**Instruksies:**

1. Vervang die gewone spasies met nie-afbreekbare spasies waar die teks in groen verhelder is.
2. Vervang die aandagstrepe en koppeltekens met en-strepe waar die teks in geel verhelder is.
3. Voeg die regte soorte aanhalingstekens of afkappingstekens in waar die teks in blou verhelder is.
4. Beklemtoon die teks wat in grys verhelder is deur een van die volgende metodes te gebruik:
   * Beklemtoon ’n opskrif deur middel van vetdruk.
   * Beklemtoon ’n deel van ’n sin deur die en-streep te gebruik. Waar ’n streep binne-in ’n sin voorkom, maak seker dat die en-streep gebruik word en dat daar een spasie aan elke kant daarvan is.
   * Beklemtoon ’n enkele woord deur middel van skuinsdruk.
5. Pas outomatiese formatering toe om die teks wat in pienk verhelder is, te korrigeer.

The moon

The Moon, our closest heavenly body, travels around Earth at an approximate distance of 384,403 km, and although it appears stationary in the sky, it is in fact moving at an average speed of 3,700 km/h. One full lunar month, which is slightly less than one of our 'earth' months, takes exactly 29 days, 12 hours, 44 minutes and 2.8 seconds. The diameter of the Moon is approximately 1/4 that of the Earth. The dark regions on the Moon"s face were thought to be oceans, and this accounts for the name mare (Latin for `sea`), which is used to refer to the crater-like features of the lunar surface. Light reflected from the moon takes 1.3 seconds to reach the Earth, such a pity we can't call them moon-beams.

What about the origins of the Moon? A very long time ago, the Earth was struck by a large body, which has been estimated as being 2 1/2 to 3 times the size of Mars! The debris from this impact would then eventually have coalesced, or 'stuck together”, to form the present Moon.

It was upon the chalky surface of this body that the famed Apollo 11 Commander Neil Alden Armstrong descended from his lunar module on 20th July 1969. The words that he spoke as he stepped down are now legendary:

"That's one small step for man - one giant leap for mankind."

He further commented on the powdery surface:

I can kick it up loosely with my foot. I only go in maybe an eighth of an inch.

There were six manned Moon landings, Apollo 11, 12, and 14—17. All of these carried rock and other important geological samples back to Earth with them, weighing in at a grand total of 384 kg.

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