

Progress Continues for Florida Launch Preparations

Description

The NASA/SpaceX Crew-8 mission is ready to take off just after midnight on Friday. Everything is going as planned, but there are worries about the weather. If the weather is bad, the spacecraft won't fly.

Steve Stich, NASA's program manager, said they are closely watching the weather. Especially along the East Coast, it's important for the weather to be good for the mission to go ahead. But so far, the weather doesn't look very promising.

This mission is the ninth one for NASA's Commercial Crew Program with SpaceX. The crew will take scientific experiments to the International Space Station. They're studying what space does to the human body, like how zero gravity affects astronauts' eyesight.

Kristin Fabre from NASA's Human Research Program spoke about their work. She said because of their previous findings, they now have strategies to tackle these issues to test out on this mission.

Crew Dragon Endeavour is on its fifth mission. The plan was for Crew-8 to be its last, but SpaceX is discussing extending its use for more flights.

The crew of four arrived at the Kennedy Space Center on Sunday and is now in quarantine. The Crew-8 is led by Matthew Dominick, a Navy test pilot on his first space mission. He is joined by experienced astronaut, Dr. Michael Barratt, NASA specialist Jeanette Epps, and Russian Alexander Grebenkin.

If everything goes well, the Crew Dragon Endeavour will connect with the International Space Station on Saturday morning.

Vocabulary List:

- 1. Take off // (phrasal verb): To leave the ground and begin to fly the beginning of a journey.
- 2. Mission // (noun): A special duty or task given to someone.
- 3. Worries // (noun): An uneasy feeling about something with an uncertain outcome.
- 4. **Spacecraft** // (noun): A vehicle used for traveling in outer space.
- 5. **Promising** // (adjective): Showing signs of future success or excellence.
- 6. **Commercial** // (adjective): Related to buying and selling goods and services.

Vocabulary quizzes



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

1. What is a process of buying and selling goods or services by offering them up for bid?

Option: Speedometer Option: Suspension Option: Auction Option: Overhaul

2. Which game sequel was announced to eager fans recently?

Option: Memorabilia Option: Helldivers 2 Option: Malevelon Creek

Option: Enemy

3. What term describes anything related to a galaxy?

Option: Evolve

Option: Adjustments
Option: Galactic
Option: Commercial

4. What is a specific task or duty assigned to a person or group of people?

Option: Take off Option: Mission Option: Worries Option: Spacecraft

5. Which type of game environment allows players to freely roam and explore?

Option: Promising
Option: Liberation
Option: Open-world
Option: Varied

6. What term is used to describe distinctive attributes or characteristics?

Option: Commercial Option: Features Option: Adjustments Option: Community

7. What term refers to a person who is enthusiastically devoted to something or someone?

Option: Eager Option: Fan Option: Discover



Option: Clarify

8. Which term best describes a diverse range of options?

Option: Variety
Option: Suspension
Option: Commercial
Option: Evolve

9. What term refers to a group of individuals sharing common characteristics or interests?

Option: Galactic Option: Introvert Option: Community Option: Clarify

10. What term describes someone who is keenly excited or interested in something?

Option: Eager

Option: Speedometer

Option: Auction
Option: Overhaul

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

11. The car's	_ system was upgraded to improve ride comfort.
12. The museum had a collection of r	rare from famous historical events.
13. The protagonist's main	in the story turned out to be his best friend.
14. The new startup showed	growth potential in its early stages.
15. Companies need to constantly	to stay competitive in the market.
16. The movie received critical acclai	m but did not do well at the box office.
17. The country celebrated its	from colonial rule with a national holiday.
18. The coach made several tactical	during the game to outsmart the opponents.
19. Could you please	the instructions for this assignment?
20. She played the	of a detective in the award-winning movie.



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

- 21. The spacecraft is scheduled to at 8:00 AM for its mission to Mars.
- 22. Despite his he remained calm during the high-pressure situation.
- 23. The team of astronauts boarded the advanced designed for deep space exploration.
- 24. The mechanic recommended an of the engine to improve performance.
- 25. The game developers introduced a new mythical realm called in the latest expansion pack.
- 26. Explorers set out to hidden secrets of the ancient ruins.
- 27. The fans were to experience the new updates in the game.
- 28. The company's primary goal is to secure more partnerships for global expansion.
- 29. The game offers players a array of character customization options.
- 30. The online platform aims to connect like-minded individuals and build a strong.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Auction 2. Helldivers 2 3. Galactic 4. Mission 5. Open-world 6. Features 7. Fan 8. Variety 9. Community 10. Eager

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