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## Teaching Notes



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### International Year of Astronomy (IYA)

**Look at the night sky with telescopes** —————  
 The public can look through telescopes and see the moon, planets and stars at free events.

☞ **Telus World of Science Calgary**—Friday nights (9 p.m. to 10 p.m. until April 24; 10 p.m. to 11 p.m. from May 1 to May 29); parking fee; check website for summer hours; <[www.calgaryscience.ca](http://www.calgaryscience.ca)>

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☞ **Oldman River Observatory in Popson Park, Lethbridge**—open house April 18 (8:30 p.m. to 10 p.m.); <<http://lethbridgeastronomysociety.ca>>

### Galileoscope

The development of this telescope was a not-for-profit project to celebrate the 2009 IYA. The telescope is high quality, inexpensive and easy to assemble. You can fit the parts together by hand in a few minutes. You need to attach the telescope to a tripod. For info and a PDF of the Galileoscope Observing Guide, go to: <<https://www.galileoscope.org/gs/>>

### Artists in Alberta—Art galleries

**Activity:** Bring in some large-format art books. Students can work in groups. Each student can choose a favourite photo, painting or other piece of art. Why do they like the art?

### Answer box

#### Silver Dart (TN-2)

1. flew, famous      2. engine, brakes, cloth  
 3. made, first      4. replica

#### Types of travel (TN-2)

- a. car      b. shuttle      c. ferry      d. plane  
 e. bike      f. train      g. bus      h. horse

#### Find the numbers (TN-3)

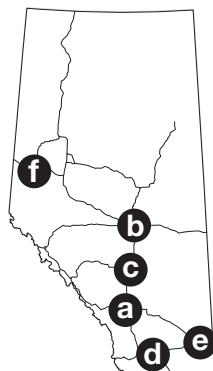
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#### Unscramble the words (TN-3)

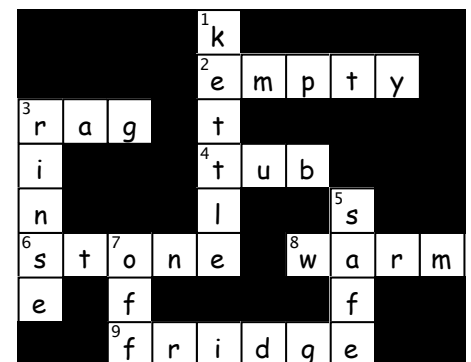
- a. Calgary  
 b. Edmonton  
 c. Red Deer  
 d. Lethbridge  
 e. Medicine Hat  
 f. Grande Prairie

#### Readers' story (TN-4)

1. T    2. F    3. T    4. T    5. F  
 6. F    7. F    8. T    9. T



### Answers—Crossword (TN-4)



Galileoscope project logo courtesy: <[www.galileoscope.org](http://www.galileoscope.org)>

Fill in the blank with the correct word from the box.

1. The Silver Dart flew in the air on February 23, 1909.

It was a \_\_\_\_\_ flight.

2. The Silver Dart had a V-8 \_\_\_\_\_ . The plane had

no \_\_\_\_\_. Silver \_\_\_\_\_ covered its wings.

3. The flight \_\_\_\_\_ history.

It was the \_\_\_\_\_ flight in Canada.

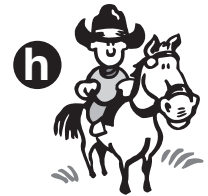
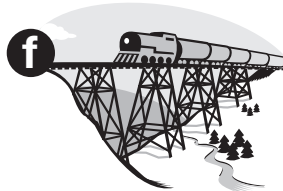


4. A pilot flew a \_\_\_\_\_ of the Silver Dart in 2009.

- brakes
- cloth
- engine
- famous
- first
- made
- ~~flew~~
- replica

## Types of travel

Write the word under the picture. Then use these words in the sentences below.



1. A \_\_\_\_\_ travels faster than a \_\_\_\_\_ .

2. A \_\_\_\_\_ carries more people than a \_\_\_\_\_ .

3. A \_\_\_\_\_ travels in the air. A \_\_\_\_\_ travels on water.

4. A \_\_\_\_\_ uses gas (fuel). A \_\_\_\_\_ eats food.

5. A \_\_\_\_\_ is larger than a \_\_\_\_\_ .

6. Many people travelled by \_\_\_\_\_ 100 years ago.



I like to travel by \_\_\_\_\_  
because \_\_\_\_\_ .

## Find the numbers

Answers on page TN-1

Fill in the blanks with the correct numbers from the box.

