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UNIT 10 – ALIENS

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10A Introduction

Imagine what would happen if aliens came and visited planet Earth. Some people would probably be pretty excited, while others might be really scared. The aliens in this song are just looking to have fun, even if most people are frightened of them.

10B Song Lyrics

Greeting from Planet Flocab. Are you ready? Systems: check. Flocabulary: check. Systems: GO.

*Aliens—we weren't born on Earth!
Aliens—and we can't be hurt!
Aliens—colored green you see,
We came here to party like New Year's Eve.
(2x)*

OK,
I'm an alien; I wasn't born in New York.
I was born in Bleep-blop-bloopidity-bloop-bork.
That's a town on my planet, B43,
Home to my **ancestors**, my family before me.
But then I became bored with our **traditions**, son,
Things we do each year without changing 'em.
So I met up with my friend Klooklung,
I said, "Fire up the jet; let's get going."
They say space is the final **frontier**,
We don't know what's beyond it; it's not clear.
But I don't care if we traveled for five years,
I just wanted to see something new, ya hear?
So we went on, **proceeded** past the stars,
Past our planet Plinko and your planet Mars.
I fell in love when I saw the Earth,
I'm going to pass the mic to Klooklung in the next verse.



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Yo, this is Klooklung, rhyming better than you, son,
I come from a system with two suns.
We were above the Earth; it was time to **descend**,
Time to go down there and meet some friends.
But we landed on the **surface**, the outside of the planet,
On the ground, everybody started to panic.
Yelling, “Aliens have landed! We’re gonna die!”
When all I wanted to do was ride a water slide.

Hook

So the army came to **arrest** us,
Hold us, throw us in jail, but they couldn’t catch us.
Everybody was ready, very **alert**,
Paying attention in case we came to hurt the Earth.
We’re not **destructive** though, not here to destroy,
Not here to do harm, just to chill and enjoy.
We went to Disneyland twice but who’s counting,
You could hear me shouting, flying through Space Mountain.

Klooklung, and I’m back again,
I’m like, “Why these humans think we’re attacking them?”
Anyway, we hit the roller coaster 15 times,
And I bought a teddy bear that was supersized.
Plus, I made myself a shirt out of cotton candy,
Didn’t like the beach – it was hot and sandy.
After that, we **ascended** to space,
Went up yelling, “Thanks for the lemonade!”



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10C Words Defined

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alert

(adj) .Paying attention and ready to act. *Standing a few feet from second base, Reyes had his knees bent; he was totally alert.*

(noun) .An alarm. *The police sent out an alert to the whole town that there had been a big prison break.*

(verb) .To warn or make aware of. *Bob alerted me that I was wearing my shirt backward.*

ancestor

(noun) .A family member who lived at an earlier time. *Jin's ancestors first came to America before the Civil War.*

arrest

(verb) .To take someone and hold them for breaking the law. *The police arrested the magician for making the money in the bank disappear.*

ascend

(verb) .To move upward. *The space shuttle ascended into the clouds.*

descend

(verb) .To go or come down. *As we descended from the mountaintop, my ears began to pop.*

destructive

(adj) .Causing harm or damage. *Smoking cigarettes is destructive to your lungs.*

frontier

(noun) .The outer edge of something, in which whatever is beyond that edge is wild or unknown. *Davy Crockett lived on the frontier, right by a forest that no one had ever explored.*

proceed

(verb) .To start or continue in an orderly way. *After seeing the Statue of Liberty, we will proceed on to the Empire State Building.*

surface

(noun) .The outside layer; the top. *The surface of the moon is made of rock.*

tradition

(noun) .A belief, custom, or usual way of doing things, handed down within families or other groups. *I don't know why we eat with a fork instead of our hands; I guess it's tradition.*



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10D Synonyms

Circle the word on the right that matches the meaning of the word or phrase on the left.

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|-------------------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| 1. causing damage | destructive | alert | traditional |
| 2. to go up | ascend | proceed | descend |
| 3. the top layer | frontier | surface | alert |
| 4. custom | ancestor | arrest | tradition |
| 5. to warn | arrest | alert | descend |



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10E Fill in the Blank

Write the word in the blank so that the sentence makes sense.

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1. The criminal was _____ for stealing a car.

alerted

proceeded

arrested

2. We will have to _____ on a rope to get to the bottom of the cave.

descend

surface

ascend

3. The settlers lived on the wild _____, far away from the city.

surface

tradition

frontier

4. According to my family tree, George Washington was a(n) _____ of mine.

frontier

ancestor

alert

5. First you should put your clothes in the locker, and then you can _____ to class.

ascend

proceed

descend



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10F Connections

Each sentence has a strong connection with one of the words from the unit. Write the correct word on the line below

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1. The scientist found a new planet that had never been explored out on the edge of space.

2. The cops caught the burglar stealing the painting; now he will go to jail.

3. Godzilla roamed through the city, crushing buildings into dust.

4. The scuba diver slowly rose up through the water, and swam toward the boat.

5. Mrs. Wilkins asked us to move to the next step in our project.



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10G Applying Meanings

Circle the letter that makes sense or answers the question.

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1. Which of these things is on the **surface** of your body?

