site Skyscanner.com has just released a report of what holidays in the not-too- (5) _____ future might look like. The report is titled 'The Future of Travel 2024' and outlines a whole series of (6) _____ unimaginable vacation choices for the (7) _____ -seeking traveller and those who just want to get there quicker. The report is a result of the (8) _____ between travel experts and international technology experts.

mouthwatering
comparisons
distant
decade
bold
previously
collaboration
thrill

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affordable
lining
explosion
emergence
spectacular
futuristic
bookings
mainstream

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) A website that provides price _____ flights
 - a. comparisons for
 - b. comparisons from
 - c. comparison for
 - d. comparison from
- 2) bold predictions for what travel will look _____
 - a. like on a decade
 - b. like inner decade
 - c. like in the decade
 - d. like in a decade
- 3) holidays in the not-too-_____
 - a. distance future
 - b. distant future
 - c. distances future
 - d. distanced future
- 4) a whole series of previously unimaginable _____
 - a. vacation choice is
 - b. vacation chooses
 - c. vacation choices
 - d. vacation choices is
- 5) The report is a result of the collaboration _____
 - a. between travel expertise
 - b. between travel expert is
 - c. between travel expats
 - d. between travel experts
- 6) Orbital space travel will be the _____
 - a. next hotel ticket
 - b. next hot ticket
 - c. next shot ticket
 - d. next not ticket
- 7) commercial companies are lining up to make it a _____
 - a. more affordable preposition
 - b. more affordable proper session
 - c. more affordable proposition
 - d. more affordable propose station
- 8) Indeed, Virgin Galactic and SpaceX are already _____
 - a. acceptance bookings
 - b. accepting bookings
 - c. accept in bookings
 - d. accept tin bookings
- 9) Other things to look forward to include a _____
 - a. subsonic aircraft
 - b. supersonic aircraft
 - c. soup a sonic aircraft
 - d. supersonics aircraft
- 10) We can also expect futuristic advances in _____
 - a. shop in and dine in
 - b. shopping and dine in
 - c. shop pin and dining
 - d. shopping and dining

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

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1. What does the website provide for flights, hotels and car hire?

2. What did the site say will be the most mouthwatering place to visit?

3. What did the website release?

4. What kind of traveller did the website mention?

5. Who collaborated to make the report?

6. What did the report say would be the next "hot ticket"?

7. What are companies lining up to do?

8. How much is a seat on a Virgin Galactic space flight?

9. What will become mainstream in the future?

10. How long might it take to fly from London to Sydney?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1410/141002-travel.html>

1. What does the website provide for flights, hotels and car hire?
 - a) free upgrades
 - b) price comparisons
 - c) discounts
 - d) online bookings
2. What did the site say will be the most mouthwatering place to visit?
 - a) the Great Barrier Reef
 - b) the world's largest restaurant
 - c) an underwater hotel
 - d) the Moon
3. What did the website release?
 - a) a report
 - b) a warning
 - c) a profits warning
 - d) a new version of its software
4. What kind of traveller did the website mention?
 - a) the luxury traveller
 - b) the average tourist
 - c) the thrill seeker
 - d) the budget traveller
5. Who collaborated to make the report?
 - a) guide book writers
 - b) travel and technology experts
 - c) hotel management CEOs
 - d) Virgin Galactic and Hilton Hotels
6. What did the report say would be the next "hot ticket"?
 - a) the Sun
 - b) resorts on the Equator
 - c) orbital space travel
 - d) holidays to volcanoes
7. What are companies lining up to do?
 - a) produce travel reports
 - b) build underwater hotels
 - c) accept bookings for 2024
 - d) make space travel cheaper
8. How much is a seat on a Virgin Galactic space flight?
 - a) \$250,000
 - b) \$500,000
 - c) a million dollars
 - d) \$99,999
9. What will become mainstream in the future?
 - a) underwater hotel rooms
 - b) online shopping
 - c) day trips to space
 - d) futuristic dining
10. How long might it take to fly from London to Sydney?
 - a) 20 minutes
 - b) 2 hours
 - c) 4½ hours
 - d) 7 hours and 11 minutes

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – The Moon

You think the Moon is the best place to stay. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their places. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): an Antarctica resort, Buckingham Palace or a hotel on the summit of Mt Everest.

Role B – Antarctica resort

You think an Antarctica resort is the best place to stay. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their places. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): the Moon, Buckingham Palace or a hotel on the summit of Mt Everest.

Role C – Buckingham Palace

You think Buckingham Palace is the best place to stay. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their places. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): an Antarctica resort, the Moon or a hotel on the summit of Mt Everest.

