

Super English



Intermediate
Speaking
Unit 4 - Lesson 1
Life in Space



Home Sweet Earth

Read the text and try to explain the words in bold.

Let's be honest—life on Earth is pretty awesome. We can run, swim, eat pizza, and hang out with friends whenever we want. Thanks to **gravity**, we stay firmly on the ground instead of floating around. With blue skies, oceans, trees, and fresh air, Earth has everything we need. We often **take it for granted**, but it's a one-of-a-kind home.



1. If Earth didn't have gravity, what do you think would be the hardest part of daily life?
2. Would you rather live in the ocean, the forest, or in space? Why?
3. What makes Earth special compared to other planets?



Floating in Space

Read the text and try to explain the words in bold.



In space, astronauts live on space stations far above Earth. There's no gravity, so everything floats—including people! Sleeping is **tricky** because you have to **strap** yourself in, or you'll drift away. Even eating is strange. Food comes in little **pouches**, and water floats in round blobs!



1. Do you think eating space food would be fun or weird?
2. Why do astronauts have to strap themselves in to sleep?
3. What's something normal on Earth that would be hard in space?

Vocabulary

Match the vocabulary words to their definitions.

- take sth for granted
- high-tech
- freshen up
- homesick
- long for
- embarrassing

1. Feeling sad or lonely because you are away from home
2. To not notice or appreciate something because it's always there
3. Making you feel shy, uncomfortable, or foolish in front of others
4. Using the newest or most advanced technology
5. To clean yourself or make yourself feel cleaner and better
6. To really want something, especially something you miss

Dialogue 1: Zero-Gravity Problems



Practice the dialogue and answer the question.

Ava: So apparently, astronauts sleep strapped to the wall so they don't float away.

Noah: Imagine waking up and accidentally headbutting the ceiling.

Ava: Or worse, floating into someone else's room like, "Hey, just passing through!"

Noah: I'd be that one person who can't figure out how to stay in bed and ends up spinning all night.

Ava: Space: where even sleeping is an extreme sport.

Noah: Seriously, imagine needing a seatbelt just to take a nap.

Question: What would be the weirdest thing to get used to in zero gravity?

See you next time!