- (A) your veins
- (B) your heart
- (C) your nose
- (D) your stomach

2. What is an American **tradition**?

- (A) landing on the moon
- (B) celebrating the Fourth of July
- (C) fighting in World War II
- (D) acting in a famous movie

3. Who would be considered one of your **ancestors**?

- (A) your pet
- (B) your best friend
- (C) your brother
- (D) your great-grandfather

4. To **alert** others that there is a fire, you can

- (A) stop, drop, and roll
- (B) pull the fire alarm
- (C) throw water on the fire
- (D) put an ad in the paper

5. Which of these situations would most likely get you **arrested**?

- (A) breaking into a warehouse at night
- (B) taking a walk in the park
- (C) hailing a taxi
- (D) talking to a firefighter



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10H Reading

Read the passage below and then answer the questions that follow.

attract / defend / grasp / loyal / passage / rely / revive / scatter / survey / wisdom

Exploring the Deep Sea

Many people think of the ocean as the last unexplored frontier. The ocean covers more than 70 percent of the Earth's surface, yet we have only explored five percent of it. In fact, we know more about the moon than we do about the ocean!

The most difficult thing about exploring the ocean is its size. The ocean is almost two-and-a-half times as big as all the land on Earth. In addition, the ocean is very deep—up to seven miles deep in parts!

Scientists are always working to make ocean exploration easier. They have created remotecontrolled robots and submarines that can **descend** deep into the sea. Thanks to these tools, scientists have discovered that there is more life in the deep sea than they once thought.

Studying the ocean is an important way to learn about how we are affecting the world around us. Some of the things we have done to make our lives easier have had a **destructive** effect on our planet. For example, explorers recently discovered an area in the middle of the Pacific Ocean called the Great Pacific Garbage Patch—it is filled with trash and plastic bottles. The area is more than twice the size of Texas and full of trash from hundreds of miles away! By exploring the deep sea beneath areas like this, we can learn just how much of the world has been affected by our actions.

We have barely scratched the **surface** in our explorations of sea life. Who knows what we will discover as we **proceed** to learn more about the ocean? There could be creatures lurking beneath the waves that are more interesting than we could ever imagine!



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1. How much of the ocean has been explored?

2. What has made it easier to explore the ocean?

3. What is the Great Pacific Garbage Patch?

4. Why is it important to study the deep sea?

5. What does the author mean when he writes “we have barely scratched the surface in our explorations of sea life”?

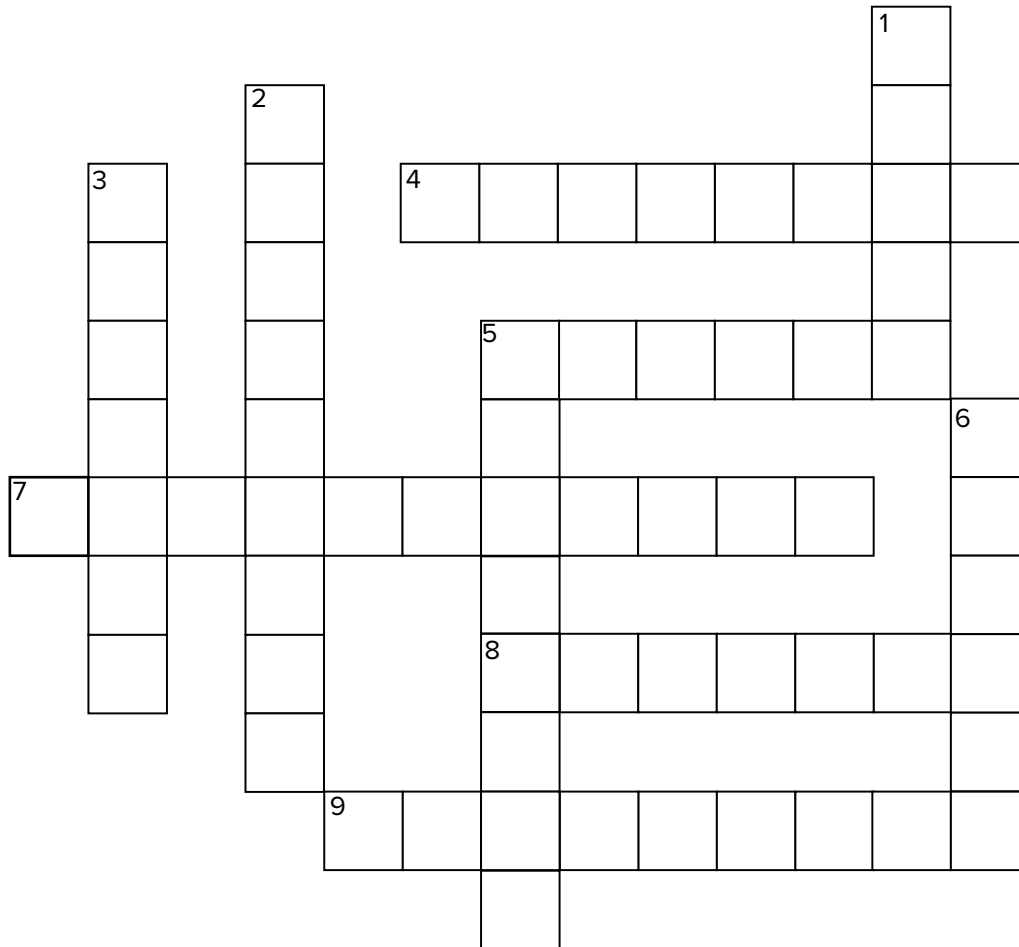


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Bonus: Crossword Puzzle

Solve this crossword puzzle. Note: Some answers may be different forms of the vocab words from this unit

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ACROSS

- 4** Space: the final _____
- 5** I hope the police _____ the person who broke into my grandma's house
- 7** Moles can be very _____ to gardens; they dig tons of holes and tunnels.
- 8** After I drove into the water, I came up to the _____ to breathe.
- 9** Margaret _____ down the hall on her way to the cafeteria.

DOWN

- 1** Paying attention
- 2** Jackie's family has a _____ of telling what they learned that day before dinner
- 3** To go down
- 5** Dinosaurs are an ancient _____ of birds.
- 6** A balloon that is filled with helium will _____ into the sky.