



JAZZ HARPER

SPACE EXPLORER

Guided Reading Questions

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Chapter Three: Welcome to the Marineris Colony

Email to Ellen Sweeney

14.9.2060

After reading the chapter:

- 1) Why is Jazz writing an email rather than making a video call?
- 2) What was the worst bit about the landing?
- 3) Why do passengers often feel sick after such a long journey through space?
- 4) Why did Jazz not enjoy the welcome into the colony?
- 5) What 'actual new home' is Jazz referring to?



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Email to Jazz Harper

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To think about while reading:

- 1) How do you think Gran is feeling back on Earth?
- 2) What does Gran say is one of the most difficult parts of an explorer's journey?
- 3) What point is Gran trying to make with her story?

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Email to Jazz Harper

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After reading the chapter:

- 1) Why do you think Gran calls Jazz her 'dearest' granddaughter?
- 2) Define 'acclimatising'.
- 3) When did Gran take part in a mission to the Arctic?
- 4) Give one piece of advice that Gran gives to Jazz.
- 5) Do you think that Gran believes she will find aliens?



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Extract from Jazz's Diary of Adventure

Sol 41, Mars Year 57



To think about while reading:

- 1) How do we know that Jazz has been travelling to Mars for a long time?
- 2) What do you notice about the date Jazz gives in her diary?
- 3) Do you think that Jazz and Elijah are good friends?

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Extract from Jazz's Diary of Adventure

Sol 41, Mars Year 57

After reading the chapter:

- 1) What does Jazz think the most amazing thing about the colony is?
- 2) What does the word 'around' tell us in the phrase 'it's only around 40% as strong as Earth's gravity'?
- 3) How long is a sol?
- 4) List three of the colony's features.
- 5) "The fiery sky was washed away and replaced by a deep blue."
Why do you think the author used the word 'washed'?

