

TASKS FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD

Vocab Check

1. He's very _____. He always does what he says he'll do. (zuverlässig)
2. Donald Trump is the _____ of the USA. (President)
3. Do you like watching TV programs about _____ problems? (politische)
4. Hi, can I ask you something? -
Er, it's a bit _____ right now. Later? (unbequem)
5. Germany _____ be one of the richest countries in the world (als etwas gelten)
6. Stars sometimes want to hide from the _____. (Öffentlichkeit)
7. Is there a _____ against the Queen? (Verschwörung)

Question: What were your main reasons for using the internet during the last 2-3 days?

(You'll find the solutions on page 4 of this file)

Homework Check

Seven people still need to send me their Unit task. Please do so by Sunday at the latest!!

To the people who have already sent me their tasks: Sorry that I couldn't keep my promise to correct all your Unit tasks till Tuesday. I will definitely have corrected them and sent them back to you by tomorrow.

Vocab Task

Do one of the Worksheets that I gave you in our last lesson. It's called "KV38 Test yourself".

Do all tasks on the worksheet.

(You'll find the solutions on page 4 of this file)

Text smart2: Internet texts

We are still going to look a bit at typical kinds of online texts, who writes them, what are their features and how reliable is the information you get online. We will do so with internet texts having to do with the first moon landing.

Across cultures

On July 20th, 1969, NASA astronaut Neil Armstrong became the first human on the moon. The moon landing is considered one of the greatest moments in the history of science and technology.

- Task 1 a) Read the online wiki text on p. 71 "The moon landing"

b) Write 3-4 sentences to sum up what happened and what is described in the text.

c) Read the following box about Wiki texts:

Wiki texts

- These texts are written to give information in the style of an encyclopedia. But wiki texts can be written or changed by any reader.
- Wiki texts try to be as **factual** as possible. But with so many authors, the regulators of wiki websites can't always keep their content completely free of opinions. So it's important to always look for **other reliable sources of information**. Don't rely only on wiki texts.

d) Find phrases in the text that make the style factual and convincing. Write them down.

(For information: > A **factual text** should concentrate on **facts**.
> Factual texts about history focus on **times, dates, places** and **people**.
Information like this can be easily checked at other text sources.)

(You'll find the solutions to task 1 on page 4 of this file)

- Task 2 a) Read the following box. Please look up words you don't understand, because some words in the text are vocab you are going to learn for homework.

Across cultures

In the English-speaking world, there have been some famous hoaxes and conspiracy theories. The internet is full of such stories.

When somebody stages a hoax, the person is playing a trick on the public. A typical hoax often features realistic photos that show something unbelievable like a UFO, or a monster.

A **conspiracy theory** often involves an event or situation that a group of people would like to keep secret in a cover-up. The conspiracy theorists often see governments at the centre of cover-ups. A famous example: Is the US government trying to keep real aliens a secret at the Area 51 air-force base?

b) Answer the following questions about the box:

- 1) Think of reasons why people would want to stage a hoax.
- 2) Explain why people often believe in conspiracy theories.

(You'll find the solutions to task 2 on page 4/5 of this file)

- Task 3 a) Some conspiracy theorists say the moon landing was just a hoax. Read the blog post on p.72 "Was it all just a hoax?! YES!"
 - b) What is the main argument the blogger uses to claim that the moon landing never happened?
 - c) What's your opinion about the blogger's argument?
 - d) Read the box about the characteristics of a blog post

Blog post

A **blog** is a website which the blogger uses as a platform for his/her blog posts on a personal-interest subject. There are blogs for just about any topic. The word 'blog' is made up from the words web+ log ("*Protokol*" in German)

Blog posts are written for others, not just for the blogger. These are key points many bloggers follow:

1. **Opinions** can be strong, but they should be fair to
2. A blogger who is **honest** with his/her readers will probably enjoy the most respect.

