

# Answers

1. Look at the first section of the text. From where were the documents uncovered?

**The Marineris archives**

2. The first section ends with the line: "What follows is a story like no other..."  
What effect is this designed to have upon the reader?

**Accept answers which describe the effect of: making the story seem extraordinary or enticing the reader, making them want to know more; building suspense or excitement.**

3. What does Jazz use her webspectacles for?

To see better

To go faster

To look up  
information

To imagine aliens

4. Find and copy a phrase which suggests that Mum and Jazz typically use the same means of transport to visit Gran.

**'(Mum and I travelled there on the air tram) like usual.'**

5. How can you tell that this story is set in the future? Give **two** reasons or examples.

**Accept any of the following:**

- **The diary date says 29th January 2060**
- **Jazz refers to visiting Mars, which does not currently happen in the present**
- **She uses air trams to travel and webspectacles to look things up**
- **The first section refers to life being discovered on Mars in the past, but it hasn't happened yet**
- **Gran lives in a retirement village from the 2020s**

6. What does Mum imagine about alien life forms on Mars?

**That they are unlikely to have seven legs, or any legs at all.**

7. Jazz describes the speed of travelling through space as "stomach-churning". What does this suggest about the way it makes her feel?

**Stomach churning suggests that it makes Jazz feel anxious or nervous, that she may feel sick about it.**

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8. What impression do you get of the relationship between Mum and Jazz? Support your answer with evidence.

**Accept any evidence that Mum and Jazz appear to get along well e.g. because Mum laughed at Jazz's imaginary game and she went along with the pretend investigation of the alien.**

9. Describe some of the food that will or will not be available in space, according to Gran.

**Answers must refer to some food which will or will not be eaten, e.g.**

- **good lab-grown beef**
- **insects**
- **no cheese**
- **no real meat**
- **no chocolate fudge cake**

10. What impression do you get of Gran's character? Use evidence to support your answer.

**Accept any appropriate evidence of Gran's character, including:**

- **unusual / eccentric ('Gran was wearing pink, fluffy slippers, khakis and a dressing gown covered in parrots').**
- **adventurous and likes excitement ('racing her friends around the courtyard on her hover scooter, or throwing street parties on weeknights')**
- **brave ('even though we've never done anything as brave as she has' / 'What I wouldn't give to come with you')**