



Artemis II Astronauts Discover Hidden Easter Eggs Near Moon

Description

The four Artemis II astronauts are close to the moon. They sent Easter greetings back to Earth and had some fun with an egg hunt in their spacecraft.

Commander Reid Wiseman and astronauts Victor Glover and Christina Koch gave Canadian astronaut Jeremy Hansen his "astronaut wings." This is his first space flight. After the greetings, they began testing new pressure suits. Koch shared her Easter wishes with mission control.

Koch explained that this time of year is important for many cultures and religions. She also mentioned a family tradition of hiding confetti eggs. The crew hid "dehydrated scrambled eggs" in their cabin for the holiday.

The spacecraft was 76,362 nautical miles from the moon at that time. They are learning details about the moon's surface as they get closer.

The main goal of Artemis II is to test the Orion spacecraft and prepare for future moon missions. The crew plans to make scientific observations when they pass behind the moon. They expect to have an exciting view and new information about its surface.

Vocabulary List:

1. **spacecraft** //ˈspeɪs,kɹæft// (noun): a vehicle built for travel in space
2. **mission** //ˈmɪʃən// (noun): an important job or trip with a purpose
3. **observations** //,əbzəˈveɪʃənz// (noun): things seen, studied, or noticed during work
4. **surface** //ˈsɜːfɪs// (noun): the outside part or top of something
5. **nautical** //ˈnɒtɪkəl// (adjective): related to ships, sailing, or the sea
6. **dehydrated** //diːˈhaɪdreɪtɪd// (adjective): dry because water has been removed

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. Who is the commander of the Artemis II mission?



- Option: Victor Glover
- Option: Christina Koch
- Option: Reid Wiseman
- Option: Jeremy Hansen

2. What did the astronauts send back to Earth?

- Option: Easter greetings
- Option: Scientific data
- Option: Photographs of the moon
- Option: Messages to families

3. How far was the spacecraft from the moon at the time of sending greetings?

- Option: 50,000 nautical miles
- Option: 76,362 nautical miles
- Option: 100,000 nautical miles
- Option: 30,000 nautical miles

4. What is a family tradition mentioned by Christina Koch?

- Option: Hiding chocolate eggs
- Option: Decorating Christmas trees
- Option: Hiding confetti eggs
- Option: Building snowmen

5. What is the purpose of Artemis II?

- Option: To land on the moon
- Option: To test the Orion spacecraft
- Option: To establish a moon base
- Option: To send humans to Mars

6. What type of eggs did the crew hide in their cabin?

- Option: Chocolate eggs
- Option: Dehydrated scrambled eggs
- Option: Plastic eggs
- Option: Real eggs

True-False

7. Jeremy Hansen is on his second space flight.



8. The Artemis II crew sent greetings specifically for Easter.
9. The main goal of Artemis II is to land astronauts on the moon.
10. The astronauts are using new pressure suits during their mission.
11. Christina Koch is the commander of the mission.
12. The crew plans to make scientific observations after passing the moon.

Gap-Fill

13. The spacecraft was _____ nautical miles from the moon during the greetings.
14. Jeremy Hansen was awarded his astronaut _____ by fellow crew members.
15. Christina Koch believes this time of year is important for many cultures and _____ .
16. The crew hid _____ scrambled eggs for the holiday celebration.
17. The main goal of Artemis II is to test the Orion spacecraft and prepare for future _____ missions.
18. The crew is expected to gain new _____ about the moon's surface.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Reid Wiseman 2. Easter greetings 3. 76,362 nautical miles 4. Hiding confetti eggs
5. To test the Orion spacecraft 6. Dehydrated scrambled eggs

True-False: 7. False 8. True 9. False 10. True 11. False 12. True

Gap-Fill: 13. 76,362 14. wings 15. religions 16. dehydrated 17. moon 18. information

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)



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1. What is often used to explore outer space?
 - Option: Submarine
 - Option: Spacecraft
 - Option: Helicopter
 - Option: Airplane

 2. What term is used to describe a specific task or goal in space exploration?
 - Option: Project
 - Option: Operation
 - Option: Mission
 - Option: Assignment

 3. What do scientists rely on to gather data from space?
 - Option: Experiments
 - Option: Observations
 - Option: Tests
 - Option: Surveys

 4. What term describes speeds greater than five times the speed of sound?
 - Option: Subsonic
 - Option: Supersonic
 - Option: Hypersonic
 - Option: Transonic

 5. What is the primary component that provides thrust for a spacecraft?
 - Option: Wing
 - Option: Engine
 - Option: Control system
 - Option: Fuel

 6. What is the term used to describe the speed of sound in air?
 - Option: Kilometers per hour
 - Option: Mach
 - Option: Time
 - Option: Velocity

 7. What is the term for a material that has lost moisture?
 - Option: Overhydrated
 - Option: Dehydrated
 - Option: Saturated
 - Option: Liquid



8. What type of presentation showcases the capabilities of a product?

- Option: Lecture
- Option: Workshop
- Option: Demo
- Option: Course

9. What action is taken to initiate the propulsion of a rocket?

- Option: Launching
- Option: Firing
- Option: Igniting
- Option: Starting

10. What is a gathering for hands-on activities and discussions called?

- Option: Conference
- Option: Webinar
- Option: Workshop
- Option: Seminar

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. The latest _____ was successfully launched into orbit.

12. NASA's next _____ aims to explore the surface of Mars.

13. The _____ taken by the telescope revealed new stars.

14. The prototype test was conducted at _____ speeds.

15. After the upgrade, the _____ operates more efficiently.

16. The aircraft flew at a speed of 2.5 _____.

17. The technician reviewed the _____ samples collected from the planet.

18. The company held a _____ to showcase their new product.

19. The team practiced _____ the engines in a controlled environment.

20. Participants learned a lot at the recent science _____ on space exploration.



Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. The spacecraft was designed to withstand extreme temperatures during re-entry.
22. The mission successfully gathered data from the asteroid belt.
23. The observations from the satellite provided crucial information about climate change.
24. Hypersonic technology is being developed to enhance flight speed dramatically.
25. The engine of the rocket was tested multiple times for reliability.
26. Traveling at Mach 3 is an incredible achievement for any aircraft.
27. The dehydrated food supplies were ideal for long-duration space missions.
28. The demo showcased the innovative features of the new rover.
29. The firing of the thrusters allowed the spacecraft to change its trajectory.
30. The workshop included hands-on activities related to rocket science.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Spacecraft 2. Mission 3. Observations 4. Hypersonic 5. Engine 6. Mach 7. Dehydrated 8. Demo 9. Firing 10. Workshop

Gap-Fill: 11. spacecraft 12. mission 13. observations 14. hypersonic 15. engine 16. Mach 17. dehydrated 18. demo 19. firing 20. workshop

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