

Vocabulary

A. Complete each sentence with the correct word.

telescope comet clear atmosphere universe

1. This photograph isn't very _____. I can't tell who is in it.
2. A _____ is a flying space object with a long tail made of ice and dust.
3. The Earth is surrounded by a layer of air called the _____.
4. Have you ever looked through a _____? It's amazing – you can see the planets and stars so clearly!
5. Isaac Asimov has written dozens of science-fiction stories about people travelling across the _____ in amazing spacecraft.

B. Choose the correct word or phrase with the same meaning as the blue words in each sentence.

repair group of people who work together getting bigger
found things that we don't know about

1. Science is our way of understanding the secrets of the world. Yet there are still some things, like UFOs, that even science can't explain.
2. My dad is putting on weight. His stomach is expanding!
3. A team of scientists is studying the two-thousand-year-old skeleton.
4. My computer stopped working yesterday, but I was able to fix it.
5. An Italian scientist named Galileo discovered four of Jupiter's moons.

In other words

A. What is the main purpose of the passage? Circle 1, 2 or 3.

1. To describe some of the problems of the Hubble Space Telescope.
2. To describe the history of the Hubble Space Telescope.
3. To compare the Hubble Space Telescope to telescopes on Earth.

B. Match each heading to the correct paragraph in the passage.

1. Paragraph _____ Hubble helps scientists unlock the secrets of the universe.
2. Paragraph _____ Spectacular views and new discoveries.
3. Paragraph _____ The clearest pictures of space – eventually!