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Exploration

Read: The star commander has just sent you a secret message. To unscramble it you must answer the questions below. When you are finished place the letters in the correct order at the bottom of the page.

Hint: Visit http://www.KidsAstronomy.com/explore_index.htm for help finding the answers.

1. What was the name of the first satellite NASA sent to Mars?

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2. What was the name of the first shuttle to be launched?

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3. When scientists use more than one telescope to look at the same object it is called a

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4. What is the name of the probe which fell into the Atlantic Ocean after NASA attempted to send it to Mars?

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5. The Space _____ will one day be replaced by cheaper, faster, and better space craft.

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6. The most powerful telescope in the world is the

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7. The first astronauts to travel to distant stars might use what to get up to light speed instead of engines.

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8. Through the work done by astronauts during shuttle missions scientists learn the effects of weightlessness on

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9. The Viking 1 and Viking 2 missions consisted of both an orbiter, and a

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10. The biggest canyon on Mars is much bigger than the

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Secret Message:

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