

[P1] 20 years on the International Space Station

I. Multiple choices

What do we know about the International Space Station? []

- A. The ISS has worked for 20 years.
- B. The station has leaked air a few times.
- C. The station can work until 2024.
- D. The station will stay in space after it retires.

II. True or false

- 1. The ISS is larger than a soccer field. []
- 2. The station can hold six astronauts at the same time. []
- 3. The station has two bathrooms and a gym. []
- 4. The station goes around Earth 16 times a week. []

III. Answer the question

How will scientists explore space after the ISS retires?

[P4/5] China's super rice

I. Fill in the blanks with the right form of the words.

- 1. This November, Yuan and his team _____ (set) a new record.
They _____ (grow) a new kind of hybrid rice.
- 2. When Yuan was young, he saw lots of Chinese people

_____ (starve). He has tried hard to make sure everyone
_____ (have) enough to eat.

II. Multiple choice

Which of the following is true about hybrid rice? []

- A. It can grow in deserts, mountains and snowy places.
- B. It can't grow in highland regions.
- C. It can grow in different kinds of weather.
- D. It can take in more water from the ground.
- E. Its grains can be as big as peanuts.

II. Think and talk

Who is your favorite scientist? Why do you admire him or her?

Answers:

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I. AB

II. FTFT

III. NASA is building a small space station near the moon. China will have its space station up and running around 2022.

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I. 1. set, grew

2. starving, have

II. ACD

III. -----