

MOXIE



1. What does MOXIE stand for?

Mars Oxygen In-Situ Resource Utilization Experiment

2. MOXIE uses what gas in the Martian atmosphere to make oxygen?

Carbon dioxide (CO₂)

3. What is the maximum amount of oxygen MOXIE can produce in one hour?

10 grams of oxygen, or 20 minutes of breathable air

4. As well as making breathable air, what can MOXIE make in liquid form?

Rocket fuel





INGENUITY



1. Why is it more difficult to fly on Mars than Earth?

There is less atmosphere (and therefore air resistance)

2. How many flights has Ingenuity made on Mars as of June 2022?

29 flights

3. Now that it's confirmed flight is possible on Mars, how is Ingenuity helping the Perseverance rover?

It helps Perseverance see the road ahead, picking out obstacles and hazards

4. Why might helicopters be useful for astronauts on future visits to Mars?
It can help survey difficult to reach areas, and scout out locations for exploration or base camp.





MARS SAMPLE RETURN



1. What is the key goal for Mars Sample Return?

Collecting samples of Martian rock and returning them to Earth for analysis

2. Why is bringing samples back to Earth better than using tools on the rover to search for life?

Researchers can use all the tools available on Earth, and use new technologies as they are developed.

3. True or false: This is the first time we have ever brought samples back from a place outside of Earth.

False – we have previously returned moon and asteroid samples

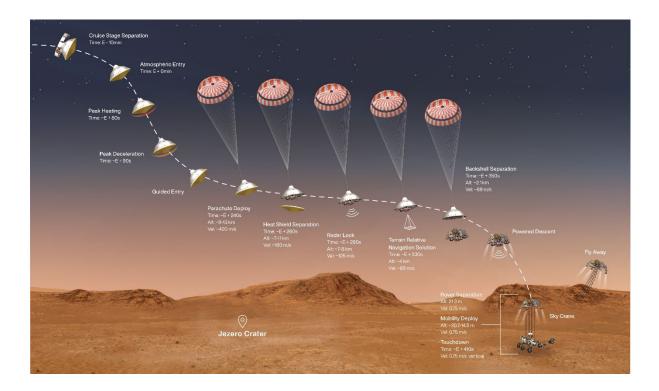
4. NASA is working with which space agency to complete the next mission in Mars Sample Return?

European Space Agency





LANDING ON MARS



1. What is the official name of the part of the mission that includes landing?

Entry, Descent and Landing (EDL)

2. What percentage of missions to Mars have been successful?

40 per cent

3. Scientists sometimes call this part of the mission "seven minutes of..." what?

Terror

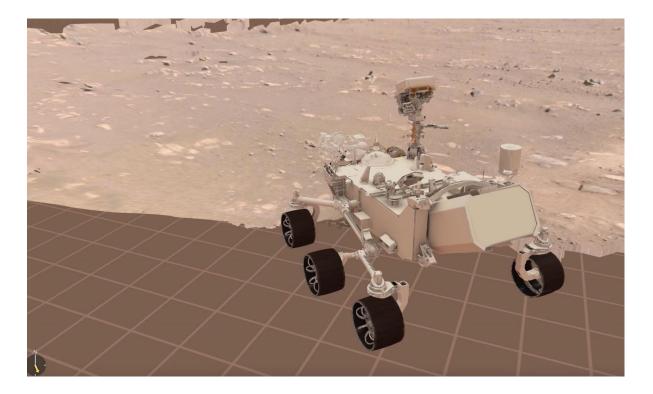
4. During the descent stage, Perseverance was lowered by 6-metre-long cables. What is the name of this part of the mission?

Sky crane





DRIVING ON MARS



1. How long can it take for a radio signal to get from Earth to Mars or Mars to Earth?

5 to 20 minutes

2. What do rover drivers on Earth wear while they are planning Perseverance's next destination?

3D glasses

3. What is the name of the system that Perseverance uses to navigate around obstacles and hazards?

AutoNav

4. True or false: Humans on Earth must watch over Perseverance as it drives, and help it move around hazards in its way.

False - AutoNav manages this without human input