3. **Clear, simple writing** and **short paragraphs** are easier to read.
4. **Spelling** is important online too, not just on paper.
5. Bloggers often have their own special **writing style**.
6. Readers will probably leave more **comments** if the blogger asks questions in his/her posts.
7. Headings and visuals **grab the reader's attention**
8. People like **entertaining** posts, not boring ones.

e) Go back to the blog post about the moon landing (p. 72 "Was it all just hoax?! YES!"). Which key points from the box about blogs can you find there? Write them down.

f) Do Workbook p. 37/task 1 and 2

(You'll find the solutions to task 3 on page 5 of this file)

Homework:

- Vocab p. 201/202 (to) involve-critical

Have nice holidays and Happy Easter! I hope to see you soon 😊



Solutions

Vocab Queck

1. reliable 2. President 3. political 4. Inconvenient 5. is considered to 6. public 7. conspiracy
→(to) be considered to

Question: Possible answer:

- I used it to do my school work
 - ...chat with friends on Whats App/Facebook/Twitter/..
 - ...listen to music
 - ...play online games
 - ...follow my favourite blog
 - ...do research on the internet, ...

Vocab Task

- 1) 1. making 2. based 3. inspired 4. see 5. take 6. come 7. get 8. Wish
- 2) 1. for 2. on 3. of 4. in 5. to 6. from 7. Up
- 3) 1c, 2e, 3d, 4a, 5b, 6f

Text smart2: Internet texts

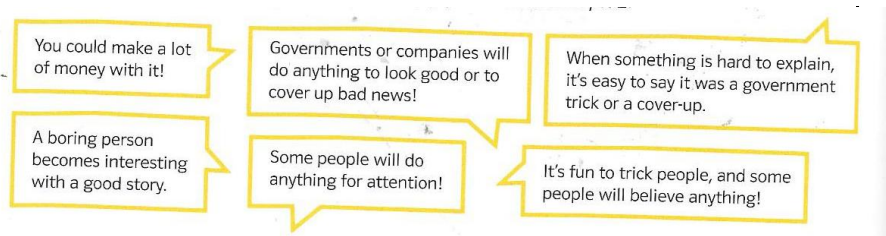
Task 1

- b *The text is about the first moon landing, which took place on July 20, 1969. Apollo 11 commander Neil Armstrong was the first man on the moon, followed by astronaut Buzz Aldrin. The moon landing was a big triumph for the US over the Soviet Union.*
- d) *took place on July 20, 1969 (ll. 1-2); commander Neil Armstrong (l. 6); six hours later (l. 9); stepped out of the Eagle and onto the moon (ll. 9-10); joined by astronaut Buzz Aldrin (l. 12); collected 46 pounds of moon rocks (l. 14); after 21 hours, Armstrong and Aldrin returned (l. 15); Michael Collins had been waiting (l. 17); in 1961 (l. 18); President John F. Kennedy (l. 19); by the end of 1969 (l. 21); during the Cold War (l. 24)*

Task 2 b)

1 They need something to talk about, they want to make money with the story, ..

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Task 3

b) Main argument: Technology and computers have improved a lot since 1969 and we know much more about the moon than we knew back then. So why haven't we been to the moon since that time?

c)(Individual answers.) Possible solution: I don't think that the moon landing 1969 was a hoax. I have seen so many pictures taken on the moon I can believe these are fake.

e) 1. strong opinions: "of course" (3x); "WHY, WHY, WHY?!"; "NO WAY" 2. blogger seems to be honest: gives some dates, numbers, and facts 3. blogger uses clear, simple writing and short paragraphs 4. spelling is correct 5. special writing style: use of anaphora and parallelism: "of course they", "of course it", "of course we"; answers end with an exclamation mark; use of capital letters; combination of question mark and exclamation mark (3x) 6. blogger asks many (rhetorical) questions and gives the answers himself 7. heading grabs reader's attention: punctuation, use of capital letters 8. blog post is entertaining, mainly because of (rhetorical) questions

f) Workbook p. 37/1

a: 1b, 2b and c, 3a, 4a, 5c

b: 1. Eagle, 2. Buzz Aldrin, 3. moon rocks, 4. Columbia, 5. NASA

Workbook p. 37/ task 2

1 W, 1 B, 3 B, 4 B, 5 W, 6 B