Role D – Mt Everest summit hotel

You think a hotel on the summit of Mt Everest is the best place to stay. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their places. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): an Antarctica resort, Buckingham Palace or the Moon.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

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1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'space' and 'travel'.

space	travel

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• across• now• just• series• get• result	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• hot• up• cost• number• fly• expect
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TRAVEL SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about travel 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.

TRAVEL DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1) What did you think when you read the headline?
- 2) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'travel'?
- 3) How do you usually travel?
- 4) How have holidays changed over the past century?
- 5) How does a vacation to the Moon sound to you?
- 6) What's the most mouthwatering destination for you?
- 7) What's the best place you've travelled to, and why?
- 8) Do you prefer a holiday with thrills or a holiday with time to relax?
- 9) Why do we like to travel so much?
- 10) What are the worst things about travelling?

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TRAVEL DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 11) Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- 12) What would you do on a holiday in space?
- 13) What would you take on a holiday to the Moon?
- 14) How will holidays change over the next century?
- 15) What is the attraction of staying in an underwater hotel?
- 16) In what ways is tourism beneficial?
- 17) In what ways is tourism harmful to local cultures?
- 18) What is "danger-zone" tourism?
- 19) Which dangerous country would you like to visit?
- 20) What questions would you like to ask Skyscanner's CEO?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) pricing | (b) priced | (c) price | (d) pricey |
| 2. | (a) bold | (b) mold | (c) sold | (d) told |
| 3. | (a) mouthwatering | (b) mouthwash | (c) mouthy | (d) mouthful |
| 4. | (a) distant | (b) distance | (c) distanced | (d) distantly |
| 5. | (a) twill | (b) till | (c) trill | (d) thrill |
| 6. | (a) outside | (b) insider | (c) within | (d) between |
| 7. | (a) hot | (b) scalding | (c) lukewarm | (d) iced |
| 8. | (a) in | (b) on | (c) over | (d) up |
| 9. | (a) Indeed | (b) However | (c) Although | (d) Clearly |
| 10. | (a) at | (b) in | (c) on | (d) as |
| 11. | (a) emergent | (b) emergence | (c) emerging | (d) emerges |
| 12. | (a) in | (b) on | (c) up | (d) as |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. price ioosrcsapnm for flights
2. bold stcnpriodie
3. the most mouthwatering dttnineasoi for 2024
4. just ersdaeel a report
5. previously lmiianaguneb vacation choices
6. the oncaaooirlltb between travel experts

Paragraph 2

7. the most tpusalecrac
8. omimelcacr companies
9. a more fdeblfraao proposition
10. an eonisloxp in the number
11. a etamimsrna travel option
12. tstcufriiu advances in shopping

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () says: "Orbital space travel will be the next hot ticket, and commercial companies are lining
- (**1**) A website that provides price comparisons for flights, hotels and car hire across the globe has made some bold
- () in space. The site Skyscanner.com has just released a report of what holidays in the not-too-
- () the emergence of "danger-zone" tourism. We can also expect futuristic advances in shopping and dining.
- () mouthwatering destination for 2024 holidaymakers will be a trip to the Moon or a stay
- () predictions for what travel will look like in a decade from now. Perhaps the most
- () Holidays in space are perhaps the most spectacular of Skyscanner's predictions. Its report
- () predicts an explosion in the number of underwater hotel rooms, which it says will become a mainstream travel
- () option. Other things to look forward to include a supersonic aircraft that will fly London-Sydney in two hours and
- () distant future might look like. The report is titled 'The Future of Travel 2024' and outlines a whole
- () bookings. The cost of a seat on the Virgin craft (round trip, of course) is \$250,000. Skyscanner also
- () quicker. The report is a result of the collaboration between travel experts and international technology experts.
- () series of previously unimaginable vacation choices for the thrill-seeking traveller and those who just want to get there
- () up to make it a more affordable proposition." Indeed, Virgin Galactic and SpaceX are already accepting

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. for that flights provides price A comparisons website .

2. like bold what look Some for will predictions travel .

3. Perhaps 2024 for destination mouthwatering most the .

4. vacation series choices of previously A unimaginable whole .

5. between result travel of experts the collaboration A .

6. are perhaps Holidays the in most space spectacular .

7. hot Orbital will next travel the ticket space be .

8. An the underwater in of rooms explosion number hotel .

9. 2 in Sydney - fly will that London aircraft Supersonic hours .

