Star Flight

Science fiction stories often tell about future space travel. Some parts are realistic. Some parts are made up to tell a good story. Have you read a book or seen a movie that was science fiction? Could you tell what parts are real and what parts are science fiction?

Sometimes science fiction stories become fact! Jules Verne was a writer who lived in the 1800s. He wrote a story about a trip to the moon. In 1969 humans really did land on the moon.

The only way to travel to distant stars now is through stories in books and movies. Someday soon we may visit planets that are closer, though. We have already sent machines to explore Mars. Some people claim that humans will travel to Mars in the near future. The trip there and back may take more than two years! Would you like to sign up?

1. Are all stories about space travel fictional? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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2. What did Jules Verne imagine for a story that eventually happened in real life? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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3. How long would it take to travel to Mars? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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4. Would you sign up for a trip to Mars? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Why, or why not? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_