1. The Silver Dart flew about 800 metres.
2. The Silver Dart went about \_\_\_\_\_ km per hour.
3. Jarome Iginla scored his \_\_\_\_\_ point for the Flames.
4. The Alberta minimum wage went up to \$\_\_\_\_\_ per hour.
5. Earth Day is on April \_\_\_\_\_ .
6. The teacher phoned \_\_\_\_\_ and asked for an ambulance.
7. Galileo was born in \_\_\_\_\_ .
8. The Galileoscope costs about \$\_\_\_\_\_ U.S.

8.80

15

22

65

~~800~~

9-1-1

831st

1564



## Unscramble the words

Answers on page TN-1

Unscramble the names of these cities.

Next find the cities on the map.

Put the correct letters in the circles.

Then put an X on the map where you live.

**a** alygaCr     C  a  l  g  a  r  y  

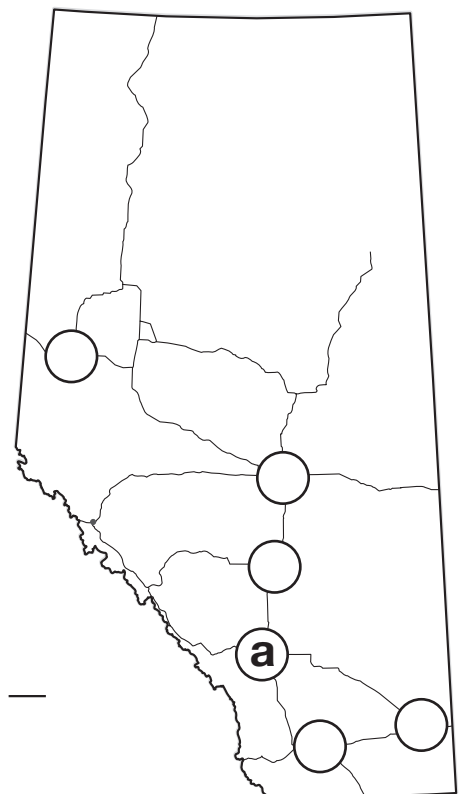
**b** dotomnEn   \_\_\_\_\_

**c** Rde ereD   \_\_\_\_\_

**d** hetbgLride   \_\_\_\_\_

**e** edeiMicn Hta   \_\_\_\_\_

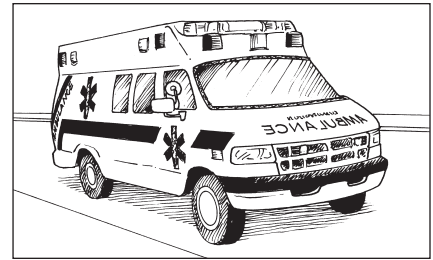
**f** renGda riraPei   \_\_\_\_\_



Read the story by Kabir and Ali on page 3 of *English Express*.

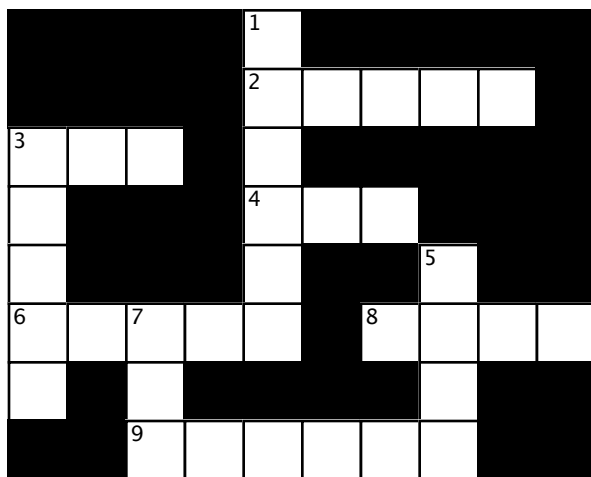
Write T if the sentence is true. Write F if the sentence is false.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Kabir and Ali are students.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. They are learning how to fix cars.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. They are learning about first aid.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. One day, a teacher felt sick. He fainted.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Kabir and Ali put the teacher in a chair.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Ali phoned 9-1-1.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. The police came to help the teacher.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. The teacher is okay now.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. The teacher was glad that the students helped him.



**Crossword**

The words in this crossword are from the story about safe cleaners on page 2 of *English Express*.



**Across**

- 2. Opposite of full
- 3. An old piece of cloth
- 4. Where you take a bath
- 6. Marble is a type of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8. Opposite of cool
- 9. You put food in a \_\_\_\_\_.



**Down**

- 1. You boil water in a \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. To wash with clear water
- 5. Opposite of dangerous
- 7. Spray on. Then wipe \_\_\_\_.