



Living on Mars

Activity: Living on Mars

Category: Research Project/Writing Assignment

Series: Today's News (12 Things to Know about Space Exploration)

Supplies

Paper; pencil

Prep

Read *12 Things to Know about Space Exploration* chapter 5 and the Web Resources link “How Astronauts Live in Space,” or assign your students to read them on their own.

Directions

Have students write a paragraph about whether or not they would want to live on Mars. They should address the questions: What if you could never return to Earth? How would your life be different on Mars than it is now? Students should reference or use quotes from the book and the “How Astronauts Live in Space” web link in their response.

Evaluation

Did the student use examples and/or quotes from the two texts? Was the student able to integrate what he or she learned from the two texts in order to support his/her response?
RI 4.1, 4.9, 5.1, 5.7

Purpose

To help students use multiple texts in different formats to learn and support their points in writing.