

Mon - Tues - Week 3

Name _____ Date _____

TEXT TIME

So Many Satellites!

Right now, there are more than 2,400 artificial satellites orbiting the earth! A satellite is any object that circles a planet. The moon is a natural satellite. Machines that people make and send into space are artificial satellites.

There are many different kinds of satellites. There are weather satellites, TV satellites, and satellites that help people talk to each other. There are also satellites that help us learn more about space. You can use GPS satellites to keep you from getting lost. GPS stands for global Positioning Systems.

Some satellites orbit close to the Earth. A close-orbiting satellite can circle the earth in about 90 minutes. Other satellites orbit far above the Earth. Some high-orbiting satellites move at the same rate as the Earth. It takes these satellites exactly 24 hours to circle our planet. This is called a geostationary orbit. Weather and communications satellites use this kind of orbit.

◆ IT: vocabulary, main idea, author's purpose

Show What You Know

1. What is an artificial satellite? _____

2. What is the main idea of the second paragraph? _____

3. What is a geostationary orbit? _____

4. What is the author's purpose?
a) to persuade b) to inform c) to entertain
Give evidence from the text to support your answer:



Victory
Meg Anderson

She gritted her teeth
and took a breath as she
crouched at the line.

She paused,
the sound of her own heart
beating beating beating

A quick glance to the right
and to the left was all it took.
No one would pass her this time.

This time would be different.
This time she would
feel the rush
hear the cheers
be at the finish first.

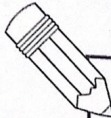
She would finally feel the heavy weight
lifted from her heart
and draped around her neck instead.
Joy would fill places
where before only worry lived.
This time,
victory was
hers.

◆ P: inference, author's style, point of view

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Show What You Know

1. What is this poem about? _____

How do you know?

2. Why do you think the poet repeats the word
"beating" three times in the second stanza?

3. Explain the first three lines of the last stanza in your
own words.

4. From which point of view is this poem written?
a) first person b) second person c) third person

How do you know?



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