10. expect futuristic We advances can in also shopping .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

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A website that *provides / provisions* price comparisons for flights, hotels and car hire across the globe has made some *bald / bold* predictions for what travel will look like *in / on* a decade from now. Perhaps the most *mouthwatering / mouth-to-mouth* destination for 2024 holidaymakers will be a trip to the Moon or a stay in space. The site Skyscanner.com has just released a report of what holidays in the *not-too-distant / not-too-distance* future might look like. The report is *titles / titled* 'The Future of Travel 2024' and outlines a whole *serious / series* of previously unimaginable vacation *choices / chooses* for the thrill-seeking traveller and those who just want to get *there / by* quicker. The report is a result of the collaboration *between / outside* travel experts and international technology experts.

Holidays in space are perhaps the most *spectacularly / spectacular* of Skyscanner's predictions. Its report says: "Orbital space travel will be the next *warm / hot* ticket, and commercial companies are lining *up / on* to make it a more affordable *preposition / proposition*." Indeed, Virgin Galactic and SpaceX are already *acceptance / accepting* bookings. The cost of a seat on the Virgin craft (*round / square* trip, of course) is \$250,000. Skyscanner also *predictions / predicts* an explosion in the number of underwater hotel rooms, which it says will become a *mainstream / streaming* travel option. Other things to look forward to include a supersonic aircraft that will fly London-Sydney in two hours and the *convergence / emergence* of "danger-zone" tourism. We can also expect futuristic advances in shopping and *dining / dinning*.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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W_b_s_t_ t_h_t p_r_v_d_s p_r_c_ c_m_p_r_s_n_s f_r
fl_ghts, h_t_ls _nd c_r_h_r_ _cr_ss th_gl_b_h_s m_d_
s_m_ b_ld pr_d_ct__ns f_r wh_t tr_v_l w_ll l_k l_k_
_n _ d_c_d_ fr_m n_w. P_rh_ps th_ m_st
m__thw_t_r_ng d_st_n_t__n f_r 2024 h_l_d_ym_k_rs
w_ll b_ _ tr_p_t_ th_ M__n_r_ _st_y_n sp_c_. Th_
s_t_ Skysc_nn_r.c_m h_s j_st r_l__s_d_ _r_p_rt_ f
wh_t h_l_d_ys _n th_ n_t-t__-d_st_nt f_t_r_ m_ght
l__k l_k_. Th_ r_p_rt_ s_t_t_l_d 'Th_ F_t_r_ _f Tr_v_l
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_n_m_g_n_b_l_v_c_t__n ch__c_s f_r th_ thr_ll-s__k_ng
tr_v_ll_r _nd th_s_ wh_ j_st w_nt t_g_t th_r q__ck_r.
Th_ r_p_rt_ s_ _r_s lt_ f th_ c_ll_b_r_t__n b_tw__n
tr_v_l_xp_rts _nd _nt_rn_t__n l_t_chn_l_gy_xp_rts.

H_l_d_ys _n sp_c_ _r_p_rh_ps th_ m_st sp_ct_c_l_r_ f
Skysc_nn_r's pr_d_ct__ns. _ts r_p_rt_s_ys: "_rb_t_l
sp_c_ tr_v_l w_ll b_ th_ n_xt h_t t_ck_t, _nd
c_mm_rc__l c_m_p_n__s _r_l_n_g _p_t_ m_k_ _t_ _
m_r_ _ff_r_d_b_l_ pr_p_s_t__n." _nd_d, V_r_g_n
G_l_ct_c _nd Sp_c_X_r_ _lr__dy _cc_pt_ng b__k_ngs.
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_xpl_s__n _n th_ n_m_b_r_ f _nd_rw_t_r h_t_l_r__ms,
wh_ch _t_s_ys w_ll b_c_m_ _ m__nstr__m tr_v_l
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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ACADEMIC WRITING

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What is "danger-zone" tourism? What are the advantages and disadvantages of it?

HOMework

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about travel in the future. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. SPACE TRAVEL: Make a poster about space travel. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. "DANGER-ZONE" TOURISM: Write a magazine article about "danger-zone" tourism. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against it.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to a tourism expert. Ask him/her three questions about "danger-zone" tourism. Give him/her three of your opinions on it. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

a F b F c T d T e F f T g T h F

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

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| 1. provides | a. makes available |
| 2. hire | b. rental |
| 3. predictions | c. forecasts |
| 4. unimaginable | d. unheard of |
| 5. collaboration | e. joint effort |
| 6. spectacular | f. eye-catching |
| 7. affordable | g. inexpensive |
| 8. explosion | h. increase |
| 9. mainstream | i. normal |
| 10. emergence | j. arrival |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. Price comparisons
2. The Moon
3. A report
4. The thrill-seeking traveller
5. Travel and technology experts
6. Orbital space travel
7. Make space travel affordable
8. \$250,000
9. Underwater hotel rooms
10. 2 hours

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

1. b 2. d 3. a 4. c 5. b 6. c 7. d 8. a 9. a 10. b

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)