Space: Oxford Bookworms Library: Factfiles Stage 3

Before Reading
1 What do you know about space? Circle a, b, or c.

1 Stars are made of helium and _____.
   a) oxygen  b) nitrogen  c) hydrogen

2 The Sun is ____ million kilometres away.
   a) 12  b) 149  c) 1,692

3 The Earth, Mercury, Venus, and Mars are made of _____.
   a) rocks  b) gas  c) ice

4 The first humans walked on the Moon in _____.
   a) 1973  b) 1969  c) 1962

5 People thought that the straight lines on Mars were _____.
   a) roads  b) rivers  c) canals

6 Saturn’s rings are made of _____.
   a) ice  b) water  c) dust

While Reading

Read Chapters 1 and 2, then fill in the gaps with these words. astronaut, distance, galaxy, Moon, spiral, universe

1 The Earthrise photo was taken by an American _____.

2 It shows the Earth rising behind the _____.

3 A ____ is a very large group of stars.

4 The Big Bang is an idea about how the ____ began.

5 After the Big Bang, gases moved around in a ____ shape.

6 A light year is the ____ that light travels in a year.