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Walking on the Moon



Based on the 6 Minute English feature 'Moon landing':

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1. '_____' is another word for anything to do with the Moon.
 - a) Moony
 - b) Moonstruck
 - c) Lunar
 - d) Solar

2. When an aircraft or spacecraft touches the surface after being airborne, we call it '_____'.
 - a) grounding
 - b) landing
 - c) soiling
 - d) earthing

3. How many people in total have walked on the Moon? (Listen to the 6 Minute English feature 'Moon landing' to check.)
 - a) 6
 - b) 8
 - c) 12
 - d) 16

4. A '_____' point is a very important event, or a culmination of a series of important events.
 - a) vitality
 - b) turn
 - c) pivot
 - d) pivotal

5. Which commonly used word deriving from Greek literally means 'a sailor through the stars'?
 - a) spaceman
 - b) astronaut
 - c) cosmosman
 - d) taikonaut

6. The term '_____ _____' describes certain books or films about an imagined future, especially one which involves space travel and other planets etc.
 - a) fictional production
 - b) futuristic documentary
 - c) imaginary art
 - d) science fiction

ANSWERS

1. '_____' is another word for anything to do with the Moon.

- a) Sorry, colloquially this means dreamy, lacking energy or concentration.
- b) Sorry, this means confused or behaving in an irrational, sometimes wild way.
- c) **This is correct.**
- d) Sorry, 'solar' is another word for anything to do with the Sun.

2. When an aircraft or spacecraft touches the surface after being airborne, we call it '_____'.

- a) Sorry, if you ground an aircraft you stop or forbid it from flying (e.g. because you need to carry out some safety checks).
- b) **'Landing' is correct.**
- c) - d) This is not the right choice. Try again.

3. How many people in total have walked on the Moon? (Listen to the 6 Minute English feature 'Moon landing' to check.)

c) **12 - this is correct.**

4. A '_____' point is a very important event, or a culmination of a series of important events.

- a) - c) Sorry, you need an adjective here. Try again.
- d) **'Pivotal' - this is correct.**

5. Which commonly used word deriving from Greek literally means 'a sailor through the stars'?

- a) 'Spaceman' - this word doesn't come from Greek. Try again.
- b) **'Astronaut' - this is correct.**
- c) 'Cosmosman' - this word doesn't exist.
- d) Sorry, this isn't the right answer. The word 'taikonaut', used by some English-language media organisations for space travellers from China, is a hybrid of the Chinese term 'taikong' (space) and the Greek 'naut' (sailor).

6. The term '_____ _____' describes certain books or films about an imagined future, especially one which involves space travel and other planets etc.

- a) - c) Sorry, this is wrong. Stay focussed, don't let yourself be distracted by plausible but incorrect answers - and try again.
- d) **'Science fiction' - this is correct.**

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